ALPHA BOROUGH PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Work Session Meeting Minutes – July 1, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Approved September 15, 2026

I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER**:**

President, Christopher McGee called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked everyone to please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and a subsequent moment of silence.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:

Christopher McGee read the following statement:

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.

ROLL CALL

Present	Absent
President, Christopher McGee	Loretta Reed
Vice-President, Jennifer Pettinelli	
Lindsey Culcasi	
Patrick Smith	
Brian Williams	

Others Present

Seth Cohen, Chief School Administrator

Flag Salute – Pledge of Allegiance

Silent Meditation

II. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

None

III. PRESENTATION

None

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Playground Update – demolition of the old playground almost complete with a big thanks to Lou Hardy for all of his work in making it happen.

V. PUBLIC INPUT

None

VI. WORKSHOP DISCUSSION ITEMS

Operations: Soft opening of online parent forms, NJSMART to become NJSLED – should flow smoothly.

Personnel: Maternity Leave – checking on status of employee in question.
CSA Evaluation – there were technical glitches causing issues for the Chief School Administrator to complete his part.

Technology: Only two non-updateable computers which is down from ten, this is good news.

Policy: New Strategic Plan before 2027 – need to begin planning committee and gather ideas.

Budget: Special education costs – much of our costs and needs are constantly changing due to ever changing student needs.

Facilities: Waiting for final long-range facilities document.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Discussed ICE policies and advised that the school remains neutral on issues and follows legal guidelines.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m. on a motion by Patrick Smith, seconded by Brian Williams.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher McGee
Board President