

**BUTLER BOARD OF EDUCATION
BUTLER, NJ 07405
MINUTES
EXECUTIVE MEETING 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING 6:30 P.M.
NOVEMBER 21, 2024
RICHARD BUTLER MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA**



CALLED TO ORDER:

BY: K. Smith, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m., and read the Open Meeting Statement, below:

MEETING NOTICE ANNOUNCEMENT:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of 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 this Act, the Butler Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be advertised by having the date, time, and place thereof posted at the Butler Board of Education Office, 38 Bartholdi Avenue, as designated by the Board of Education for posting of such notice in a public place, with copies of such notice delivered or mailed or electronically mailed to the following:

Suburban Trends and The Daily Record in accordance with Chapter 231, P.L. 1975

Chapter 8, P.L. 1995, provides for the representation of sending school district board of education members on the receiving school district board of education.

The Bloomingdale Board of Education representative has voting privileges on matters as outlined in Board Policy No. 0141.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL (MEETING ATTENDANCE):

A. Allison - **ABSENT**
J. Tacinelli - **PRESENT**
J. Tadros - **PRESENT**

A. Drucker - **PRESENT**
H. Oguss - **PRESENT**
C. Ziegler - **PRESENT**

J. Karpowich - **PRESENT**
K. Smith - **PRESENT**
M. Gogel - **PRESENT**

L. Grecco- Bloomingdale Representative - **PRESENT**



MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION

Motion by H. Oguss, seconded by C. Ziegler, that the Butler Board of Education adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Butler Board of Education on this 21 day of November, 2024 at 6:04 p.m., as follows:

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, provides for the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and;

WHEREAS, the Butler Board of Education is of the opinion that such circumstances exist to discuss Personnel and Finance which are exempt from public participation pursuant to New Jersey Public Law 1975, Chapter 231 "Open Public Meetings Act";

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Butler Board of Education shall enter Executive Session on 11/21/2024 at 6:04 p.m.

The Board will reconvene in public session at the conclusion of the Executive Session. The information discussed during the Executive Session will be disclosed to the public as soon as it is determined by the Board that the information is no longer confidential.

1. The Board shall recess to closed session in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (1), (2), (6), (7) and (8). The general nature of the discussion will involve matters confidential by law, any investigations or tactics or techniques to protect persons or public property, litigation, anticipated litigation and attorney-client matters.
2. These matters will be disclosed to the public as soon as the need for confidentiality no longer applies.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

By motion of C. Ziegler, seconded by J. Tadros, the meeting was called back to public session at 6:28 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT(S): None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- D. Wagner letter asking for a recognition in memory of Becky Karpowich.

DISTRICT RECOGNITION: None.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES: None.



PRESENTATIONS: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by C. Ziegler, seconded by H. Oguss, it was moved to approve the following minutes and dispense with the reading of the same since each member had received a copy:

- October 17, 2024 executive meeting minutes.
- October 17, 2024 regular meeting minutes.

Upon request, all approved minutes shall be made promptly available to the public at any time on or after the next business day following the meeting, unless the need for confidentiality with respect to the approved Executive Session Minutes exists, in which case all privileged and/or confidential information shall be redacted.

After a review of these executive session minutes, the reasons for prior redactions remain present, to the extent that any prior redactions have been made.

All in favor.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- a. **Good News and Progress in Our Schools**
- b. **HIB Report - Approval of HIB Self Assessment Report:**

Motion by J. Tadros, seconded by C. Ziegler, that the Butler Board of Education adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the attached HIB Report beginning October 16, 2024 through November 19, 2024.

School	Incidents Reported	Confirmed Incidents HIB	Inconclusive - Case Remains Active	Unfounded/ Threshold or Code of Conduct Determinations
BHS	1	0	1	0
RBS	0	0	0	0
ADS	3	0	1	2

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Butler Board of Education approves the remedial and disciplinary action taken by the building principals.

ROLL CALL:

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| A. Allison - ABSENT | A. Drucker - YES | J. Karpowich - YES |
| J. Tacinelli - YES | H. Oguss - YES | K. Smith - YES |
| J. Tadros - YES | C. Ziegler - YES | M. Gogel - YES |



L. Grecco - Bloomingdale Representative -YES

Motion carried 9-0-0

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

DELEGATE/LIAISON REPORTS:

- a. Butler Education Foundation - K. Smith
 - No News
- b. NJ School Boards Delegate - M. Gogel
 - Attending State Agenda Webinar next week. Will share STEAM Information.
- c. MOCESCOM - H. Oguss
 - No News
- d. MCSBA - J. Tadros
 - Attending meeting 1st week in December.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION #1 (on agenda action items only, if applicable): None.

