

BERGENFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION

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AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING

Monday November 27, 2023

8:00 PM

Front Cafeteria of the High School

1. Meeting called to order by the President

2. Roll Call

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
President Joseph Amara	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Vice President Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Trustee Nelson Reynoso	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Trustee Deborah Podwin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Trustee Ovelis Munoz	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

B. 2023/2024 Board Goals

1. Continue to raise academic achievement levels of all students all subject areas to maintain ranking as a top tier school district
2. Continue to promote a supportive environment that promotes diversity, equity, and inclusive programming and curriculum for all
3. Continue to provide opportunities to expand critical thinking skills, SEL competencies, civic involvement, environmental awareness, and information literacy skills
4. Review, modify, and expand co-curricular activities, experiential learning, and community service opportunities
5. Continue to broaden public engagement with parents, students, and community while increasing parental engagement in the educational process

Flag Salute

Statement of the President

"The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend meetings of this Board, except where specifically exempted by law, at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having same advertised in The Record on June 30, 2023; also notice of this meeting has been mailed to the members of the Board, the Borough Clerk, all Elementary Schools, Roy W. Brown Middle School, the High School and District the Website on November 21, 2023."

3. Minutes

1. Motion to accept and approve the Minutes for October 2023.

4. Written Communication: None

5. Verbal Comments

The Bergenfield Board of Education now opens the floor for our first public comment session. Public comments regarding tonight's agenda items only will be heard at this time. You will have an opportunity to make any other comments during the 2nd public comment session later in the meeting.

6. Report and Recommendations of Superintendent of Schools

A. Student Representative Report

B. General Recommendations

1. Motion to accept and approve the attached Personnel Recommendations.
2. Motion to accept and approve the November 13, 2023, Special Education Monthly Report as per the attached.
3. Motion to accept and approve the Edpuzzle subscription renewal for Roy W. Brown Middle School and Bergenfield High School, amount not to exceed \$5,880.00, payable through LEA Funds.
4. Motion to accept and approve the in-district Professional Development by Inspired Instruction, LLC, Best Practices for Student Centered Classrooms, a.m./p.m. sessions, scheduled to be held on November 7, 2023, cost not to exceed \$2,550.00, payable through Title IIA Funds.
5. Motion to accept and approve the purchase of a 1-year subscription of the ALEKS Program for the Alternative High School and Bergenfield High School, from McGraw Hill LLC, amount not to exceed \$2,277.00, payable through Title I Funds.
6. Motion to accept and approve the quote from MJS Removal Services for the removal of contaminated soil and wood chips at Hoover Elementary School, at a cost of \$2,100.00.
7. Motion to accept and approve the attached quote from IXL Learning for the IXL site license renewal (Grades K-12) in the total amount of \$10,200.00 payable through LEA Funds.
8. Motion to accept and approve the Revised Special Education Consultants dated 11/16/2023 as per the attached for the 2023/2024 School Year.
9. Motion to accept and approve the continuation of student suspensions for students whose names are annexed in the Superintendent's Office.
10. Motion to accept and approve the attached HIB Report.
11. Motion to accept and approve the purchase of refreshments for each of the 9 sessions of Project Welcome offered at Bergenfield High School from November 20th through June 3rd at a total amount not to exceed \$900 payable through Title III Immigrant.
12. Motion to accept and approve the following conferences payable out of Title II Funds.

<u>Name(s)</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
D. Massey	Guidance Counselor	Felician University Guidance Counselor Holiday Luncheon, Rutherford, NJ, 12/8/23	-	\$0.00	-
E. Valera	Guidance Counselor	NJIT's School Counselor Appreciation Day, Newark, NJ, 12/15/23	-	\$0.00	-
D. Markman	Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum	NJASA Techspo 2024 Conference, Atlantic City, NJ, 1/24/24 through 1/26/24	20-273-200-500-15-270	\$540.00	Title II
K. Agosta	Science Teacher	Innovation Institute: Focusing Forward-Preparing Future Ready Students, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 04/15/24 to 04/16/24	-	\$0.00	-

13. Motion to accept and approve the following travel reimbursement payable through Title II funds.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Lodge</u>	<u>Meals</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Tolls/ Parking/ Airfare</u>	<u>Account</u>
K. Agosta	Innovation Institute: Focusing Forward-Preparing Future Ready Students, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 04/15/24 to 04/16/24	-	\$114.75	-	\$237.79 (Airfare)	20-273-200-500-15-270
D.	NJASA	\$234.44	\$87.25	\$126.95	\$19.60	20-273-200-500-15-270

Markman	Techspo 2024 Conference, Atlantic City, NJ, 1/24/24 through 1/26/24				(Tolls) \$15.00 (Parking)	
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14. Motion to accept and approve the submission of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools Mid Term Report.

7. Old Business: None

8. New Business

- A. Motion to accept and approve the attached Use of Facilities.
- B. Motion to accept and approve the attached Specialty Contracts for the 2023/2024 School Year.
- C. Motion to accept and approve the attached Tuition Contracts with Bergen County Special Services for the 2023/2024 School Year.
- D. Motion to accept and approve the attached Tuition Contracts for Received Students for the 2023/2024 School Year.
- E. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from V.E. Ralph & Son for bleeding control kits at a cost of \$27,720 on Cooperative Bid New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance # BC-22-14.
- F. Motion to accept and approve the agreement for the Trees for Schools Grant for the amount of \$12,346.40. The grant will be used for tree planting.
- G. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from Combustion Services for the replacement of hot water pumps #2 and #4 at Bergenfield High School at a cost of \$49,600 on Cooperative Bid Ed Data # 10392.
- H. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from Academy Construction Inc. for the environmental clean-up at Roy W. Brown Middle School at a cost of \$16,719.16 on Cooperative Bid HCESC-SER-22-15.
- I. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from Eastern Datacomm for annual support for the paging system at a total cost of \$11,000 on Cooperative Bid # ESCNJ Emergency Notification System 22/23-09.
- J. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from Eastern Datacomm for annual support for the LENS2/LENS3 system at a total cost of \$16,000.00 on Cooperative Bid # ESCNJ Emergency Notification System 22/23-09.
- K. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from Eastern Datacomm for annual support for the ShoreTel/Mitel system at a total cost of \$39,825.00 on Cooperative Bid # ESCNJ Emergency Notification System 22/23-09.
- L. Motion to accept and approve the FY24 Pre-Kindergarten Projected Enrollment report to be submitted to NJDOE.

- M. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from McGraw Hill for Anatomy and Physiology Honors textbooks in the amount of \$11,388.30.
- N. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from Public Sewer Service for acid neutralization tank maintenance at Bergenfield High School at a cost of \$6,850 on cooperative bid Ed Data# 11647.
- O. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from White Rock Cybersecurity for Microsoft Licensing at a cost of \$29,454.10 on Cooperative Bid NJECC.
- P. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from Northeast Roof Maintenance for repairs at Jefferson Elementary School in the amount of \$7,440 on cooperative bid BC-Bid-22-40.
- Q. Motion to accept and approve the General Fund and Fund 20 Inter-Account Transfers as per the attached list.

9. Report and Recommendations of Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Motion to accept and approve the following as presented:

- A. The Secretary's Report of Cash Balances as of October 31, 2023 reflecting a balance of \$18,036,665.80 and The Treasurer's Report of Cash Balances as of October 31, 2023 reflecting a balance of \$18,036,665.80.
- B. Final Vouchers for payment in the month of October 2023 in the total amount of \$10,953,896.20.
- C. Partial Vouchers for payment in the month of November 2023 in the total amount of \$5,478,744.10.
- D. Motion to accept and approve the following:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3, the Board of Education Secretary certifies that as of October 31, 2023 that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4, the Board of Education Secretary certifies that as of October 31, 2023, after review of the District's monthly financial reports, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

10. Verbal Comments

The Bergenfield Board of Education now opens the floor for our 2nd public comment for any other comments at this time.

11. Adjournment