

AGENDA

SPECIAL MEETING

AUGUST 15, 2024

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
Linden, New Jersey**

Atiya Y. Perkins
Superintendent of Schools

Annabell Louis
Assistant Superintendent for Support

David M. Walker
Assistant Superintendent for
Academics

John A. Serapiglia, Jr.
Business Administrator/
Board Secretary

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as follows:

On August 8, 2024 notice was sent to the Home News Tribune, Star Ledger, TAPinto Linden Union County Local Source, and the Clerk of the Municipality.

NO SMOKING NOTICE:

BY STATE LAW, THERE IS NO SMOKING PERMITTED IN THIS BUILDING AT ANY TIME.

ROLL CALL:

Board Members		Others	
Ms. Cintron		Mrs. Perkins	
Mr. De La Cruz		Mrs. Louis	
Ms. Pino		Mr. Walker	
Ms. Rosado Quezada		Mr. Serapiglia	
Ms. Thomas		Attorney	
Ms. Ullisse			
Ms. Armstead			
Ms. Carrillo			
Dr. Berghammer			

Motion:

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (agenda items only):

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

1. See information to the Board.

The Education Committee, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Assistant Superintendents, present the following motions to the Linden Board of Education for approval:

1. Approve the Linden Public Schools Multilingual Learners Department to form a partnership with the City of Linden Health Department, Union County Immunization Clinic and New Jersey Family Care to provide health care services to the uninsured families of the Linden Public School District at no cost for the 2024 - 2025 school year.
2. Grant permission for the following *Use of Facilities and School Activities* on the dates/times listed:

Facility	Requested By	Date/Time	Event	Expense
Multilingual Welcome Center	Orelien, Danie	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 8/29/24 9/10/24	Mobile Vaccination Clinic	None

3. **Approve the extension of the district’s Comprehensive Equity Plan (CEP) to the New Jersey Department of Education for the 2024-2025 School Year.**
4. **Appoint the following staff as listed for the 2024-2025 School Year as listed:**

#	Name	Position	Assignment
1.	Devaney, Ryan	Supervisor of Student Services	District Anti-Bullying Coordinator
2.	Devaney, Ryan	Supervisor of Student Services	District 504 Officer
3.	Firestone, Michael	Director of Health/PE/Safety/Medical/Athletics	Title IX Coordinator
4.	Louis, Annabell	Assistant Superintendent for Support	D.C.P.&P Liaison
5.	Thurston, Kevin	Vice Principal	District Affirmative Action Officer

5. Rescind Education Report, May 30, 2024, Item #22, in its entirety (Middle School Bell Schedule) and approve the following Middle School Bell Schedule for the 2024-2025 school year.

Full Day		
Period	Start	End
Homeroom	7:45	7:55
1	7:58	8:10
2	8:13	8:25
3	8:28	8:40
4	8:43	8:55
5	8:58	9:10
6	9:13	9:25
7	9:28	9:40
8	9:43	9:55
9	9:58	10:10
10	10:13	10:25
11	10:28	10:40
12	10:43	10:55
13 Lunch 1	10:58	11:10
14 Lunch 1	11:13	11:25
15 Lunch 2	11:28	11:40
16 Lunch 2	11:43	11:55
17 Lunch 3	11:58	12:10
18 Lunch 3	12:13	12:25
19 Lunch 4	12:28	12:40
20 Lunch 4	12:43	12:55
21	12:58	1:10
22	1:13	1:25
23	1:28	1:40
24	1:43	1:55
25	1:58	2:10
26	2:13	2:25
27	2:28	2:40

5. Continued:

Half Day with Lunch		
Period	Start	End
Homeroom	7:45	7:55
1	7:58	8:10
2	8:13	8:25
3	8:28	8:40
*4 or 21	8:43	8:55
*5 or 22	8:58	9:10
*6 or 23	9:13	9:25
*7 or 24	9:28	9:40
*8 or 25	9:43	9:55
*9 or 26	9:58	10:10
*10 or 27	10:13	10:25
13 Lunch 1	10:28	10:40
14 Lunch 1	10:43	10:55
15 Lunch 2	10:58	11:10
16 Lunch 2	11:13	11:25
17 Lunch 3	11:28	11:40
18 Lunch 3	11:43	11:55
19 Lunch 4	11:58	12:10
20 Lunch 4	12:13	12:25

*Principal will determine periods.

