

**FINAL AGENDA FOR  
BUSINESS MEETING**

**April 6, 2023**  
**Student Residency Hearing – 6:00 PM**  
**Executive Session – 6:30 PM**  
**Public Session – 7:30 PM**  
**Administration Building**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

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Salute to Flag – Board President  
Roll Call - Board Secretary

_____	Ms. Cherry	_____	Mr. King	_____	Mrs. Salgado-Cowan
_____	Dr. Connors	_____	Mrs. Lane	_____	Ms. Scotto
_____	Mrs. Corradino	_____	Ms. Rashid	_____	Ms. Smith

**II. NOTIFICATION ANNOUNCEMENT**

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HEREBY BE IT KNOWN that the Piscataway Township Board of Education has complied with the notification requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for the announcement of this meeting date and place on April 2, 2023 in the following manner:

- ◆ Posting of the public notice on the posting board for the Board of Education in the Administration Building
- ◆ Email notification to the newspapers serving Piscataway, The Home News Tribune and The Courier News
- ◆ Email notification filed with the Municipal Clerk at the Municipal Building on Hoes Lane

This meeting is being videotaped. This recording is not an official record or supplement to the minutes and is intended only as a source of information that the public might utilize at a later date to familiarize themselves with the Board's activities.

**III. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Board adjourn to executive session for the purpose of conducting a student residency hearing, review and discussion of the personnel agenda, litigation, HIB monthly reports, and other matters pursuant to law N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b).

Motion to adjourn:

Moved \_\_\_\_\_                      Seconded \_\_\_\_\_  
Yea \_\_\_\_\_                      Nay \_\_\_\_\_

**IV. PUBLIC SESSION**

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Board reconvenes public session.

Motion to reconvene:

Moved \_\_\_\_\_                      Seconded \_\_\_\_\_  
Yea \_\_\_\_\_                      Nay \_\_\_\_\_

V. STUDENT PRESENTATION

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- Arbor Intermediate School – school clubs

VI. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

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VII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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- Presentation of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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IX. PERSONNEL & LABOR RELATIONS – Nancy Salgado-Cowan

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BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items “” through “”, be approved as presented:

	Moved _____		Seconded _____	
	<u>Vote</u>		<u>Vote</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Mrs. Corradino	_____	Ms. Rashid	_____	Ms. Smith
Mr. King	_____	Mrs. Salgado-	_____	Dr. Connors
Mrs. Lane	_____	Cowan	_____	Ms. Cherry
	_____	Ms. Scotto	_____	_____
	Yea _____	Nay _____	Abstain _____	

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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XI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Kimberly Lane

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BE IT RESOLVED that the following minutes be approved as submitted:

Business Meeting	March 9, 2023
Executive Session	March 9, 2023

Moved _____	Seconded _____
Yea _____	Nay _____

**XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and school matters of community interest. In support of this position, the law establishes a period of public comment at every Board meeting.

Individuals wishing to speak must state their name and municipality. Comments are limited to three minutes’ duration, but an individual may speak a second time after all others who wish to speak on the topic have been heard. The Board may require that individuals register to speak prior to the beginning of the meeting. Participants may submit written material in support of their position.

All statements and/or questions shall be directed to the presiding officer and no participant may address or question Board members individually. All speakers are requested to express themselves in a civil manner, with due respect for the dignity and privacy rights of others whose legal rights may be affected.

Please note: While it is not the Board’s intention to stifle comment on matters of legitimate concern to the school community, the public should be aware that if their statements violate the rights of others under the law governing defamation or invasion of privacy, they may face personal liability to the injured party. If speakers are uncertain of the legal ramifications of their comments, the Board urges them to seek guidance beforehand from their own legal advisor.

Motion to close:

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded \_\_\_\_\_  
Yea \_\_\_\_\_ Nay \_\_\_\_\_

**XIII. FISCAL PLANNING & OPERATIONS – Tom Connors**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items “A” through “H”, be approved as presented:

**A. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS**

*Explanation: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:19-2*

BE IT RESOLVED that the following disbursements for the month of March, 2023 be approved as indicated:

Operating Account	
General Fund	\$ 5,386,196.50
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 488,553.31
Debt Service Fund	\$ 0.00
Food Services Fund	\$ 339,509.48
Adult & Community Education Fund	\$ 151,559.61
Payroll: March 15, 2023	\$ 3,910,933.91
Payroll: March 30, 2023	\$ 3,959,601.81
Capital Projects Fund	\$ 0.00
Self-Insurance Fund	\$ 618,301.57
Total	\$14,854,656.19

**B. APPROVAL OF SECRETARY’S/TRANSFERS/CASH RECONCILIATION REPORTS**

1. *Explanation: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9*

BE IT RESOLVED that the following reports be approved and filed for audit:

Secretary's/Transfer Report February, 2023

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above report be accepted as submitted and that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

2. *Explanation: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9*

BE IT RESOLVED that the following report be approved and filed for audit:

Cash Summary Report February, 2023 Dated: February 28, 2023

C. APPROVAL OF ANNUAL AUDIT FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

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*Explanation:*

*N.J.S.A. 18A:23-8 requires that an audit of the accounts of a school district be made only by a certified public accountant of New Jersey.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education accepts the annual audit for the year ended June 30, 2022 (Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and the related Auditor's Management Report).

D. APPROVAL OF TECHNOLOGY PURCHASE CONTRACTS

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*Explanation:*

*The district is piloting the use of Promethean ActivPanel interactive technology whiteboards for differentiated instruction in classrooms in several schools.*

1. BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the award of a contract for the installation of Promethean ActivPanel whiteboards in five classrooms in Eisenhower Elementary School to Keyboard Consultants Inc., Fairfield, NJ 07004, in the amount of \$49,211.00 based upon pricing obtained through the competitive bid #HCEC-CAT-19-06, as issued by the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission (HCEC), of Califon, NJ, an authorized cooperative purchasing agency in the state of New Jersey (#34HUNCCP).
2. BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the award of a contract for the installation of Promethean ActivPanel whiteboards in five classrooms in Quibbletown Middle School to Keyboard Consultants Inc., Fairfield, NJ 07004, in the amount of \$45,016.50 based upon pricing obtained through the competitive bid #HCEC-CAT-19-06, as issued by the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission (HCEC), of Califon, NJ, an authorized cooperative purchasing agency in the state of New Jersey (#34HUNCCP).

E. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY

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*Explanation:*

*District administration reviewed its inventory of equipment and determined that the following items have exceeded their useful life and are no longer needed for public use.*

QUANTITY	EQUIPMENT
1	2001 GMC Savana (V79) VIN# 1GTGG25RX11229424

WHEREAS, the Piscataway Township Board of Education (Board) has determined that the equipment listed above is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Board intends to utilize the online auction services of Govdeals.com to sell the equipment; and

WHEREAS, the sales are being conducted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-36 and the guidance set forth in the Division of Local Government Services' Local Finance Notice LFN 2019-15; and

WHEREAS, the surplus personal property will be advertised for sale and posted on Govdeals.com from April 19, 2023 through April 26, 2023 in order to identify the highest bid;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board is hereby authorized to sell the surplus personal property listed above on an online auction website entitled Govdeals.com; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of the agreement entered into between Govdeals.com and the Board are available in the Board Secretary's office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board reserves the right to reject all bids if the Board determines such rejection is in the public interest.

F. AMENDMENT TO EDUCATIONAL STAFFING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education hereby approves an addendum to the 2022-2023 school year contract renewal with ESS Northeast, LLC to authorize increases in the pay rate for ESS Northeast, LLC Substitute Aides and Substitute Clerical to account for wage increases required by New Jersey's minimum wage law effective January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023.

G. AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT THE 2023 NEW JERSEY SCHOOLS INSURANCE GROUP SAFETY GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,305

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*Explanation:*

*New Jersey Schools Insurance Group has established a Safety Grant Program which is projected to award approximately \$2,000,000 to its member New Jersey public school districts in 2023. The Safety Grant Program is designed to help members make safety, security and educational related purchases toward loss prevention at the individual district level which ultimately affects the health of the overall ERIC NORTH Sub fund. The district will be applying for funds to install new security cameras and upgrade software.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education hereby approves the submission and acceptance of a grant for the 2023 Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group's ERIC NORTH Sub fund for the purposes described in the application, in the amount of \$17,305 for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

H. APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF WATER COOLER STATIONS

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the award of a contract for 34 water cooler stations (item #ELZS8WSVRSK) to Ferguson Enterprises LLC, Secaucus, NJ 07094, in the

amount of \$50,412.14 based upon pricing obtained through the competitive bid #ESCNJ 20/21-47, as issued by the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ), of Piscataway, NJ, an authorized cooperative purchasing agency in the state of New Jersey (#26EDCP).

