FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Public Work Session

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, April 10, 2025 at 6:00 PM at the Fairfield Municipal Building

MR. ANTHONY DEPASCALE, BOARD PRESIDENT, CALLED THE ROLL AT 6:00 PM:

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Ms. Andrea Bellise-Jandoli		Ms. Angela Altaai	
Mr. Joseph Fede		Mr. Anthony DePascale	
Ms. Melinda Street			

ADMINISTRATION	POSITION	ATTENDANCE
Mr. Ryan Gupta	Superintendent of Schools	
Mr. Wally Lindsley	Business Administrator/Board Secretary	

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education meeting finds it necessary to meet in Executive Session (Closed to the Public) to discuss attorney/client privileged information, which is exempt from the Open Public Meetings Act.

RECOMMENDATION TO MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education hereby convenes to for discussion of the following subjects:	Executive Session
It is anticipated that the Executive Session will take approximately	; the Board may
take action when it reconvenes to Public Session; and the minutes of the Executive Session no longer	

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters or other exceptions to the sunshine laws as follows:

- 1. Any matter considered confidential by federal law, state statute, or court rule;
- 2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair the receipt of federal funds;
- 3. Any material which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy if disclosed;
- 4. Any collective bargaining agreements;

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- 5. Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds;
- 6. Any tactics and techniques used in protecting the safety and property of the public;
- 7. Any pending or anticipated litigation;
- 8. Personnel matter related to the employment, appointment or termination of current or prospective employees;
- 9. Attorney/Client privilege.

Motion by: Seconded by:		Time:
Motion to return to ope	en session (to be moved in Public Ses	ssion):
Motion by:	Seconded by:	Time:
ADJOURNMENT		
There being no further	business before the Board, the meeting	ng is hereby adjourned.
Motion by:	Seconded by:	Time:
DOLL CALL		
ROLL CALL Ms. Bellise-Jandoli Mi	r Fede Ms Street Ms A	Altaai Mr DePascale

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7:30 PM at the Fairfield Municipal Building

(Access livestream at www.fpsk6.org at 7:30 PM. Also available on Channel 34)

The Board will reconvene from Executive Session and Mr. Anthony DePascale, Board President, will preside and call the public meeting to order at approximately 7:30 PM.

MR. ANTHONY DEPASCALE, BOARD PRESIDENT, CALLED THE ROLL AT 7:30 PM:

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Ms. Andrea Bellise-Jandoli		Ms. Angela Altaai	
Mr. Joseph Fede		Mr. Anthony DePascale	
Ms. Melinda Street			

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The public has been duly informed of this meeting in accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 by posting, at least 48 hours in advance, a notice on the bulletin boards in Stevenson and Churchill Schools, a notice to the Township Clerk, and a notice to The Herald News and The Progress.

Now, please join us for the Pleage of Allegiance.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS: (any new or old business)

PUBLIC COMMENT ON: AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Guidelines in Accordance with Policy #0167

- 1. This is not a question and answer session, but an opportunity to hear comments from the public, directed to the Board President.
- 2. Each person who wishes to make a statement must state their name and address for the record.
- 3. If it appears this portion of the meeting will last longer than 30 minutes, comments may be limited to 3 minutes each until all others have been heard. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic.
- 4. District staff members may make a statement, except when the issue addressed is subject to remediation by an existing alternate method and/or the administrative chain of command has been previously utilized.
- 5. Please be respectful of the Board, Administration, Staff, and audience members in attendance.

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA FINANCE - APRIL 10, 2025

The following finance motions are made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT AGENDA

Anything placed on this agenda, Items 1 to 5, will be voted upon in one motion.			
Motion	oy Seconded by	to approve the following motions:	
1F.	To approve the Minutes from the Public & Executive Se	ssion of March 13, 2025.	

2F. To approve the Bills and Claims List and Payroll as follows:

Ratify and Affirm Bills & Claims List - 3/21/2025	\$103,486.52
Ratify and Affirm Bills & Claims List - 4/10/2025	\$232,352.98
Ratify and Affirm March 15, 2025 Payroll	\$443,186.04
Ratify and Affirm March 30, 2025 Payroll	\$440,575.22

- 3F. To approve the transfer of funds for the month of March 2025 as certified by the Business Administrator and authorized by the Superintendent of Schools.
- 4F. To approve the report of the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the period of March 1, 2025 through March 31, 2025. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 and certify that as of March 2025 the Board Secretary's monthly financial reports did not reflect an over expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected on these reports and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the financial reports for the months be accepted and shall become a part of the official minutes of this meeting.

5F. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE FAIRFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY (with not less than a majority of the full membership of the Board concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

It is hereby determined that one additional spending proposal will be submitted for voter approval at the Annual School Election scheduled for November 4, 2025. The form of the proposal will read substantially as follows with such adjustments as required in accordance with guidelines or requirements of the Department of Education:

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA FINANCE - APRIL 10, 2025

RESOLVED that there shall be raised an additional \$359,201 of funds in the 2025-2026 School Year to hire three (3) classroom aides, one (1) special education teacher, and one (1) school counselor to provide support to students with academic, social, and emotional needs. Approval of these funds will result in a permanent increase in the district's tax levy.

ROLL CALL				
Ms. Bellise-Jandoli	Mr. Fede	Ms. Street	Ms. Altaai	Mr. DePascale

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ADMINISTRATIVE - APRIL 10, 2025

The following administrative motion is made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:				
CONSENT AGENDA				
Anything placed on this agenda,	Item 1, will be vote	d upon in or	ne motion.	
Motion by	Seconded by		to approve the f	following motion:
1A. <u>BANK</u>				
BE IT RESOLVED tha <i>Bank and/or its succes</i> District for the 2025 cal	ssors as its official			_
BE IT FURTHER RES funds of the Fairfield amended to the following	Board of Education			*
Account Na	<u>.me</u>		Signatures Requ	<u>uired</u>
Churchill Student Acti	vity Account Ra	ymond Sant	ana and Ryan Gu	pta or Wally Lindsley
Stevenson Student Activity Account Michael Trabucco and Ryan Gupta or Wally Lindsley				
ROLL CALL				
Ms. Bellise-Jandoli Mr.	Fede Ms. S	reet	Ms. Altaai	Mr. DePascale

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA CONTRACTS - APRIL 10, 2025

The following contract motions are made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT AGENDA

Anything placed on this agenda, Items 1 - 3, will be voted upon in one motion.			
Motion by	Seconded by	to approve the following motions:	

1CO. <u>Transportation Agreement with Sussex County Regional Cooperative</u>

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves the participation of a Joint Transportation Agreement with the Sussex County Regional Cooperative for Special Education, Field Trip, Public and Private School Transportation for the 2025-2026 school year.

2CO. Award Bid for Lighting Upgrade - District Wide

BE IT RESOLVED that two proposals were received for the lighting upgrade to LED for the Fairfield School District.

BIDDER	TOTAL PROJECT	REBATES	FINAL COST
Albright, LLC	\$109,510	\$81,250	\$28,260
K.HE Enterprises	\$107,084	\$77,160	\$29,924

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves the award for the lighting upgrade to LED for the Fairfield School District to Albright, LLC in the amount of \$28,260.

3CO. Award Bid for MDF Room Upgrade at Adlai E. Stevenson School

BE IT RESOLVED that three proposals were received from the Technology Administrator for the MDF room upgrade for Adlai E. Stevenson School.

BIDDER	TOTAL PROJECT	COOPERATIVE LICENSE NUMBER
CDW Government, LLC.	\$175,010.71	ESCNJ/AEPA-22G
JCT Solutions	\$230,658.92	UCCP# 8-2022
SHI International Corp.	\$168,630.02	E-8801-NJSBA ACES-CPS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves and awards the contract to CDW Government, LLC for the MDF room upgrade at Adlai E. Stevenson School in the amount of \$175,010.71. (E-Rate funded)