5. Continued:

Half Day without Lunch		
Period	Start	End
Homeroom	7:45	7:55
1	7:58	8:08
2	8:11	8:21
3	8:24	8:34
4	8:37	8:47
5	8:50	9:00
6	9:03	9:13
7	9:16	9:26
8	9:29	9:39
9	9:42	9:52
10	9:55	10:05
11	10:08	10:18
12	10:21	10:31
21	10:34	10:44
22	10:47	10:57
23	11:00	11:10
24	11:13	11:23
25	11:26	11:36
26	11:39	11:49
27	11:52	12:00

5. Continued:

Delayed Opening		
Period	Start	End
Homeroom	9:45	9:55
9	9:58	10:10
10	10:13	10:25
11	10:28	10:40
12	10:43	10:55
13 Lunch 1	10:58	11:10
14 Lunch 1	11:13	11:25
15 Lunch 2	11:28	11:40
16 Lunch 2	11:43	11:55
17 Lunch 3	11:58	12:10
18 Lunch 3	12:13	12:25
19 Lunch 4	12:28	12:40
20 Lunch 4	12:43	12:55
21	12:58	1:10
22	1:13	1:25
23	1:28	1:40
24	1:43	1:55
25	1:58	2:10
26	2:13	2:25
27	2:28	2:40

The Personnel Committee, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, presents the following motions to the Linden Board of Education for approval. All appointments and reappointments are contingent upon and may be modified based on student participation and the district's receipt of sufficient State School Aid and other revenue funding.

1. Appoint the following staff as listed:

#	*Name	Effective Date	Degree	Credited Exp./ Step	Assigned Subj. Area	Bldg./ Dept.	Spec./ Prog. Or Budget	Total Annual Salary Rate
CERTIFIED								
1.	Ahn, Abraham	9/1/24	MA+30	18	Teacher of Mathematics	LHS	Budget /R	\$107,078
2.	Kane, Rachel	9/1/24	BA	11	Teacher of Grade 5 Math/Science	School No. 2	Budget /R	\$65,919
3.	Kosten, Nancy	9/1/24	BA	3	Teacher of Grade 1	School No. 4	Budget /R	\$60,012
4.	Maa, Kevin	9/1/24	MA	5	Teacher of Orchestra	MMS/ SMS	Budget /R	\$65,561
5.	**Rodriguez, Arlene	9/1/24	BSN	1	School Nurse	School No. 2	Budget /R	\$61,719
6.	Rojel, Catherine	9/1/24	BA	8	Teacher of Grade 4 Math/Science	School No. 2	Budget /R	\$60,944
7.	Richards-Gift, Tula	9/1/24	MA+30	18	Teacher of Grade 8/ELA	SMS	Budget /R	\$107,078
8.	Shirin, Momtaz	9/1/24	MA	10	Teacher of Science	SMS	Budget /R	\$70,320
9.	Stramka-Botros, Carolyn	9/1/24	MA	18	District Float Nurse	District	Budget /N	\$102,874
10.	Zdriok, Thomas	9/1/24	BA	1	Teacher of Social Studies	LHS	Budget /N	\$60,012

*New Hire Requirements **Contingent upon obtaining proper credentialing from NDOE

2. Accept the resignation of the following Board of Education Member:

#	Name	Effective Date
1.	Rosado Quezada, Dayanara	8/15/24

3. Accept the resignation of the following staff:

#	Name	Assignment	Location	Effective Date
1.	Dunn, Loryn	Teacher of Art	LHS	9/27/24
2.	Principato, Christine	Teacher of Grade 1	School No. 4	10/11/24
3.	Yost, Jessica	Teacher of Language Arts	SMS	8/24/24

4. Approve the following revised job description, as listed below.

#	Title
1.	ESL Instructional Coach (12 Month)

5. Appoint the following as Webmaster for the 2024-2025 School Year, as listed:

#	Name	Stipend
1.	Koziol, Jonathan	\$6,710
2.	Orcutt, Matthew	\$6,710

The Finance Committee, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, present the following motions to the Linden Board of Education for approval:

1. Approve entering into an agreement with the Seasons of Learning to provide a Free Dinner Program through NJ CACFO for the Linden Public School's Aftercare program, with the district serving as a site sponsor for the program and the district tracking and recording of participation in program, with the program running at no cost to the district, for the 2024-2025 school year.
2. Approve the proposal from the Gillespie Group of Dayton, NJ to install carpet tile for the Welcome Center at a cost of \$8,410.14 under NJ State Co-op #65MCESCCPS - ESCNJ Bid #24/24-14, to be charged to Acct. #12-000-400-450-00-000-02.
3. Approval the proposal from M&M Construction of Cranford, NJ, the district's Time and Material Vendor, to install approx. 2,250 square feet of new Carnival White VCT flooring with wall base for the TV Studio, at a cost of \$14,500, to be charged to Acct. #12-000-400-450-00-000-02.
4. Approve the contract with ZebraPay for online payment to athletic officials for the 2024-2025 school year at a cost of the following to be charged to Account #11-401-100-800-00-000-57:

