

CLOSTER BOARD OF EDUCATION

Closter, New Jersey

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

Tenakill Middle School

August 29, 2022 - 7:30 PM

Call to order: _____ @ _____ P.M.

Roll Call:

Ms. Fanelli	_____
Ms. Kothari	_____
Ms. Kwon	_____
Ms. Micera	_____
Dr. Puttanniah	_____
Ms. Wagner	_____
Ms. Yeoh	_____
Ms. Cross	_____
Ms. Finkelstein	_____

NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT - Read by the President:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Secretary to the Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting by having the date, time, remote access information, and place thereof, posted at each school building within the district, district website, the Board of Education office, the Office of the Borough Clerk, and transmitted to *The Record* and *Northern Valley Suburbanite* newspapers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

BOARD COMMITTEES

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to open the meeting to the public.

Statements made by individual participants are limited to a duration of three (3) minutes unless otherwise announced at the beginning of the discussion. A maximum of 15 minutes for public input is scheduled as per bylaw 0167. The Board urges large groups to select one person to represent them. The Board reminds those individuals who take the opportunity to speak to please step up, identify themselves by name and address, and to limit their comments to items listed on the agenda.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to resume the regular order of business.

BOARD OPERATIONS

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to approve Motion A & B.

Motion was _____ by a roll call vote of the Board as follows:

YEAS:

NAYS:

A. **APPROVAL - Minutes**

Motion to approve August 11, 2022, minutes.

B. **APPROVAL - Closter PTO Use of Facilities**

Motion to approve the Closter PTO to host events at Hillside Elementary School and Tenakill Middle School during the 2022/2023 school year.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Dr. Puttannah; Members: Ms. Finkelstein, Ms. Wagner, Ms. Yeoh

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to approve Motions A - E.

Motions were _____ by a roll call vote of the Board as follows:

YEAS:

NAYS:

A. **APPROVAL - Adoption of NVCC Curriculum Guides**

Motion to approve for the 2022-2023 school year the re-adoption of NVCC Curriculum Guides for English, ESL, Library/Media and Mathematics and the adoption of updated guides for Computer Science Design Thinking, Physical Education and Comprehensive Health, Science, Social Studies, Visual & Performing Arts, and World Languages.

B. **APPROVAL - Mentoring Plan for 2022-2023 School Year**

Motion to approve the Mentoring Plan for the 2022-2023 school year, attached hereto as Appendix A.

C. **APPROVAL - Professional Development Plan for the 2022-2023 School Year**
Motion to approve Professional Development Plan for the 2022-2023 school year, attached hereto as Appendix B.

D. **APPROVAL - Revision of the Safe Return Plan for the 2022-2023 School Year**
Motion to approve the revision of the Safe Return Plan for the 2022-2023 school year, attached hereto as Appendix C.

E. **APPROVAL - Staff Conferences**
Motion to approve the following staff conferences:

Staff Member(s): Eileen Kennedy
Conference: NJIDA Fall Symposium 2022 - Kaleidoscope of Experts on Key Issues in Literacy
Location: Virtual
Date: 10/14/2022
Cost to Board: \$125.00

Staff Member(s): Eileen Kennedy
Conference: NJALC Fall Symposium 2022 - Reading & Writing: The Casualties of the Pandemic
Location: Virtual
Date: 10/20 and 10/21/2022
Cost to Board: \$125.00

Staff Member(s): Vince Salvati
Conference: Sysadmin Group
Location: TBD
Date: Various Dates - 2022-2023 School Year
Cost to Board: \$150.00 (estimated cost for mileage reimbursement)

Staff Member(s): Vince Salvati
Conference: NJASTO (Technology Group)
Location: TBD
Date: Various Dates - 2022-2023 School Year
Cost to Board: \$150.00 (estimated cost for mileage reimbursement)

Staff Member(s): Bianca DeQuattro, Janet Rota, Dawn Lazzari, Angie Osorio-Borys, Antoniette Ring, Noah Panagia, Maria Pavlou, Eileen Owens, Meylen Ho, Kari Corcoran
Conference: CPI Training
Location: T. Baldwin Training Demarest School
Date: September 2, 2022

Cost to Board: \$259.90 (\$25.99/per person for supplies)
\$1,164.00 for paraprofessional hours

FINANCE AND PHYSICAL PLANT COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Ms. Kwon; Members: Ms. Finkelstein, Ms. Kothari, Ms. Yeoh

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to approve Motions A - I.