Public participation shall be governed by the following rules (Per District Policy #0167):

1. The Public participation period shall be for thirty minutes or fewer;
2. A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his or her name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate;
3. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three minutes' duration;
4. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard;
5. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer;
6. The presiding officer may:
 - a) Interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant;
 - b) Request any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum;
 - c) Request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the meeting;
 - d) Call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action; and
 - e) Waive these rules when necessary for the protection of privacy or the efficient administration of the Board's business.

Please note that “Comments from the Audience” is not a time for dialogue – it is an opportunity for you to share a comment with the Board of Education. In addition, by law, administrators and Board of Education members are not permitted to publicly discuss personnel matters, student discipline, or other issues requiring confidentiality. While we may not respond to your comments, all input shared with the Board of Education is taken very seriously, and will be discussed at future deliberations by the Board of Education and its Committees.



PERSONNEL AND POLICY - J. Tacinelli, Chair

Personnel Committee Meeting Report
Policy Committee Meeting Report

Motion by J. Tacinelli, seconded by C. Ziegler, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motion PP 13-25, as described below:

PP 13-25 Appointments*

Discussion: None.

ROLL CALL:

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| A. Allison - ABSENT | A. Drucker - YES | J. Karpowich - YES |
| J. Tacinelli - YES | H. Oguss - YES | K. Smith - YES |
| J. Tadros - YES | C. Ziegler - YES | M. Gogel - YES |
| L. Grecco - Bloomingdale Representative - YES | | |

Motion carried 9-0-0

Motion by J. Tacinelli, seconded by A. Drucker, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motion PP 14-25 as described below:

PP 14-25 Appointments

Discussion: None.

ROLL CALL:

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| A. Allison - ABSENT | A. Drucker - YES | J. Karpowich - YES |
| J. Tacinelli - YES | H. Oguss - YES | K. Smith - YES |
| J. Tadros - YES | C. Ziegler - YES | M. Gogel - YES |

Motion carried 8-0-0

RESOLUTIONS PP 13-25: APPOINTMENTS*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following appointments pending applicants' completion of all required background checks pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7 et seq., N.J.S.A. 18A6-4 et seq., and P.L. 2018, c. 5 as applicable:

PERSONNEL

A. Administrative/ Office Personnel



Name	Nature of Action	Position	Salary	Location	Date Effective	Date Terminated	Discussion

B. Instructional

Name	Nature of Action	De/Step	Salary	Location	Date Effective	Date Terminated	Discussion
Timothy Mickens	Approve	MA / 10	\$75,298.00	BHS	12/01/2024	06/30/2025	
Thomas Fischer	Approve Resignation	MA+30 / 12	\$86,956.00	BHS		12/13/2024	
#4275	Approve	BA / 15	\$93,505.00	BHS	12/05/2024	01/05/2025	Employee requesting medical leave and will utilize sick days.
#5401	Approve	MA+30 / 11	\$83,201.00	BHS	11/11/2024	04/09/2025	Employee will use a total of 28 sick days after the due date from 11/11/2024 - 12/20/2024. FMLA and NJLA leave will start concurrently on or around 12/23/2024 - 04/08/2025. Employee will return on 04/09/2025. Revised dates from the September 26, 2024 agenda.

C. Substitute/Other

Name	Nature of Action	Position	Salary	Location	Date Effective	Date Terminated	Discussion
Sheri Picioccio	Approve	Substitute Teacher	\$100.00/day	DT	11/21/2024	06/30/2025	
Cara Tiso	Approve	Substitute Teacher	\$100.00/day	DT	11/21/2024	06/30/2025	
Dana Scillieri	Approve	Substitute Teacher	\$100.00/day	DT	11/21/2024	06/30/2025	
Abigail DeVore	Approve	Substitute Teacher	\$100.00/day	DT	11/21/2024	06/30/2025	
Mansoor Qurbanali	Rescind	Long Term Substitute	\$100.00 per day for the first 30 days; then \$57,040.00 per diem.	BHS	12/01/2024	06/30/2025	Maternity Leave Replacement
Christian Chant	Approve	Long Term Substitute	\$125.00 per day for the first 30 days; then \$57,040.00 per diem (\$285.20/day) after	BHS	11/13/2024	06/30/2025	Maternity Leave Replacement



