



**BOONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

434 LATHROP AVENUE · BOONTON · NEW JERSEY · 07005

Meeting Agenda

6:30 pm on April 28, 2025, in the Boonton High School Media Center

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Daily Record, the Citizen and the Boonton Town Clerk; and posted on the District website and at the Board of Education Building at 434 Lathrop Avenue, Boonton, NJ.

ROLL CALL & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Christopher Cartelli, Jennifer Darling, Elaine Doherty, Patrick Joyce, Loren Katsakos, Irene LeFebvre, Matthew Mondino, Brianna O'Halloran, Daniel Piccioni, Andrew Portas.

CORRESPONDENCE

LIAISON REPORTS

1. John Hill School student representative
2. Boonton High School student representative
3. Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)
4. Home School Association (HSA)
5. Town Council
6. ESC of Morris County
7. MCSBA
8. NJSBA
9. Other

SUPERINTENDENT

1. District News and Updates
2. Public Hearing of 2025-2026 Budget

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

MINUTES

Approval of the following Board of Education meeting minutes.

1. Regular session: April 7, 2025 (enclosure)
2. Executive session: April 7, 2025 (enclosure)

ADMINISTRATION

PK-8

1. Field Trip: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the following field trip destination for the 2024-2025 school year:

Grade/Group	Destination
Grade 5	Boonton Holmes Library

2. School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Reports: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Reports for the month of April 2025 for School Street School (enclosure) and John Hill School (enclosure).

PK-12

1. Senior Portfolio Staff: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves Kathleen Foley for up to 10 hours for Senior Portfolio Math, at a rate of \$40.00 per hour.
2. Substitutes: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the following substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year:

Substitute Teachers/Paraprofessionals:

Nicolette Costa
Kathleen Mooney
Alec Vento
Luke Hughen*
Tami Grimes*
Gia Stritter**
Julian Billa**
Mark Riccio**

*Pending background clearance

**Pending receipt of substitute

3. Field Trip: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the following field trip destination for the 2024-2025 school year:

Grade/Group	Destination
Grade 12	Dorney Park

4. Memorandum of Understanding: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves a Memorandum of Understanding Between the County College of Morris and Boonton High School for students enrolled in college-level mathematics classes during the 2025-2026 school year. (enclosure)

- School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Reports: Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board approves the School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Reports for the month of April 2025 for Boonton High School (enclosure)

HIB REPORT

Upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Board affirms _____ does not affirm _____ the findings and recommendations on the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying complaint SSS #2.

POLICY

None

OPERATIONS

- Payments: The Board approves these Check Journals.

\$48,706.67	04/28/2025	Cafeteria ACH (attachment)
\$7,042.72	04/28/2025	Cafeteria checks (attachment)
\$12,584.71	04/28/2025	General ACH (attachment)
\$481,153.49	04/28/2025	General checks (attachment)
\$147.11	04/28/2025	Student Activity BHS ACH (attachment)
\$4,505.77	04/23/2025	Student Activity BHS checks (attachment)
\$2,002.30	04/28/2025	Student Activity JHS ACH (attachment)
\$8,895.00	04/23/2025	Student Activity JHS checks (attachment)
\$4,504.30	04/23/2025	Student Activity SSS checks (attachment)
\$3,374,656.82	02/01 - 02/28/2025	Electronic checks, incl. payroll (attachment)
- Transfer Reports: The Board approves Transfer Reports for the month ending 2/28/2025. ([attachment](#))
- Reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer: The Board approves reports of the Board Secretary ([attachment](#)) and Treasurer ([attachment](#)) for the month ending 2/28/2025; major funds have not been over-expended; and sufficient funds are available for the remainder of the year.
- Use of Facilities: The Board approves the District Facilities Use List of 4/28/2025 to organizations, provided all required documents are submitted. District teams have priority. No activities on days school is closed. Use of all gyms and fields are coordinated with the Athletic Director. All permits are pending building administration final approval and receipt of documentation.

Permit #	Requested by / Facility / Dates
2504-0004	BHS Football Parents Committee: Boonton Jr. Boomers Football Camp BHS V & JV Baseball Fields Monday-Thursday 7/2/-31/2025 (3:00 - 6:00 PM)
2504-0005	Tri Town Little League: Picture Night BHS Cafeteria Tuesday & Wednesday 5/6 & 5/7/2025 (4:00 -9:00 PM)

- 2504-0006 BHS Football Parents Committee: Parent Meeting
BHS Auditorium
Wednesday 4/23/2025 (7:00 -8:30 PM)
- 2504-0008 Boonton Preschool Health and Safety Family Night
BHS Aux Gym, Rooms 101,103,104
Tuesday 5/20/2025 (5:00 -8:00 PM)
- 2504-0009 Boonton Hills & Valley Lacrosse: Picture Night
BHS Cafeteria
Tuesday 4/8/2025 (5:00 – 9:00 PM)
- 2504-0010 BHS Track & Field Boosters: Track Meet
BHS Concession Stand & Bathrooms
Tuesday 4/29/2025 (2:00 -8:00 PM)

5. Contract: The Board intends to award a contract to Hertz Furniture for replacement of the School Street School Cafeteria Tables for \$127,607.45, per Keystone Purchasing Network cooperative contract #KPN-202012-02C, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c.139, and Local Finance Notice 2012-10.

6. Tuition Rates: The Board approves the following tuition rates for the 2025-2026 school year.

Kindergarten	\$16,581	Multiple Disabilities	\$52,016
Grades 1-5	17,713	Learning Language Disabilities	48,890
Grades 6-8	18,133	Preschool Disabled	69,794
Grades 9-12	18,985		

7. 2025-2026 District Budget: The Board approves adoption of the 2025-2026 budget.

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Total
Budget	\$37,140,532	\$3,533,769	\$1,425,300	\$42,099,601
Tax Levy	23,157,123		1,073,353	24,230,476

And, the Board, on March 24, 2025, voted to submit to the Executive County Superintendent a Tentative Budget for 2023-2024 as follows:

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Total
Budget	\$36,857,868	\$3,533,769	\$1,425,300	\$41,816,937
Tax Levy	22,934,459		1,073,353	24,007,812

And, the Tentative Budget was approved by the Executive County Superintendent; And, the Board has now determined to modify the Tentative Budget because of additional funding due to an increase in enrollment; Be it resolved the Board approves the modification of the Tentative Budget as follows:

Budget Line	Description	Tentative	Final	Change	Explanation
3080	General Supplies	\$457,528	\$412,415	-\$45,113	Reduction to offset textbooks
3100	Textbooks	\$1,000	\$41,000	\$40,000	Business & Aviation

11000	Basic Skills: Sal of Teachers	\$623,021	\$527,656	-\$95,365	Staffing adjustment
29100	Tuit. to Priv. School for the Disabled	\$2,492,836	\$2,311,946	-\$180,890	Student moved out, Remove TBD aides
41500	Guidance: Sal of Other Prof Staff	\$766,623	\$697,718	-\$68,905	Staffing adjustment
47000	Central Svc: Salaries	\$392,634	\$393,620	\$986	Staffing adjustment
54180	Spec Prog: Health Bens	\$979,254	\$1,132,651	\$153,397	Premium increase
60668	Extraord Svc: Health Bens	\$302,198	\$349,304	\$47,106	Premium increase
71180	Unalloc Bens: Health Bens	\$3,247,720	\$3,843,968	\$596,248	Premium increase
76080	Const Svc	\$854,000	\$1,199,200	\$345,200	Shift to smaller roof project
76140	Lease Purch Principal	\$510,000	\$0	-\$510,000	Shift to smaller roof project
	TOTAL			\$282,664	

8. Adjustment for Enrollment: The Board approves to include in the final budget the adjustment for enrollment in the amount of \$351,671. The district intends to utilize this adjustment for staffing, supplies and materials for the additional students.

9. Adjustment for Health Care Costs: The Board approves to include in the final budget the adjustment for increased costs of health benefits in the amount of \$93,658. The additional funds will be used to pay for the additional increases in health benefit premiums.

10. Maximum Travel: Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, a board of education must establish a maximum dollar limit for travel expenditure, as defined in N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.1 et seq., BE IT RESOLVED that the Board includes in the tentative budget a maximum travel expenditure of \$44,455 for the 2025-2026 school year. The maximum travel expenditure for the 2024-2025 school year is \$63,455, of which \$19,562 has been spent and \$6,345 is encumbered to date.

11. Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement: The Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; AND, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A Subchapter 7 requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; AND, a Board may establish, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of \$218 per staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); AND, travel and related expenses not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A Subchapter 7 but deemed by the Board to be necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; BE IT RESOLVED, the Board approves all travel not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A Subchapter 7 as being necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board includes in the tentative budget travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A Subchapter 7, to a maximum expenditure of \$44,455 for all staff and board members for the 2025-2026 school year. The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

12. Professional Support/Non-Public Services Agreement: The Board approves the agreement with the Educational Services Commission of Morris County for the 2025-2026 school year for Professional Support, OT, PT, Speech services, and for non-public IDEA, Chapters 192/193 Textbook, Nursing and Technology aid services.
13. Joint Transportation Agreement: The Board approves the agreement with the Educational Services Commission of Morris County for the 2025-2026 school year to transport public, nonpublic and special education pupils.
14. Professional Support/Non-Public Services Agreement Addendum: The Board approves the agreement with the Educational Services Commission of Morris County for the 2025-2026 school year for the Non Public Security Aid Program.
15. Roofing Upgrades: The Board approves award of a contract for 2025-2026 to Waterproofing Technologies Inc, per Educational Services Commission of New Jersey #ESCNJ/AEPA 21D, to replace roofing for \$973,776.75 at Boonton High School

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

OTHER BUSINESS OF THE BOARD

Next meeting is May 12, 2025

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Be it resolved, that the following portion of this meeting dealing with the following generally described matters shall not be open to the public: Personnel matters; Current or Potential Litigation; and Matters of Attorney/Client Privilege. Be it further resolved, that it is anticipated that the matters to be considered in private may be disclosed to the public at a later date when confidentiality is no longer required. Be it further resolved, that private consideration is deemed required and is permitted because of the following noted exceptions set forth in the Open Public Meetings Act: Would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy; Related to investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; Related to pending/anticipated litigation or contract negotiations in which the Public body is or may be a party; and Falls within the attorney-client privilege and confidentiality is required.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

Adjourn executive session and return to open session.

ADJOURNMENT