Cost per pay period per official	\$1.95
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5. Approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Linden Board of Education and the City of Linden regarding the assignment of Linden Police Officers to sporting events during the 2024-2025 school year.
6. That the Board of Education awards the RFP for Security Services for the 2024-2025 school year to BMack Investigations, LLC, DBA Legion Protection Services.
7. That the Board of Education approves the proposal from Miller Buildings Inc. of Flourtown, PA for the installation of a 10 foot by 30 foot storage shed for the Athletic Field at a cost of \$15,851, to be charged to Acct. #12-000-400-450-00-000-02.
8. That the Board of Education approves the proposal from Curriculum Associates, LLC of North Billerica, MA for Ellevation for the Multilingual Department for the 2024-2025 school year at a total cost of \$16,337, to be charged to 20-241-200-300-00-000-54.
9. That the Board of Education approves the proposal from the New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association to have the NJPSA provide interim candidates for an Assistant Principal position for the 2024-2025 school year at a cost of \$750.00, to be charged to 11-000-230-339-00-000-01.
- 10. Approve the following contracts for the 2024-2025 school year as listed:**

Vendor	Amount	Service
Apptegy 2201 Brookwood Dr., Suite 115 Little Rock, AR 72202	\$33,625.00 11-000-252-340-00-000-20	Website Development and Migration

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The Buildings, Grounds and Security Committee, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, present the following motions to the Linden Board of Education for approval:

1. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by Esmerelda Cabrera, Principal, School No.1:

#	Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
1.	<u>Meet the Principal</u> Gymnasium	Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	August 15, 2024
2.	<u>PTA Meetings</u> Cafeteria	Tuesday 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	September 17, 2024 November 19, 2024 December 17, 2024
3.	<u>PTA Movie Under the Stars</u> Back Playground	Friday 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	September 13, 2024
4.	<u>PTA Fall Glow Party</u> Gymnasium	Friday 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	October 11, 2024
5.	<u>PTA Trunks for Treats</u> Back Playground	Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	October 30, 2024
6.	<u>PTA Haunted Hallway</u> Hallway/Gymnasium	Thursday 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	October 31, 2024
7.	<u>PTA Family Pasta Bingo</u> Cafeteria	Friday 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	November 15, 2024
8.	<u>PTA Family Game Night</u> Cafeteria	Friday 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	December 6, 2024
9.	<u>PTA Winter Wonderland</u> Gymnasium	Friday 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	December 20, 2024

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2. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by Wayne Happel, Principal, School No. 10:

#	Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
1.	<u>PTA Meetings</u> Cafeteria	Tuesday 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.	September 17, 2024 October 15, 2024 November 12, 2024 December 10, 2024 February 4, 2025 March 11, 2025 May 6, 2025 June 4, 2025
2.	<u>PTA Ice Pops with the Principal</u> Front Lawn & Cafeteria	Thursday 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	August 22, 2024
3.	<u>PTA Breakfast for Faculty & Staff</u> Teacher's Room	Tuesday 7:00 a.m-7:45 a.m.	September 3, 2024
4.	<u>PTA PreK Boo Hoo Breakfast</u> Cafeteria	Thursday 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.	September 5, 2024
5.	<u>PTA Scholastic Book Fair Set-Up</u> Gymnasium	Friday 1:30 p.m-3:00 p.m.	September 27, 2024
6.	<u>PTA Scholastic Book Fair</u> Gymnasium	Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.*	September 30, 2024 October 1, 2024* October 2, 2024 October 3, 2024
7.	<u>PTA Lead & Class Parent Meet & Greet</u> Cafeteria	Monday 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	September 30, 2024
8.	<u>PTA Hispanic Heritage Celebration</u> Cafeteria	Friday 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	October 4, 2024
9.	<u>PTA Fall Harvest Fest</u> School Grounds	Thursday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	October 24, 2024*
10.	<u>PTA Trunk or Treat</u> Parking Lot	Saturday 1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.	October 26, 2024**
11.	<u>PTA Kid's Bingo</u> Cafeteria	Friday 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	November 15, 2024

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2. Continued:

#	Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
12.	<u>PTA Holiday Shop Set-Up</u> Gymnasium	Thursday 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	December 12, 2024
13.	<u>PTA Holiday Shop</u> Gymnasium	Friday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	December 13, 2024
14.	<u>PTA Sweetheart Dance</u> Gymnasium	Friday 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	February 14, 2025
15.	<u>PTA Tricky Tray Set-Up</u> Cafeteria & Gymnasium	Thursday 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	March 27, 2025
16.	<u>PTA Tricky Tray</u> Cafeteria & Gymnasium	Friday 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.	March 28, 2025
17.	<u>PTA Someone Special</u> <u>Dance</u> Gymnasium	Friday 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	May 9, 2025
18.	<u>PTA Fun Day</u> Gymnasium	Friday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	June 6, 2025***

**Rain Date 10/29/2024*

***Rain Date 10/27/2024*

****Rain Date 6/9/2025*

The Planning & Policy Committee upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, presents the following motion to the Linden Board of Education for approval:

1. First Reading:

Approve the update to Policy 5120 (Assignment of Students)

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

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NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: