

## **MINUTES**

### **REGULAR BOARD MEETING KEANSBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION JOSEPH R. BOLGER MIDDLE SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER MARCH 18, 2025 - 7:00 P.M.**

- CALL TO ORDER** Christopher Hoff, President, called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT** Brooke Clayton (arrived at 7:13), Kenneth Cook, Judy Ferraro, Christopher Hoff, Kim Kelaher-Moran, Matthew Kitchen, Michael Mankowski and Catherine Ryan
- MEMBERS ABSENT** Patricia Frizell
- OTHERS PRESENT** Kathleen O'Hare, Superintendent, Michael Sette, Board Secretary, John O. Bennett, Attorney and District Administration
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -** Mr. Hoff led the Pledge of Allegiance and pointed out the emergency exits.

#### **PRESENTATIONS/CORRESPONDENCES -**

New board member Catherine Ryan was publicly sworn in.

#### **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES**

##### **Keansburg High School - Megan Alt and Paige Brown**

The musical was a huge success, with the audience responding enthusiastically with laughter and cheers. Congratulations to the entire cast and crew!

The senior class hosted the third March Madness tournament, where 13 teams competed. Congratulations to A'son and I'shon Young, Milan Mraz, Gabriella Flanzbaum, Jabnelyz Crespo Borges, and Lindsey Rivera for being the top girl and boy teams.

Designer Bingo was also a great success, and spring sports are now in full swing. The flag football team worked on their skills alongside NY Giants players, while the Esports teams have started competing in the Marvel Rivals Rocket League and are off to a great start.

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Looking ahead, on March 24th, the National Honor Society will be inducting new members—congratulations to them! Additionally, there is an Urban Air fundraiser on March 26th, and the Key Club will be hosting a Blood Drive on May 3rd. We hope to see you there!

### **Bolger Middle School - Lupin Foulks and Jessica Lamee**

Eighth-grader Ava Tucker has been chosen to represent Bolger Middle School at the annual Monmouth County School Boards Association Dialogue program on March 11th. On the same day, the National Honor Society will induct seven new members. Last week, students signed up for the baseball and softball teams. The e-gaming club continues to show enthusiasm, and both the World Culture Club and the National Junior Honor Society will participate in the town's St. Patrick's Day parade. A member of the drama club recently performed in a play at the high school. Seventh and eighth graders attended an assembly presented by the Behavioral Health group. Additionally, the eighth grade made selections based on a class poll for the class of 2025, with the winning results posted on the bulletin board. The week of March 7th was designated as Read Across America, and students celebrated with a spirit week featuring themed clothing. Finally, the Bolger Students of the Month have been announced.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Kenneth Cook** - The Finance Committee met, with the primary focus being the tentative budget that we will be voting on tonight. Preparing the budget is no small task, but the administration works to reduce costs and optimize resources through grants, shared services, and rebates. After tonight's vote, the budget will be sent to the county for approval before being introduced at our next board meeting.

### **COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS RELATING TO BOARD AGENDA ITEMS - NONE**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the following meeting be approved as submitted:

| MEETING           | DATE              |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| REGULAR MEETING   | February 18, 2025 |
| EXECUTIVE SESSION | February 18, 2025 |
| SPECIAL MEETING   |                   |

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| APPROVAL OF MINUTES |  |
|---------------------|--|
| MOVED BY            | Kim Kelaheer-Moran   |
| SECONDED BY         | Judy Ferraro   |
| AYE                 | Kenneth Cook, Judy Ferraro,<br>Christopher Hoff, Kim Kelaheer-Moran<br>and Michael Mankowski |
| NAY                 |  |
| ABSTAIN             | Brooke Clayton, Matthew Kitchen and<br>Catherine Ryan  |

The Superintendent of Schools recommends positive action on the following items:

**PERSONNEL:**

**1. RETIREMENT-2024-2025-DISTRICT**

Approve the following retirement, as submitted:

|                     |                |                             |
|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Racanelli, Fidelina | World Language | Account # 15-130-100-101-30 |
| Eff. 1/1/26         |                | Account # 15-140-100-101-40 |

**2. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT**

Approve the following individual be given a notice of termination with the last day of salary being April 11, 2025, and the last day of benefits as April 30, 2025:

Employee # 6504

**3. NON-PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT-2024-2025**

|                             |                  |             |      |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------|------|
| Anderson, James             | Security Officer | \$41,085.00 | DIST |
| Eff. 3/10/25                |                  |             |      |
| Account # 11-000-266-107-40 |                  |             |      |

4. **TRANSFER-PROFESSIONAL STAFF-2024-2025**

| Name            | From   | To   |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Ebner, Kerriane | KHS Beacon<br>Account #<br>15-209-100-101-40 | Bolger LLD<br>Effective 4/1/2025<br>Account #<br>15-204-100-101-30 |

5. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE-MEDICAL**

Approve/ratify the following individual be granted a Medical Leave of Absence using allowable sick days followed by unpaid leave. If interested and eligible, this leave may be deducted from his/her entitlement under FMLA/NJFLA:

| Name           | Beginning  | Returning  |
|----------------|------------|------------|
| Shoiab, Silvia | 02/28/2025 | 03/07/2025 |

6. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE-FAMILY**

Approve/ratify the following individual be granted an unpaid Family Leave of Absence. If interested and eligible, this leave may be deducted from his/her entitlement under FMLA/NJFLA:

| Name              | Beginning  | Returning  |
|-------------------|------------|------------|
| Iacouzzi, Melissa | 02/11/2025 | 02/21/2025 |



**7. SUBSTITUTE TEACHER/PARAPROFESSIONAL-2024-2025-DISTRICT**

Approve the following individuals to be added to our substitute teacher/paraprofessional list for the 2024-2025 school year at the rates listed below:

Cara, Elizabeth^  
D'Antonio, Jeanine - Paraprofessional Only  
Diamond, Michael ^  
Mininchelli, Allison\*

\$100.00 = Substitute Teacher  
\$ 85.00 = Paraprofessional

^pending completion of paperwork  
\*per negotiated contract agreement

Account # 11-120-100-101-20 Prek-5  
Account # 11-130-100-101-30 6-8  
Account # 11-140-100-101-40 9-12

**8. ADDITIONAL PREP HOURS-2024-2025-JRB**

Approve the following individual for an additional two hours of prep time per week, from January 2025 through June 2025, not to exceed \$2,000.00.

McCarthy, James

Account # 15-209-100-101-30

**9. CENTRAL DETENTION-2025-2026-KHS**

Approve all qualified staff to provide central detention for the 2025-2026 school year, per the KEA negotiated contract, as needed.

Account # 15-000-211-100-30  
15-000-211-100-40

**10. KEANSBURG EARLY LEARNING CENTER-BUS AIDES-2025-2026**

Approve all qualified district preschool staff as bus aides and substitute bus aides for the Keansburg Early Learning Center A.M. / P.M. bus runs for the 2025-2026 school year, per the KEA negotiated contract, as needed.

Account # 20-218-100-106-10

**11. KEANSBURG EARLY LEARNING CENTER- HOME VISITS- 2025-2026**

Approve all qualified district preschool staff to complete home visits for the 2025-2026 school year, per the KEA negotiated contract, as needed.

|                      |                             |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Paraprofessionals:   | Account # 20-218-100-106-10 |
| Teachers:            | Account # 20-218-100-101-10 |
| Nurse:               | Account # 20-218-200-104-10 |
| Instructional Coach: | Account # 20-218-200-176-10 |
| CST/OT/PT/Speech:    | Account # 20-218-200-104-10 |

**12. WILSON READING TEACHERS-JCCS & JRB-2024-2025-REVISION**

Approve the following two individual(s) as Wilson Reading Teachers at \$43.00 per hour for 140 hours, not to exceed \$6,020.00

Higgins, Noreen  
Mankowski, Jessica

Account # 20-231-100-101-20

**13. CURRICULUM WRITING-MATHEMATICS-KHS-2024-2025**

Approve the following individual (s) to write Mathematics Curriculum at \$43.00 per hour, for 20 hours per document for the following documents:

Algebra 1  
Algebra 2  
Geometry  
Precalculus

Rosenberg, Michael

SIA Account # 20-235-200-101-40

**14. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COSTING \$150.00 OR ABOVE  
2024-2025-DISTRICT**

Approve attendance at the workshops as listed below at the costs indicated. Travel is directly related to and within the scope of the current responsibilities of the listed employees, is critical to the instructional needs of the district, will improve the participant's skills and knowledge, or further the efficient operations of the district. The costs associated with attendance are statutorily authorized travel expenditures and are within the annual maximum travel expenditure amount of the district:

|           |                    |  |          |
|-----------|--------------------|--|----------|
| 3/18-6/18 | Argiro, Kerrienne  | Rutgers School of Social Work                                | \$420.00 |
| 4/16      | Hoffman, Elizabeth | Using ART to increase learning<br>(online seminar)           | \$295.00 |
| 3/18-6/26 | Puglisi, Jaclyn    | Rutgers School of Social Work                                | \$570.00 |
| 4/11-5/30 | Walsh, Thomas      | Rutgers Work Based Learning<br>Program (Structured Learning) | \$832.00 |

**DISCUSSION - None**

| APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| Moved By:             | Kenneth Cook   |
| Seconded By:          | Matthew Kitchen  |
| Aye:                  | Brooke Clayton, Kenneth Cook, Judy Ferraro, Christopher Hoff, Kim Kelaher-Moran, Matthew Kitchen, Michael Mankowski and Catherine Ryan |
| Nay:                  |  |
| Abstain:              | Michael Mankowski #12, 2nd Name  |

The Superintendent of Schools recommends positive action on the following items:

**GENERAL**

**15. CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN (CAP)-JCCS, JRB & KHS**

Approve the submitted Corrective Action Plans (CAP) for addressing chronic absenteeism for the Joseph C. Caruso School, Joseph R. Bolger Middle School and Keansburg High School.

Ref. Exhibit # 1

**16. 2023-2024 INTERIM NJQSAC PLACEMENT LETTER & SCORES**

Approve the Interim NJQSAC Placement Letter and Scores as submitted:

| <b>NJQSAC Areas</b>     | <b>Initial Placement<br/>(September 2023)</b> | <b>Interim Placement<br/>(February 2025)</b> |
|-------------------------|---|--|
| Instruction and Program | 77%   | 70%  |
| Fiscal Management       | 72%   | 76%  |
| Governance              | 94%   | 94%  |
| Operations              | 93%   | 93%  |
| Personnel               | 100%  | 100%   |

Ref. Exhibit # 2

**17. KEANSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL CALENDAR-REVISION-2024-2025**

Approve the 2024-2025 Keansburg School District Annual Calendar revision. This revision is the utilization of unused emergency days as follows:

Wednesday, April 16, 2025: One Session Day  
 Thursday, April 17, 2025: No School  
 Tuesday, May 27, 2025: No School

Ref. Exhibit # 3

**18. KEANSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL CALENDAR-2025-2026**

Approve the 2025-2026 Keansburg School District Annual Calendar as submitted:

Ref. Exhibit # 4

**19. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS-KELC**

Approve the donation to the Keansburg Early Learning Center, from Home Depot, a refrigerator for the small group instruction room where students are learning life skills.

**20. DISPOSAL OF UNUSABLE/OUTDATED/BROKEN FURNITURE/EQUIPMENT-DISTRICT**

Approve the disposal of unusable/outdated/broken Furniture/Equipment in the Keansburg School District.



**21. IN-STATE CLASS TRIPS-2024-2025-DISTRICT**

Approve the following In-State Class Trip(s) for the 2024-2025 school year:

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Location</b>         | <b>Grades</b>            | <b>Teacher</b>                                |
|-------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 3/27        | KELC                    | Drama Cast               | Buresh, Paul                                  |
| 3/29        | Bowlero, Hazlet         | KAP students             | Rosenberg, Michael                            |
| 4/2         | InfoAge                 | 4th Grade                | Spivey, Amy                                   |
| 5/1         | Brookdale Comm. College | 12th Grade               | King, Kelly                                   |
| 5/1         | Bowlero                 | 1st Grade                | Pearce, K., Torres, V.,<br>Ganley, C.         |
| 5/15        | Liberty Science Ctr.    | 2nd Grade                | Devirgilio, Michele                           |
| 5/20        | Medieval Times          | 8th Grade                | Simek, Roslyn                                 |
| 5/22        | Windows on the Water    | Juniors/Seniors<br>95/85 | Leak, L., Davis, C.,<br>Hooker, M., Lopez, D. |
| 5/22        | St. John's Field        | K-2-Field Day            | PE/Health                                     |
| 5/23        | St. John's Field        | 3-5-Field Day            | PE/Health                                     |
| 5/28        | NJ Convention & Expo    | Jr./Sr. Classes          | Gallagher, Brian                              |
| 6/2         | Grounds for Sculpture   | Art Club-9-12            | Mira, Danielle                                |
| 6/5         | Oak Tree Lodge          | 8th Grade                | Simek, Roslyn                                 |
| 6/6         | Six FlagsGreat Adv.     | 12th Grade               | Leak, Lisa                                    |

| APPROVAL OF GENERAL |  |
|---------------------|--|
| Moved By:           | Kim Kelaher-Moran  |
| Seconded By:        | Matthew Kitchen  |
| Aye:                | Brooke Clayton, Kenneth Cook, Judy Ferraro, Christopher Hoff, Kim Kelaher-Moran, Matthew Kitchen, Michael Mankowski and Catherine Ryan |
| Nay:                |  |
| Abstain:            |  |

## DISCUSSION

**Christopher Hoff:** Regarding item #17, are those snow days adjusted?

**Kathleen O'Hare:** Yes, we did not use our emergency days, so those are the emergency days that were not taken. For next year's calendar, we have pre-selected the days we will get back.

**Christopher Hoff:** For item #19, can we send a thank-you note to Home Depot?

**Kathleen O'Hare:** Yes.

## ADDENDUM:

### A1. DISTRICT H-I-B. REPORT-2024-2025

Approve the monthly District H-I-B- Report for the month of February 2025.

Ref. Exhibit # 5

### A2. CURRICULUM WRITING-MATHEMATICS-KHS-2024-2025

Approve the following individual(s) to write Mathematics Curriculum at \$43.00 per hour, for 20 hours per document for the following documents:

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Algebra 2  
Geometry  
Precalculus

Kent, Lori  
Massone, Nicole

SIA Account # 20-235-200-101-40

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| <b>APPROVAL OF SUPERINTENDENT ADDENDUM</b> |  |
|--|--|
| Moved By:                                  | Kenneth Cook   |
| Seconded By:                               | Catherine Ryan   |
| Aye:                                       | Brooke Clayton, Kenneth Cook, Judy Ferraro, Christopher Hoff, Kim Kelaher-Moran, Matthew Kitchen, Michael Mankowski and Catherine Ryan |
| Nay:                                       |  |
| Abstain:                                   |  |

**DISCUSSION - None**

**SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY REPORT**

**BOARD SECRETARY'S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION - FEBRUARY 2025**

I, Michael Sette, Board Secretary, certifies that no line item has been over expended in February 2025 in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the Fiscal Year.

  
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Board Secretary

**PAYROLL CERTIFICATION**

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary reported, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:19-1B, he has certified the FEBRUARY 14, 2025 in the amount of \$1,000,921.42 and the FEBRUARY 28, 2025 in the amount of \$987,337.26 totaling \$1,988,258.68

The Superintendent of Schools recommends positive action on the following items:

**1. RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE OF FEBRUARY BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Recommend the receipt of the Board Secretary Financial Reports as of February 2025 be accepted as filed, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10©3 that no major account or Fund has been over expended as of February, 2025 based upon the Board Secretary's Certification and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the Fiscal Year.

**2. APPROVE APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS**

Recommend that the Board of Education approve the following Transfers.

**3. APPROVE BILLS**

Recommend that the Board of Education approve the bills paid and checks issued at the Board meeting in the amount of \$1,483,446.41.