D. Coaches/Activity Positions

Sport	Nature of Action	Coach	Position	Season	Stipend	Longevity	Date Effective	Date Terminated	Discussion
ESports	Approve	Nicholas Branch	Advisor	2024-2025 SY	\$0.00	-	11/01/2024	06/30/2025	
Boys Basketball	Approve	Daniel Polons	Head Coach	Winter	\$6,404.00	-	11/21/2024	03/05/2025	
Boys Basketball	Rescind	Tom Fischer	Head Coach	Winter	\$6,404.00	-	11/21/2024	03/05/2025	
Skiing	Approve	Samuel Scaturro	Volunteer Coach	Winter	\$0.00	-	11/21/2024	03/05/2025	
Boys Basketball	Approve	Robert Brown	Volunteer Coach	Winter	\$0.00	-	11/21/2024	03/05/2025	
Girls Basketball	Approve	Amber VanderGoot	Volunteer Coach	Winter	\$0.00	-	11/21/2024	03/05/2025	
Girls Basketball	Approve	Taylor Russnak	Volunteer Coach	Winter	\$0.00	-	11/21/2024	03/05/2025	

E. Student Interns/Teacher

Name	Nature of Action	School	Program	Subject	Date Effective	Date Terminated	Discussion
Danielle Regan	Approve	BHS	Montclair University Practicum Placement	Counseling	01/17/2025	05/05/2025	

F. Non-Instructional

Name	Nature of Action	Position	Salary	Location	Date Effective	Date Terminated	Discussion

G. Extra Duty Pay

Name	Nature of Action	Position	Salary	Location	Date Effective	Date Terminated	Discussion
Michael Connors	Approve	AM Cafeteria Duty Substitute	\$27.78/30 minute session	BHS	11/01/2024	06/30/2025	



F. Substitute/Other

Name	Nature of Action	Position	Salary	Location	Date Effective	Date Terminated	Discussion

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND SPECIAL SERVICES - J. Tadros, Chair

Committee Meeting Report

Motion by J. Tadros, seconded by C. Ziegler, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motions CIS 30-25 through CIS 36-25, as described below:

- CIS 30-25 Approval of Professional Days***
- CIS 31-25 Approval of Field Trips***
- CIS 32-25 Approval of Fundraisers***
- CIS 33-25 Approval of Memorandum of Agreement Between Butler Board of Education and Law Enforcement***
- CIS 34-25 Approval of NJSIAA Membership Renewal***
- CIS 35-25 Approval of Experiential Education Affiliation Agreement: MSW with Farleigh Dickinson University for the 2024-2025 SY***
- CIS 36-25 Approval of Homebound/Bedside Instruction for the 2024-2025 SY***

Discussion: None.

ROLL CALL:

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| A. Allison - ABSENT | A. Drucker - YES | J. Karpowich - YES |
| J. Tacinelli - YES | H. Oguss - YES | K. Smith - YES |
| J. Tadros - YES | C. Ziegler - YES | M. Gogel - YES |
- L. Grecco - Bloomingdale Representative -**YES**

Motion carried 9-0-0

Motion by J. Tadros, seconded by C. Ziegler, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motions CIS 37-25 through CIS 40-25, as described below:

- CIS 37-25 Approval of Professional Days**
- CIS 38-25 Approval of Field Trips**
- CIS 39-25 Approval of Fundraisers**
- CIS 40-25 Approval of Out-of-District Private Placements for the 2024-2025 SY**

Discussion: None.



ROLL CALL:

A. Allison -**ABSENT**
J. Tacinelli -**YES**
J. Tadros -**YES**

A. Drucker -**YES**
H. Oguss -**YES**
C. Ziegler -**YES**

J. Karpowich -**YES**
K. Smith -**YES**
M. Gogel -**YES**

Motion carried 8-0-0

RESOLUTION CIS 30-25: APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL DAYS*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following professional days for the 2024-2025 school year:

Date	Vendor	Workshop Title/Presenter	Cost	Participants/Requestor
04/24/2025 - 04/26/2025	National Association for Music Education	2025 NAFME All-Eastern Division Conference	\$661.70	Lyn Lowndes
02/24/2025	Ridge High School	ASL Professional Development Day	\$0.00	Marissa Perrone

RESOLUTION CIS 31-25: APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIPS*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following field trips for the 2024-2025 school year:

Date	School	Destination/ Purpose	Requesters/Chaperones	Cost/Funding Source
01/14/2025	BHS	Ramapo College / DECA District Competition	Lisa Chestnutt Karrie McNear Marisa Fatzer Brian Baylor Jason Luciani Kelsey Corsaro Holly Corsaro Mike Connors Maurice Johnson Derek Hall Mike Tobin Melissa Berkheiser Emma Tagariello Patrick Keane Sean Centinaro	\$0.00 / Covered by Membership Dues
12/05/2024	BHS	William Paterson University / Dual Enrollment Courses	Lisa Chestnutt Mike Tobin Lisa Reda	\$0.00 / Covered by WPU
03/28/2025	BHS	Holocaust Museum & Center for Education	Shannon Neville-Greenwood Alissa Vogel	\$44.00 per student



			Maren Baum Lisa Reda Tyler Wheelwright	
12/18/2024	BHS	Noah’s Ark Preschool	Lyn Lowndes	\$0.00
11/26/2024	BHS	Butler United Methodist Church	Emma Tagariello Lisa Urbina Sue Maurer	\$0.00

RESOLUTION CIS 32-25: APPROVAL OF FUNDRAISERS*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following fundraisers and activities for the 2024-2025 school year:

Club/Activity	Dates of Fundraiser	Event Description	Purpose of Fundraiser
Drama Club	11/15/2024	Comfort Kitchen Dinner 2 Go	To raise funds for Drama Club
Fencing	12/01/2024 - 02/28/2025	Favorite Pet Contest - The community pays money to submit a photo of their pet and the fencing team votes on the pets.	To raise funds for new fencing equipment.
Fencing	12/28/2024	Alumni Fencing Event	To raise funds for new fencing equipment

RESOLUTION CIS 33-25: APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN BUTLER BOARD OF EDUCATION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials for the 2024-2025 SY.

RESOLUTION CIS 34-25: APPROVAL OF NJSIAA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the membership renewal of Butler High School in the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association for participation in the approved interschool athletic program sponsored by the NJSIAA for the 2024-2025 school year. The Board adopts as its own policy, and agrees to be governed by the Constitution Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of the NJSIAA.



RESOLUTION CIS 35-25: APPROVAL OF EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION AFFILIATION AGREEMENT: MSW WITH FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY FOR THE 2024-2025 SY*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves an agreement with Fairleigh Dickinson University Experiential Education Affiliation: MSW for the 2024-2025 school year.

RESOLUTION CIS 36-25: APPROVAL OF HOMEBOUND/BEDSIDE INSTRUCTION*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves Home Instruction/Bedside Hours as per Guidance Department, Student Physician, and/or Court Order, paid upon submission of timesheets:

Student ID Number/District	Grade	Effective Date	Hours Per Week	End Date
#94455/Butler	11	11/04/2024	10	11/08/2024

RESOLUTION CIS 37-25: APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL DAYS

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following professional days for the 2024-2025 school year:

Date	Vendor	Workshop Title/Presenter	Cost	Participants/Requestor
02/24/2025 - 02/25/2025	NJAPHERD	Annual Conference	\$596.94	Dan Clark
12/10/2024	Atlantic Health System	CPR Trainer Certification	\$19.08	Brianna McPartland
02/04/2025, 03/18/2025, 05/20/2025	Morris County Anti-Bullying Committee	Coordinator Meeting	\$8.93 per event	Jacqueline Molina
12/04/2024	MCAEMSA	MCAEMSA: Jordan Toma	\$0.00	Michelle Papa

RESOLUTION CIS 38-25: APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIPS

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following field trips for the 2024-2025 school year:

Date	School	Destination/ Purpose	Requesters/Chaperones	Cost/Funding Source
06/03/2025	RBS	YMCA Camp Mason Outdoor Center	Jessica Mignanelli Melissa Paulison Melanie Gashler Stacy Ahlquist	\$55.00 per student / students & PTA



			Adam King Nicholas Branch Jason Kurpick	
11/23/2024	RBS	FIRST Lego Robotics Competition / Mt. Olive High School	Elisabeth Krauze	\$0.00
01/18/2025	RBS	Future City Competition / Rutgers Piscataway Campus	Elisabeth Krauze	\$0.00
12/12/2024	RBS	Public Speaking Symposium	Elisabeth Krauze	\$35.00 per student

RESOLUTION CIS 39-25: APPROVAL OF FUNDRAISERS

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following fundraisers and activities for the 2024-2025 school year:

Club/Activity	Dates of Fundraiser	Event Description	Purpose of Fundraiser
RBS Student Council	12/09/2024 - 12/13/2024	Candy Cane Grams	To raise funds for Student Activities

RESOLUTION CIS 40-25: APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT PRIVATE PLACEMENT FOR 2024-2025 SY

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following out-of-district private placement for the 2024-2025 school year:

Student ID Number	District	School Attending	Dates	Tuition	Extraordinary Services	Account
#95242	Butler	The Phoenix Center	11/18/24 - 06/30/25	<u>SY</u> : \$58,921.18	<u>SY</u> : \$24,890.00	11-000-100-566-00-000

FINANCE - C. Ziegler, Chair
Committee Meeting Report

Motion by C. Ziegler, seconded by J. Karpowich, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motions FIN 37-25 through FIN 47-25, as described below:

- FIN 37-25 Bills and Claims and Payroll Report***
- FIN 38-25 Open Purchase Order Reports***
- FIN 39-25 Transfers***



- FIN 40-25 Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer*
- FIN 41-25 Approval of PEPPM Purchasing Cooperative Agreement*
- FIN 42-25 Renewal of Contract with Saint Clare’s Behavioral Health*
- FIN 43-25 Termination of State Health Benefits Program (SHBP) and School Employees’ Health Benefits Program (SEHBP)*
- FIN 44-25 Approval of Health Benefits with Horizon Direct Access Design 7 Education 10, Horizon Direct Access Design 7 Education 15, Horizon Direct Access NJEH Design, Horizon Direct Access Garden State Plan Design*
- FIN 45-25 Approval of Salary Allocations Under ESEA Act for the 2024-2025 SY*
- FIN 46-25 Approval of Expenditures Under Federal Grants for the 2024-2025 SY*
- FIN 47-25 Approval of Contract with Global Motivational Counseling Center for the 2024-2025 SY*

Discussion: None.

ROLL CALL:

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| A. Allison - ABSENT | A. Drucker - YES | J. Karpowich - YES |
| J. Tacinelli - YES | H. Oguss - YES | K. Smith - YES |
| J. Tadros - YES | C. Ziegler - YES | M. Gogel - YES |
| L. Grecco - Bloomingdale Representative - YES | | |

Motion carried 9-0-0

Motion by C. Ziegler, seconded by J. Karpowich, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motion FIN 48-25, as described below:

FIN 48-25 Approval of Donation for the Veterans Day Breakfast at Richard Butler School

Discussion: None.

ROLL CALL:

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| A. Allison - ABSENT | A. Drucker - YES | J. Karpowich - YES |
| J. Tacinelli - YES | H. Oguss - YES | K. Smith - YES |
| J. Tadros - YES | C. Ziegler - YES | M. Gogel - YES |

Motion carried 8-0-0

RESOLUTION FIN 37-25: BILLS AND CLAIMS AND PAYROLL REPORT*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the **Bills and Claims and Payroll Report**, as per attached list, in the amount of **\$2,992,687.43** and further move that the following bills drawn on the current account in the total amount of **\$335,174.80** for materials received and/or services rendered, having been duly audited by the business administrator and submitted to the Board, be ratified by the Board.



RESOLUTION FIN 38-25: OPEN PURCHASE ORDER REPORTS*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education authorizes approval of the **Open Purchase Order Reports**, as per attached, in the amount of **\$328,234.45**.

RESOLUTION FIN 39-25: TRANSFERS*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves transfers for the month of **October 31, 2024** as presented and on file in the Board Office.

RESOLUTION FIN 40-25: REPORTS OF THE SECRETARY AND TREASURER*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the period ending **October 31, 2024** Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13, and 6:20-2A.10 (d) and (e), and as certified by the Board Secretary, the Board certifies that no budgetary line account has been over expended or has obligations or payments which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Board of Education, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

RESOLUTION FIN 41-25: APPROVAL OF PEPPM PURCHASING COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT*

WHEREAS, the Butler Board of Education, pursuant to P.L.2011.c.139; N.J.S.A 18A:18A-et.seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c) and per Local Finance Notice No. LFN 2012-10, may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods under the nationally-recognized PEPPM purchasing cooperative for any national and/or regional cooperative entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; **AND**

WHEREAS, the Butler Board of Education may enter into contracts with the referenced PEPPM purchasing cooperative through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current PEPPM purchasing cooperative; **AND**

WHEREAS, the Butler Board of Education intends to enter into a contract with Amazon.com Services LLC (PEPPM Contract# 528897-014) through this resolution and properly execute contracts, which shall be subject to all conditions applicable to the current National Contract Program contracts; **AND**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Butler Board of Education authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods or services from Amazon.com Services LLC, pursuant to all conditions of the National Contract Program contracts.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves that the Butler Board of Education enter into a contract with Amazon.com Services LLC under the PEPPM purchasing cooperative for the purchase of any goods on an as needed basis for the district.



