South Brunswick Board of Education
2026 Board Committees & Liaison Assignments

Business Operations / Township Shared Services (Facilities, Security, Trans., Tech.) 1. Mike Mitchell - Chair 2. Smitha Raj 3. Barry Nathanson 4. Laura Hernandez 5. Dr. Bernard Bragen, Jr. 6. Steven Corso	**Policy** 1. Deepa Karthik – Chair 2. Deven Patel 3. Rajesh Soni 4. Laura Hernandez 5. Dr. Bernard Bragen, Jr. 6. Steven Corso
Education (Curriculum, Instruction, Student Services) 1. Barry Nathanson - Chair 2. Alisha Khan 3. Mike Mitchell 4. Laura Hernandez 5. Dr. Bernard Bragen, Jr. 6. Suzanne Luck-Born, Dr. Jill Takacs – Admin POC	**Finance** 1. Raja Krishna - Chair 2. Rajesh Soni 3. Alisha Khan 4. Laura Hernandez 5. Dr. Bernard Bragen, Jr. 5. Steven Corso

Committees	Board Member Liaison(s) / Alternate
NJSBA Delegate Assembly Voting Member (Note: All Board members can attend meetings, but only one can vote on behalf of South Brunswick School District as its legislator.)	Mike Mitchell
South Brunswick Commission on Women	Alisha Khan
Special Education Liaison	Laura Hernandez

South Brunswick Schools	Board Member Liaison / Alternate
Dayton Preschool	Mike Mitchell
Deans Preschool	Mike Mitchell
Brooks Crossing Elementary School	Deepa Karthik, Raja Krishna
Brunswick Acres Elementary School	Laura Hernandez/Raja Krishna
Cambridge School Elementary School	Mike Mitchell/Laura Hernandez
Constable Elementary School	Barry Nathanson/ Laura Hernandez
Greenbrook Elementary School	Alisha Khan/Mike Mitchell
Indian Fields Elementary School	Rajesh Soni/Alisha Khan
Monmouth Junction Elementary School	Smitha Raj/Barry Nathanson
Crossroads North Middle School	Deven Patel/Alisha Khan
Crossroads South Middle School	Rajesh Soni/Smitha Raj
South Brunswick High School	Deven Patel/Deepa Karthik

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SBSD BOARD COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS

Finance

To seek all possible avenues to contain and/or reduce costs of all school district endeavors in order to best represent the financial interests of the taxpayers while providing quality educational experiences for students, aligning with strategic goals and complying with all federal, state, and board regulations and polices by promoting transparent communication of information and decision making and to ensure the budget is presented in a meaningful financial plan readily understood by all members of the community and creates a sound basis for decision-making

Policy

To verify structures and processes are in place to ensure accountability, transparency, responsiveness, rule of law, stability, equity and inclusiveness, empowerment, and broad-based participation. This includes ensuring Roberts Rules are being followed at all public meetings, recommendations for adoption of new or revised bylaws, policies and board regulations, hearing (non-contractual) board grievances arising out of policy/governance manual as determined by Board and ensure all Committee Chairs are posting committee agendas/minutes/reports in a timely and efficient manner.

Business Operations / Shared Services (Facilities, Security, Technology, Transportation)

It is the mission of this committee to provide a facilities, transportation, and security infrastructure that appropriately and effectively meets the programmatic needs of the students, safely transport them to/from school facilities. Along with working with the township/municipal government in identifying opportunities, we will strive to reach this mission by:

Facilities/Security/Technology

Reviewing and updating school and district plans, and procedures dealing with students, staff, schools, and community as they relate to health, academic, personal support, safety and technology.

Transportation

Reviewing policies to promote safe, economical and reasonably expeditious transportation of students as required by law and/or permitted by Board polices and regulations. Including recommendations on the approval or denial of parent appeals on bus transportation assignments.

Education (Curriculum, Instruction, Student Services)

It is the mission of this committee to ensure high quality instruction that will prepare students for a productive adult life, continuing education and responsible citizenship reaches all students. We will strive to reach this mission by:

- Meeting all Federal/State standards and mandates within every content area and every grade level. This includes expanding, sunsetting or modifying programs and/or courses.
- Being mindful of the fiscal responsibility of educating all students…identify opportunities to be fiscally responsible without impacting students' education.
- Ensuring all students have access to an equitable, efficient, rigorous and effective curriculum with a continued laser focus on reducing the achievement gap.

School Liaison

Under the direction of the superintendent, principal or another assigned supervisor, serves as a PTO liaison between parents, students, teachers and the community. Attends and participates in school events and fosters/encourages parents to participate in school, district, and community workshops, meetings and advisory committees. Assists with referring parents to follow district chain of command, maintains confidentiality of information and helps to maintain a welcoming, safe and supportive school environment in a diverse academic, socioeconomic, cultural, and ethnic community.

Negotiations

It is the mission of this committee to perform good faith negotiations between the BOE, represented (union) and at-will (non-union) employees. Represented groups include: Teachers, Principals/Supervisors, Head Custodians, Custodians, Bus Drivers, Para

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Professionals, Secretaries, Behavioral Technicians, Administrative Staff sans Superintendent and recommend a tentative contract to the full Board for approval.

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