

**LEBANON BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MINUTES
Regular Business Meeting
June 23, 2026 at 6:30 pm**

CALL TO ORDER: D. Abeles called the meeting to order at 6:33 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 June 12, 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
Vincent Maglione
Danielle Nugent
Danelle Valliere

Absent: Chrysi Dower

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 called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to our last meeting of the school year. He commented on the smooth operations of the district that we are experiencing while we see other communities experiencing “high water mark” financial burdens.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

None

REPORT OF THE CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

Action 26-CSA-10:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the School Safety and HIB report for the months of May and June 2026.

Motion by: D. Nugent, Second by D. Valliere. The board adopts the resolution on a roll call vote as follows: 4 ayes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

CSA Discussion:

Discussion on outdoor classroom/Eagle Scout project.

Discussion on reunification planning in the event of school incident/disaster.

Discussion on reimbursing the Borough for park picnic tables.

Report of the School Business Administrator:

Informational: The next meeting is Tuesday, August 18th, 2026 at 6:30 pm. Change in date to be advertised.

Budget: Auditors will be on site the week of July 13th. We expect to have some funds available for deposit into a tuition reserve at the closing of the 2025-2026 books.

Lead Filter Grant: We installed a bottle filling station with a water filter in May. There is a grant available to offset the first year cost which will be submitted this month.

Policy Review First Reading:

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)

5561	Use of physical restraint and seclusion techniques for students with disabilities (M)		
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 26-BA-43 through 26-BA-47:

Action 26-BA-43:

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

Minutes: Regular Session
May 5, 2026

Action 26-BA-44:

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

April 30, 2026
May 31, 2026

Action 26-BA-45:

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

April 30, 2026
May 31, 2026

Action 26-BA-46:

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

April 30, 2026
May 31, 2026

Action 26-BA-47:

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:**

April 30, 2026

May 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 26-BA-43 through 26-BA-47:

Motion by: V. Maglione, Second by D. Valliere. The board adopts the resolution on a roll call vote as follows: 4 ayes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

BA Discussion:

Additional discussion on picnic tables.

Discussion on bottle filler.

OLD BUSINESS:

Clinton Public School Board Meeting Update: Danielle Nugent

FACILITY/FINANCE/POLICY:

Action Items 26-FFP-54 through 26-FFP-70:

Action item 26-FFP-54:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the **payment of bills** for the period ending **June 16, 2026 in the amount of \$ 564,607.34.**

Action item 26-FFP-55:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves Active for Life LLC for physical therapy services for the 26/27 school year at the following rates:

School based therapy \$118 per hour

Home based therapy \$138 per hour

Evaluations \$475 ea.

Action item 26-FFP-56:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the donation of one electronic keyboard from the McCrea family.

Action item 26-FFP-57:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the SFA to SFA Contract with the Clinton-Glen Gardner School District for the 2026/2027 school year as follows:

Type of Meals: Breakfast @ \$2.80 per meal student price
 Breakfast @ 3.30 per meal adult price
 Lunch @ \$ 4.90 per meal, student price
 Lunch @ \$5.50 per meal, adult price

Estimated Contract Amount: \$18,228

Action item 26-FFP-58:

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

 \$10,000 per year for full day Elementary School aged students in grades K-5

Action item 26-FFP-59:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the **out of district placement** for the following students 2 @ \$35,331 for the 2026/2027 school year.

 SID 7139964337

 SID 4464237295

Action item 26-FFP-60:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the tuition for the extended school year for the following students at the rate of \$3,926 ea. plus the cost of a shared aide:

 SID 7139964337

 SID 4228350862

Action item 26-FFP-61:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the **send/receive tuition contracts** with the Clinton-Glen Gardner School District for 6th, 7th and 8th grade students as follows:

 10 7th & 8th General Education Students @ 16,561.09 ea.

 5 7th & 8th Special Education Students @ 16,561.09 ea.

