

BURLINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING
December 20, 2023

I. Call to order by the President

The December 20, 2023, Public Board Meeting of the Burlington Township Board of Education was called to order by Ms. Minors, President, at 7:08 P.M. in the Cafeteria in the Hopkins Building located at 710 Jacksonville Road, Burlington, NJ.

II. Statement of Conformance to the Open Public Meetings Act

Notice is hereby given that this meeting is being conducted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and that adequate notice has been provided as follows:

On January 10, 2023, the Secretary gave notice of this executive meeting to be held at 7:00 PM in the Cafeteria of the Hopkins Building in the following manner:

- (a) Posted notice on the entranceway Door #18 of the BTHS Hopkins Building.
- (b) Notices sent to the Township Clerk; the Burlington County Times; and the Trenton Times.

III. Flag Salute - Isabella Sabatino, BTHS Student

IV. Roll Call

Mrs. Lisa Bungarden	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.
Mrs. Donna Custard	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.
Mrs. Marilyn Dunham	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.
Mrs. Lisa Hodnett	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.
Mrs. Carlye Lamarca	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.
Mr. Edward Leak	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.
Mr. Melvin Moore	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.
Mrs. Velina Marie Riggi	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.
Ms. Antoinette Minors	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.
Ms. Kuminjot Bal, Student Liaison	7:08 P.M.	8:44 P.M.
Dr. Mary Ann Bell, Superintendent	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.
Mr. Nicholas Bice, BA/Board Secretary	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.
Ms. Ann Britt, Asst. Supt. for Curr. & Inst.	7:08 P.M.	8:44 P.M.
Mr. Christopher Giannotti, Asst. Supt. for Sp. Ed.	7:08 P.M.	8:44 P.M.
Mrs. Elizabeth Scott, Director of HR & CR	7:08 P.M.	8:16 P.M.
Mr. David Serlin, Solicitor	7:08 P.M.	9:10 P.M.

V. Executive Session - none

VI. Approval of minutes

R.C.V. On the motion by Mr. Leak, seconded by Mrs. Dunham, to recommend approval of the minutes from the following meetings:

[November 15, 2023 Work Session](#)

[November 29, 2023 Executive Meeting](#)

[November 29, 2023 Public Board Meeting](#)

Roll Call Vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Abstention (Mrs. Custard), motion carried.

VII. [Student Liaison Report](#)

VIII. Student and Staff Recognitions

- **Pride Students of the Month** - [see list](#)
- **Special Recognition for 3 Years of Service on the Board of Education** - Mr. Edward Leak
- **Special Recognition for 6 Years of Service on the Board of Education** - Mrs. Lisa Bungarden
- **Special Recognition for 10 Years of Service on the Board of Education** - Mrs. Donna Custard
- **2024-2025 Teachers, Educational Specialists, and Support Staff of the Year**

B. Bernice Young Elementary School

- **Support Staff Member of the Year** - Stephanie Ramsey
- **Educational Specialist of the Year** - Jennifer Greene
- **Teacher of the Year** - Kayla Jerman

Fountain Woods Elementary School

- **Support Staff Member of the Year** - Karolyn Anderson
- **Educational Specialist of the Year** - Constance Koutsouradis
- **Teacher of the Year** - Jennifer Sides

Burlington Township Middle School at Springside

- **Support Staff Member of the Year** - Justin Perez
- **Educational Specialist of the Year** - Colleen Fee
- **Teacher of the Year** - Kathleen Key

Burlington Township High School

- **Support Staff Member of the Year** - Brad Kirkpatrick
- **Educational Specialist of the Year** - Christie Bricker
- **Teacher of the Year** - Clare White

IX. **Presentations** - none

X. **Recess** - *The Board took a brief recess at 8:16 P.M. and reconvened at 8:30 P.M.*

XI. **Communications**

- Mr. Bice shared a statement of support for transgender and nonbinary youth that was received from Ms. Pauline Mattaliano.
- Mr. Bice shared thank you notes from students who attended the Peer Leadership Retreat.

XII. Committee Reports

Strategic Planning Committee - [see report](#)

Buildings & Grounds Committee - no report

Finance Committee - no report

Communications Committee - [see report](#)

Curriculum Committee - no report

Legislative Report - no report

Policy Committee - no report

Special Education Advisory Committee - no report

Scholarship Committee Report - no report

Township Liaison Report - no report

Emergency Preparedness Report - no report

Burlington Township Foundation Liaison - no report

XIII. Superintendent's Monthly Report

A. Personal Update - Dr. Bell thanked Mrs. Custard, Mrs. Bungarden, and Mr. Leak for their years of service on the Board of Education. She reported that the High School sent a Survey to students in the classes of 2024 and 2025 regarding Project Graduation. Dr. Bell also reported that the referendum has been pushed back to September 2024 contingent upon NJDOE approval. Lastly, she reported that the BTEA ratified the negotiations agreement this afternoon and the Board is taking action to ratify tonight. Dr. Bell thanked the negotiations committee and the BTEA for their efforts in reaching an agreement.

B. [Superintendent's Monthly Report - December 2023](#)

XIV. Open to the Public (Agenda Items Only)

Members of the public are invited to submit comments pertaining only to the Board agenda during this public comment portion of the meeting. General comments, not necessarily pertaining to the agenda, are invited to be submitted during the public comment portion at the end of this meeting. The Board, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, will not publicly discuss personnel matters. This portion of the meeting is not a question and answer session. The Board will not respond to comments made by members of the public during this portion of the meeting; however, the Board will give all comments appropriate consideration and will refer all individual complaints to the Superintendent of Schools or Administration for resolution. In accordance with Board of Education Bylaw # 9322, each statement made by a participant may be limited to three minutes' duration. Please be polite when making your comments. Disruptive conduct such as shouting, interrupting a speaker, use of profanity, or similar behavior, is not permitted in a school setting. Any person engaging in such behavior will be asked to cease by the President, and if the conduct continues, the person will be asked to leave the meeting.

- Susan Eichmann (17 Cherokee Trail) - Commented regarding the three members leaving the Board of Education. She stated that she had the opportunity to serve with all of them and she knows the dedication the role

takes. She further stated she appreciates all their hard work and wished the incoming Board members well as they have big shoes to fill.

XV. Dr. Bell's Report for Board Action

PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETS IN WORK SESSION PRIOR TO TONIGHT'S MEETING AND DISCUSSES THE AGENDA ITEMS IN DETAIL DURING THAT MEETING.

A. PERSONNEL

- R.C.V. 1.** On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of the following substitutes for the 2023/24 school year, pending meeting employment requirements, as listed:

SUBSTITUTES

Sub Teachers

Leanne Foreman, Sasha Johnson, Jasmine Jones, Manmohan Kour, Evan Obenhauer, Rodney Pierson, Omar Rogers

Sub Secretaries - none

Sub PAC - none

Sub Maintenance - none

Sub Nurses - none

Sub Bus Drivers

Maxwell Rogers

Sub Bus Aides - none

Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

- R.C.V. 2.** Recommend accepting the following list of Emergent Hires, as listed: none

- R.C.V. 3.** On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend accepting, with regret, the **retirement/resignation** of:

- a. Retirement/resignation of **Nora Cochran**, School Nurse at Burlington Township Middle School @ SS, effective July 1, 2024, last day of work being June 20, 2024. Mrs. Cochran is also requesting payment of all accumulated sick and personal days. Mrs. Cochran will have served the district for 25 years.

- * b. Resignation of **Megan Arbuthnot**, Special Education Teacher at Fountain Woods School, effective February 16, 2024, last day of work being February

15, 2024. Mrs. Arbuthnot is also requesting payment of all accumulated sick and personal days. Mrs. Arbuthnot will have served the district for 8.5 years.

