

**LEBANON BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MINUTES
Regular Business Meeting
August 18, 2026 at 6:30 pm**

CALL TO ORDER: D, Abeles called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

**PUBLICATION
OF NOTICE:**

In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Laws of 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was provided through the public notice on July 27, 2026.

- a. Posting on the District Website, the main bulletin board in the Administration Office at the Lebanon Borough School
- b. Filing with the Clerk of Lebanon Borough

ROLL CALL:

Present: *Board Members:*

David Abeles
Chrysi Dower
Danielle Nugent
Danelle Valliere

Absent: Vincent Maglione

District Administrators:

Dr. Bruce Arcurio, Chief School Administrator
Mrs. Patricia Duell, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

PLEDGE OF

ALLEGIANCE: D. Abeles led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

BOARD PRESIDENT COMMENTS:

Mr. Abeles welcomed the board back to a new school year and looks forward to all of the changes it will bring with the new district configuration only going to 5th grade.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

No Public

REPORT OF THE CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

CSA Discussion:

Discussion on enrollment and achievements that our staff has reached in the past year, suggestion to include a list in the Lebanon Lantern article about the school.

Report of the School Business Administrator:

Informational: *The next meeting is Tuesday, September 1, 2026 at 6:30 pm.*

Audit: The auditors have come and gone, we had \$ 52,314 remaining in our 25-26 budget to deposit into our tuition reserve account.

26-27 Transportation: I have not received bus stop information, but it will be sent out to parents as soon as we get it.

Building issues: We have had a recurring issue in the summer months with condensation building on the air handler above the nurse's office. The HVAC contractor recommends that we insulate the duct work and unit to prevent condensation from forming. This will be a costly job, and will take time to complete – suggested to plan on getting this done in the summer of 2027.

Misc: I spoke with Marlene Baldinger in the past week and she asked me to let the board know that town council meetings will now be live streamed for public viewing.

Policy Review Second Reading:

Policy #	Title	Regulation #	Title
1230	<i>Superintendent's Duties (M)</i>		
2200	<i>Curriculum (M)</i>	2200	<i>Curriculum (M)</i>
2411	<i>Career and Academic Counseling (M)</i>	2411	<i>Career and Academic Counseling (M)</i>
0162	<i>Notice of Board Meetings</i>		
0162.01	<i>Legal Notices (M)</i>		
1643	<i>Family Leave (M)</i>		
2260	<i>Equity in School and Classroom Practices (M)</i>		
		2460.30	<i>Additional/Compensatory Special Education and related services (M)</i>
5111.13	<i>Eligibility of resident/non-resident students-Choice School District (M)</i>	5111.13	<i>Eligibility of resident/non-resident students-Choice School District (M)</i>
5561 TABLED	<i>Use of physical restraint and seclusion techniques for students with disabilities (M)</i>		

6112	Reimbursement for federal and other grant expenditures (M)		
6115.01	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Allowability of Costs (M)		
6115.02	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls- Mandatory Disclosures (M)		
8561	Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs (M)		

ACTION ITEMS 27-BA-01 through 27-BA-05:

Action 27-BA-01:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby **approves the following Board Meeting Minutes for:**

Minutes: Regular Session

June 23, 2026

Executive Session Minutes

June 23, 2026

Action 27-BA-02:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby **approves the Board Secretary Reports for the period ending:**

June 30, 2026

July 31, 2026

Action 27-BA-03:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby **approves the Treasurer's Reports for the period ending:**

June 30, 2026

July 31, 2026

Action 27-BA-04:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby **approves the Line item Transfers for the period ending:**

June 30, 2026

July 31, 2026

Action 27-BA-05:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education does hereby certify that as of the date of these reports, no line item account has encumbrances and/or expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10 c 3&4

*AND BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief School Administrator recommends that the Lebanon Borough Board of Education **accept the monthly financial reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the following periods:***

June 30, 2026

July 31, 2026

AND FURTHER RECOMMENDS, that the Board of Education certify that no major account has been over-expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10 and that as of this report date, sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the school year.

Motion for Action Items 27-BA-01 through 27-BA-05:

Motion by: D. Nugent, **Second by** C. Dower. **The board adopts the resolutions on a roll call vote as follows: 4 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain**

BA Discussion:

Discussion on Policy 5561 – decided to table for further discussion

Discussion on building repairs

OLD BUSINESS:

Clinton Public School Board Meeting Update: Danielle Nugent will provide at the next meeting as CPS meeting is scheduled for 8/19/26.

FACILITY/FINANCE/POLICY:

Action Items 27-FFP-01 through 27-FFP-14:

Action item 27-FFP-01:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the **bill list for the following periods:**

June 30, 2026	\$ 22,031.96
August 18,2026	\$ 253,726.26

Action item 27-FFP-02:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the second reading of the following policies and regulations:

Policy #	Title	Regulation #	Title
1230	Superintendent's Duties (M)		
2200	Curriculum (M)	2200	Curriculum (M)
2411	Career and Academic Counseling (M)	2411	Career and Academic Counseling (M)
0162	Notice of Board Meetings		
0162.01	Legal Notices (M)		

1643	Family Leave (M)		
2260	Equity in School and Classroom Practices (M)		
		2460.30	Additional/Compensatory Special Education and related services (M)
5111.13	Eligibility of resident/non-resident students-Choice School District (M)	5111.13	Eligibility of resident/non-resident students-Choice School District (M)
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6115.01	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Allowability of Costs (M)		
6115.02	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls- Mandatory Disclosures (M)		
8561	Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs (M)		

Action item 27-FFP-03:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the transfer of **\$52,314.66** from the General Fund 2025/2026 Budget into a **tuition reserve fund** for use in the 2027/2028 budget.