RESOLUTION FIN 42-25: RENEWAL OF CONTRACT WITH SAINT CLARE'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the Behavioral Health Services Agreement with Prime Healthcare Services - Saint Clare's, LLC as a service provider to provide out-patient behavioral health assessments for the 2024-2025 school year for a fee of \$250 per evaluation.

RESOLUTION FIN 43-25: TERMINATION OF STATE HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM (SHBP) AND SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM (SEHBP)*

RESOLVED, the Butler Board of Education approves the resolution to terminate all participation under the SHBP and SEHBP (including prescription drug plan and/or dental plan coverage) as of January 1, 2025.

BE IT RESOLVED,

1. The Butler Board of Education hereby resolves to terminate its participation the Program (Medical Plan, Prescription Drug Plan, and/or Dental Plan coverage) thereby canceling coverage provided by the SHBP and/or SEHBP (N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.25 et seq.) for all its active and retired employees.
2. We shall notify all active employees of the date of their termination of coverage under the Program.
3. We understand that the New Jersey Division of Pensions & Benefits (NJDPB) will notify retired employees of the cancellation of their coverage.
4. We understand that all COBRA participants will be notified by the NJDPB and advised to contact our office concerning a possible alternative health, prescription drug, and dental insurance plan.
5. We understand that this resolution shall take effect the first of the month following a 60-day period beginning with the receipt of the resolution by the State Health Benefits Commission or School Employees' Health Benefits Commission.

RESOLUTION FIN 44-25: APPROVAL OF HEALTH BENEFITS WITH HORIZON DIRECT ACCESS DESIGN EDUCATION 10, HORIZON DIRECT ACCESS DESIGN 7 EDUCATION 15, HORIZON DIRECT ACCESS NJEH DESIGN, HORIZON DIRECT ACCESS GARDEN STATE PLAN DESIGN*

RESOLVED, the Butler Board of Education authorizes the participation in the Horizon Health Benefits and Prescription Drug Coverage.

BE IT RESOLVED,

1. The Butler Board of Education, a participating employer in the Health Benefits Program, hereby elects to participate in the Horizon Direct Access Design 7 Education 10, Horizon Direct Access Design 7 Education 15, Horizon Direct Access NJEH Design, Horizon Direct Access Garden State Plan Design and Horizon Prescription Drug Program and to authorize coverage for all the employees and their dependents thereunder in accordance with the statute and regulations adopted by Horizon.
2. As a participating employer we will remit to Horizon all premiums on account of employee and



dependent coverage and periodic charges in accordance with the requirements for the statute and the rules and regulations duly promulgated thereunder.

3. We hereby appoint Pamela Vargas, Business Administrator, to act as Certifying Officer in the administration of this program.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately and coverage shall be effective as of January 1, 2025.

FIN 45-25: APPROVAL OF SALARY ALLOCATIONS UNDER ESEA ACT FOR THE 2024-2025 SY*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the district’s salary allocation under the Elementary and Secondary Act (ESEA) for the 2024-2025 school year as follows:

<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>SALARY %</u>	<u>GRANT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Reudebeth Colaku	52.24%	Title I	Aaron Decker School
Abigail Danyluk	19.89% (Nov.-Jun.)	Title I	Richard Butler School
Arianna Jorge	39.03% (Sept.-Oct.)	Title I	Richard Butler School
Lauren McQueeney	28.86%	Title I	Butler High School
Reudebeth Colaku	10.40%	Title III	Aaron Decker School

FIN 46-25: APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES UNDER FEDERAL GRANTS FOR THE 2024-2025 SY*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the expenditures for the Elementary and Secondary Act (ESEA) for the 2024-2025 school year as follows:

<u>GRANT</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>ACCOUNT#</u>
Title III Immigrant	The Center for Professional Advancement, Inc.	\$2,503.00	20-243-200-300
Title IIA	Drew University	\$525.00	20-270-200-300
Title IV	Newsela, Inc.	\$3,872.00	20-280-200-300
IDEA Basic	Tuition private placements	\$301,361.00	20-251-100-500
IDEA Pre-K	J & B Therapy	\$1,378.00	20-253-200-300
IDEA Pre-K	Hand over Hand, LLC.	\$8,223.00	20-253-200-300



RESOLUTION FIN 47-25: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH GLOBAL MOTIVATIONAL COUNSELING CENTER FOR THE 2024-2025 SY*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the contract with Global Motivational Counseling Center to provide School Clearance for Risk Assessment services and School Clearance for Substance Use services at a rate of \$150.00 per Risk Assessment Evaluation and \$200.00 per Substance Use Evaluation, for the 2024-2025 school year.

