

Alpha Borough Public School Board of Education

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

November 18, 2025 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

Lindsey Culcasi	_____
Christopher McGee	_____
Jennifer Pettinelli	_____
Loretta Reed	_____
Patrick Smith	_____
Brian Williams	_____
Vacancy	_____

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 October 14, 2025 regular meeting.

VOICE VOTE

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Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2025 executive session.

VOICE VOTE

V. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. MONTHLY REPORTS OF BOARD SECRETARY AND TREASURER

None

VIII. APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS/LIST OF BILLS

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the October 15, 2025 through November 18, 2025 current expense bill list for check numbers 22241 to 22295 totaling \$981,467.61.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Culcasi	_____	Williams	_____
Reed	_____	Pettinelli	_____
Smith	_____	McGee	_____

IX. PUBLIC INPUT

Public participation shall be governed by BOE Bylaw 0167 Public Participation in Board Meetings. Public comments are invited on matters pertaining only to the agenda at this time. All participants shall be given three (3) minutes to speak and shall state their name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate.

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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

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: BUSINESS AFFAIRS

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following business affairs agenda items **2.1** through **2.3**.

- 2.1** To enter into a joint transportation agreement with the Pohatcong Township School District for the 2025-26 school year at a total annual cost of \$141,851.91.
- 2.2** To accept the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and Auditor’s Management Report on Administrative Findings for the Year Ending June 30, 2025 and order that a copy be filed in the business office and with the New Jersey Department of Education.
- 2.3** To acknowledge that there were no audit recommendations under the following headings and to approve the corrective action plan.

Audit for Year Ending June 30, 2025

Schedule of findings of Non-Compliance None

Summary of Recommendations

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| 1. Administrative Practices and Procedures | None |
| 2. Financial Accounting and Reporting | None |
| 3. School Purchasing Programs | None |
| 4. School Food Service | None |
| 5. Student Body Activities | None |
| 6. Applications for State School Aid | None |

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| 7. Pupil Transportation | None |
| 8. Facilities and Capital Assets | None |
| 9. Miscellaneous | None |
| 10. Follow-up on prior year findings | None |

ROLL CALL VOTE

Culcasi	_____	Williams	_____
Reed	_____	Pettinelli	_____
Smith	_____	McGee	_____

Consent Agenda Motion: PERSONNEL AFFAIRS

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following personnel affairs agenda items **3.1** through **3.2**.

- 3.1** To approve Schkira Pittman as a part-time aide for the 2025-26 school year, beginning on 11/18/25, at an annual salary of \$16,320 prorated for time worked.
- 3.2** To approve the American Detective Agency to provide private investigation services for the 2025-26 school year, on an as needed basis, at a cost of \$85 per hour and mileage reimbursement of \$0.45 per mile.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Culcasi	_____	William	_____
Reed	_____	Pettinelli	_____
Smith	_____	McGee	_____

Consent Agenda Motion: SCHOOL AFFAIRS

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following school affairs agenda items **4.1** through **4.6**.

- 4.1** To approve the placement of the identified student in the Marie H. Katzenbach School for the Deaf state facility for the 2025-26 school year at a tuition cost of \$63,226 and a personal aide cost of \$18,900.
- 4.2** To approve the school bus emergency evacuation drill that took place on 10/15/25.
- 4.3** To approve the placement of the identified student in the Bonnie Brae School District for the period of 11/1/25 through 11/30/25 during the 2025-26 school year at a tuition cost of \$7,123.
- 4.4** To approve the Brookfield Schools – Homebound Division/For KEEPS Program to provide instructional services to the identified student for the 2025-26 school year, beginning on 10/16/25 and continuing while the student receives treatment at the Saint Peter’s University Hospital, at an hourly rate of \$35.

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4.5 To approve the following building use requests:

- i. NJHS on 12/3/25 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the gym and cafeteria for the NJHS ceremony.

4.6 To approve the following fundraiser requests:

- Class of 2026 to conduct a bake sale fundraiser on 11/20/25 to raise money for the 8th grade class trip.
- 8th grade to conduct a restaurant fundraiser on 10/24/25, 11/12/25 and 12/10/25 to raise money for graduation and class trip.
- Band and choir to sell Shammy Shine gift cards on 11/24/25 through 12/8/25 to be used for the Dorney Park trip.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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Reed	_____	Pettinelli	_____
Smith	_____	McGee	_____

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XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, to adjourn at _____ p.m.

VOICE VOTE