MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD ON WEDNESDAY, August 19, 2026 AT 5:00 P.M., IN THE STUART SNYDER MEETING ROOM IN THE BOARD OF EDUCATION BUILDING, 105 CEDAR BRIDGE ROAD, MANAHAWKIN, NJ 08050.

President M. Taylor called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

After the Opening Invocation, Flag Salute, and moment of silence Mr. Terhune, Board Secretary, read the following:
"In compliance with the 'Open Public Meetings Act' of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was posted January 7, 2026, at the entrance to all school buildings with a notice sent to The Press of Atlantic City, as well as a mailing sent to the municipal clerks of all constituent districts."

Roll Call:
Present: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Absent: Mrs. Tatur
Also Present: Mr. Craig Henry (Chief School Administrator), Mr. Steven Terhune (School Business Administrator/Board Secretary), Mrs. Megan Vile (Assistant Superintendent), and Mr. Bob Budesa, (Board Attorney)

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Motion by Mr. Weidenhof, seconded by Mr. Berkheiser, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION, to go into executive session for the purposes of discussing legal/contract issues and personnel for approximately one hour and that minutes from the closed session will become public when final action is taken and if the need for confidentiality is no longer required by the Board. The motion was carried by unanimous vote. The Board went into Executive Session at 5:08 PM.

RETURN TO PUBLIC FORUM
Motion by Mrs. Zuzic, seconded by Mrs. Markoski, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION to return to public forum at 6:00 pm.
The motion was carried by unanimous vote.
The Board discussed:

- Personnel – retirements, agenda items, staff assignments
- Legal/Contract – turf project, school funding meeting, National Honor Society, Cell Phone Regulations

Motion by Mr. Weidenhof, seconded by Mr. Berkheiser and carried by a roll call vote, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, to approve the agenda with the following add-ons:

Add-on 9m.	Professional Development Requests
Add-on 9n.	District Shredding
Add-on 9o.	Approval to Enter Into Contract
Add-on 11a.7	Approve Hiring - Part Time Paraprofessionals
Add-on 11f.8	Approve Stipends - Autism High Needs Hygiene
Add-on 11h.3	Approve substitutes – Transportation Office

Add-on 12.b	Bus Routes 2026-2027
Add-on 12c.	Ocean Township Transportation Contract
Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None

Motion by Mr. Weidenhof, seconded by Mr. Berkheiser to appoint Mr. Paul Metzger as a Board Member through December 2026.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None

Board Secretary Terhune Administered Oath of Office to Mr. Metzger.

The Board of Education acknowledged the resignation of Mr. Terry Deakyne as a member of the Board of Education, effective August 18, 2026.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No member of the public wished to address the Board of Education at this time.

BOARD MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Weidenhof, seconded by Mrs. Markoski, and carried by voice call vote to approve the following minutes:
Executive Session – July 8, 2026

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Messrs. Metzger and Sharkey abstained

Motion by Mr. Weidenhof, seconded by Mrs. Markoski, and carried by voice call vote to approve the following minutes:
Regular Session – July 8, 2026

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Messrs. Metzger and Sharkey abstained

FINANCE

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the warrants for the month of July 2026.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	Mrs. Markoski
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll vote to approve the list of budget transfers for the month of June 2026.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the Treasurers Report for the month of June 2026.
Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the Receipt Report for June 2026.
Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the Board Secretary's Report for June 2026.
Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the Board Secretary's Certification for June 2026.
Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to accept the following Non-Public State Aid funds for FY27.
- Non-Public Textbooks 2026-2027 School Year- $1,500
    - o Saint Mary Academy - $1,222
    - o Lighthouse Christian Academy - $278
- Non-Public Nursing 2026-2027 School Year - $3,931
    - o Saint Mary Academy - $3,203
    - o Lighthouse Christian Academy - $728
- Non-Public Technology 2026-2027 School Year - $1,058
    - o Saint Mary Academy - $862
    - o Lighthouse Christian Academy - $196

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to accept the Extraordinary Aid provided by the State of NJ for Fiscal Year 2026 in the amount of $906,149

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to accept the Non Public Transportation Aid provided by the State of NJ for Fiscal Year 2026 in the amount of $21,345.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the following professional development item:
• Registration for NJ School Boards Association Annual Conference – Atlantic City Convention Center - October 19-22, 2026 – District Group Registration up to 25 individuals - $2,400.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the 2026-2027 Out of District Tuition Contracts as presented to the board.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger and Mrs. Zuzic abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to accept and acknowledge the receipt of the Ocean County Vocational Technical School's full time tuition, at a rate of $1,730 per student and shared tuition at a rate of $865 per student for the 2026-2027 school year, along with the tentative student count as follows and as of August 6, 2026:

Academy of Law and Public Safety 3 students
MATES Academy 43 students
Performing Arts Academy 12 students
Shared Time 132 students.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger and Mrs. Zuzic abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve a reimbursement to teachers up to a maximum of $916 per credit for the 2026-2027 school year, (average of four State College's rates). This rate is up from $857 for the 2025-2026 school year.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the Fundraising requests for the 2026-2027 school year as presented to the Board.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the following professional development requests as presented to the board:

Date of Professional Development	Wednesday, September 30, 2026
Name of Employee Attending	Bob Schoka
Sponsor of Seminar or Conference:	Strauss Esmay
Name of Seminar or Conference:	Anti-Bullying
Location of Seminar or Conference:	Toms River
Registration Fee:	$165.00

Date of Professional Development	October 1, 2026
Name of Employee Attending	Kerry Rossi
Sponsor of Seminar or Conference:	Strauss Esmay
Name of Seminar or Conference:	Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying (HIB) Training
Location of Seminar or Conference:	Ocean County College, Toms River
Registration Fee:	$165.00
Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the 2026-2027 District Shredding:

File Name	Boxes	Date/Year on Box
Health Files	11	2019
Graduates	15	2019
Paid Bills	10	2018-2019
Attendance	10	2018-2019.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the following resolution to Enter Into Contract For One-to-One Nursing Substitute Services; Medically Fragile Student:

Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a contract with:

Preferred Home Health Care & Nursing Services, Inc
d/b/a Care Options for Kids

250 Century Parkway, Suite 325
Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

The Agency will provide one-to-one substitute nursing services to a District student who has been identified as a "medically fragile student" pursuant to their Individual Educational Plan (IEP) and N.J.S.A. 18A:40-3.3. (Student ID #50135) when their normally contracted service is unable to provide nursing services.
The cost of the services will be $65.00 for a Registered Nurse and, if needed, $65.00 per hour for a Licensed Practical Nurse.
The term of the contract is from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, according to the school calendar on an as needed basis.
The total cost of the contract is estimated to be $10,000.00.
In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5 (a) (1), the Board of Education hereby states the following reason for the award of this professional services contract: The Board of Education requires the service of a qualified nurse to provide services to a student who has been identified as a "medically fragile student" pursuant to their Individual Educational Plan (IEP) and N.J.S.A. 18A:40-3.3..

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

POLICY

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the following policy for its first reading:

Section 5000

Policy/Reg	Name	Policy/Regulation
P5516	Student Use of Internet-Enabled Devices	Policy
R5516	Student Use of Internet-Enabled Devices	Regulation

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the following policy for its second reading:

Section 5000

Policy/Reg	Name	Policy/Regulation
P5200	Attendance	Policy

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

INSTRUCTION/PERSONNEL/EXTRA-CURRICULAR COMMITTEE

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve Cheryl Parker as a full-time security guard in the high school effective September 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Mrs. Parker will be placed on Step 1 of Schedule E, Security, 2026-2027, of the Southern Regional Education Association contract at a salary of $55,112.