 12 6th grade students @ flat rate of \$100,000

Action item 26-FFP-62:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the School Business Administrator to **transfer funds**, pending availability, from the General fund in the 2024/2025 school year to the following accounts as listed:

 Tuition Reserve up to \$100,000

 Maintenance Reserve up to \$100,000

 Capital Reserve up to \$100,000

Action item 26-FFP-63:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the School Business Administrator to transfer all interest earned through the 25/26 school year from the following reserve accounts into the general fund:

*Emergency Reserve Fund
Maintenance Reserve Fund*

Action item 26-FFP-64:

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

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>		
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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	<i>Use of physical restraint and seclusion techniques for students with disabilities (M)</i>		
6112	<i>Reimbursement for federal and other grant expenditures (M)</i>		
6115.01	<i>Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Allowability of Costs (M)</i>		
6115.02	<i>Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls- Mandatory Disclosures (M)</i>		
8561	<i>Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs (M)</i>		

Action item 26-FFP-65:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the dual use of space application for the 2026/2027 school year.

Action item 26-FFP-66:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves of the recycling of obsolete/damaged electronic equipment as per the attached list.

Action item 26-FFP-67:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the purchase of 4 picnic tables for the Lebanon Borough Park at the cost of \$7,198.59.

Action item 26-FFP-68:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the School Self Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act for the 2024/2025 school year as attached.

Action item 26-FFP-69:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18B-1, et seq., enables boards of education to join with other boards of education in school board insurance trusts for the purpose of forming self-insurance pools; **WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group ("NJSIG") is a joint insurance fund authorized by N.J.S.A. 18A:18B-1, et seq. to provide insurance coverage and risk management services for its members;

WHEREAS, the Lebanon Borough Board of Education, herein after referred to as the "Educational Institution," has resolved to apply for and/or renew its membership with NJSIG;

WHEREAS, the Educational Institution certifies that it has not defaulted on a claim, and has not been cancelled for non-payment of insurance premium for a period of at least two (2) years prior to the date of its application to NJSIG;

WHEREAS, the Educational Institution desires to secure protection, services, and savings relating to insurance and self-insurance for itself and its departments and employees; and,

WHEREAS, the Educational Institution finds that the best and most efficient way of securing this protection and services is by cooperating with other boards of education in the State of New Jersey.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT:

- 1) This agreement is made by and between NJSIG and the Educational Institution.

- 2) *The Educational Institution joins with other boards of education in organizing and becoming members of NJSIG pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18B-3(a), for a period of three years, beginning on July 1, 2026, and ending July 1, 2029 at 12:01 a.m.;*
- 3) *In consideration of membership in NJSIG, the Educational Institution agrees that for those types of coverage in which it participates, the Educational Institution shall jointly and severally assume and discharge the liabilities of each and every member of NJSIG to such agreement arising from their participation in NJSIG. By execution hereof the full faith and credit of the Educational Institution is pledged to the punctual payment of any sums which shall become due to NJSIG in accordance with the bylaws thereof, the plan of risk management, this Agreement and any applicable statute or regulation;*
- 4) *The Educational Institution and NJSIG agree that NJSIG shall hold all monies paid by the Educational Institution to NJSIG as fiduciaries for the benefit of NJSIG claimants all in accordance with applicable statutes and/or regulations;*
- 5) *NJSIG shall establish and maintain Trust Accounts in accordance with 18A:18B-1, N.J.S.A. et seq. and such other statutes and regulations as may be applicable;*
- 6) *By adoption and signing of this resolution, the Educational Institution is hereby joining NJSIG in accordance with the terms of this Indemnity and Trust Agreement and Resolution to Join / Renew Membership, effective the date indicated below, for the types of insurance as indicated in the Insurance Binder issued by NJSIG;*
- 7) *The Educational Institution hereby ratifies and affirms the bylaws and other organizational and operational documents of NJSIG, and as from time to time amended by NJSIG and/or the State of New Jersey, Department of Banking and Insurance, in accordance with the applicable statutes and regulations as if each and every one of said documents were re-executed contemporaneously herewith;*
- 8) *The Educational Institution agrees to be a participating member of NJSIG for the period herein provided for and to comply with all of the rules and regulations and obligations associated with said membership, including, but not limited to the NJSIG's Plan of Risk Management;*
- 9) *The Educational Institution under its obligations as a member of NJSIG agrees to allow for safety inspections of its properties, to pay contributions in a timely fashion and to comply with the bylaws and standards of participation of NJSIG including the plan of risk management;*
- 10) *If NJSIG, in the enforcement of any part of this Agreement, shall incur necessary expense or become obligated to pay attorney's fees and/or court costs, the Educational Institution agrees to reimburse NJSIG for all such reasonable expenses, fees and costs on demand;*
- 11) *The Business Administrator is hereby authorized in accordance with the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1, et seq., to execute such contracts and documentation with NJSIG as is necessary to effectuate this resolution; and,*
- 12) *The Business Administrator is directed to send a certified copy of this Indemnity and Trust Agreement and Resolution to Join / Renew Membership to NJSIG.*