	Moved _____		Seconded _____	
	<u>Vote</u>		<u>Vote</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Mr. King	_____	Mrs. Salgado-Cowan	_____	Mrs. Corradino _____
Mrs. Lane	_____	Ms. Scotto	_____	Dr. Connors _____
Ms. Rashid	_____	Ms. Smith	_____	Ms. Cherry _____
	Yea _____	Nay _____	Abstain _____	

**XIV. POLICY – Brenda Smith**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motion, identified as item “”, be approved as presented:

	Moved _____		Seconded _____	
	<u>Vote</u>		<u>Vote</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Mrs. Lane	_____	Ms. Scotto	_____	Mr. King _____
Ms. Rashid	_____	Ms. Smith	_____	Dr. Connors _____
Mrs. Salgado-Cowan	_____	Mrs. Corradino	_____	Ms. Cherry _____
	Yea _____	Nay _____	Abstain _____	

**XV. CURRICULUM – Courtney King**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as item “A” through “D”, be approved as presented:

**A. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR GO MATH**

*Explanation:*

*Go Math has been the primary resource across the elementary grades for over 10 years. Since the initial adoption, the use of this NJSLs aligned resource has helped increase instructional effectiveness and student achievement. The District has negotiated a five-year contract to maintain GoMath as its primary techbook resource in grades K-5. Included in the contract are professional development services to prepare teachers for the transition to a new website with online support in September 2023.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves a 5 year contract with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt for the Go Math Curricular Resources and Professional Development at a cost of \$500,909.25 in accordance with the terms and agreement on file in the office of the Board Secretary.

**B. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT SERVICES WITH COLLEGE BOARD/COLLEGE READINESS SYSTEM/PSAT**

*Explanation:*

*The Piscataway Township Schools participates in the College Board's Early Participation Program, an initiative to support the involvement of all students in the college-going process at an early age while there is time to inform instruction and learning, and increase students' readiness for college expectations. Students in grades 9-11 will participate in the PSAT assessment program which exposes students to college planning and preparation tools to get and keep them actively involved in the process.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves this amendment to the previously approved contracted services for the College Board Early Preparation Program initiative from \$16,840.00 for grades 10-11 to \$23,486.00 to also include an enrollment of 467 students in grade 9.

**C. APPROVAL OF EDUCATIONAL GOODS AND SERVICES CONTRACT WITH EDUCERE**

*Explanation:*

*Educere delivers innovative virtual education opportunities to K-12 schools, students, and educators. The customized technology-based education solutions are made available as an option to students in schools across the country. This program will supplement instruction in Italian and Spanish classes by providing students with curriculum and access to live certified teachers.*

1. BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves an educational goods and services contract with Educere for virtual Spanish I classes at a cost of \$199.50 per student for the 2022-2023 school year.
2. BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves an educational goods and services contract with Educere for virtual Italian I, Italian II, and Italian III classes at a cost of \$350.00 per student for the 2022-2023 school year.

**D. APPROVAL OF STUDENT FIELD TRIPS**

*Explanation:*

*The Piscataway Township Board of Education deems student participation in curriculum related field trips to be educationally beneficial.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education, pursuant to regulation 6A:23A-5.8(c)(1), hereby approves the following educational field trips. C=Curricular; E=Extra Curricular

Code	Event/Location	Curriculum Standards	Class/Group	Teacher/ Advisor	School & Source of Funding	Date(s)
E	HOSA State Conference / Burlington County Institute of Technology, Medford, NJ	HS-LS1-1-3 HS-LS1-6 HS-LS1-7 HS-LS3-1-2	PHS HOSA / Grades 10-12	John Murphy and Jess Pritchard	Piscataway High School Entrance Fee: Students Transportation: Student Activities Account	March 18 & 19, 2023 *Original BOE approved request had the wrong date in error.