- * c. Retirement/resignation of **Emily Crane**, Teachers Aide at Fountain Woods School, effective January 1, 2024, last day of work being December 22, 2023. Ms. Crane is also requesting payment of all accumulated sick and personal days. Ms. Crane will have served the district for 52 years.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

R.C.V. 4. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of the following **leaves of absence**:

- a. Rescind approval of an unpaid family medical leave of absence for employee #19034008, effective November 16, 2023 through February 8, 2024, returning to work on February 9, 2024.
- b. Medical leave of absence for employee #19034008, utilizing sick and/or personal days, effective November 20, 2023 through January 30, 2024, returning to work on January 31, 2024.
- c. Maternity/child-rearing leave of absence for employee #96245311, effective January 17, 2024 through June 20, 2024, returning to work on July 1, 2024.
- d. Medical leave of absence for employee #18469213, utilizing sick and/or personal days, effective October 12, 2023 through December 22, 2023.
- e. Medical leave of absence for employee #89920235, utilizing sick and/or personal days, effective January 2, 2024 through January 30, 2024, returning to work on January 31, 2024.

- * f. Medical leave of absence for employee #29358751, effective December 12, 2023 through January 28, 2024, returning to work on January 29, 2024.

- * g. Medical leave of absence for employee #18600338, utilizing sick and/or personal days, effective December 4, 2023 through December 14, 2023, returning to work on December 15, 2023.

- * h. Medical leave of absence for employee #96141775, utilizing sick and/or personal days, effective December 15, 2023 through December 19, 2023, returning to work on December 20, 2023.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

R.C.V. 5. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of the following **positions**:

- a. [Personnel Listing for 2023-2024 as of December 20, 2023](#)

- b. **Evan Obenauer** as Science Teacher at Burlington Township High School, effective August 28, 2024 through June 30, 2025, at the BA level, Step “A”, salary as negotiated, pending meeting employment requirements (*Reaffirmed - originally approved December 13, 2023*).
 - c. **Michael Williams**, as Math Teacher at Burlington Township High School, effective February 12, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at the MA + 30 level, Step Career, salary as negotiated, prorated, pending meeting employment requirements (*Reaffirmed - originally approved December 13, 2023*).
 - d. **Stephen Everette**, as Special Education Teacher at Burlington Township High School, effective February 12, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at the BA level, Step Career, salary as negotiated, prorated, pending meeting employment requirements (*Reaffirmed - originally approved December 13, 2023*).
- Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

R.C.V. 6. Recommend approval of the following **transfers**: none

R.C.V. 7. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval for the following staff members to move on the salary guide, effective as listed, due to the completion of additional college credits, as listed:

- a. **Leigha Glover**, Science Teacher at the Burlington Township Middle School @ SS, from the MA + 30 level to the MA + 45 level, effective January 1, 2024. (All the necessary documentation has been received from Idaho State University.)
 - b. **Rachele McIntyre**, Art Teacher at the Burlington Township Middle School @ SS, from the MA level to the MA + 15 level, effective January 1, 2024. (All the necessary documentation has been received from Idaho State University.)
 - c. **Erika Green**, Science Teacher at the Burlington Township Middle School @ SS, from the MA + 15 level to the MA + 30 level, effective January 1, 2024. (All the necessary documentation has been received from the University of San Diego, the State University of New York College at Brockport, the University of Colorado and Idaho State University.)
- Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

R.C.V. 8. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of the following individuals for extra-curricular, co-curricular, coaching positions as listed:

- a. [Extra/Co-Curricular & Coaching Stipends for 2023-2024 as of December 20, 2023](#)

- * b. Rescind approval of **Lucas Britton** as Wrestling - Volunteer Assistant at Burlington Township High School, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. This has been updated on the Extra/Co-Curricular & Coaching Stipends spreadsheet.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.
- R.C.V.** 9. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of additional teaching time for the following staff members for the 2023-2024 school year, as listed:
- a. [2023-2024 Extra Duties as of December 20, 2023](#)
- b. **Michael Williams** - 1 additional block, Semester 2
- c. **Stephen Everette** - 1 additional block, Semester 2
- * d. **Timothy Eiffert** - 1 additional block, Semester 2
- * e. **Tara Neary** - 1 additional block, Semester 2
- * f. **Alyssa Krisanda** - 1 additional block, Semester 2
- * g. **Ilisa Mosley** - 1 additional block, Semester 2
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.
- R.C.V.** 10. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of summer days for the following staff members, as listed:
- a. [2023-2024 Summer Extra Duties as of December 20, 2023](#)
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.
- R.C.V.** 11. Recommend approval of deduct days for the following staff members, as listed: none
- R.C.V.** 12. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of the following student teacher placement, pending meeting student teacher requirements, as listed:
- a. *(prev. approved on Nov. 29, 2023 agenda with different Cooperating Teacher)*
Marissa Mangano, a student at The College of New Jersey, to complete a student teacher placement from January 22, 2024 through May 3, 2024, at Burlington Township High School, Social Studies, with Laura Witte as the Cooperating Teacher.
- * b. **Alyssa Calderone**, a student at Rider University, to complete a 1,200 hour School Psychology internship during the Fall 2024 - Spring 2025, at Fountain Woods School, with Kimberly Baker as the Cooperating BCBA.

