CLINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 7, 2026 at 5:30pm
Round Valley School Library
128 Cokesbury Rd, Lebanon, NJ 08833

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Brennan called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE:
In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.), as amended, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by electronic publication on the official Clinton Township School District website on August 3, 2026, and was maintained in accordance with P.L. 2025, c. 72.

a. Notice was posted on the District Website, the main bulletin board in the Administration Offices, and in each Clinton Township School.
b. Please note that this meeting will be streamed.

ROLL CALL:

Board Member	Present	Absent	Time of arrival after meeting called to order:
Dr. Andrew Clarke	X		
Mr. Matthew Fernandes		X	
Dr. Scott Hornick	X		
Ms. Jennifer Kaltenbach		X	
Ms. Kathryn Miller	X		**5:30 p.m.**
Ms. Vanessa Preston		X	
Mr. Daniel Rosa	X		
Dr. Michael Blumenfeld	X		
Ms. Lana Brennan	X		

ALSO PRESENT:
Dr. Melissa Stager, Superintendent

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Dr. Blumenfeld led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

BOARD ACTION:

27-08a BA-01 MOTION TO APPOINT DR. MELISSA STAGER AS ACTING BOARD SECRETARY

Action Item 27-08a BA-01
Motion to appoint Dr. Melissa Stager as the acting Board Secretary in the absence of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the August 7, 2026 Special Board Meeting.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Action Item 27-08a BA-01

	Dr. Clarke	Mr. Fernandes	Dr. Hornick	Ms. Kaltenbach	Ms. Miller	Ms. Preston	Mr. Rosa	Dr. Blumenfeld	Ms. Brennan
Motion			2nd					X	
Aye	X		X				X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent		X		X	X	X			

5 Yes Votes
Motion Carries

RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC:

- Ms. Brennan asked if anybody was interested in speaking to the board. There were no requests to speak.

PERSONNEL:
Ms. Preston- Chair; Mr. Fernandes, Dr. Hornick

All Personnel Action Items listed below have been recommended by the Superintendent to the Clinton Township Board of Education for approval. Account codes are included for internal use and are subject to change.

Action Item 27-08a P-01
AMENDMENT OF EMPLOYMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, the Clinton Township Board of Education approves amendment of employment terms for the 2026-2027 school year to the following at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

#	Name / Account Number	Position	Location	Guide / Step / Salary	FTE	Effective Dates	PCR#
1	Jennifer Sernotti 11-000-240-103-900-035 11-000-221-104-900-035	Principal	PMG	$142,000.00 (prorated)	1.0	8/1/26 to 6/30/27	0000008

Action Item 27-08a-P-02
APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, the Clinton Township Board of Education approves employment for the 2025-2026 school year for the following at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

#	Name / Account Number	Position	Location	Guide / Step / Salary	FTE	Effective Dates	PCR#
1	Tina Hlinka 11-212-100-101-900-040	Special Education Teacher MD Classroom	RVS	$70,150.00	1.0	8/25/26 to 6/30/27	0000024

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Action Item 27-08a P-01 to 27-08a P-02

	Dr. Clarke	Mr. Fernandes	Dr. Hornick	Ms. Kaltenbach	Ms. Miller	Ms. Preston	Mr. Rosa	Dr. Blumenfeld	Ms. Brennan
Motion			2nd				X		
Aye	X		X				X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain									
Absent		X		X	X	X			

5 Yes Votes
Motion Carries

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

WHEREAS, while the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) requires all meetings of the Clinton Township Board of Education to be held in public, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine (9) types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in "Executive Session," i.e., without the public being permitted to attend; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton Township Board of Education has determined that the following issues are permitted by N.J.S.A. 10: 4-12(b) to be discussed without the public in attendance and shall be discussed during an Executive Session; and

WHEREAS, the nature of the matter(s) to be discussed, reviewed, or heard before the Board, detailed as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10: 4-12(b) et. seq., shall include residency, housing and legal matters;

WHEREAS, the length of the executive session is expected to be approximately 30 minutes, after which the meeting shall reconvene and proceed with business wherein action may be taken; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clinton Township Board of Education will go into Executive Session for the above-stated reasons; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby declares that its discussion of the subject will be made public at such time as the reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion to approve the above executive session resolution for the board adjourning to closed session for the reasons and duration stated above, after which the meeting shall reconvene and proceed with business wherein action may be taken.

Action 27-08a AJ-01
Motion made by Dr. Blumenfeld, seconded by Mr. Rosa, to adjourn the meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Education to executive session at 5:35 p.m.

By Consensus: 5 Yes Votes

RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION:

Action 27-08a AJ-02
Motion made by Mr. Rosa, seconded by Dr. Hornick, to reconvene the meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Education to public session at 6:04 p.m.

By Consensus: 5 Yes Votes

Action Item 27-08a BA-02 RESIDENCY MATTER

Action Item 27-08a BA-02
Motion made by Dr. Blumenfeld, seconded by Mr. Rosa, to deny the petitioner's request to attend CTSD based on policy and code due to lack of residency.

Board of Education Roll Call Vote on Action Item 27-08a BA-02

	Dr. Clarke	Mr. Fernandes	Dr. Hornick	Ms. Kaltenbach	Ms. Miller	Ms. Preston	Mr. Rosa	Dr. Blumenfeld	Ms. Brennan
Motion							2nd	X	
Aye			X		X		X	X	X
Nay									
Abstain	X								

Absent		X		X	X	X			

5 Yes Votes, 1 Recused
Motion Carries

ADJOURNMENT:

Action 27-08a AJ-03

Motion made by Mr. Rosa, seconded by Dr. Hornick, to adjourn the meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Education at 6:05 p.m.

By Consensus: 5 Yes Votes

NEXT MEETING DATES:

August 17, 2026 September 14, 2026 October 12, 2026 November 16, 2026

December 14, 2026 January 4, 2027*
*Organization Meeting