RESOLUTION FIN 48-25: APPROVAL OF DONATION FOR THE VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST AT RICHARD BUTLER SCHOOL

RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the donation from Mr. Norman Gravino of \$50.00 to Richard Butler School Student activities for the Veterans Day Breakfast.

OPERATIONS - C. Ziegler, Chair

Committee Meeting Report

Motion by C. Ziegler, seconded by J. Karpowich, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motions OPS 18-25 through OPS 19-25 as described below:

- OPS 18-25 HS/District Facility Use Requests***
- OPS 19-25 School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report***

Discussion: None.

ROLL CALL:

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| A. Allison - ABSENT | A. Drucker - YES | J. Karpowich - YES |
| J. Tacinelli - YES | H. Oguss - YES | K. Smith - YES |
| J. Tadros - YES | C. Ziegler - YES | M. Gogel - YES |
| L. Grecco - Bloomingdale Representative - YES | | |

Motion carried 9-0-0

Motion by C. Ziegler, seconded by J. Karpowich, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motions OPS 20-25 through OPS 21-25 as described below:

- OPS 20-25 Elementary Facility Use Requests**
- OPS 21-25 School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report**

Discussion: None.



ROLL CALL:

A. Allison -**ABSENT**
 J. Tacinelli -**YES**
 J. Tadros -**YES**

A. Drucker -**YES**
 H. Oguss -**YES**
 C. Ziegler -**YES**

J. Karpowich -**YES**
 K. Smith -**YES**
 M. Gogel -**YES**

Motion carried 8-0-0

RESOLUTION OPS 18-25: HS/DISTRICT FACILITY USE REQUESTS*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following application(s) for **use of facilities** for the **2024-2025** school year:

Date	Group	Event	Place	Classification/ App. #	Fee
1/7/2025 2/18/2025	BBYC	BBYC Varsity Wrestling League Matches	BHS Gym 7:00 p.m. ~ 9:00 p.m.	SY 24/25 -B1(44)	\$0.00
1/20/2025 2/11/2025	BBYC	BBYC Varsity Wrestling League Matches	BHS Gym 7:00 p.m. ~ 9:00 p.m.	SY 24/25 -B1(45)	\$0.00
11/26/2024	BHS Intro to Business	Business Leadership Guest Speaker Mark Mickens	Mr. Polons Intro to Business Class Classroom	SY 24/25 A1(21)	\$0.00
12/3/2024	BHS Career Readiness	Guest Speaker Nargis Rifflard	Mrs. Vogel English IV Class Classroom	SY 24/25 -A1(22)	\$0.00
3/21/2024	BHS Career Readiness	Guest Speaker Jesenia Ramos	Mrs. Vogel English IV Class Classroom	SY 24/25 -A1(23)	\$0.00
3/28/2025 3/31/2025 4/1/2025 4/2/2025 4/3/2025 4/5/2025	Butler PTA	RBS Drama Tech Week, Dress Rehearsal and Performance	BHS Auditorium 3/28/2025 - 2:30 p.m. ~ 5:00 p.m. 3/31/2025 ~	SY 24/25 -B1(54)	\$0.00



			4/2/2025 2:30 p.m. ~ 6:00 p.m.		
			4/3/2025 2:30 p.m. ~ 9:00 p.m.		
			4/4/2025 - 4/5/2025 5:00 p.m. ~ 10:00 p.m.		

