

MOONACHIE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING

Robert L. Craig School

Cafeteria

May 20, 2025

Call to order by Board President      Meeting opened at \_\_\_\_\_

Roll Call

Members Present:

Members Absent:

Also Present:

Pledge of Allegiance

State of Compliance:

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the rights for the public to have advance notice of, and to attend, the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary has caused notice of this meeting to be sent, announcing time and place thereof, and, to the extent known, the agenda of this meeting to the following: Borough of Moonachie and Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

- Acceptance of Minutes of May 6, 2025, Regular session, and Superintendent Report – Attachment 1.1  
Motion:  
Seconded:  
Action taken:
- Acceptance of Correspondence  
Motion:  
Seconded:  
Action taken:
- Superintendent's Report  
Motion:  
Seconded:  
Action taken:

▪ **Students of the Month**

<u>May</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Laury Angeles & Martina Goicoechea	Music
Ethan Montero & Eileen Montero	Middle School Social Studies
Haseeb Shah	Middle School ELA
Valentina Arias	Middle School Math
Jacob Echeverry Wu	Middle School Science
Qusay Ali	ESL
Matias Vargas	ESL Graduate
Clara Gonzales	5
Keira De Leon	4
Noah Kaba	3
Alejandro Perez	2
Keila Sanchez	1
Annabelle Walczak	Kindergarten
Kylie Andrade	Pre-Kindergarten

▪ **Submission of HIB Cases – May 2025**

<u>Investigations</u>	<u>Confirmed Cases</u>
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• **Public Comments - (Agenda Items Only)**

In addition, please be aware that employees of this School District retain the right of privacy and shall retain all rights regarding defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey. The Board shall not be held liable for comments made by members of the public and, in order to protect the privacy rights of employees in the District, the Board shall not respond to statements made by the public of or about District employees.

2. **Finance**

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

1. Motion to approve the Bills and Claims against the Board of Education for equipment, materials and supplies furnished and delivered, and for work performed for May 2025 for a total of \$463,833.64 –Attachment 2.1
2. Motion to approve the Check Register for the month of April 2025 for \$52,541.67 - Attachment 2.2

3. Motion to approve the Payroll Check Register for May 15, 2025 for \$115,890.17 with gross pay wages of \$201,875.83 – Attachment 2.3
4. Motion to acknowledge receipt of the monthly certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for May 2025 that no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which total exceed the amount appropriated by the Moonachie Board of Education.
5. Motion to acknowledge receipt of the monthly certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary of May 2025 that no budgetary line item account has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the Moonachie Board of Education's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
6. Motion to approve the Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement between the Moonachie Board of Education and Windsor Prep High School for the 2024-2025 school year – Attachment 2.6
7. Motion to approve check #1216 to Carlstadt-East Rutherford Regional Board of Education in the amount of \$15,131.74 from the Milk & Lunch account for April 2025 meals.
8. Motion to approve the Shared Services Agreement for Technology Support Services between the Moonachie Board of Education and Bergen County Technical Schools Board of Education for the 2025-2026 school year – Attachment 2.8
9. Motion to approve the Strauss Esmay Associates, LLP School Policy and Regulation Consultants renewal for the 2025-2026 school year – Attachment 2.9
10. Motion to approve the Breakfast and Lunch Program Meal Prices for the 2025-2026 School Year as follows:

<u>Program</u>	<u>Cost to District</u>	<u>Full Price</u>	<u>Reduced Price</u>
Breakfast	\$3.18	\$3.00	\$.30
Lunch	\$5.30	\$4.95	\$.40
Milk	\$ .35	\$ .35	----

And approve a vended meals agreement with Carlstadt-E.Rutherford Regional High School District for vended meals to include delivery, set up and steamtable at a cost of \$3.18 per breakfast and \$5.30 per lunch – Attachment 2.10

3. Policy  
 Motion:  
 Seconded:  
 Action taken:

1. Motion to approve the New Jersey Department of Education School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights District and School Grade Report for 2023-2024 – Attachment 3.1

4. Personnel

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

1. Motion to rescind the offer of summer employment for Gabrielle Ocasio as Extended School Year 2025 Teacher Aide.
2. Motion to approve Rajwinder Ghotra as an Extended School Year 2025 Teacher Aide at an hourly rate of \$22.09, salary to be adjusted beginning July 1, 2025 pending the forthcoming Moonachie Board of Education 2025-2026 salary increase resolution.
3. Motion to approve Laurel Spadavecchia as Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Qualified Purchasing Agent for the 2025-2026 school year – Attachment 4.3
4. Motion to approve Stefano Cirillo as Summer Custodian and Substitute Custodian at an hourly rate of \$40.00.
5. Motion to approve travel to the New Jersey School Board Association Workshop in Atlantic City from October 20-23, 2025 for a group rate of \$2,200.00 for the following:

James Knipper	David Vaccaro	Edmond Monti
Matthew Vaccaro	Candace Tarabocchia	Radley Macalintal
Laurel Spadavecchia		
6. Motion to approve the resignation of Melissa Plaza as Teacher, effective June 30, 2025 – Attachment 4.6
7. Motion to approve the job posting for 2025-2026 School Sponsored Activities – Attachment 4.7
8. Motion to approve Molly Ward as Special Education Teacher at BA/1 for the 2025-2026 school year, current year 2024-2025 salary of \$52,500 will be determined upon the ratification of the Moonachie Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement, pending certification and the outcome of the Criminal History Background Screening.

5. Curriculum

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

1. Motion to approve the following field trips/workshops:

Destination	Date	Cost
Active Shooter Response Training ~Moonachie Police Department	6/18/25 4pm-8pm 6/21/25 8am-12pm	No cost
Chief for a Day Luncheon ~Michael Lia and Dixie Fealey	6/13/2025	No Cost
Memorial Day Service at the Moonachie Borough ~Greg Keelen, Kim Schmidt	05/24/2025	3 Hours each
Little Ferry Board of Education Basketball Fundraiser Tournament ~Moonachie Gymnasium	5/31/25 9am-3pm	No Cost; Little Ferry BOE to pay custodial fees of \$260.00
ANSI Accredited Online Food Manager Training ~Sandy Diaz	Online	Not to exceed \$200

6. Facilities

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken:

7. Old Business

8. New Business

9. Information Items

10. Discussion Items

11. Public Comments

12. Adjournment

Motion:

Seconded:

Action taken: