



Charging Ahead!

**Oceanport Board of Education
29 Wolf Hill Avenue
Oceanport, NJ**

**Regular Meeting Agenda
September 19, 2023 6:00 P.M.
Hybrid Meeting**

A meeting of the Oceanport Board of Education will be held remotely and in the media center of Wolf Hill School, 29 Wolf Hill Avenue, Oceanport, NJ this day, as advertised. Members of the public can access this hybrid meeting <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86778166150>. The order of business and agenda for the meeting are:

I. CALL TO ORDER – Board of Education President Mark Patterson

**II. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT -
Board of Education President Mark Patterson**

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975 c. 231 the Oceanport Board of Education has issued notice of this meeting to be publicized by having the date, time, and location of the meeting posted at Maple Place School, Wolf Hill School, Oceanport Borough, Sea Bright Borough, The Link, and Asbury Park Press. Notice has been filed with the Monmouth County Superintendent of Schools, the Borough Clerk of Oceanport, and the Borough Clerk of Sea Bright and sent to those persons requesting that such notice be mailed to them.

III. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

Deirdre Bova	Present	Mark Patterson	Present
Jamie Gough	Present	Daniel Peltz	Present Arrival 6:02
Patricia Kelly	Present	Neal Usatin	Present Arrival 6:10
Samantha Mahoney	Present	Marion Wilhalme	Present
Patrick McSorley	Present Arrived at 6:26		

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

Oftentimes it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases by unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. If the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred for Board review at a Board Committee meeting. The members of the Board work via committees with the Superintendent and the

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Administration to assure that the members fully understand the matter. When the Board and Administration are satisfied with the matter, it is placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting. In rare instances, matters are presented to the Board of Education for discussion at the same meeting that final action may be taken.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- August 23, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
- August 23, 2023 Executive Session Minutes

Motion to approve Ms. Wilhalme. Second Ms. Bova. Motion passed unanimously by all present.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT & PRESENTATIONS – Dr. Laura Godlesky

- Special recognition of tenure for Heather Daley, effective 9/2/2023
- I will be requesting an executive session this evening for reasons #5 & #7
- HIB Report

7/1/2023 - 8/30/2023	Investigated Incidents	Confirmed Incidents	Confirmed Incidents Year to Date
Wolf Hill School	0	0	0
Maple Place School	1	0	0
Total	1	0	0

2023-2024 Oceanport School District Enrollment

Grade	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
PK	23									
K	56									
1	52									
2	39									
3	64									
4	59									

Wolf Hill School Total	293									
5	63									
6	66									
7	67									
8	79									
Maple Place School Total	275									
District Total	568									

Motion to approve Mr. McSorley, second by Mr. Usatin. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Comments are invited on agenda items only. Upon being recognized, state your name and address. Statements shall be limited to three minutes. The Board reserves the right to terminate remarks not keeping with the conduct of a proper and efficient meeting. The public is discouraged from speaking negatively about any employee or student. Individuals can be held personally liable for defamatory or libelous statements. Comments regarding employees, students, and security cannot be legally responded to by the Board. The Board bears no responsibility for comments made by the public. Questions from the public will be responded to, if feasible, after the close of public comment.

Resident Nicole Seymour 47 Burnt Mill Circle shared concerns related to lack of transportation for after school sports. Lack of structure with sports, 3 girls soccer coaches in 3 years, and not using Maria Gatta fields for afterschool sports.

Public comment ended 7:14

VIII. COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

- A. Education, Technology, Curriculum, Instruction Committee:**
Deirdre Bova, Chairperson
Committee Report: September 2023 Meeting of the Education, Technology, Curriculum, Instruction Committee

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A-1 Motion to approve the following Professional Development:

Staff Member	Event	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Ashley Bellaran	K-12 Advanced Behavioral Assessment Training	Pennington, NJ	9/18/2023 (retroactive)	\$44.37
Nicole Goldsmith	Shore Consortium for Gifted and Talented Meetings	Oceanport, NJ Spring Lake Heights, NJ Bradley Beach, NJ Manasquan, NJ	9/22/2023 12/15/2023 2/8/2024 4/19/2024 6/7/2024	n/a
Nicole Goldsmith	NJ Gifted Teacher Sharefest NJAGC	Ewing, NJ	10/10/2023	\$26.83
Laura Godlesky	HIB Strauss Esmay	Toms River, NJ	9/26/2023	\$145
Laura Godlesky	NJFLA & FMLA Strauss Esmay	Toms River, NJ	10/16/2023	\$145
Amanda Ianucilli	Equity In Action: Building Mathematical Thinking AMTNJ Conference	Lincroft, NJ	10/20/2023	\$215
Kim Kallok	Building Thinking Classrooms AMTNJ Conference	Lincroft, NJ	10/20/2023	\$215
Colleen LaSalle	Building Thinking Classrooms AMTNJ Conference	Lincroft, NJ	10/20/2023	\$215
Stacy Liu	Child Outcome Summary Tool NJDOE	Virtual	9/14/2023 (retroactive)	n/a
Kenneth Londregan	School Financial Accounting/Reporting NJASBO	Robbinsville, NJ	9/9/2023 9/16/2023 9/23/2023 9/30/2023 10/7/2023 10/14/2023 10/21/2023 10/28/2023 11/4/2023	\$924.80

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Kenneth Londregan	School Law NJASBO	Robbinsville, NJ	12/16/2023 1/6/2024 1/13/2024 1/20/2024	\$369.92
Kenneth Londregan	Budget Guidelines and Best Practices NJASBO	Robbinsville, NJ	1/30/2024	\$67.48
Kenneth Londregan	Insurance Risk Management NJASBO	Robbinsville, NJ	2/3/2024 2/10/2024 2/24/2024 3/2/2024	\$369.92
Kenneth Londregan	Personnel Admin/Labor Relations NJASBO	Robbinsville, NJ	3/9/2024 3/16/2024 3/23/2024 4/6/2024	\$369.92
Kenneth Londregan	School Plant Planning NJASBO	Robbinsville, NJ	4/13/2024 4/20/2024 4/27/2024 5/4/2024	\$369.92
Mark Maglione	Child Outcome Summary Tool NJDOE	Virtual	9/14/2023 (retroactive)	n/a
Mark Maglione	K-12 Advanced Behavioral Assessment Training	Pennington, NJ	9/18/2023 (retroactive)	\$50.67
Lauren Malaney	Child Outcome Summary Tool NJDOE	Virtual	9/14/2023 (retroactive)	n/a
Lauren Malaney	K-12 Advanced Behavioral Assessment Training	Pennington, NJ	9/18/2023 (retroactive)	\$56.40
Lauren Malaney	OSE Webinars for Special Education Administrators	Virtual	9/28/2023 11/20/2023 1/23/2024 4/17/2024 6/11/2024	n/a
Lauren Malaney	Special Education Directors Toolkit	Monroe, NJ	11/17/2023	\$16.92

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A-2 Motion to approve the following field trips pursuant to Board of Education Policy 2340:

Date	Destination	Grade Level/Staff Members	Subject Matter
9/29/2023	Shore Regional High School West Long Branch, NJ	7 th & 8 th Grade Charger Band Members Mr. DiTommaso	Students will perform with the SRHS marching band during halftime.
6/6/2024-6/7/2024	Hershey / Lancaster, PA	8th Grade Students and Chaperones (TBD)	Students will gain a cultural understanding of the Amish in Lancaster and enjoy a day of celebration at Hershey Amusement Park as they prepare to graduate from the Oceanport Schools.

A-3 Motion to approve Dr. Jennifer Goeke, Special Education Consultant from Montclair State University, to provide ongoing professional development, coaching, and support for staff in the amount of \$12,000 for the 2023/24 school year to be paid by ARP ESSER funds.

A-4 Motion to approve the revised curricula for the 2023-2024 school year as posted on the district website:

- Social Studies 5 and 8
- Algebra XL
- Advanced 6th Grade Mathematics
- Science K-8
- Instrumental Music 5-8

A-5 Motion to approve the Oceanport Mentoring Plan for the 2023-2024 school year to include updates as per the NJDOE.

A-6 Motion to approve Into Science “Getting Started” professional development for 5-8 science teachers on 9/26/2023. The training will occur virtually at a cost of \$800.

A-7 Motion to approve the Title I Parent-Teacher-Student Compacts for Wolf Hill and Maple Place Schools for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion to block A1 to A7 by Ms. Bova, second by Mr. Usatin. Motion passed unanimously.

- B. Policy Committee:** Patricia Kelly, Chairperson
Committee Report: September 2023 Meeting of the Policy Committee

Nothing to report. No Motions to pass

- C. Personnel Committee:** Marion Wilhalme, Chairperson
Committee Report: September 2023 Meeting of the Personnel Committee

C-1 Motion to retroactively approve movement across the OEA CBA salary guide for Cassandra Runko to Step 1-MA, \$59,485 effective 9/1/2023-6/30/2024.

C-2 Motion to retroactively approve FMLA leave for staff member #4078 effective 9/1/2023-10/1/2023.

C-3 Motion to retroactively approve the following staff members for their attendance at Preschool and Kindergarten Orientation on 8/31/2023 with terms as stated:

Staff Member	Total Number of Hours	Hourly Rate
Samantha Daly	2	\$58.15
Laurie Davis	2	\$58.15
Meghan Harmon	2	\$58.15
Cynthia Jutras	2	\$58.15
Kristen Olsen	2	\$58.15
Susan Canning	1	\$27.65
Joanne Chieffalo	1	\$24.01
Meggan Conway	1	\$24.01
Tiffany Despo	1	\$23.31
Nancy Farina	1	\$25.01
Samantha Jones	1	\$23.31
Tracy MacRae	1	\$27.65

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Kimberly West	1	\$27.65
Steve Tagerty	2	\$35.00
Ashley Bellaran	4	\$51.00

C-4 Motion to approve the following individual in Schedule B position with terms as stated:

Schedule B Position	Staff Member	Compensation
Baseball - Maple Place	John Vaccarelli	\$3,503.97
Boys Basketball - Maple Place	Mike Birnbaum	\$4,488.73
Cheerleading - Maple Place	Joanne Wilkes	\$4,488.73
Girls Basketball - Maple Place	Megan Docherty	\$4,488.73
Softball - Maple Place	Megan Docherty	\$3,503.97
Sports Coordinator - Winter - Maple Place	Joanne Wilkes	\$738.84
Band - Fall - Maple Place	Danny DiTommaso	\$3,941.17
Band - Spring - Maple Place	Danny DiTommaso	\$3,941.17
Chimes - Maple Place & Wolf Hill	Erica Bach	\$1,148.72
Chorus - 3 rd & 4 th Grade - Wolf Hill	Erica Bach	\$812.41
Chorus - Maple Place	Erica Bach	\$1,156.08
Play Director - Maple Place	Erica Bach	\$2,722.17
Play Assistant Director - Maple Place	Douglas Brown	\$2,408.07
Play Art-Set Design - Maple Place	Kelly Jakubowski	\$2,408.07
Play Costume Design - Maple Place	Patricia Cooper	\$1,884.57
Play Stage Crew - Maple Place	Heather Daley	\$1,046.99
Play Chaperone - Maple Place	Gina Confessore, Nicole Goldsmith, Renee Lisotto, Erica Spenard, Joanne Wilkes	\$48.96 per event as needed
8 th Grade Advisors - Maple Place	Jackie Richter/Heather Daley 50/50 split	\$1,530.00 (\$765.00 per advisor)
Art Club - Maple Place	Kelly Jakubowski	\$1,300.50
National Jr. Honor Society - Maple Place	Jackie Richter	\$1,300.50
Student Leadership - Maple Place	Renee Lisotto	\$1,300.50

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Yearbook -Maple Place	Tracy Jones, Megan Scardilli 50/50 Split	\$3,065.70 (\$1,532.85 per advisor)
Spelling Bee Moderator - Maple Place	Joanne LaValva	\$200.00
Dance Chaperones - Maple Place	Joanne Wilkes, Tracy Jones, Jackie Richter, Heather Daley, Erica Dunn, Erica Spenard, Megan Scardilli, Amanda Ianucilli, Nicole Goldsmith	\$48.96 per event as needed
Alliance Club - Maple Place (Enrichment)	Erica Dunn/Amy Eklof 50/50 split	\$1,300.50 (\$650.25 per advisor)
Creative Writing Club - Maple Place (Enrichment)	Erica Dunn	\$1,300.50
Art Club - Wolf Hill	Alex Canessa	\$1,300.50
Games Club- Wolf Hill (Enrichment)	Samantha Daly	\$1,300.50
Kindness Club - Wolf Hill (Enrichment)	Julia McDonnell	\$1,300.50
LEGO Club - Wolf Hill	Natalie Berry	\$1,300.50
Mastery Club - Wolf Hill	Alex Canessa	\$1,300.50
News Crew - Wolf Hill	Alex Canessa	\$561.00
Physical Education Club - Wolf Hill	Nick Tarquinio	\$1,300.50
Reading Fair Moderator - Wolf Hill	Kim Rajner	\$200.00
Spelling Bee Moderator - Wolf Hill	Kim Rajner	\$200.00
STEAM Club - Wolf Hill	Elizabeth Mistretta	\$1,300.50
Yearbook - Wolf Hill	Alex Canessa	\$1,200.00

C-5 Motion to approve Mary Ambrose as a substitute teacher for the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of \$160 per day.

C-6 Motion to retroactively approve Jenine Dora for 10.75 hours at \$51 per hour to complete Maple Place sports physical paperwork.

C-7 Motion to approve Kimberly Kelly as a Consultant at a rate of \$100 per hour not to exceed 15 hours per month effective 9/20/2023 - 4/30/2024.

C-8 Motion to approve the employment of Laura Tagerty as a substitute secretary at the rate of \$19.75 per hour for the 2023-2024 school year, as needed.

Motion to block C-1 to C-8 Ms. Wilhalme. Second Ms. Gough. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Finance Committee: Dan Peltz, Chairperson

Committee Report: September 2023 Meeting of the Finance Committee

D-1 Motion to retroactively approve the bills list for the month August in the amount of 1,953,946.93.

D-2 Motion to approve the bills list for the month of September 2023 in the amount of \$2,084,071.28 to be approved for payment.

D-3 Motion to approve the following Tax Sheltered Annuity Companies for 2023-2024:

Valic/Corebridge	AXA/Equitable
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D-4 Motion to approve Plan Connect as 403(b) and 457(b) (Tax Sheltered) Administrator.

D-5 Motion to approve HFA Certified Public Accounting for the 2023-2024 audit at a cost of \$30,000.

D-6 Motion to retroactively approve the transportation of student ID #2134, whose IEP requires a Special Class Program with related services to attend Hawkswood School, Eatontown, NJ effective September 6, 2023 through September 6, 2024 at a rate of \$140.84 per day.

D-7 Transfers

Account number	Amount	Account name
11-216-100-101	-\$192679	Preschool Disabilities
11-105-100-101	\$192679	Preschool Salary
11-216-100-106	-\$150349.60	Preschool Disability Aides
11-105-100-106	150349.60	Preschool Aides
11-216-100-610	-\$5,000	Preschool Disabilities Supplies
11-105-100-610	\$5,000	Preschool Supplies

Motion to block D-1 through D-7 Mr. Peltz , second by Mr. McSorley, Motion passed unanimously.

E. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Jamie Gough, Chairperson
Committee Report: September 2023 Meeting of the Buildings & Grounds Committee

E-1 Building Use Request

Building	Room	Date/Time	Organization/Event
Maple Place School	Media Center	9/22/2023 9:00am- 2:30pm	Shore Consortium for Gifted and Talented

Motion by Ms. Gough, second by Mr. McSorley. Motion carried unanimously.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA & NON-AGENDA ITEMS

At this time, comments are invited on school matters of community interest. Comments are invited on agenda items only. Upon being recognized, state your name and address. Statements shall be limited to three minutes. The Board reserves the right to terminate remarks not keeping with the conduct of a proper and efficient meeting. The public is discouraged from speaking negatively about any employee or student. Individuals can be held personally liable for defamatory or libelous statements. Comments regarding employees, students, and security cannot be legally responded to by the Board. The Board bears no responsibility for comments made by the public. Questions from the public will be responded to, if feasible, after the close of public comment.