E	Barcelona PenPal Meet / Jersey Gardens Mall, Elizabeth, NJ	7.1.IM.PERS.2 7.1.IM.PERS.3 7.1.IM.PERS.5 7.1.IM.PRSNT.1	PHS Barcelona Exchange / Grades 11-12	Amarfi Herrera	Piscataway High School Entrance Fee: Barcelona Club Transportation: Budget Account	March 22, 2023 *BOE approved in January, date change
E	Orientation Flight / McGuire AFB, Lakehurst, NJ	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Life and Career Skills	PHS JROTC / Grades 9-12	Brian Morehouse	Piscataway High School Entrance Fee: N/A Transportation: Budget Account	April 18, 2023
E	Field Trip / Liberty Science Center, Jersey City, NJ	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Life and Career Skills	Admin SAIL/ 13+	Lisa Jarusiewicz	Administration Building Entrance Fee: Pupil Services Transportation: Budget Account	April 21, 2023
E	College Tour of Northeastern University and AHANA Presentation at Boston College / Northeastern University, Chestnut Hill, MA and Boston College, Boston, MA	College and Career Readiness	PHS 50 Strong / Grade 11	L-Mani Viney	Piscataway High School Entrance Fee: None Activities Account Transportation: Budget Account	April 25, 2023
E	College Tour / Ramapo College, Mahwah, NJ	9.2.12 CAP 3, 4, 5	PHS Rising / Grades 9-12	Scott Hood	Piscataway High School Entrance Fee: Title I Activities Account Transportation: Budget Account	April 26, 2023
E	Field Trip / Historical Society of Princeton at Updike Farmstead, Princeton, NJ	2.1 6.1 6.2	Arbor / Grade 5 Classes: Kramer/Caldwell Magrino/Karabinos Nepton/Barth	Erika Vaughn	Arbor School Entrance Fee: PTO Transportation: Budget Account	May 18, 2023



E	Field Trip / McCarter Theater, Princeton, NJ	R.1-3, R.7 R.9-10	PHS English Race and Gender in Literacy / Grade 12	Scott Hood	Piscataway High School Entrance Fee: Budget Account Activities Account Transportation: Budget Account	May 25, 2023
E	Water Treatment Plant Tour / Raritan Millstone Water Treatment Plant, Bridgewater, NJ	HS-ETS1-2 HS-ETS1-3 HS-ESS3-4	PHS Chemistry Club / Grades 9-12	Emily Tenenbaum and Amina Elmahalawy	Piscataway High School Entrance Fee: N/A Transportation: Budget Account	June 1, 2023
E	Field Trip / Historical Society of Princeton at Updike Farmstead, Princeton, NJ	2.1 6.1 6.2	Arbor / Grade 5 Classes: Sullivan/Regan Homlish/Samart h Kelvy/Stoddard	Erika Vaughn	Arbor School Entrance Fee: PTO Transportation: Budget Account	June 5, 2023

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded \_\_\_\_\_

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Ms. Rashid _____	Ms. Smith _____	Mrs. Lane _____
Mrs. Salgado-Cowan _____	Mrs. Corradino _____	Dr. Connors _____
Ms. Scotto _____	Mr. King _____	Ms. Cherry _____

Yea \_\_\_\_\_ Nay \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

**XVI. PUPIL SERVICES – Nancy Corradino**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items “A” and “B” be approved as presented:

**A. APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENTS AND SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS 2022-2023**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education hereby approves the following student for placement:

Student #	School Placements	Effective Date	Rate
398122	Somerset Academy	4/17/23	\$47,144 (Prorated)

**B. CHANGE IN STATUS OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT**

*Explanation:*

*Student has been placed in an out of district placement and based on their IEP program another out of district placement was found which can address the educational needs. The student has been accepted in a new placement.*

*Amount columns detail both prior approved cost and newly requested approval cost.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves a change in status of out-of-district student placements:

Student #	From	Amount	Eff. Date	To	Amount
216816	Summit Speech School	\$54,900	4/17/23	Lake Drive School	\$79,600 (prorated)

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote Vote Vote  
 Mrs. Salgado-Cowan \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Corradino \_\_\_\_\_ Ms. Rashid \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ms. Scotto \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. King \_\_\_\_\_ Dr. Connors \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ms. Smith \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Lane \_\_\_\_\_ Ms. Cherry \_\_\_\_\_  
 Yea \_\_\_\_\_ Nay \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

**XVII. ADMINISTRATIVE & AUXILIARY – Zoe Scotto**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items “A” through “C” be approved as presented:

**A. APPROVAL OF HIB REPORTS**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education affirms the Superintendent’s recommendation with respect to Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying matters discussed in executive session at the March 9, 2023 meeting.