Motions were _____ by a roll call vote of the Board as follows:

YEAS:

NAYS:

A. APPROVAL - Monthly Financials and Certification

Motion to approve the following items as required, pursuant to NJSA 18A:17-9 and NJAC 6:20-2.13, as per Appendix D attached:

- a. Board Secretary and School Treasurer Financial Reports for July 2022.
- b. Board of Education's Monthly Certification of Budgetary Major Account /Fund status for July 2022.
- c. Transfer of funds for July 2022.

B. APPROVAL - Monthly Bills

Motion to approve payment of bills from August 10, 2022 to August 29, 2022, in the amount of:

General Fund (Fund 10)	\$572,155.82
Special Revenue (Fund 20)	\$177,657.66
Total	\$749,813.48

C. APPROVAL - New Jersey Child Assault Prevention (NJ CAP) Grants

Motion to approve the following three applications for the New Jersey Child Assault Prevention (NJ CAP) Grants for the 2022-2023 school year:

- 1) K-8 CAP's Bullying Prevention Program - Hillside School
- 2) K-8 CAP's Bullying Prevention Program - Tenakill School
- 3) Elementary, Teen and Special Needs CAP Application

D. APPROVAL - Nursing Contracts

Motion to approve the following nursing contracts for the 2022-2023 school year:

- Bayada Home Health Care - for SID # 1595602128

E. APPROVAL - District Share of Region III Consortium

BE IT RESOLVED that the Closter Board of Education hereby approves the 2022-2023

portion of the Consortium with Northern Valley Regional High School acting as the LEA (Local Education Agency) for Region III as follows:

<u>Program/Service</u>	<u>22-23 Contribution</u>
Special Education	\$115,237.21
Physical Therapy	\$ 59,292.00 (estimate)
Occupational Therapy	\$ 40,368.00 (estimate)

F. **APPROVAL - District Share of the Northern Valley Curriculum Center**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Closter Board of Education hereby approves the 2022-2023 portion of the Consortium with Northern Valley Regional High School acting as the LEA (Local Education Agency) for the Northern Valley Curriculum Center as follows:

<u>Program</u>	<u>22-23 Contribution</u>
Staff Development & Curriculum and Instruction	\$ 99,659.92
Internet & AntiVirus (estimate of Closter's cost)	\$ 53,000.00

G. **APPROVAL - Amendment to the 2022-2023 Budget**

Motion to approve an amendment to the 2022-23 Budget appropriating FY'22 Extraordinary Aid and Non-Public Transportation Aid as follows:

Revenue

10-3131-000	Extraordinary Aid	\$655,605
10-3121-001	Non-Public Transportation Aid	<u>\$ 12,980</u>
Total Increase in State Aid		\$668,585

Appropriations

11-000-100-562	Other LEAs Tuition (Special Education)	\$200,000
11-000-262-621	Energy - Natural Gas	\$ 35,000
11-000-262-622	Energy - Electricity	\$ 30,000
11-000-262-626	Energy - Gasoline	\$ 3,585
11-000-270-511	Regular Transportation	\$ 29,000
11-000-270-512	School Trips	\$ 11,000
11-000-270-515	Special Ed Busing	\$260,000
11-000-291-270	Medical Insurance	<u>\$100,000</u>
Total Increase in Appropriations		\$668,585

H. **APPROVAL - Donation of Old Furniture**

Motion to approve the donation of approximately 90 student desks (which are old and no longer being used) to Leonia Public Schools, Haworth Board of Education, and Garfield Board of Education.

I. **APPROVAL - Disposal of Epson Projector**

Motion to approve the disposal of a broken Epson Projector from Hillside Elementary School, tag #10198.

PERSONNEL AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Ms. Cross; Members: Ms. Fanelli, Ms. Finkelstein

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to approve Motions A - J.

Motions were _____ by a roll call vote of the Board as follows:

YEAS:

NAYS:

A. APPROVAL - Bass ABA Therapist for Student ID #361001

Motion to approve Jaqueline Aguilar as parent-paid Bass ABA Therapist for Student ID #361001 for the 2022-2023 school year.

B. APPROVAL - Learning Compass Therapists

Motion to approve the following parent paid therapists from Learning Compass Therapists

- ID #8096612745 - Maria Rojas and Dina Marancio
- ID # 371001 - Elyssa Marino and Robyn Ferrentino.