This position is new and being funded by three part-time security positions that were abolished in July.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the hire of Kevin Canaley as a part-time security guard in the middle school effective September 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. Mr. Canaley will receive an hourly rate of $20.25. This position is to replace Jason Haykel who resigned effective April 6, 2026.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the hire of Kimberly Molinaro as a parttime greeter in the middle school effective September 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. Ms. Molinaro will receive an hourly rate of $18.50. This position is to replace Kimberly Velez who retired effective June 16, 2026.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the hire of Abigail Gallacher as a Mathematics Teacher in the high school effective September 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. Ms. Gallacher will be placed on Step 1, BA, Schedule A-2, Certified Employees, 2026-2027 at a salary of $67,568.00. This position is to replace Kathleen MacPhee who has been approved for a full year maternity leave.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the hire of Hannah J. McClain as an English Teacher in the high school effective September 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. Ms. McClain will be placed on Step 2, MA, Schedule A-2, Certified Employees, 2026-2027 at a salary of $71,084.00. This position is to replace Elizabeth Horn who has been approved for a full year maternity leave.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the hire of Nicholas Calavano as a Mathematics Teacher in the middle school effective September 1, 2026, through January 31, 2027. Mr. Calavano will receive $200.00 per diem. This position is to replace Kelly Sesta-Carmona who has been approved for a half year maternity leave.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the hire of Joseph J. Brausam as a music teacher in the middle school effective November 9, 2026, through June 30, 2027. Mr. Brausam will receive $250.00 a day. This position is to replace Jannah Kenney who will be on a maternity leave.
Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve Riley Hamilton as an English teacher in the high school effective September 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Ms. Hamilton will be placed on Step 1, BA of Schedule A-2, Certified Employees, 2026-2027, of the Southern Regional Education Association contract at a salary of $67,568.00. This position is to replace Jason Capelli who is retiring effective October 1, 2026.
Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the following positions:
The hiring of Part-Time, 10 Month, Paraprofessionals working approximately 17.5 hours per week (Monday-Friday) at a rate of $23.75 per hour.
*Arnalda Rojas – 9/10 High School (Hours: 11 am- 2:30 pm Monday through Friday)Start date is September 1, 2026, pending successful criminal clearance
*Jennifer Miller – 9/10 High School (Hours: 11 am- 2:30 pm Monday through Friday)Start date is September 1, 2026, pending successful criminal clearance
*Andrew Gray – 7/8 Middle School (Hours: 11 am- 2:30 pm Monday through Friday) Start date is September 1, 2026, pending successful criminal clearance.
Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the retirement of Jason Capelli, effective October 1, 2026.
Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the retirement of Michael Strada, effective January 1, 2027.
Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None

Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the retirement of Catherine Kubarewicz, effective January 1, 2027.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to accept the resignation of Christine Weston, effective June 16, 2026.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the voluntary transfer of Emily Hoagland from the middle school mathematics department to the high school mathematics department effective September 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. This position is to replace Michael Strada who is retiring.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the following salary guide advancements effective September 1, 2026:

Employee	Placement on Salary Guide
LaPointe, Christine	BA +30
Smith, William	PhD.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve Christine Ryder as the Advanced Placement Testing Coordinator for the 2026-2027 school year. This position receives the SREA Contract Schedule B-2, with a stipend of $4,306.00.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the following summer strength and conditioning programs:

NAME	POSITION	SALARY
Matt Abbato	Split: Head Coach	
Dan Abbato	Strength and Conditioning	$6,335.00
Dan Roy	AM - Intramural	$3,754.00
Dylan Larson	AM - Intramural	$3,754.00.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the following sixth period stipends for the 2026-2027 school year for the following staff:

Teacher	Assignment	Building	Amount
Booth, Kyle	TV	HS	Full
Breitweiser, Michelle	Speech	MS	Full
Furlong, Jennifer	Fam & Cons Science	HS	Full
Heitchew, Sara	Speech	HS	Full
Kovacs-Schroeck, Heather	Autism	HS	Full
Kubarewicz, Catherine	RR Health	HS	1/4
Kubarewicz, Catherine	Science Lab	HS	1/5
Lukas, Leaha	TV	HS	Full
Mikuletzky, Morgan	Auto I	HS	Full
Muska, Danielle	Autism	HS	Full
Pacholec, Kendis	World Language	HS	Full
Penna, Melissa	Art	HS	Full
Raftery, Erica	Science Lab	HS	1/5
Simon, Laurie	RR Health	HS	1/4
Snyder, Brandon	Aspire	HS	Full
Triano, Elaine	Aspire	HS	Full
Truitt, Ed	Science Lab	HS	1/5
Wilgus, Drew	Science Lab	HS	1/5
Yonney-Kriebel, Julie	Fam & Cons Science	HS	Full.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the extra-curricular positions for the 2026 – 2027 school year, (First Name, Last Name, Position, Salary) as follows:
John Pampalone Head Coach - Boys Basketball $13,979
Joe Nagy Assistant Coach - Boys Basketball $10,638
Patrick Ramsey Assistant Coach - Boys Basketball $10,638
Shjon Houser Volunteer Coach - Boys Basketball $0
Sean Sweeney Head Coach - Girls Basketball $13,979
Eric Geddes Assistant Coach – Girls Basketball $10,638
Cynthia Brown Assistant Coach – Girls Basketball $10,638
Anthony Salvatore Head Coach – Boys Bowling $9,528
Ed Costa Head Coach – Girls Bowling $9,528
Jamie Armstrong Head Coach – Cheerleading & Competition $7,223
Maureen Cascio Assistant Coach – Cheerleading & Competition $5,433
Kevin Mahana Head Coach – Boys Swim $11,726
Drew Wilgus Assistant Coach – Boys Swim $8,926
Karleigh Stout Head Coach – Girls Swim $11,726
Dan Dreher Assistant Coach – Girls Swim $8,926

Scott Baker Head Coach – Indoor Boys Track & Field $11,726
Dylan Larson Assistant Coach – Indoor Boys Track & Field $8,926
Nicholas Miele Assistant Coach (Split) – Indoor Boys Track & Field $4,463
Brian Zatorski Head Coach – Indoor Girls Track & Field $11,726
Jason Church Assistant Coach – Indoor Girls Track & Field $8,926
Jon Power Assistant Coach (Split) – Indoor Girls Track & Field $4,463
Dan Roy Head Coach – Wrestling $14,206
Nick Herring Assistant Coach – Wrestling $10,811
Dan Hall Assistant Coach – Wrestling $10,811
Dean Helstowski Associate Coach – Girls Wrestling $8,123
Luke Lanno Paraprofessional Aide – Wrestling $0
Russell Pascale Paraprofessional Aide – Wrestling $0
Matt Barnett Volunteer Coach – Wrestling $0
Liam Besserer Volunteer Coach – Wrestling $0
Mike Braun Volunteer Coach – Wrestling $0
Chris Clerico Volunteer Coach – Wrestling $0
Jared Rutko Volunteer Coach – Wrestling $0
Doug Withstandley Volunteer Coach – Wrestling $0
Graham Borg Head Coach – Ice Hockey $11,726
Tom Dean Assistant Coach – Ice Hockey $8,926
Brandon Biegan Associate Coach – Ice Hockey $6,710
Matt Flynn Volunteer Coach – Ice Hockey $0
Kevin Raylman Volunteer Coach – Ice Hockey $0
Nick Ferraro Paraprofessional Aide – Ice Hockey $0
Matt Abbato Winter Strength & Conditioning $6,335
Nick Jinks Winter Intramural Strength & Conditioning $3,754.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve one-on-one stipends, in the amount of $1000 each, for the following paraprofessionals during the 2026-2027 school year:

Cynthia Lytle	Lenore Aceto	Debra Hensinger
Carolanne Fessler	Jody Neal	Kayla Lyons
Stacey Schnepp	Jen Nugent	Kelsey Truitt
Brittany Fredrickson	Angela Nese	Shjon Houser
Amy Ray	Kim Hurd	Kelly Cammarata
Noelle Concilio	Lynn Sarnoski	Priscila Wagner
Jennifer Cox	Cassandra Connelly	Kathryn Murphy
Sam Moody	Katie Coady	Cindy Coughlin
Ed Decker	Maddie Ernst.	

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve personal hygiene stipends, in the amount of $1500 each, for the following paraprofessionals during the 2026-2027 school year:

Jody Neal	Cassandra Connelly	Brittany Fredrickson
Sam Moody	Lenore Aceto	Kathryn Murphy
Kayla Lyons	Noelle Concilio	Kim Hurd
Kelsey Truitt	Cynthia Lytle	Katie Coady

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve a High Needs Toileting stipend, in the amount of $2500, for the following paraprofessionals for 2026-2027 school year.

- Shjon Houser
- Amy Ray
- Carolanne Fessler
- Debra Hensinger.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the following staff members to receive the addition of the High Needs Toileting Hygiene Stipend of $1000 as full-time Autism Paraprofessionals:

Sebastian Cervetto	Lisa Collins	Cathy Deely
Melissa Domalewski	Tyler Harkness	Lyndsay Martin
Gabriel Matos	Michael E Osborn	Nicholas Perna
Lois Raimo		

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger and Mrs. Markoski abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by roll call vote to approve the following Consultants for the 2026 - 2027 School Year:
Allies, Inc. Vocational Programs CST
D'Andrea, Rita, LDTC CST
Garcia, Anna, LDTC CST
Invo Healthcare Associates, Occupational & Speech Therapists CST
Iofin, Alexander, MD, Psychiatrist CST
Johnson, Andre, Advancing Opportunities, Cerebral Palsy NJ CST
Kenneally, Laura, BCBA CST
Keppler, Heidi, BCBA CST
Kolli, Sireesha, MD, Psychiatrist CST
Marotta, Michael, Advancing Opportunities, Cerebral Palsy NJ CST
Merchant, Donna, Audiologist CST
Monmouth - Ocean Educational Services Commission CST
NeurAbilities Healthcare CST
Oxford Consulting CST
Peacock, Vivette, LDTC CST
Rosenberg, Leon I, MD, Psychiatrist CST
Waters and Sims, Job Coaching CST

Premier Sports Medicine of NJ Athletics
SD Gameday South, LLC – Athletic Trainers Athletics
Elmo, Joe, District Musical Performing Arts
Fong, Ben, District Musical Performing Arts
Foster, Augustus, District Musical * Performing Arts
FPS, Lighting & Effects-District Musical Performing Arts
Grasso, Mayumi, District Musical Performing Arts
Jones, Natalie, District Musical Performing Arts
Mattern, Jack, District Musical Performing Arts
Meredith, Todd, District Musical Performing Arts
Moninghoff, Kevin, District Musical Performing Arts
Moninghoff, Linda, District Musical Performing Arts
Petti, Neal, District Musical Performing Arts
Ray, Charles, District Musical * Performing Arts
Rufalo, Robert, Technical Support Performing Arts
Strouse, Steve, District Musical Performing Arts
Short Arc Productions. Lighting & Effects – District Musical Performing Arts
Sullivan, Dan, District Musical Performing Arts
Tabbacchino, Alexa, District Musical Performing Arts
Wright, Alyssa, District Musical Performing Arts
Wyrsch, Jonathan, District Musical * Performing Arts
* Pending the successful completion of all required paperwork and New Jersey Criminal History Record Clearance.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the following substitutes for employment in the 2026-2027 school year:
Abby Ardoin Substitute Teacher
Michael Cioffi Substitute Teacher
Nicholas Colonna* Substitute Teacher
Anna Panacek Substitute Teacher
Teresa Sembler Substitute Teacher
Trevor Velez* Substitute Teacher
*Pending the successful completion of all required paperwork and New Jersey Criminal History Record Clearance.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the renewal of the following Substitute Certificates of the following employees for the 2026-2027 School Year:

Aja Aceto	Substitute Teacher
Paul Calvello	Substitute Teacher
Kelly Cammarata	Substitute Teacher
Cassandra Connelly	Substitute Teacher
Cindy Coughlin	Substitute Teacher

Catherine Deely	Substitute Teacher
Madison Ernst	Substitute Teacher
Marjorie Fisher	Substitute Teacher
Tyler Harkness	Substitute Teacher
Ellen Herbert	Substitute Teacher
Audrey Ivancich	Substitute Teacher
Dylan Larson	Substitute Teacher
Ashley Miele	Substitute Teacher
Samantha Moody	Substitute Teacher
Barbara Nokes	Substitute Nurse
Nicholas Perna	Substitute Teacher
Alicia Rossiter	Substitute Teacher
Lynn Sarnoski	Substitute Teacher
Stacey Schnepp	Substitute Teacher
Stacy Simpson	Substitute Teacher
Kelsey Truitt	Substitute Teacher.
Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger and Mrs. Markoski abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the following employees to work, as needed, as substitutes within the Transportation Office during a period of extended absence for any of the office or management staff. The rate of pay would be their existing contractual pay plus the current trip rate for any hours worked in excess of their current contractual work day:
• Karen Ahearn
• Jessica Silvestri.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the following extra-curricular position for the 2026 Fall Season.
*Chloe Fletcher Dance Team - Volunteer Aide $0.
*Pending the successful completion of all required paperwork and NJ Criminal History Clearance.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the following extracurricular positions be approved for the 2026-27 school year.

Laurette Ibe	MS Girls Volleyball Volunteer Coach	8/20/26 0
Nick Miele	MS Football Volunteer Coach	8/20/26 0
Grace Rickards	MS Girls Soccer Volunteer Coach	8/20/26 0.
Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor	
Nays:	None	

Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the 2026-2027 Ocean County College Early College Courses.

College Algebra	College Algebra	MATH 161	6
Marine Biology	General Biology (Fall)	BIOL 161	4
	Marine Biology (Spring)	BIOL 265	4
Communication Concepts	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	COMM 154	3.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the 2026-2027 Stockton University Partnership Agreement with Southern Regional High School and the following dual credit courses. A copy of this agreement is available in the Board Office.

Anatomy & Physiology	Medical Terminology	HLTH 1241 4
AP US History II	US History Since 1865	HIST 1153 4
Practical Math, Personal Finance & Statistics	Survey of Mathematics	GNM 1124 4
Advanced Pre-Calculus	Precalculus Mathematics	MATH 1100 4
AP Pre-Calculus	Precalculus Mathematics	MATH 1100 4
Honors Calculus	Calculus I	MATH 2215 5
AP Calculus I	Calculus I	MATH 2215 5
German III	German Language and Culture	LANG 1250 4
Honors German IV	German Language and Culture II	LANG 1251 4
Spanish III	Beginning Spanish I	LANG 1240 4
Honors Spanish IV	Beginning Spanish II	LANG 1241 4
French III	Beginning French I	LANG 1230 4
Honors French IV	Beginning French II	LANG 1231 4
Latin III	Beginning Latin I	LANG 1220 4
Honors Latin IV	Beginning Latin II	LANG 1221 4
News Broadcasting	Television Production	COMM 2403 4
Small Business Management	Entrepreneurship	MGMT 3220 4
Topics in Business	Business Basics	GEN 2168 4
Theatre Arts	Topics In Theatre: Performance	THTR 2377 4
Concert Choir	Word & Music: University Chorus	GAH 2401 4
Honors Select Choir	Stockton Chorale	MUSC 3251 2

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the 2026-2027 Stockton University Service-Learning Agreement with Southern Regional School District and approve the following student for a service-learning placement.
College/University: Stockton University
Student: Ariana Del Valle
Type of Placement: 100 hours of Service Learning
School/Subject: HS Social Studies

Dates: Fall 2026
Cooperating Faculty: Matt Abbato.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the Cardiac Emergency Response Plan for the 2026-2027 school year as presented to the Board.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the School Nursing Services Plan for the 2026-2027 school year, as presented to the Board.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the Corrective Action Plan (CAP) to improve student attendance for the 2026-2027 school year, as presented to the Board.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the high school and middle school courses/curriculum for the 2026-2027 school year. The curriculum is available for review on our website, as presented to the Board.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger and Mrs. Markoski abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the high school and middle school textbooks for the 2026-2027 school year.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the 2026-2027 Code of Conduct. The Code of Conduct is included in the student handbook and is available on the district website

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor

Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the District, High School & Middle School Professional Development Plans for the 2026-2027 school year.
Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the following District Developed /NJDOE Approved Evaluation rubrics and forms for the 2026-2027 school year. Forms are available for review in the Board Office:

- Administrator Evaluation Form, Professional Development Plan Form, Goals Form &
- Summary Evaluation Report
- Athletic Director Evaluation Report & Summary Evaluation Report & Rubric
- Athletic Trainer Observation Report & Summary Evaluation Report
- Coaching Evaluation Form
- Child Study Team Evaluation Form, Summary Evaluation Report & Rubric
- General Evaluation Form
- Guidance Evaluation Form, Summary Evaluation Report & Rubric
- Interpreter Evaluation Rubric
- Media Specialist Evaluation Form, Summary Evaluation Report & Rubric
- Nurse Evaluation Form, Summary Evaluation Report & Rubric
- Paraprofessional Evaluation Form
- Professional Assistant Evaluation Form
- Reading Specialist Evaluation Form, Summary Evaluation Form & Rubric
- Related Services Providers Evaluation Form, Summary Evaluation Form & Rubric
- Teacher Evaluation Form, Professional Development Plan Form, Summary Evaluation
- Report (Tested & Non-Tested) & Rubric
- Technology Assistant Evaluation Form
- Teacher Aide Evaluation Form.

Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the 2026-2027 Southern Regional Mentoring Plan as presented to the board.
Ayes: Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays: None
Note: Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the District Technology Guidelines for the 2026-2027 school year, as presented to the board.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the review of the 2026 ACCESS results. New Jersey uses the ACCESS for ELLs assessments as a tool to measure Multilingual Learners (MLLs) proficiency in the English language.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

CAPITAL PROJECTS/BUILDINGS/GROUNDS/TRANSP COMMITTEE

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the revised Transportation Employee Handbook for the 2026-2027 school year. Any changes have been approved by the leadership of the SRTA and the Transportation Management Team as required by SRTA Contract Clause 9:1.3.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the School Bus Routes for the 2026- 2027 school year. A copy of the routes are available for review at the Board Office.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to authorize the execution of the transportation jointure contract with the Ocean Township Board of Education for the 2026-2027 school year.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger and Mrs. Zuzic abstained

COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

Mrs. Markowski spoke about the Class of 2030 Orientation, the start of the Athletic Season on August 29, 2026, Teacher Convocation on September 1, 2026, Classes begin on September 2, 2026, Opening dates for Volleyball, Field Hockey, Girls Soccer, Girls Tennis, Girls and Boys Cross Country, the Boys Soccer Team, the second Football game on September 4 which will be held at Barnegat High School, school is closed in

observance of Labor Day on September 7 and the next Board of Education meeting is scheduled for September 9, 2026.

REPORTS

Mr. Henry noted that the school district just received a Best Schools Designation by US News and World Report in their ranking of high schools.

It was moved by Mr. Berkheiser, seconded by Mr. Sharkey, and carried by voice vote to approve the Facility Use, HS and MS Disciplinary Reports and HIB Resolution as presented to the Board.

Ayes:	Messrs. Berkheiser, Sharkey, Weidenhof, Mrs. Markoski, Ms. Mazzola, Mrs. Zuzic and President M. Taylor
Nays:	None
Note:	Mr. Metzger abstained

BOARD COMMENTS

It was moved by Mr. Weidenhof, seconded by Mrs. Zuzic, and carried by a voice vote to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Steven Terhune
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School Business Administrator/Board Secretary