There was no additional public comment

X. LIAISON REPORTS

NJSBA/MCSBA – Neal Usatin October meeting, and school boards conference in October. Mark Patterson added School boards have an app, and introduced an idea regarding National School Boards.

PTO – Daniel Peltz - PTO met last Tuesday and approved the annual budget. PTO fulfilled wish list items. They provided bagels for half days, and you can still sign up. The fall social is Oct 6th at Charlies Ocean Grill. Maple place book fair at Wolf Hill on Sept 25 and Maple Place on Oct 2nd. Oct 14th is fall fair. Next PTO meeting is Tues Oct 3rd at Maple Place.

ADL (Advocates for Diverse Learners) – Jamie Gough Monday Oct 2nd is the next meeting. Our Director of Special Services will be presenting a state of the union.

Sea Bright Borough Council – Jamie Gough There is a council meeting tonight. October 3rd 7pm is the next meeting. Soft opening for historical society. Grand opening is Sunday the 24th at the community center. The seabright farm market Tuesdays 12-5 until Oct 24th.

Mr. Patterson stated that we would like to keep oceanport and seabright whole. Special election to propose a prek-12 regional school district next Tuesday without the DOE approval of Seabright.

Oceanport Borough Council – Patrick McSorley Meeting 2 Thursday where our Class III SLEO and grass cutting shared services agreement is scheduled to be approved.

Shore Regional BOE Liaison – Samantha Mahoney 2 exciting events are shore regional. Sept 28th to honor the accomplishments of strategic planning celebration. On Sept 30 the class of 2025 fall movie night. Charlie Brown and Hocus Pocus on the football field.

XI. BOARD BUSINESS

XII. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS -

XIII. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

XV. OLD BUSINESS

XVI. CORRESPONDENCE

XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. allows for the exclusion of the public from that portion of a public meeting when certain matters which might endanger the public interest or risk the deprivation of individual rights are discussed, and the Board of Education wishes to discuss the following matters in a non-public closed meeting with the resulting discussion being made public when a proper conclusion has been reached and there is no longer a need for confidentiality:

Brief Description

- _____ 1. Matters rendered expressly confidential by state or federal law or a rule of court.
- _____ 2. Matters in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the United States Government.
- _____ 3. Any matter the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy unless the affected individual or his or her parent or guardian shall request in writing that the matter be disclosed at a public meeting.
- _____ 4. Pending or anticipated negotiations concerning a collective bargaining agreement with the Oceanport Education Association.

X 5. Any matter involving the purchase of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates, or investment of public funds.

 6. Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigations of violations or possible violations of law.

 X 7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations other than collective bargaining contract negotiations in which the Board of Education is or may become a party or any matter falling within the attorney-client privilege to the extent confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his or her ethical duties as an attorney.

 8. Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment and the conditions of employment, evaluation, or disciplining of any specific employee, unless the individual employee requests in writing that the matter be discussed at a public meeting

 9. Any deliberations that may result in the imposition of a civil penalty or suspension.

 10. Any appointment of a public official.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Oceanport Board of Education will hold a closed executive session remotely, as advertised. It is anticipated that the closed session will not last longer than one hour. [Action may be taken during the public portion of the meeting following the recess of the executive session unless otherwise indicated].

XVIII. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to approve by Ms. Wilhalme. Second Ms. Bova. Yes vote passed unanimously by all present. Executive session began at 6:10 PM

Motion to leave executive session Ms. Wilhalme, Second Mr. Usatin. Yes vote passed unanimously by all present. Return from executive session at 6:57.

XIX. RETURN TO OPEN PUBLIC SESSION

Motion to Return to Public Session Ms. Wilhelme, second Ms. Bova. Unanimously vote to return to public session.

XX. ADJOURNMENT

WHEREAS, there being no further business of the Oceanport Board of Education to attend to on the 19th day of September 2023; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the September 19, 2023 meeting of the Oceanport Board of Education be and is hereby adjourned at 7:38 PM.

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Motion Mrs. Wilhalme Second Mr. Usatin. Motion passed unanimously.

*The Oceanport School District will support students' growth
along their educational journey and maximize their academic achievement.
Our educational community will work collaboratively to provide
an innovative, nurturing, and safe environment
with opportunities for ALL learners.*