

# Alpha Borough Public School Board of Education

## REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

October 15, 2024 7:00 p.m.

# Agenda

### I. CALL TO ORDER

### II. OPENING STATEMENTS

#### A. Reading of the Notice of Public Meeting-

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is either discussed or acted upon. The Board has fully complied with the notice requirements by advertising in The Express Times and The Star-Ledger posting publicly and by notifying the Municipal Clerk of the date, time and place of the meeting.

#### B. Roll Call

Travis Conway	_____
Louis Hardy	_____
Christopher McGee	_____
Jennifer Pettinelli	_____
Loretta Reed	_____
Patrick Smith	_____
Brian Williams	_____

#### C. Flag Salute – Pledge of Allegiance

#### D. Silent Meditation

#### E. District Mission Statement:

The mission of the Alpha Public School is to provide every student with the opportunity to receive a high quality education, in a small, personal, caring, safe and positive environment in which all students at all grade levels achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards. In partnership with the parents and the community, a competent and dedicated staff guides students to develop confidence and become productive and contributing members of a constantly changing society.

### III. PRESENTATION

### IV. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2024 regular meeting.

VOICE VOTE

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Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2024 executive session.

VOICE VOTE

Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2024 work session.

VOICE VOTE

Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2024 executive session.

VOICE VOTE

**V. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD**

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

**VII. MONTHLY REPORTS OF BOARD SECRETARY AND TREASURER**

Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the acceptance of the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer for the month of **September 2024** and further that, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c3, the Board of Education certifies that as of **September 30, 2024**, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials no major account has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10c4 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Conway	_____	Reed	_____	Smith	_____
Hardy	_____	Williams	_____		
Pettinelli	_____	McGee	_____		

**VIII. APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS/LIST OF BILLS**

Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the September 18, 2024 through October 15, 2024 current expense bill list for check numbers 21600 to 21656 totaling \$872,971.90.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Conway	_____	Reed	_____	Smith	_____
Hardy	_____	Williams	_____		
Pettinelli	_____	McGee	_____		

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IX. PUBLIC INPUT

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X. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL, NEGOTIATIONS, STUDENT ISSUES, AND/OR LEGAL MATTERS

In – Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_.

VOICE VOTE

Out – Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_.

VOICE VOTE

XI. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

XII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

**ACTION ITEMS:** Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator

CONSENT AGENDA: Matters listed within the consent agenda have been referred to members of the Board of Education and/or its standing committees, for reading and study, are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion.

**Consent Agenda Motion: BOARD AFFAIRS**

Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the following board affairs agenda item 1.1 through 1.4.

- 1.1 To approve the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan (CMP).
- 1.2 To approve the Annual Maintenance Budget Amount Worksheet (M-1).
- 1.3 To accept the NJSCA Educator Mini-Grant in the amount of \$2,000 for the “Igniting Creativity: Exploring Pyrography for Artistic Environment”.
- 1.4 To approve the HIB Self-Assessment.

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Conway \_\_\_\_\_ Reed \_\_\_\_\_ Smith \_\_\_\_\_
Hardy \_\_\_\_\_ Williams \_\_\_\_\_
Pettinelli \_\_\_\_\_ McGee \_\_\_\_\_

Consent Agenda Motion: PERSONNEL AFFAIRS

Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the following personnel affairs agenda items 3.1 through 3.6.

- 3.1 To approve Ava Battle to perform 20 hours of observation hours in district on 10/17, 10/18, 10/22, 10/26 and 10/27.
3.2 To approve Jen Truby, Mary Richardson, Bruce Lampman-Perlman, Ernie Kaminski, Kristine McGrath and Brianna McAleer as Jumpstart instructors for the 2024-25 school year to be paid at the contractual rate.
3.3 To approve Caroline Kirk as a substitute teacher for the 2024-25 school year.
3.4 To approve Keri Sinoy as a substitute teacher for the 2024-25 school year pending certification.
3.5 To approve Jen Truby as a homebound instructor for the 2024-25 school year, on an as needed basis, to be paid at the contractual rate.
3.6 To approve Celine Rodriguez as a part-time paraprofessional for the 2024-25 school year, beginning on October 15th, at a salary of \$16,000 prorated for time worked.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Conway \_\_\_\_\_ Reed \_\_\_\_\_ Smith \_\_\_\_\_
Hardy \_\_\_\_\_ Williams \_\_\_\_\_
Pettinelli \_\_\_\_\_ McGee \_\_\_\_\_

Consent Agenda Motion: SCHOOL AFFAIRS

Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the following school affairs agenda items 4.1 through 4.5.

- 4.1 To approve the placement of the identified students in the Phillipsburg Scholl District's ESY'24 program at a tuition cost and personal aide cost of \$11,615.52.
4.2 To approve the placement of the identified student in the Clinton Glen Gardner School District's MD special education program for the 2024-25 school year at a tuition cost of \$45,050 and a personal aide cost of \$47,895 for a total amount of \$92,945.
4.3 To approve the following building use requests:
i. PTO on 9/27/24 from 4:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the gym, cafeteria and lobby for a "Back To School Fun Night".
ii. PTO on 3/14/25 from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm and 3/15/25 from 7:00 am to

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- 3:00 pm in the gym, cafeteria and lobby for the craft fair.
- iii. PTO on 10/25/24 from 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the gym, cafeteria and lobby for the Halloween Dance.
- iv. APS on 11/25/24 – 11/27/24 from 8:15 am to 12:30 pm and 11/25/24 & 11/26/24 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the cafeteria for the Book Fair.
- v. AYAA on Saturdays from 12/7/24 to 2/8/25 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm in the gym for games.
- vi. AYAA on Monday through Thursday from 1/2/25 to 3/1/25 from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the gym for practices and games.

**4.4 To approve the following fundraiser requests:**

- 8<sup>th</sup> grade to have a blanket sale until October 21<sup>st</sup> year to raise money for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class.

**4.5 To approve the field trips as presented.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

Conway _____	Reed _____	Smith _____
Hardy _____	Williams _____	
Pettinelli _____	McGee _____	

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**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to adjourn at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

**VOICE VOTE**