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- * c. **Vianka Garcia**, a student at Rider University, to complete a 100 hour practicum from January 22, 2024 through May 2, 2024, at Burlington Township High School, with Alicia Hayes as the Cooperating Counselor.
 - * d. **Eric Fernee**, a student at Rowan University, to complete a student teacher placement from January 6, 2024 through December 19, 2024 (Spring and Fall of 2024), at Burlington Township High School, Health & PE Secondary, with Gemma Winkler as the Cooperating Teacher.
 - * e. **Eric Fernee**, a student at Rowan University, to complete a student teacher placement from March 11, 2024 through October 25, 2024 (Spring and Fall of 2024), at B. Bernice Young School, Health & PE Elementary, with Christopher Katsikis as the Cooperating Teacher.
 - * f. **Kayla Kennedy**, a student at The College of New Jersey to complete a student teacher placement, from January 22, 2024 through May 3, 2024, at Burlington Township High School, Math, with Sarah Stringfellow as the Cooperating Teacher.
 - * g. **Natalie Wright**, a student at The College of New Jersey to complete a student teacher placement, from January 22, 2024 through May 3, 2024, at Fountain Woods School, Special Ed. & Elementary Education, with Megan Gaul & Rachel Newbold as the Cooperating Teacher.
 - * h. **Joshua Nestorowicz**, a student at The College of New Jersey to complete a student teacher placement, from January 22, 2024 through May 3, 2024, at Burlington Township High School, Social Studies, with Matthew Carroll as the Cooperating Teacher.
 - * i. **Jamie Mallinson**, a student at Rowan University, to complete a student teacher placement from September 3, 2024 through October 25, 2024 and March 11, 2024 through April 25, 2024, at Fountain Woods School, Music, with Miriam Arbelo as the Cooperating Teacher.
 - * j. **Sherry Dickinson**, a student at Rowan University, to complete a student teacher placement from January 16, 2024 through May 3, 2024 (300 hours), at Burlington Township Middle School @ SS, SAC, with Constance Koutsouradis as the Cooperating Teacher.
 - * k. **Nicole Mikulka**, a student at The College of New Jersey to complete a student teacher placement, from January 22, 2024 through May 3, 2024, at Burlington Township High School, Math, with Angela Sekerke as the Cooperating Teacher.
 - * l. **Payton MacNair**, a student at Rowan University, to complete a student teacher placement from January 16, 2024 through March 8, 2024 and October

28, 2024 - December 19, 2024, at Burlington Township High School, Health & PE, with Tiffany Rhea as the Cooperating Teacher.

- * m. **Kylie Newbon**, a student at Rowan University, to complete a student teacher placement from January 16, 2024 through April 25, 2024 and September 3, 2024 - December 19, 2024, at Fountain Woods School, Fifth Grade, with Jennifer Leshner as the Cooperating Teacher.
 - * n. **Nicola Laba**, a student at The College of New Jersey to complete a student teacher placement, from January 22, 2024 through May 3, 2024, at B. Bernice Young School, Special Education Elementary - K-2, with Alexis Molder & Alissa Ducorsky as the Cooperating Teacher.
 - * o. Rescind approval of **Danielle McParland**, a student at The College of New Jersey, to complete a student teacher placement from January 22, 2024 through May 3, 2024, at Burlington Township High School, Math, with Sarah Stringfellow as the Cooperating Teacher.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.
- R.C.V.** 13. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of the following individuals for Team and Coordinator positions as listed:
- a. [2023-2024 Teams and Coordinators as of December 20, 2023](#)
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.
- * **R.C.V.** 14. a. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend the transfer of up to 25 donated sick days to employee #19034008, per agreement between the Superintendent and the BTEA.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

B.

STUDENTS

- R.C.V.** 1. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of home instruction for the following students, as listed:
- * a. **Student 1566588724**; effective 11/30/2023 to 1/11/2024.
Student 7872684176; effective 12/1/2023 to 3/1/2024.
Student 6785665096; effective 9/5/2023 to 2/1/2024.
Student 5864312341; effective 12/4/2023 to pending placement.
Student 8558246532; effective 12/13/2023 to 1/26/2024.
Student 2426468314; effective 12/7/2023 to pending placement.
Student 2171303395; effective 11/3/2023 to 1/13/2024.
Student 1795647131; effective 11/1/2023 to 11/27/2023.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

R.C.V. 2. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of the special education or alternative placement, as listed:

* a. **Student 4209981535** to attend First Children Services per agreement.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

R.C.V. 3. Recommend approval for the following students, on a tuition basis, per Board of Education Policy, Admission, pending space availability: none

C. MISCELLANEOUS

R.C.V. 1. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to request approval of the following reports as submitted to the Board Secretary for inclusion in the minutes pursuant to Board Policy:

a. [District Facilities Report - November 2023](#)

b. [Field Trips - November 2023](#)

c. [Student Demographics - November 2023](#)

d. [Suspension Report - November 2023](#)
(Report is considered privileged in nature.)

e. [Residency Flash Report - November 2023](#)

f. **Presenter Approval Forms - November 2023 - None**
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

R.C.V. 2. Recommend approval of the following Job Descriptions, Policies and Regulations, as listed:

a. First Reading (*Revised First Reading where noted*) - none

b. Final Adoption: - none

c. Job Descriptions - First Reading: - none

d. Job Descriptions - Second Reading: - none

e. Job Description - Reviewed: - none

f. Rescind Job Description: - none

R.C.V. 3. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of overnight trips:

- * a. ENCORE grade 5 class to YMCA of the Pines, Medford, April 16, 2024 – April 17, 2024. Also recommend the approval of transportation to and from the camp.

Chaperones: Stephanie Caracci, Tina Dietrich, and Bert Jordan

Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

R.C.V. 4. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend acceptance of the monthly Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Report of Incidents per Board of Education Policy #5131.1 and the New Jersey Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act of 2011. (Report is considered privileged in nature.)

- a. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the School Superintendent that the Board of Education affirm, modify or reject the following H.I.B. Incident Reports.



Case Numbers

254398	254887	255057	255361	255525	256062
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Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

R.C.V. 5. Recommend approval of the following curricula for the 2023-2024 school year: none

R.C.V. 6. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval and acceptance of items required by the NJDOE as listed:

- a.  **DPR (2023-2024)** (*Reaffirmed - originally approved December 13, 2023*)
- b.  **BTSD Building Tomorrow Better Together Reopening Plans - 2023-2024** (*Reaffirmed - originally approved December 13, 2023*)



Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.


R.C.V. 7. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of school calendar:

- [2023-2024 Calendar](#), no changes at this time

Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

* **R.C.V.** 8. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of the following items for the 2023-2024 school year:

- a. [MoA with Law enforcement](#)
- b.  MoA Addenda 2023-2024
- c.  Burlington Township Camera Use by Police Agreement 2023-2...