**B. RESOLUTION CONCERNING CLIMATE CHANGE AND FOSSIL FUELS**

WHEREAS it is the purpose and mission of the Piscataway Township Board of Education to always propose and support goals, activities, policies which are beneficial to all students who attend Piscataway district, and

WHEREAS the Piscataway Township Board of Education works to ensure that all Piscataway students graduate as global citizens, critical and creative thinkers, and skilled collaborators; and

WHEREAS the Piscataway Township Board of Education believes that a healthy society and community require a sustainable healthy relationship with the natural environment and climate cycles, and

WHEREAS the Piscataway Township Board of Education believes there is broad scientific consensus among climate scientists that human activities contribute to greenhouse gases that are the dominant cause in climate change; and

WHEREAS climate change should not be a partisan or political issue;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education directs the Board Secretary to transmit official copies of this Resolution to New Jersey Governor Philip Murphy, the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, New Jersey Legislators for District 17 Senator Bob Smith, Assemblyman Joe Danielsen, Assemblyman Joseph V. Egan, Piscataway Township Mayor Brian Wahler and the members of the Piscataway Township Council to support legislation that reduces and strives to eventually eliminate dependency on fossil fuels within the State of New Jersey.

**C. APPROVAL OF ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS AND/OR EMPLOYEES OF THE BOARD AT CONFERENCES**

WHEREAS, the Piscataway Township Board of Education deems participation in the following conferences by certain members and/or employees of the Board to be educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the costs aforesaid are and, as they further accrue, will be set forth in detailed documentation on file with the Office of the School Business Administrator;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education, pursuant to P.L. 2007, c. 53, hereby approves the following travel events. Unless otherwise stated, all costs of registration, travel, meals and lodging are included, to the extent permitted by law.

Name	Conference	Date(s)	Cost Not to Exceed
Robert Ahrens	Phenomenon-Based Classroom Grades 3-8 / Jersey City, NJ	April 20, 2023	\$173.70
Scott Cartmell	Responding to School Bomb Threats / Millville, NJ	May 5, 2023	\$108.05
Nathaniel Sullivan	NJTESOL 2023 Spring Conference / New Brunswick, NJ	May 25, 2023	\$390.00

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded \_\_\_\_\_

Vote Vote Vote

Ms. Scotto _____	Mr. King _____	Mrs. Salgado-Cowan _____
Ms. Smith _____	Mrs. Lane _____	Dr. Connors _____
Mrs. Corradino _____	Ms. Rashid _____	Ms. Cherry _____

Yea \_\_\_\_\_ Nay \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

**XVIII. OLD BUSINESS**

**XIX. NEW BUSINESS**

**XX. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn:

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded \_\_\_\_\_  
 Yea \_\_\_\_\_ Nay \_\_\_\_\_

**XXI. MEETING DATES & TIMES (Subject to revision)**

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**2022-2023 SCHEDULE**

April 27, 2023	Business Meeting	6:30 pm
May 3, 2023	Fiscal Planning & Operations Committee Meeting	7:00 pm
May 4, 2023	Policy / Legislative Committee Meeting	6:30 pm
May 11, 2023	Business Meeting	6:30 pm
May 16, 2023	Culture, Climate & Community Relations Committee Meeting	7:00 pm
June 5, 2023	Curriculum Committee Meeting	6:30 pm
June 7, 2023	Fiscal Planning & Operations Committee Meeting	7:00 pm
June 8, 2023	Business Meeting	6:30 pm

Note: The Board opens its business meetings at 6:30 PM and regularly convenes an executive session to discuss items that are specified in its motion to convene an executive session. The Board normally reconvenes in public session at 7:30 PM. All business meetings of the Board of Education shall be considered action meetings.

All committee meetings will be held via video conference. Members of the public who are interested in participating in these meetings, may email the Board at [lnagy@pway.org](mailto:lnagy@pway.org) for additional information.