ROLL CALL				
Ms. Bellise-Jandoli	Mr. Fede	Ms. Street	Ms. Altaai	Mr. DePascale

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA GRANTS - APRIL 10, 2025

The foll	lowing g	rant motic	ons are made at	the recommendat	ion of the Superintend	dent of Schools:
CONSE	ENT AG	ENDA				
Anythir	ng placed	l on this a	genda, Items 1 -	- 2, will be voted	upon in one motion.	
Motion	by		Seconded	by	to approve the	following motions:
1G.	New Je	rsey Scho	ols Insurance G	roup - Safety Gra	nt Award	
	group a	authorized		18A:18B-1, et s		a school board insurance rance coverage and risk
			Fairfield Boar nember of NJSI		hereinafter referred	l to as the "Educational
	provide	members		resources to com	, .	safety grant program is to projects and improve the
	NOW, T	ΓHEREFO	ORE, BE IT RE	SOLVED that:		
	1)	program	for the 2025-		in the amount of \$2	th the NJSIG safety grant ,322 for the purposes set
	2)			trator or their de and receive a safet	_	horized to take all action
2G.	Recreat	ion Impro	vement Grant A	ward		
	Jersey (DLGS)	Departme	nt of Commur Local Recreatio	nity Affairs (DC	A), Division of Loc	ne award from The New cal Government Services mount of \$87,000 for the
ROLL Ms. Bel	<u>CALL</u> lise-Jano	doli	_ Mr. Fede	Ms. Street	Ms. Altaai	Mr. DePascale

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS - APRIL 10, 2025

The	following	buildings	and	grounds	motion	is	made	at	the	recommendation	of the	Superint	tendent	of
Scho	ools:													

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Motion	by Seconded by	to approve the following motion:							
1BG.	To approve the following Building Use Applications:								

ORGANIZATION GROUP/LOCATION/PURPOSE	DATE AND TIME SLOT
Corporal James High - Fairfield Police Dept. LEAD Graduation and Atlantic Health helicopter landing	May 19, 2025 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Hustle Baseball Youth Baseball Practices Stevenson Fields	Retroactively to 3/26/2025 - 6/26/2025 (Wednesdays and Thursdays Only) 5:30 PM to 7:45 PM
West Essex Jr. Knight Baseball Practices Stevenson Fields	Retroactively to 4/1/2025 to 8/29/2025 (Tuesdays and Fridays Only) 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

ROLL CALL					
Ms. Bellise-Jandoli	Mr. Fede	Ms. Street	Ms. Altaai	Mr. DePascale	

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA PERSONNEL - APRIL 10, 2025

The	follo	wing	personnel	motions	are made	at the	recomme	ndation	of the	Supe	erintend	lent c	of S	choo	ls:

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,	To approve the leav	e of absence	for the follow	ing emplo	oyee:			
	Name	Location	Position	Disability Leav		pay, b	MLA w/o ut with efits	Return Date
	Lisa Salant	AES	Preschool Teacher	08/28/2025 - 09/10/2025			/2025 - 5/2025	12/08/2025
	Name	Location		Position		Reason		ast Day of mployment
	Name Karissa Yelovich	Location AES	Positi First Grade		Reason Resignation		Er	•
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	Name	ll required d		:	ng or	(s) for th	Prorated Salary/Hou Rate	l l
	pending receipt of a	Location/Position AES	Tenure Track o Leave	r Replaci New Po	ng or sition		Prorated Salary/Hou	Effective Date(s) on or about:

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA CURRICULUM/PROGRAM - APRIL 10, 2025

The following curriculum/program motion is made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT AGENDA

Anything placed on this agenda, Item 1, will be voted upon in one motion.

Motion by _______ Seconded by ______ to approve the following motion:

1C. To approve the revisions to the 2024-2025 school calendar to reflect Tuesday, June 17, 2025 as the last day of school. Furthermore, schools will be closed on Friday, May 23, 2025 (see attached).

ROLL CALL

Ms. Bellise-Jandoli ____ Mr. Fede ____ Ms. Street ____ Ms. Altaai ____ Mr. DePascale _____

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA POLICY - APRIL 10, 2025

The following policy motions are made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT	AGENDA

IVIOLIOII	by Seconded by	to approve the following motions:
1PO.	BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Investigation WSCS #11 2024-2025 for the reasons set fort the Board. A copy of the Board's decision will be sent to the	h in the Superintendent's Report to
2PO.	BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Investigation WSCS #12 2024-2025 for the reasons set fort the Board. A copy of the Board's decision will be sent to the	h in the Superintendent's Report to
3PO.	BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Investigation WSCS #13 2024-2025 for the reasons set fort the Board. A copy of the Board's decision will be sent to the	h in the Superintendent's Report to
4PO.	BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Investigation WSCS #14 2024-2025 for the reasons set fort the Board. A copy of the Board's decision will be sent to the	h in the Superintendent's Report to
5PO.	BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Investigation WSCS #15 2024-2025 for the reasons set fort the Board. A copy of the Board's decision will be sent to the	h in the Superintendent's Report to
6PO.	BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Investigation WSCS #16 2024-2025 for the reasons set fort the Board. A copy of the Board's decision will be sent to the	h in the Superintendent's Report to
7PO.	BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Investigation WSCS #17 2024-2025 for the reasons set fort the Board. A copy of the Board's decision will be sent to the	h in the Superintendent's Report to

