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SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

LACEY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES REGULAR MEETING - APRIL 17, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Lacey Township Board of Education was held on April 17, 2025 at the Lacey Township High School. The meeting was called to order by Board President Kim Klaus at 6:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Klaus led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Adequate Notice of this meeting was advertised in the Asbury Park Press and the Beacon on January 9, 2025, and by posting the notice in the Forked River Post Office and the Lanoka Harbor Post Office, and by filing a copy of the notice with the Lacey Township Clerk, as required by the Open Public Meeting Act.

ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Kim Klaus, President

Jack Conaty, Vice President

Cheryl Armato

Dan Bell

Salvatore Armato

Absent: Linda A. Walker

Harold "Skip" Peters, Jr.

Also Present: William W. Zylinski, Acting Superintendent

Sharon Ormsbee, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Cameron Morgan, Board Attorney

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Be It Resolved, that an executive session be convened for the purpose of discussing:

- Confidential Student Matters Including, but not limited to Harassment Intimidation and Bullying
- Confidential Legal Matters Including, but not limited to the current caseload
- Confidential Personnel Matters

The subject matter of these discussions will be disclosed to the public when the reason for confidentiality subsides. The length of the executive session is estimated to be approximately sixty (60) minutes after which the Board shall reconvene and proceed with business at 7:00 p.m. Action may be taken.

Motion to enter executive session.

Motion by Mr. Armato, seconded by Mrs. Klaus. All were in favor.

The Board entered executive session at 6:04 p.m.

Move to adjourn executive session.

Motion by Mr. Bell. All were in favor.

Executive session adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

RESUME MEETING - REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Mr. Zylinski, Acting Superintendent, congratulated Dylan Zach on pitching a perfect game today.

• Student Representative Comment

Student Representative, *Kayla Fitzpatrick, SGA President*, shared updates on events the students recently held and upcoming events. The sophomores held their walkathon fundraiser and are preparing for their graduation lawn sign fundraiser; juniors are planning their end of year fundraiser "Kiss a Senior Goodbye," powderpuff game and junior prom; seniors are planning senior prom and the senior raffle fundraiser. The SGA elections for 2025-2026 are complete. Mr. Lacey fundraiser will take place on June 3rd. The last meeting is scheduled for May 5th.

Student Representative, *Erik Stroin, Senior Class President*, presented the *Matthew Blum Unsung Hero Award* for April to *Olivia Miller*. Congratulations *Olivia!*

• Report of the Superintendent

- Mr. Zylinski, Acting Superintendent, introduced the following presenters:
 - Mr. Jason King, Principal, Lacey Township High School, presented the *Seniors of the Month* for April to *Sofia A. Musmanni and Dylan R. Zech. Congratulations Sofia and Dylan!*
 - Mr. Matthew Holmberg, presented the students who were chosen to perform in the 2025 Elementary Honors Band Festival.
 - Building Principals presented the 2025-2026 Teachers of the Year:
 - Keena Frechette Lacey Township High School
 - Melissa Paz Lacey Township Middle School
 - Michelle Papa Cedar Creek Elementary School
 - Kirsten Nachman Forked River Elementary School
 - Deborah Ritner Lanoka Harbor Elementary School
 - Ashley Smida Mill Pond Elementary School

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment included students, parents, and community members coming together to strongly oppose proposed budget cuts that would eliminate sports, clubs, and extracurricular activities. Comments emphasized how vital these programs are for student development, mental health, academic motivation, and college opportunities. The community also criticized the state's flawed S2 funding formula and called for greater transparency around tax referendums. In place of cuts, they proposed alternative solutions like land sales, alumni fundraising, and reviving a community education foundation. The overwhelming message was clear: cutting these programs would be deeply harmful to students and the future of the district. The board was urged to make decisions not just based on numbers, but with compassion, creativity, and commitment to the students they serve.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

SUPERINTENDENT COMMENT

Mr. Zylinski, Acting Superintendent, commented on the district's severe financial challenges. Despite a decade of fiscally responsible management—marked by staying within the 2% tax levy cap, cutting 150 staff positions, reducing budgets, and operating with one of the lowest per-pupil expenditures in New Jersey—the district continues to struggle. The superintendent emphasized that investing in education supports community growth, property values, and future workforce development, warning that underfunding limits student opportunities and perpetuates educational decline.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Congratulations to the Seniors of the Month, the Matthew Blum Unsung Hero recipient, the Elementary Honors Band participants and the Teachers of the Year. The board comments included the current state of the school district, its challenges, conversations with Senator Armato and Congressman Chris Smith, and highlighting legislative actions concerning the state school funding formula. The public was thanked for their comments. Comments regarding cutting extracurricular activities and encouraging parents to take responsibility for their children's education at home and to stay involved in the process. Comment emphasizing the board's ongoing work behind the scenes and the need for compromise. The board shared hope that the state would provide the necessary flexibility to allow the board to make decisions that are best for the district, without resorting to further cuts. The board remains committed to transparency and working together toward solutions.

RESOLUTIONS

(A) <u>NEW BUSINESS</u> (1 - 17)

Move that the Board approve the following Meeting Minutes - A.1.:

Motion by Mr. Armato, seconded by Mr. Conaty. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye

Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye; Special Meeting 03.27.25 - recuse

Mrs. Armato - aye

Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye; Executive Session #2 03.18.25 - recuse

Mrs. Klaus - aye

1. <u>MEETING MINUTES</u> (A1)

MOTION: Move that the Board approve Minutes from the following meetings:

- Regular Meeting held on March 18, 2025
- Executive Session #1 held on March 18, 2025
- Executive Session #2 held on March 18, 2025
- Special Meeting held on March 27, 2025

BOARD SECRETARY'S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION

I certify that as of February 28, 2025, no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3.

PAYROLL CERTIFICATION

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary reports, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:19-1b, has certified the March 2025 payroll in the amount of \$5,039,047.67 which includes \$223,028.69 representing the employer's share of TPAF Social Security.

Move that the Board approve the following List of Bills - A.2.:

Motion by Mr. Conaty, seconded by Mr. Armato. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye

Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - ave

Mrs. Armato - ave

Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye; 955339, 289299, 283300 - recuse

Mrs. Klaus - ave

2. <u>LIST OF BILLS - APRIL 2025</u> (A2)

MOTION: Move that the Board approve payment of bills for April 2025 totaling \$11,734,923.07.

	TOTAL	\$11,734,923.07
Fund 90	Agency Fund	1,476,352.11
Fund 61	Cafeteria Fund	190,133.61
Fund 40	Debt Service	1,579,250.00
Fund 20	Special Revenue Fund	639,680.29
Fund 10	General Current Expense	\$7,849,507.06

Move that the Board approve the following Transfers & S1701 Reporting - A.3. - A.4.:

Motion by Mr. Armato, seconded by Mrs. Armato. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye

Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - ave

Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye

Mrs. Klaus - aye

3. <u>APPROVAL OF LIST OF TRANSFERS AND S1701 TRANSFER REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2025</u> (A3)

MOTION: Move that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the attached List of Transfers and S1701 Transfer Report for the month of February 2025.

4. BOARD SECRETARY AND CASH REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2025 (A4)

MOTION:

Move that the Report of the Secretary to the Board of Education and the Cash Report for **February 2025**, which are in agreement, be accepted as submitted and attached to and made part of the minutes of this meeting. Further move that the Lacey Township School District Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, certify that as of **February 28, 2025**, after review of the Board Secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriations section) and Cash Report, and upon consultation with appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a)1 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Move that the Board approve the following Finance & Facilities items - A.5. - A.11.:

Motion by Mr. Armato, seconded by Mr. Conaty. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - ave

Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - ave

Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - ave

Mrs. Klaus - aye

5. SALE OF SOLAR RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDITS (SRECS)

MOTION: Move that the Lacey Township Board of Education memorialize the April 14, 2025 sale of 84 Funding

Year 2025 Solar Renewable Energy Credits (SRECs) to Spectron Energy Inc. at a market price of \$200

per SREC for a total of \$16,800 (less a \$1 per SREC, or \$84 commission).

6. NJ STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASE - CYBERSECURITY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MOTION:

Move that the Lacey Township Board of Education approve the NJ State Cooperative purchase for the 2025-2026 school year of the following Cybersecurity Professional Development:

Vendor	Dellicker Strategies, LLC 8766 Bittners Court Germansville, PA 18053		
Contract #	#65MCESCCPS ESCNJ 23/24-13		
Details	Description	Amount	
Diamond Subscription	 850 seats of KnowBe4 Security Awareness Training Professional Development for a 12 month period beginning May 20, 2025 	\$12,337.92	
Account and Amount	11-190-100-340-09-0000	\$12,337.92	

7. ACCEPTANCE OF NJCCIC CYBERSECURITY GRANT

MOTION:

