BERNARDS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
BASKING RIDGE, NEW JERSEY
MEETING INDEX
MAY 4, 2026
REGULAR SESSION 6:00 P.M.
EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:01 P.M.
RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
REGULAR SESSION 7:00 P.M.
RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

I. **Regular Session – Call to Order – 6:00 p.m.**

II. **Salute to the Flag**

III. **Roll Call**

IV. **Executive Session – 6:01 p.m.**

V. **Reconvene Regular Session – Call to Order – 7:00 p.m.**

VI. **Statement of Public Notice**

VII. **Student Representative –** MJ Chu

VIII. **Board President Comments**

IX. **Public Hearing 2026-27 Budget**

1) **2026-27 School Budget Presentation** – Jim Rollo, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Nick Markarian, Superintendent
2) Board Forum on Budget
3) Public Comment on Budget
4) Close Public Hearing on Budget

X. **Superintendent's Report**

1) 2024-25 District HIB Grade Report
2) Affirm Receipt of **HIB Report** Dated May 4, 2026
3) Approve **Overnight Field Trip Ridge High Sailing Team** 2025-26 School Year

XI. **Public Comment on Agenda Items**

XII. **Approval of Minutes**

XIII. **Finance Committee Report**

1) Approve **List of Disbursements** Dated May 4, 2026
2) Approve **School District Budget and General Fund Appropriations** 2026-27 School Year
3) Approve **Municipal Tax Levy** 2026-27 School Year
4) Approve **Student Activity Fee Schedule** 2026-27 School Year
5) Amend **ESEA Title I Grant Monies** 2025-26 School Year
6) Approve **Lease Purchase Agreement** 2025-26 School Year
7) Approve **Application for Focus Grant** 2025-26 School Year
8) Approve **Out-of-District Student Agreement** 2025-26 School Year
9) Approve **Home Instruction Services** 2025-26 School Year
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XIV. **Personnel Committee Report**

Report: Committee meeting of April 10, 2026

1) Accept Resignation **Hazal Aksoy Erdogan** School Aide Oak Street School 2026-27 School Year
2) Accept Resignation **Emily Coates** Instructional Aide BD Program Ridge High School 2025-26 School Year
3) Accept Resignation **Namita Jairaj** Instructional Aide CBAP Program Oak Street School 2026-27 School Year
4) Accept Resignation **Amanda O'Brien** School Aide Mount Prospect School 2026-27 School Year
5) Accept Resignation **Isabel Sardi** School Aide Mount Prospect School 2026-27 School Year
6) Approve Child Care Leave **Joanna Rice** Math Teacher Ridge High School 2026-27 School Year
7) Approve **Medical Leaves** 2025-26 School Year
8) Approve **Change In Assignments** 2025-26 School Year
9) Approve **Russell Lazovick** Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instructional District Office 2026-27 School Year
10) Approve **John Brum** Business Teacher Ridge High School 2025-26 School Year
11) Approve **Ekta Desai** Assistant Business Administrator District Office 2026-27 School Year
12) Approve **Carlos Sarmiento** Comptroller District Office 2026-27 School Year
13) Approve **Miguel Tolentino** Instructional Aide BRIDGES Program Cedar Hill School 2026-27 School Year
14) Approve **Various Assignments** 2025-26 School Year
15) Approve **Extra-Sections** 2025-26 School Year
16) Approve **Mentor** 2025-26 School Year
17) Approve **Extra-Curricular Assignment** 2026-27 School Year
18) Approve **Hershey Park Chaperones** 2025-26 School Year

XV. **Policy Committee Report**

Report on Progress

XVI. **Curriculum Committee Report**

Report on Progress

XVII. **Wellness Committee Report**

Report on Progress

XVIII. **Facilities & Operations Committee Report**

Report on Progress

XIX. **Liaison Committee Reports**

Report on Progress

XX. **Public Comment**

XXI. **Board Forum**

XXII. **Adjournment**