C. APPROVAL - Substitute Teachers

Motion to approve the following substitute teacher for the 2022-2023 school Year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>
Laurie Roncati	Standard Certification
Joseph Moskowitz	NJ Substitute Certification

D. APPROVAL - Paraprofessionals in Hillside School

Motion to approve the following paraprofessionals for the 2022-2023 school year, starting September 1, 2022, at a salary of \$19.23 per hour at 5.75 hours per day, pending criminal history background check:

- Susan Suchoff, Hillside School
- Ellen Kim, Hillside School

E. APPROVAL - Songhee (Joy) Lee as Grade 3 Long-Term Leave Replacement

Motion to approve Songhee (Joy) Lee as Long-Term Leave Replacement - Grade 3 Teacher (K.V.) - from October 20, 2022, through April 21, 2023. Salary will be \$200 per day on days one through ten; the beginning of day 11, BA Step 0, (\$52,309) prorated.

F. APPROVAL - Travis Jackson as Long-Term Leave Replacement - Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant (COTA)

Motion to approve Travis Jackson as Long-Term Leave Replacement - COTA (M.J.) - from October 20, 2022, through March 17, 2023, two days per week. Salary will be \$200 per day

on days one through ten; then \$268.04 per day after this, pending a criminal history background check.

G. **APPROVAL - Laurie Roncati as Grade 2 Long-Term Leave Replacement**

Motion to approve Laurie Roncati as Long-Term Leave Replacement - Grade 2 Teacher (A.B.) - from October 24, 2022, through April 1, 2023. Salary will be \$200 per day on days one through ten; the beginning of day 11, BA Step 0, (\$52,309) prorated, pending a criminal history background check.

H. **APPROVAL - Hillside Elementary School Loop Duty Staff**

Motion to approve loop duty at Hillside Elementary School for the following staff:

- Alyssa Levy
- Allison Esposito
- Charlene Gerbig
- Claire Pidi
- Kristin Talty

Substitutes

- Wendy Bajakian
- Judy Eller
- Diane Ferraro

I. **APPROVAL - Tenakill Middle School Harrington Avenue Supervision Staff**

Motion to approve the Harrington Avenue Supervision at Tenakill Middle School for the following staff:

- Jeffrey Roem
- Carmelo Camillieri
- Brittany Steele
- Jennifer Annese
- Michael Wowkun

J. **APPROVAL - Ellen Monaghan- ESEA Title I Grant Salary Allocation**

Motion to approve, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the allocation of salary for Ellen Mondaghan, Basic Skills Teacher at Tenakill Middle School, from ESEA - Title I grant as follows:

20-231-100-100-060-00-0 \$ 30,800 (27.48%)

POLICY COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Ms. Micera; Members: Ms. Fanelli, Ms. Finkelstein, Ms. Kothari

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to approve Motion A and B.

Motion was _____ by a roll call vote of the Board as follows:

YEAS:

NAYS:

A. APPROVAL - Second Reading of Policy and Regulation 8611

Motion to approve the second reading of Policy and Regulation 8611 Subscription Busing as per Appendix E.

B. APPROVAL - First Reading of the following Policies and Regulations

Motion to approve the first reading of the following Policies and Regulations, as per Appendix F:

- Regulation 7410 Maintenance and Repair
- Regulation 9320 Cooperation with Law Enforcement Agencies
- Policy 1648.15 Record Keeping for Healthcare Settings in School Buildings-Covid 19
- Policy 2415.04 Title 1 District-Wide Parent and Family Parental Involvement Engagement
- Policy 2415.50 Hillside School and Tenakill Middle School Title I – School Parent and Family Engagement
- Policy 2416.01 Postnatal Accommodations for Students
- Policy 2417 Student Intervention and Referral Services
- Policy 3161 Examination for Cause (Teaching Staff Members)
- Policy 4161 Examination for Cause (Support Staff Members)
- Policy 5512 Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying
- Policy 7410 Maintenance and Repair
- Policy 8420 Emergency and Crisis Situations
- Policy 9320 Cooperation with Law Enforcement Agencies

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to open the meeting to public discussion.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to close the meeting to public discussion.

CLOSED SESSION MOTION (If required)

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to approve the following Closed Session Motion. Motion was _____ by a voice vote of the Board:

YEAS:

NAYS:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Closter Board of Education will adjourn to a Closed Session to discuss the following:

(if required)

The matters so discussed will be disclosed to the public as soon as and to the extent that such disclosure can be made without adversely affecting the public.

The Board went into Closed Session at _____ PM.

The Board reconvened from Closed Session at _____ PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to adjourn the meeting at _____ PM.