RESOLUTION OPS 19-25: SCHOOL BUS EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL REPORT*

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Reports for the 2024-2025 school year:

School	Location of Drill	Route #'s	Drill Supervisor
Butler High School	Front of School	BHS #5	Mr. Rory Fitzgerald

RESOLUTION OPS 20-25: ELEMENTARY FACILITY USE REQUESTS

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following application(s) for **use of facilities** for the **2024-2025** school year:

Date	Group	Event	Place	Classification/ App. #	Fee
11/6/2024 11/20/2024 11/21/2024 12/5/2024 12/18/2024 12/19/2024	Butler PTA	Mr. K's Games and Chess BASE Programs	ADS Library 2:30 p.m. ~ 3:45 p.m.	SY 24/25 -B1(41)	\$0.00
1/7/2025 1/14/2025 1/28/2025 2/4/2025	Butler PTA	BASE Program Zumba	ADS Music Room 2:30 p.m. ~ 3:45 p.m.	SY 24/25 -B1(42)	\$0.00
1/6/2025 1/8/2025 1/13/2025	B&B United Soccer Club	Winter/Spring Soccer Practices and Conditioning	RBS Gym January and February	SY 24/25 -B1(43)	\$0.00



<p>1/15/2025 1/22/2025 1/29/2025 2/3/2025 2/5/2025 2/10/2025 2/12/2025 2/19/2025 2/24/2025 2/26/2025 3/3/2025 3/5/2025 3/10/2025 3/12/2025 3/17/2025 3/24/2025 3/26/2025 3/31/2025 4/2/2025 4/7/2025 4/9/2025 4/21/2025 4/23/2025 4/28/2025 4/30/2025</p>			<p>dates: 6:00 p.m. ~ 9:00 p.m. March and April dates: 5:00 p.m. ~ 9:00 p.m. *If gym is needed for RBS basketball games the soccer practices will be canceled.</p>		
12/5/2024	Butler PTA	4th Grade Picnic Meeting	<p>ADS Library 6:45 p.m. ~ 9:00 p.m.</p>	SY 24/25 -B1(46)	\$0.00
12/5/2024 12/9/2024	Butler PTA	BASE Program WeePaint	<p>ADS Art Room 2:30 p.m. ~ 3:45 p.m.</p>	SY 24/25 -B1(47)	\$0.00
1/10/2025	Butler PTA	Winter Craft	<p>RBS Multipurpose Room and Cafeteria 1:30 p.m. ~ 5:30 p.m.</p>	SY 24/25 -B1(48)	\$0.00
5/7/2025	Butler PTA	TREP\$ Marketplace	<p>RBS Multipurpose Room, Cafeteria, Gym, & Hallways 3:30 p.m. ~ 10:00 p.m.</p>	SY 24/25 -B1(49)	\$0.00



11/18/2024 11/25/2024 12/2/2025 12/16/2024	Butler PTA	BASE Program Zumba	ADS Music Room 2:30 p.m. ~ 3:45 p.m.	SY 24/25 -B1(50)	\$0.00
Revised February Dates 2/11/2025 2/12/2025	Butler PTA	BASE Program Scribble Garden	ADS Art Room 2:30 p.m. ~ 3:30 p.m.	SY 24/25 -B1(51)	\$0.00
11/13/2024	Butler PTA	PTA Fall Fundraiser Delivery/Pick up	ADS Breezeway Delivery: 11:00 a.m. ~ 1:00 p.m. Pick Up: 4:30 p.m. ~ 6:00 p.m.	SY 24/25 -B1(52)	\$0.00
1/7/2025 1/14/2025 1/21/2025 1/28/2025 2/4/2025 2/11/2025 Snow Dates: 2/18/2025 2/25/2025	Butler PTA	Lego Robotics	RBS Room 123 2:45 p.m. ~ 3:45 p.m.	SY 24/25 -B1(53)	\$0.00
12/16/2024 (Updated Meeting date from 12/5/2024 previously approved)	Butler PTA	4th Grade Picnic Meeting	ADS Library 6:45 p.m. ~ 9:00 p.m.	SY 24/25 -B1(55)	\$0.00
12/28/2024	BHS Athletics	Alumni Fencing Event	RBS Gym 8:00 a.m. ~ 12:00 p.m.	SY 24/25 -A1(24)	\$0.00

RESOLUTION OPS 21-25: SCHOOL BUS EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL REPORT

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Reports for the 2024-2025 school year:



School	Location of Drill	Route #'s	Drill Supervisor
Aaron Decker School	Parking Lot	Bus # 13 All Students Drill	Mr. James Manco
Aaron Decker School	Side School Lot	Bus #14 All Students Drill	Mr. James Manco

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/FOLLOW UP PREVIOUS AGENDA: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION #2: None.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by J. Tadros, seconded by J. Karpowich, that the Butler Board of Education adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the motion to close the meeting of the Butler Board of Education at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Vargas
Board Secretary