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ENROLLMENT - APRIL 10, 2025

Grade	Students 6/7/2024	Students 4/8/2025
Preschool Inclusive	22	27
Preschool Disabilities	12	9
Kindergarten	92	98
First	96	92
Second	99	94
Third	84	103
Fourth	109	84
Fifth	108	109
Sixth	86	110
Out-of-District	2	2
Charter School	0	3
Total	710	731

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The Board President will open the floor to the public comments on non-agenda items.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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NEXT MEETING

BE IT RESOLVED that the next meeting will be held, in person, on April 29, 2025, Public Work Session beginning at 6:00 PM followed by Executive Session with Public Session resuming at approximately 7:30 PM, at the Fairfield Municipal Building.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no	further business b	efore the Board, th	ne meeting is hereby	adjourned.	
Motion by:	S	seconded by:		Time:	
ROLL CALL Ms. Bellise-Jandoli	Mr. Fede	Ms. Street	Ms. Altaai	Mr. DePascale	

FAIRFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Date	Day (s)	EVENT	STAFF INST. AIDES	Students	P/G CAFETERIA AIDES
August	``	2024	2	0	0
28	Wednesday	New Teacher Orientation			
29	Thursday	First Day Meeting for Staff			
30	Friday	Early Dismissal for Staff Prep Day			
September	Tilday	Early Distrilissar for Stall 1 Top Day	20	20	20
2	Monday	Labor Day - No School		20	
3	Tuesday	First Day for Students			
10	Tuesday	Back to School Night: Stevenson	0.		
11	Wednesday	Back to School Night: Stevenson Back to School Night: Churchill			
16	Monday	2-Hour Delayed Opening for Students			
		Professional Development for Staff (AM)			- 04
October		T=	22	21	21
3	Thursday	Rosh Hashanah - No School			
14	Monday	No School Students Professional Development for Staff			
November			17	17	13
7 & 8	Thu. & Fri.	NJEA Convention - No School			
21, 25, 26	Thu., Mon. & Tue.	Early Dismissal for Conferences			
27	Wednesday	Early Dismissal for Students and Staff			
28 & 29	Thu. & Fri.	Thanksgiving Recess - No School			
December			15	15	14
9	Monday	2-Hour Delayed Opening for Students Professional Development for Staff (AM)			
20	Friday	Early Dismissal for Students and Staff			
23-31	Mon. – Tue.	Winter Break - No School			
	WOII. Tuo.	2025	21	21	21
January 1	Wednesday	New Year's Day - No School			
	-	2-Hour Delayed Opening for Students			
16	Thursday	Professional Development for Staff (AM)			
20	Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School			
February		e to weather February 6, 2025	17	17	16
14	Friday	Early Dismissal for Students and Staff			
17 & 18	Mon. & Tue.	Presidents' Day Recess - No School			
March	Woll. & Tuo.	1 Tosiacino Bay Neocos - No Collect	21	21	21
19	Wednesday	2-Hour Delayed Opening for Students	~.		
Annil		Professional Development for Staff (AM)	16	16	16
April	Friday	Cood Eriday No Cohool	10	10	10
18 21-25	Friday Mon Fri	Good Friday - No School			
	Mon. – Fri.	Spring Break - No School	20	20	19
May	Thursday	Early Diemiceal for Students and Staff	20	20	19
22	Thursday	Early Dismissal for Students and Staff			
23 & 26	Friday & Monday	Memorial Day Weekend - No School 2-Hour Delayed Opening for Students			
27	Tuesday	Professional Development for Staff (AM)			
June			12	12	9
13	Friday	Early Dismissal for Students			
16	Monday	Early Dismissal for Students			
17	Tuesday	Last Day: Early Dismissal for Students Teachers upon completion of sign out			
Total Days	If more or less than 5 subject to change Education.	183	180	170	