Action item 27-FFP-04:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves of the the following employee travel for the 2026/2027 school year with reimbursement at the NJ Office of Budget & Management (OMB) specified rates:

Employee	Dates	Description	Location
Duell, Patricia	4 th Wednesday of each month	Hunterdon-Warren Association of School Business Officials County Roundtable	Asbury, NJ
Arcurio, Bruce	10/19 through 10/22	NJ School Boards Workshop 2026	Atlantic City. NJ
Arcurio, Bruce	9/24-25, 2026	Norther Region Superintendent Annual Conference	Shawnee, PA
Arcurio, Bruce	1 st Friday of each month	Hunterdon County Association of School Administrators County roundtable	Annandale, NJ
Arcurio, Bruce	TBD	Child Study Team Director Meetings	Location TBD

Arcurio, Bruce	TBD	North Hunterdon Vorhees Superintendent Articulation Meetings	North Hunterdon Admin Office
Arcurio, Bruce	8/26/2026	School Funding Formula Roundtable	Hillsborough Public Library

Action item 27-FFP-05:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby the following formula grants and submission of the consolidated grant applications for the 2026/2027 school year:

ESEA	\$ 0 (NHVRSD Consortium)
IDEA PS	\$1,935
IDEA Basic	\$29,020

Action item 27-FFP-06:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the following State Aid for the 2025/2026 school year for use in the 2027/2028 budget:

Extraordinary Aid	\$ 9,480
Nonpublic Transportation Aid	\$ 3,861

Action item 27-FFP-07:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the teacher evaluation **model of Kim Marshall** as the primary model for compliance with Educator Evaluation for New Jersey (EE4NJ).

Action item 27-FFP-08:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the submission of a **flexibility application/waiver** for the Achieve NJ requirements pertaining to the Kim Marshall evaluation model.

Action item 27-FFP-09:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby **approves the following evaluation tools** for the 2026/2027 school year:

Marshall Model and Teacher Evaluation Rubric
Commissioner-Approved Highly Effective Educator Activities
Evaluation Form for Nurse Evaluation Tool
Evaluation Form for Paraprofessional Evaluation Tool
Evaluation Form for Related Services Evaluation Tool
Evaluation Form for Custodial Evaluation Tool

Evaluation Form for Business Administrator Evaluation Tool

Action item 27-FFP-10:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby ***approves the 2026/2027 Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan as attached.***

Action item 27-FFP-11:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby ***approves the following curricula for the 2026/2027 school year:***

*K-5 Art
K-5 Dance
K-5 Theatre
K-5 Spanish
K-5 Social Studies
K-5 Science
K-5 Math
K-5 General Music
K-5 Health and Physical Education
K-5 English/Language Arts
Pre K – The Creative Curriculum*

Action item 27-FFP-12:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby ***approves the Joint Transportation Agreement with the Hunterdon County ESC in the amount of \$50,235.21 for the 2026/2027 school year.***

Action item 27-FFP-13:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby ***approves the 2025/2026 Submission of the School Self Assessment of Determining Grades under the Anti Bullying Bill of Rights Act as attached.***

Action item 27-FFP-14:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby ***approves the Shared Services agreement with the Califon Borough Board of Education for a .25 Art Teacher at the rate of \$12,456 for the 2026/2027 school year.***

Motion for Action Items 27-FFP-01 through 27-FFP-14:

Motion by: D. Valliere, Second by C. Dower. The board adopts the resolutions on a roll call vote as follows: 4 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain

FFP Discussion:

Discussion on Textbooks and school curricula

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC:

No Public

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion on Aftercare program.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

WHEREAS, while Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act requires all meetings of the Lebanon Borough Board of Education to be held in public, NJSA 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in Executive Session, without the public being permitted to attend, and

WHEREAS, the Lebanon Borough Board of Education has determined that the following issue(s) are permitted by NJSA 10:4-12(b) to be discussed without the public in attendance shall be discussed during an Executive Session; and

WHEREAS, the nature of the following matters, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality are:

Contracts for school services

The length of the Executive Session is estimated to be thirty (30) minutes after which the meeting shall reconvene in public session.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lebanon Borough Board of Education will go into Executive Session for only the above state reasons; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lebanon Borough Board of Education hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject will be revealed once a conclusion has been reached as to the matter subject to the discussion.

Formal action will not be taken.

Motion to Enter:

Motion by D. Nugent, Second by C. Dower. The full membership of the board adopts the resolution at 7:35 pm.

Motion to Exit:

Motion by D. Nugent, Second by C. Dower. The full membership of the board adopts the resolution at 7:49 pm.

Action Item 27-AD-01:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourns this meeting.

Motion by D. Nugent, Second by D. Valliere. The full membership of the board adopts the resolution at 7:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia Duell
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Minutes prepared: 8/19/2026
Minutes remain unofficial until formally adopted by the Board.

Daniel Abeles
Board President

Date