Move that the Lacey Township Board of Education approve the acceptance of the New Jersey Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Cell (NJCCIC) Grant through the office of New Jersey Homeland Security and Preparedness and is hosted within the CrowdStrike environment. The (4) year agreement beginning April 18, 2025 through April 30, 2029 is as follows and will be charged to GAAP Account #11-190-100-340-09-0000:

Coverage Year	# Endpoints Requested	Cost per Endpoint	State Share per Endpoint	State Share Subtotal	Local Entity Cost Share per Endpoint	Local Entity Cost Share Subtotal
Year 1	1250	\$57.00	\$57.00	\$71,250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Year 2	1250	\$57.00	\$45.60	\$57,000.00	\$11.40	\$14,250.00
Year 3	1250	\$57.00	\$39.90	\$49,875.00	\$17.10	\$22,098.75
Year 4	1250	\$57.00	\$34.20	\$42,750.00	\$22.80	\$29,465.00
Totals	1250	\$228.00	\$176.70	\$220,875.00	\$51.30	\$65,813.75

8. <u>CANCELLATION OF PRESCHOOL FACILITIES EXPANSION GRANT ACCEPTANCE, PHASE II - MILL POND</u>

MOTION:

Move that the Board approve the cancellation of acceptance of the Preschool Facilities Expansion Grant Funding in the amount of \$1,350,000 for the Mill Pond Elementary School project which was approved at the regular meeting of the Board of Education on January 16, 2025.

9. PURCHASE OF EDUCATIONAL GOODS AND SERVICES - PROXIMITY LEARNING FOR SPANISH - LIVE VIRTUAL INSTRUCTION FOR GRADES 6 & 7

MOTION:

Move that the Board approve the purchase of Proximity Learning for Spanish Live Virtual Instruction curriculum for students in grades 6 & 7. Proximity Learning - *Quote* # 20250317-180141000, with principal offices located at 1800 E 4th Street, Suite 131, Austin, TX 78702, for a contract period from April 28, 2025 through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$18,599.94, to be charged to GAAP Account #11-190-100-320-10-0000.

10. RESOLUTION OF THE LACEY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE NAMING OF A BRAND NAME PRODUCT IN THE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE ROOFTOP UNIT

MOTION:

WHEREAS, the Lacey Township School District ("Board) has determined to undertake a project consisting of Select Rooftop Unit Replacements at Lacey Twp Middle School - FVHD #5624 hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Project."); and

WHEREAS, based upon the advice and recommendation of its design professionals, the Board determined that it is in its best interests to require the use of brand name products for these replacements, modification and upgrades; and

WHEREAS, the specifications for the Project identify HVAC Direct Digital Control (DDC) Energy Management System, manufactured by Johnson Controls as the only acceptable products for these replacements, modification and/or upgrades; and

WHEREAS, equipment manufactured is specified for the HVAC Direct Digital Control (DDC) Energy Management System, manufactured by Johnson Controls for the following reasons:

The Project includes the extension of, and reliance upon, the existing building wide HVAC Direct Digital Control (DDC) Energy Management System, manufactured by Johnson Controls at Lacey Township Middle School Building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the specifications for the HVAC Direct Digital Control (DDC) Energy Management System, manufactured by Johnson Controls.

11. USE OF FACILITIES

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the following Use of Facilities: (As of 04/16/25)

School	Organization	ID	Date(s)	Time	Day(s)	Fee
LTHS	Lacey Recreation Lacey Youth Wrestling Club Wrestling Camp	2567791	07/07 - 07/09/25	8:00am - 5:00pm Gymnasium	M, Tu, W	N
	Girl Scouts of Jersey Shore Troop 50215 Field Day	2619418	06/13/25	6:00pm - 8:00pm Soccer Field	F	N
MPS	Off 2 Feet Basketball Practice	2603712	04/04 - 06/13/25	7:30pm - 9:00pm Gymnasium	F	Y*
	Lacey Recreation Lacey Revolution Pop Warner Football Practice	2619896	03/28 - 06/06/25	6:00pm - 7:30pm Soccer Field B	F	N

	Lacey Recreation	2621665	07/14 - 10/31/25	5:00pm - 8:00pm	M - F	N
	Lacey Revolution Pop Warner			Soccer Field		
	Football Practice					
CCS	Girl Scouts of Jersey Shore	2500302	04/17 - 05/15/25	6:00pm - 8:30pm	Th	N
	Girl Scout Meetings			Multipurpose Room		
	NJ Fire Girl's Basketball	2619099	06/03 - 06/26/25	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Tu, Th	N
	Practice			Multipurpose Room		
FRS	Champions	2621486	05/30/25	6:15pm - 8:30pm	F	Y*
	Parent's Night Out			Multipurpose Room		

^{*}Custodial, food service and/or facility fees may apply.

Move that the Board approve the following Student Tuition & Transportation items - A.12.:

Motion by Mr. Conaty, seconded by Mr. Armato. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - aye Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye Mrs. Klaus - aye

12. 2024-2025 OUT OF DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENT

MOTION:

Move that the Board approve the out-of-district transportation services agreement with Essex Regional Educational Services Commission (ERESC) for the 2024-2025 school year to be charged to GAAP Account #11-000-270-518-01-0000.

Route #	School	Provider	Effective	Cost
FEDC19Q	FedCap School - West Orange, NJ	L & RS Transit Inc.	01/28/25 - 06/30/25	\$30,200

Move that the Board approve the following Other items - A.13. - A.14.:

Motion by Mr. Conaty, seconded by Mr. Armato. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - aye Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye Mrs. Klaus - aye

13. PARTICIPATION IN NJSIAA FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

MOTION:

The Board of Education of the Lacey Township School District, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as provided for in Chapter 172 Laws 1979 (N.J.S.A. 18A:11-3, et. seq) herewith enrolls the Lacey Township High School as a member of the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association to participate in the approved interschool athletic program sponsored by the NJSIAA. This resolution is to continue in effect until or unless rescinded by the Board of Education and shall be included among those policies adopted annually by the Board. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-3 in adopting this resolution, the Board of Education adopts as its own policy and agrees to be governed by the Constitution Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of the NJSIAA.

14. **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TEAM**

MOTION:

Move that the Board approve the following staff members to comprise the Affirmative Action Team for the purpose of developing and submitting the three-year Comprehensive Equity Plan for the school year 2025-2026 through 2027-2028.

Michelle Amos	District Supervisor
Brian Chesley	LTMS Assistant Principal
Aimee DelVento	Athletic Director
Timothy Dowd	District Supervisor
Michele England	LTHS Assistant Principal
Mallory Krakovsky	District Supervisor
Leah Purpuri	Supervisor of Guidance

Move that the Board approve the following Policies & Regulations - A.15.:

Motion by Mr. Conaty, seconded by Mrs. Armato. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - ave Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - ave Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye Mrs. Klaus - aye

15. **POLICIES AND REGULATIONS**

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the first reading of the following Policies & Regulations:

R 2440	Summer Session	Revised	(B1)
P 5516	Use of Communication Devices	Revised	(B2)
R 5516	Use of Communication Devices	New	(B3)
P 6471.02	Use of School Corporation Vehicles	New	(B4)
P 7250	School and Facility Names	Revised	(B5)

Move that the Board approve the following HIB items - A.16. - A.17.:

Motion by Mr. Armato, seconded by Mr. Conaty. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - ave

Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye Mrs. Klaus - aye

16. HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION & BULLYING

MOTION:

Move that the Board approve the HIB incident reports, as per Policy 5512 - Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying, as presented by the Superintendent during executive session.

17. HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION & BULLYING

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the Superintendent's recommendations as delineated on the March 2025

HIB report.

Move that the Board approve the following Donations - B.:

Motion by Mr. Conaty, seconded by Mr. Armato. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye

Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - aye

Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye

Mrs. Klaus - aye

Thank you for the generous donations!

(B) **DONATIONS**

MOTION: Move that the Board approve and accept the following generous donation(s):

SCHOOL	FROM	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
CCS	Cedar Creek School PTA	Monetary donation for Field Trips	\$2,625
LHS	NJ State Chess Federation	(4) Chess Sets	\$72
	David & April Martin	School Supplies	\$100
	Loutas Family	Monthly Treat for Staff	\$75
MPS	Linda Trapani	RMA Improvements	\$35
	Stephanie Danziger	All Class Glass	\$35
LTMS	Lacey Elks	Lion King on Broadway Field Trip and	\$5,538
	Elks Knitting & Crocheting Club	Handmade Hats & Scarves	
LTHS	JT's Bagel Hut	Bagels for NHS Blood Drive	\$400
	Olivia Fay	Prom & Homecoming Dresses for Community Closet	\$600
	Kathy Ryan-Neumann	Clothes for Community Closet	\$200
	Women's Club of Lacey	Monetary donation for LTHS Drama Club	\$100
	Cathy Katsianis	Monetary donation for LTHS Drama Club	\$50
FRS	Lynn Zahn	Art Display Wall Hanging	\$25
	FRS PTA	Pebble Go Subscription	\$1,399
		Library Books	\$1,157
		Communication Folders	\$300
		5th Grade Reading Books	\$311
		Back to School Staff Breakfast	\$250
		Santa's Visit	\$300
		Santa's Student Gifts	\$285
		Staff Holiday Breakfast	\$246
		Easter Bunny's Student Gifts	\$90
		TOTAL	\$14,193

Move that the Board approve the following Programs/Curriculum items - C.:

Motion by Mrs. Armato, seconded by Mr. Armato. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye

Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - aye

Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye

Mrs. Klaus - aye

(C) PROGRAMS/CURRICULUM

STUDENT TEACHER PLACEMENTS, OBSERVATIONS, PRACTICUMS, FIELDWORK AND INTERNSHIPS

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the following Student Teacher Placements, Observations, Practicums,

Fieldwork and Internships:

Monmouth University			
Mallory Krakovsky	Research	Preschool Teachers/MPS	Spring 2025
Stockton University			
Brian Kuczko	Field Experience/Student Teaching	Jennifer Ewart/CCS	Fall 2025/Spring 2026

Move that the Board approve the following Professional Days/Workshops/Travel items - D.:

Motion by Mr. Conaty, seconded by Mrs. Armato. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye

Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - ave

Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye

Mrs. Klaus - aye

(D) PROFESSIONAL DAYS/WORKSHOPS/TRAVEL

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the Professional Days/Workshops/Travel for the following:

NAME	SCHOOL	DATE	DESCRIPTION	SUB	COST
Joseph Bond	District	05/14-05/16/2025	NJASA/NJSPSA 2025 Spring Leadership	N	\$856.15*
Mallory Krakovsky	District	05/15-05/16/2025	Conference - Atlantic City, NJ	N	\$484.52*
			TOTAL		\$1,340.67

^{*} Grant Funded

Move that the Board approve the following Certificated Personnel items - E.1. - E.8.:

Motion by Mr. Conaty, seconded by Mr. Armato. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye

Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - ave

Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye

Mrs. Klaus - aye

(E) <u>CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL (1 - 8)</u>

The Superintendent recommends the following:

1. <u>RETIREMENT</u>

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the following retirements:

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE
Sherry DiGregorio	Elementary Teacher/CCS	07/01/25
Paula Siliverdes	Spanish Teacher/LTMS	07/01/25

2. RESIGNATION

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the following resignation:

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE
Mark E. Angelo	Assistant Principal/LTHS	05/21/25

3. REPLACEMENT POSITIONS

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the following employment of replacement professional personnel:

LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	REPLACING	SALARY	EFFECTIVE
	LTS Special Education			
Kenneth Hart	Teacher/LTHS	E. Banin	\$317.50 per diem	02/21/25 - 04/30/25
			Step A, BA \$60,000	
Carly Zellman	LTS English Teacher/LTMS	S. Kotch	(prorated)	04/07/25 - 06/30/25

4. ADVANCED DEGREE

MOTION: Move that the Board congratulate the following employee and recognize their advanced degree:

NAME	FROM	TO	EFFECTIVE
Susan Donato-Schreier	Master's	Master's + 15	05/01/25

5. <u>CEU CREDITS</u>

MOTION: Move that the Board acknowledge the following professional staff member for obtaining CEU credits:

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	CREDITS	EFFECTIVE
Theresa Lavorgna	Teacher/FRS	5 CEU Credits	05/01/25

6. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the following personnel for the 2025 Extended School Year Program at a rate of \$43.34 per hour to be charged to ESY Teacher Salaries Account #11-000-217-101-11-0000:

		NURSE	
Ashley Mayberry	Gabr	ielle Buttich	
	SUBSTITUTES I	FOR THE EXTENDED SCHO	OL YEAR
		NURSE	
Michelle O'Connor			

7. <u>LEAVE OF ABSENCE</u>

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the following leaves of absence:

SWP = Sick Days With Pay

PD = Personal Days With Pay

VD = Vacation Days With Pay

FMLA = Family Medical Leave Act - No Pay, with Benefits

NJFLA = NJ Family Leave Act - No Pay, with Benefits

DLB = Discretionary, Extended or Other Leave - No Pay, with Benefits

DL = Discretionary, Extended or Other Leave - No Pay, No Benefits

ML = Military Leave With Pay

MLB = Military Leave No Pay, with Benefits

NAME	POSITION/ LOCATION	SWP	PD or VD	FMLA	NJFLA	DLB	DL	ML	MLB
Erin Banin				03/24/25 -	-				
(extended)	Teacher/LTHS			04/30/25					
Ashley Giordano		04/28/25 -		06/05/25 -	- 06/05/25 -	- 11/13/25 -			
(amended)	Teacher/LTMS	06/04/25		11/12/25	11/12/25	02/01/26			
		02/14/25 - 2/21/25; 05/17/25 -				05/30/25			
Alyssa McKay (amended)	Teacher/LTHS	05/30/25 (½ day)	05/16/25	02/14/25 - 05/15/25	-	(½ day) - 06/30/25			
		06/23/25 -	06/09/25	- 09/01/25 -	- 09/01/25 -	12/01/25-			
Margaret Molloy	Supervisor/LTHS/LTMS	07/28/25	06/19/25	11/28/25	11/30/25	02/01/26			
Ashley Smida	Speech Pathologist/MPS	05/13/25 - 06/10/25		10/13/25 - 01/23/26	- 10/13/25 - 01/25/26	-			

8. <u>EMPLOYMENT OF SUBSTITUTE PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL</u>

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the employment of the following substitute professional personnel for the 2024-2025 school year:

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER			
Lindsey Camburn	Melissa Reinertsen		
Michelle Giummarra	Lauren Secero		
McKayla Mooney Kylie Smith			
Kimberly Pelino	Lauren Tatro		

SUBSTITUTE NURSE
Dana Smyth

Move that the Board approve the following Non-Certificated Personnel items - F.1. - F.7.:

Motion by Mr. Armato, seconded by Mr. Conaty. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye

Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - aye

Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye

Mrs. Klaus - aye; F.4. - nay

(F) NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL (1 - 7)

The Superintendent recommends the following:

1. <u>RETIREMENT</u>

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the following retirement:

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE
Nancy George	P/T Duty Aide/LTMS	07/01/25

2. RESIGNATION

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the following resignations:

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE
Kelly Barnett	P/T Paraprofessional/CCS	04/30/25
Isabella Hayes	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS	04/01/25
Jacob Meimin	Custodian/MPS	05/06/25
Joanne Mulroney	P/T Paraprofessional/CCS	05/01/25

3. **REPLACEMENT POSITIONS** (Addendum)

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the following employment of replacement support personnel:

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	REPLACING	SALARY	EFFECTIVE
	P/T Cook		\$18.00/hour NTE \$18,837	
Camilla Holmes	(5.75 hours/day)/CCS	N. Papagiannis	(prorated)	04/28/25 - 06/30/25

4. <u>ABOLISHMENT OF POSITION</u>

MOTION:

WHEREAS, budgetary restraints have made necessary a reduction in operating costs including staff reorganization and corresponding reduction in force;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lacey Township Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the abolishment of the following position, effective June 30, 2025, in a reduction in force, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:28-9:

A. Four (4) grounds positions

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lacey Township Board of Education, to effectuate this reduction in force, directs the creation of a preferred eligibility list as to any tenured staff members affected by the reduction in force.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 2025 EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM

MOTION:

Move that the Board approve the following staff for Extended School Year at the rate specified below to be charged to Account #11-000-217-106-11-0000.

	PARAPROFESSIONALS	
	Hourly Rate \$20.99	
Samantha Applegate	Kate Hoesly	Suzanne Rahtjen
Гracey Barker	Jennifer Jeremiah	Carmen Ramos
ennifer Bleimann	Sandra Jones	Tammy Renn
Susan Bowen	Rachel Knauer	Jennifer Riley
eanne Brannick	Laura LaForgia	Darlene Rossa
Kelsey Compolei	Lorie Linico	Angela Rossi
Cathleen Caposele	Ashley LoForte	Lisa Ruding
Margaret Clemente	Michele Lordi	Aubrey Russo
ope DeWitt	Diana Luce	Kathleen Santos
amara DeVaney	Judith Machnik-Gallery	Laura Sinisky
helsea Dezendorf	Fay Marter	Debra Sommers
ssica Duffy	Christopher Mattias	Rachel Sommers
nn Elmer	Jaclyn Mayo	Gabrielle Spafford
amela Enderson	Shannon McGee	Amy Sutherland
lichelle Freed	Renee McGovern	Kayla VanNortwick
Michelle Geddes	Linelle Moran	Michele Vargas
ana Glenn	Randi Murray	Casey Villanova
rika Greco	Beth Pal	Kaia White
inda Haythorn	Samantha Penna	Brianna Woods
mily Heayn	Louise Quist	Danielle Woods