- d.  Burlington Township Safe Schools Resource Officer Partnership...
(Originally approved July 26, 2023; Re-approving to account for 2023 revisions to the MoA by the NJ Department of Law & Public Safety and the NJ Department of Education)
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

D.**BUSINESS**

- R.C.V.** 1. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval for payment of the [December Bill List](#).
Roll Call Vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Abstention (Mr. Leak), 1 Abstention for check #85367 only (Mrs. Hodnett), motion carried.
- R.C.V.** 2. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of the following business reports:
- a. [Treasurer's Report - November 2023](#)
 - b. [Board Secretary's Report - November 2023](#)
 - c. [Cafeteria Report - November 2023](#)
 - d. [Transfer Report - November 2023](#)
- Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.
- R.C.V.** 3. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, Nicholas Bice, School Business Administrator, certifies that, as of November 30, 2023, no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which, in total, exceed the amount appropriated by the District Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8, N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1, and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a).
- Furthermore, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, the Board of Education certifies that, after review of the Secretary's and the Treasurer's monthly financial reports and upon consultation with appropriate District officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a), as of November 30, 2023, and that sufficient funds should be available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.
- R.C.V.** 4. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend acceptance of the following reports on Tuition:
- a. Tuition Contracts Billed - none

b. [Tuition Contracts Paid](#)

Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

- R.C.V.** 5. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval to authorize the Qualified Purchasing Agent to solicit proposals for technology infrastructure on-site support and management, for the period July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2029, utilizing a competitive contracting process, pending approval by the NJ Department of Community Affairs.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

- R.C.V.** 6. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval to authorize the Qualified Purchasing Agent to solicit proposals for behavioral consultation services, for the period July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2029, utilizing a competitive contracting process, pending approval by the NJ Department of Community Affairs.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

- * **R.C.V.** 7. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval to authorize submission of an amendment to the grant application for the **Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)** for the period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 as listed:

	Original	Carryover	Amended
Title I, Part A	\$457,479.00	\$30,617.00	\$488,096.00
Title I, SIA	\$0.00	\$6,907.00	\$6,907.00
Title II, Part A	\$82,475.00	\$3,038.00	\$85,513.00
Title III	\$18,566.00	\$1,035.00	\$19,601.00
Title III, Immigrant	\$25,140.00	\$0.00	\$25,140.00
Title IV	\$28,639.00	\$490.00	\$29,129.00
Total	\$612,299.00		\$654,386.00

Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

- * **R.C.V.** 8. On the motion of Mrs. Riggi, seconded by Mrs. Lamarca, to recommend approval of a resolution to accept the settlement agreement between the Burlington Township Board of Education and the parents of student #3774020846.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

XVI. Open to the Public for Comments

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XVII. New Business

- R.C.V.**
1. On the motion of Mrs. Hodnett, seconded by Mrs. Custard, to recommend approval to ratify the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Burlington Township Education Association for 2024-2029 as stipulated in the Memorandum of Agreement dated October 18, 2023. The Negotiations Committee will request the Board to reaffirm this item in January 2024 after the new Board Members are seated.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.
 2. Mrs. Riggi thanked Mrs. Custard, Mrs. Bungarden, and Mr. Leak for their years of service on the Board of Education.

XVIII. Executive Session

On the motion of Mrs. Hodnett, seconded by Mrs. Riggi, to recommend to adopt a resolution to move into Executive Session at 8:44 P.M.

9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

The Board took a brief recess at 8:44 P.M. and reconvened in the Board Conference Room at 8:51 P.M.

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, THAT PURSUANT to Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, the public shall be excluded from this portion of the meeting involving the discussion of:

1. Matter Relating to the Employment Relationship:
 - a. RICE notice issued to employee #75351437, letter being placed in employee's personnel file (continued discussion from Executive Meeting)
2. Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege:
 - a. Update on investigation regarding staff allegations emailed to Board

FURTHER RESOLVED, that discussion of such subjects in Executive Session will be disclosed to the public at some later time.

On the motion of Mrs. Hodnett, seconded by Mrs. Custard, to approve the return to regular session at 9:08 P.M.

9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

XIX. New Business

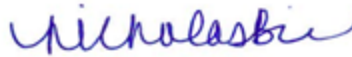
1. Ms. Minors reminded Board Members about the Reorganization Meeting overview document that was presented by Mr. Bice at the December 13, 2023 Work Session meeting.
2. Mrs. Lamarca thanked Mrs. Custard, Mrs. Bungarden, and Mr. Leak for their years of service on the Board of Education.

XX. Adjourn Meeting

On the motion of Mr. Leak, seconded by Mrs. Custard, to recommend approval to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 P.M.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Nicholas Bice
Business Administrator/Board Secretary