Action item 26-FFP-70:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the submission of the School Lead Filters grant application for the installed bottle filling station provided by Pure Water Technology as attached.

Motion for Action Items 26-FFP-54 through 25-FFP-70:

Motion by: D. Valliere, Second by D. Nugent. The board adopts the resolution on a roll call vote as follows: 4 ayes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

FFP Discussion:

Discussion on Bill List

Discussion on cost of picnic tables.

PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS/CURRICULUM/COMMUNICATIONS:

Action Items 26-PNCC-24 through 25-PNCC-29:

Action Item 26-PNCC-24:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the job description for Teacher in Charge as attached.

Action Item 26-PNCC-25:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following summer programs for the months of July and August 2026:

Musical Theatre: 1 Teacher @ \$70 per hour
 1 Aide @ \$45 per hour

Art Camp: 1 Teacher @ \$70 per hour
 1 Aide @ \$45 per hour

Action Item 26-PNCC-26:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the movement on the guide for SMID# 35378256 from MA+15 to MA+30 for the 2026/2027 school year at the rate of \$79,635.

Action Item 26-PNCC-27:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following resolution to enact a **reduction in force** for the 2026/2027 school year:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:28-9 provides that a board of education may “reduce the number of staff members employed in the district whenever, in the judgment of the board, it is advisable to abolish any such positions for reasons of economy or because of reduction in the number of pupils or of change in the administrative or supervisory organization of the district or for other good cause;”

WHEREAS, for reasons of district reorganization and changes to the send/receive contract with the Clinton-Glen Gardner School District, and

WHEREAS, based foregoing and information provided by the Chief School Administrator, the Lebanon Borough School District Board of Education finds it advisable to reduce the total number of positions in the district for the 2026/2027 school year through a reduction in force;

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Lebanon Borough School District Board of Education as follows:

1. **That the following existing staff positions are hereby eliminated as a result of a reduction in force:**

6th grade Teacher

2. That the affected employee will promptly receive appropriate notification of their employment status; and
3. That the Chief School Administrator or his/her designee is authorized to provide the necessary notification to the affected employee

Action Item 26-PNCC-28:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves SMID # 307345578 for 3 days during July and August 2025 for **Health Office Duties** at the 2025/26 per diem rate.

Action Item 26-PNCC-29:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves SMID # 44759470 for 4 days during the summer months of July and August 2025 for **CST Evaluations and services** at the 2025/2026 per diem rate.

Motion for Action Items 26-PNCC-24 through 26-PNCC-29:

Motion by: D. Nugent, Second by D. Valliere. The board adopts the resolution on a roll call vote as follows: 4 ayes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

PNCC Discussion:

Discussion on summer camps.

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion on placement of first grade teacher.

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:

CSA Evaluation

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 by D. Nugent; Second by V. Maglione. The resolution is adopted by the full membership of the board at 8:27 pm.

Motion to exit by V. Maglione; Second by D. Nugent. The resolution is adopted by the full membership of the board at 9:14 pm.

Action Item 26-AD-09:

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

Motion by V. Maglione; Second by D. Nugent. The resolution is adopted by the full membership of the board at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Duell
School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary

Minutes prepared June 24, 2026. Minutes remain unofficial until formally adopted by the board.

David Abeles
Board President

Date