SECURITY AIDE (GREETER)	
Hourly Rate \$15.49	
Benjamin Riley	

SUBSTITUTES FOR THE EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR Hourly Rate \$20.99

	PARAPROFESSIONALS				
Evelyn Blackwell	Helen Hohnhorst	Alannah Perlman			
Charliene Boyle	PeggySue Juliano	Jessica Siddons			
Adrienne DeWitt	Jeanine Jullich	Jennifer Waskiewicz			
Rebecca Fonseca	Gabriella Loffredo				
Loren Farley	Nicole Loffredo				

6. <u>LEAVE OF ABSENCE</u>

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the following leaves of absence:

SWP = Sick Days With Pay

PD = Personal Days With Pay

FMLA = Family Medical Leave Act - No Pay, with Benefits

NJFLA = NJ Family Leave Act - No Pay, with Benefits

DLB = Discretionary, Extended or Other Leave - No Pay, with Benefits

DL = Discretionary, Extended or Other Leave - No Pay, No Benefits

ML = Military Leave With Pay

MLB = Military Leave No Pay, with Benefits

NAME	POSITION/ LOCATION	SWP	PD	FMLA	NJFLA	DLB	DL	ML	MLB
							03/25/25		
							03/26/25;		
	P/T Food Service						04/08/25		
Caitlin Ables	Worker/MPS						05/16/25		
Samantha Albino	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS						03/17/25		
							03/31/25		
							04/01/25;		
							04/08/25		
Samantha Applega	teP/T Paraprofessional/MPS						04/09/25		
							03/10/25		
							(½ day);		
Lidia Augello	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS						03/24/25		
						03/28/25;			
						04/08/25 -			
Deanne Beiter	Health Aide/LTHS					04/27/25			
	P/T Food Service						03/11/25		
Daniel Blackwell	Worker/LTMS						03/14/25		
							03/20/25		
Jennifer Bleimann	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS						03/21/25		

Nahla Kandil	P/T Paraprofessional/FRS	03/11/25;
Jenna Johnsen	P/T Food Service Worker/CCS	03/25/23 (½ day) - 03/27/25
Emily Heayn	Health Aide/CCS	04/07/25 (½ day) - 04/08/25 (½ day) 03/25/25
Nina Flora	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS	03/03/25; 03/24/25; 03/27/25
Rebecca Fiordimondo	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS	03/10/25 · 03/14/25; 03/24/25 (½ day) - 03/25/25 (½ day)
Nicole Fermin	P/T Paraprofessional/LTMS	03/18/25 · 03/20/25
Michele Feeney	P/T Food Service Worker/FRS	03/14/25 · 03/23/25
Danielle Fallick	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS	03/10/25 · 03/19/25
Sandi Fairbanks	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS	03/10/25 · 03/11/25; 03/28/25; 04/04/25
Susan DiMicco	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS	03/28/25
Melissa Colon	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS	03/31/25 - 04/01/25; 04/09/25 - 04/10/25
Barbara Chirichell	o Worker/FRS	04/08/25 03/07/25; 03/14/25;
	P/T Food Service	04/04/25;
Marisha Chew	P/T Paraprofessional/LTMS	04/11/25
Dawn Cerrachio	P/T Paraprofessional/CCS	04/09/25
Janine Carbone Josette Castagna	P/T Paraprofessional/CCS P/T Paraprofessional/MPS	04/14/25 03/20/25
		03/21/25;
		(½ day); 04/02/25

				03/18/25 -	
				03/25/25	
Rachel Ledwedge	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS			04/01/25	
				03/06/25	
				(½ day);	
				03/14/25;	
				03/27/25 -	
Amanda Lewkowsk	xiP/T Paraprofessional/MPS			03/28/25	
				04/02/25 -	
Jeanette Lubanski	P/T Paraprofessional/MPS			04/06/25	
	P/T				
Lisa Mabil	Paraprofessional/LTMS			03/17/25	
				03/31/25 ·	
Sharon Morello	P/T Paraprofessional/CCS			04/06/25	
77 11 3 4				04/07/25 -	
Kelly Morgano	P/T Paraprofessional/CCS	0.5 (0.0 (0.5	0.5 (0.0 (0.5	04/08/25	
W.H. D. I. I	C 4 1' /LTHG		-05/23/25 -		
William Pavlick	Custodian/LTHS	06/22/25	06/22/25	02/26/25	
				03/26/25	
				(½ day); 03/31/25;	
				04/02/25	
				04/06/25;	
Amy Redrow	P/T Paraprofessional/CCS			04/10/25	
Jennifer Reiss	Cafeteria Lead/LTMS			03/21/25	
	P/T Food Service				
Diana Rossman	Worker/LTHS			03/27/25	
				04/02/25 -	
Joanne Santarsiero	P/T Paraprofessional/CCS			04/06/25	
				03/19/25 -	
				03/20/25;	
				04/07/25 ·	
				04/08/25	
Amanda Selig	P/T Paraprofessional/CCS			(½ day)	

7. <u>EMPLOYMENT OF SUBSTITUTE SUPPORT STAFF</u>

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the employment of the following substitute support staff for the 2024-2025 school year:

BUS AIDE	DUTY AIDE	FOOD SERVICE WORKER	PARAPROFESSIONAL	SECRETARY
Bridget Genoino	Michele Sobel	Deborah Foglio	Keri Britske	Lauren Secero
		Michele Sobel	Emily Feiteira	Michele Sobel
			Deborah Foglio	
			Susan Lewis	

Michele Sobel

Move that the Board approve the following Resolution of Censure - G.:

Motion by Mr. Conaty, seconded by Mr. Armato. Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Armato - aye

Mr. Peters - absent

Mr. Bell - aye

Mrs. Armato - ave

Mrs. Walker - absent

Mr. Conaty - aye

Mrs. Klaus - aye

(G) RESOLUTION OF CENSURE

RESOLUTION OF CENSURE - OAL Docket No.: EEC-06738-20; Agency Docket No. 399-12/24; SEC Docket No.: C75-19

MOTION: Whereas, the above-captioned matter arises from a Complaint that was filed with the School Ethics Commission (Commission) on December 26, 2019, by Shawn Giordano, Frank Palino, Linda Downing, Harold Peters, Nicholas Mirandi and Donna McAvoy (Complainants) alleging that Regina Discenza (Respondent) violated multiple provisions of the School Ethics Act (Act); and

Whereas, at its meeting on July 21, 2020, the Commission adopted a decision finding probable cause for the alleged violations of *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-24(b), *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-24.1(e) and *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-24.1(f) in Count 3 and *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-24(b) and *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-24.1(e) in Count 4, and transmitting the above-captioned matter to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for a hearing; and

Whereas, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued an Order on Partial Summary Decision dated February 27, 2023, and an Initial Decision dated August 22, 2024, concluding that Respondent violated N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24(b), N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24.1(e) and N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24.1(f) in Count 3, but did not violate N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24(b) and N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24.1(e) in Count 4 and recommending a penalty of reprimand; and

Whereas, Petitioner filed exceptions to the Initial Decision, and Respondent filed a reply thereto; and

Whereas, at its meeting on December 17, 2024, and after thoroughly reviewing and considering the full record, the Commission voted to adopt the ALJ's findings of fact and legal conclusions that Respondent violated N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24(b), N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24.1(e) and N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24.1(f) in Count 3, but did not violate N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24(b) and/or N.J.S.A. 18A:12- 24.1(e) in Count 4, and voted to modify the recommended penalty of reprimand in favor of a censure; and

Whereas, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-29(c), the Commission's decision was forwarded to the Commissioner of Education for final determination on the recommended penalty; and

Whereas, Respondent filed exceptions with the Commissioner of Education as to the Commission's recommended penalty of censure, and Petitioner filed a reply thereto; and

Whereas, the Commissioner of Education issued a final decision on March 3, 2025, concurring with the Commission's recommended penalty of censure; and

Whereas, N.J.A.C. 6A:28-9.11(d) provides that for a penalty of censure, suspension or removal, a Resolution shall be adopted at the Commission's next meeting following the Commissioner's imposition of the sanction, and the Resolution shall be read at the Board's next public meeting following adoption by the Commission, shall be posted in such places as

the Board posts its public notices for no less than thirty (30) days, shall be published online on the District's website, if available, for no less than thirty (30) days, and the reading of the resolution shall be memorialized in the Board's meeting minutes, and once approved, a copy of the minutes shall be forwarded to the Commission; and

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Commission adopts this Resolution stating that Respondent is hereby **CENSURED** as a penalty for having violated the Act as set forth herein; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Board is ordered to read this Resolution at its next regularly scheduled public meeting, to post it in such places as the Board posts its public notices for a period of no less than thirty (30) days, and to publish it online on the District's website, if available, for no less than thirty (30) days; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Board shall provide the Commission with the minutes, once adopted, from the meeting at which it reads the within Resolution.

ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the Regular Meeting. *Motion by Mrs. Armato. All were in favor.* The Regular Meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m. Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Ormsbee

Business Administrator/Board Secretary