**4. 2024-2025 HOME INSTRUCTION**

Recommend the Board approve the following student to receive Home Instruction for the 2024-2025 school year:

| Student I.D. | H.I.# | Tutor                   | Start   | End     | Hours       |
|--------------|-------|-------------------------|---------|---------|-------------|
| 3948045847   | 22    | D. Patterson            | 1-20-25 | 3-19-25 | 10 per week |
| 4553528361   | 23    | District Approved Staff | 1-22-25 | 2-4-25  | 10 per week |
| 9275644982   | 24    | J. Ince                 | 2-24-25 | 4-9-25  | 10 per week |
| 5877411920   | 25    | S. Muniz                | 2-25-25 | 3-31-25 | 5 per week  |

**Account # 11-150-100-320-80**

**Account # 11-150-100-101-80**

**5. MCKINNEY VENTO TUITION 2024-2025**

Approve the following student to attend the indicated for the 2024-2025 school year:

| Student I.D. | Placement  | Start Date | Public/Private | Tuition   |
|--------------|------------|------------|----------------|---|
| 5570415096   | Middletown | 2/1/2025   | Public         | \$1,791.04<br>per monthly and busing<br>\$68.47 per day |
| 1201165220   | Edison     | 9/10/2024  | Public         | \$18,443 prorated and<br>busing \$40.50 per day         |

**6. EVALUATION CONTRACT- 21st CCLC (KAP)-2025-2026**

Approve the contract between the Keansburg School District and Management and Evaluation Associates Inc. for the 2025-2026 school year in the amount of \$17,000.00. Management & Evaluation Associates will provide the following services related to the required external evaluation of the Keansburg District's 21st CCLC Program. Program Administrator and Staff will provide on-site and off-site support for the planning and implementation of action research.

Account # 20-095-200-300-60

**7. APPROVE RESOLUTION FOR MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN A COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE KEANSBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION  
TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 (5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission (MOESC), hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency " has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2025 the governing body of the Keansburg Board of Education, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.A.C 5:34-7.6 (a), duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

**TITLE**

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission (MOESC),

**AUTHORITY**

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) and N.J.A.C 5:34-7.6 (a), the School Business Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission (MOESC), the Lead Agency.

**CONTRACTING UNIT**

The Lead Agency shall comply with the Public School Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

**8. APPROVAL FOR ED DATA MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN THE EDUCATIONAL COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM FOR THE 2025-2027 SCHOOL YEAR.**

WHEREAS N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 (5) authorizes contracting units to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements; and

WHEREAS the Educational Services Commission of Morris County, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency", has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System known as the "Educational Cooperative Pricing System" for the purchase of work, materials and supplies; and

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WHEREAS, the KEANSBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION within the County of MONMOUTH New Jersey, desires to participate in the Educational Cooperative Pricing System.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on the 19th of March by the said Board of Education as follows:

**AUTHORITY**

As directed by N.J.S.A. 18A-18A-11 et seq. and pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 (5), the Board President is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

**CONTRACTING UNIT**

The Lead Agency shall advertise for and receive bids from vendors who will make school supplies, equipment and other related goods and services available to participating members of the said Cooperative Pricing System at the agreed upon price;

The Lead Agency entering into contracts on behalf of the KEANSBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION shall be responsible for complying with the 54 provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

**9. THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 TENTATIVE BUDGET APPROVAL**

The Superintendent recommends approval to adopt the Tentative Budget for FY 2025-2026:

BE IT RESOLVED that the tentative budget be approved for the 2025-2026 School Year using the 2025-2026 state aid figures and the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

|                              | <b><u>General Fund</u></b> | <b><u>Special Revenue</u></b> | <b><u>Debt Service</u></b> | <b><u>Total</u></b> |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| 2025-2026 Total Expenditures | \$40,598,592               | \$4,904,203                   | \$0                        | \$45,502,795        |
| Less: Anticipated Revenues   | \$31,621,792               | \$4,904,203                   | \$0                        | \$36,525,995        |
| Taxes to be Raised           | \$8,976,800                | \$0                           | \$0                        | \$8,976,800         |



And to advertise said tentative budget in the Asbury Park Press in accordance with the form required by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held at the Keansburg Board of Education located at 100 Palmer Place, Keansburg, NJ 07734 on April 29, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2025-2026 School Year.

#### **Maintenance Reserve Withdrawal**

BE IT RESOLVED that as per N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.2(d) the general fund appropriations include a \$700,000 withdrawal from the Maintenance Reserve Account for use on required maintenance activities for a school facility as reported in the comprehensive maintenance plan pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26-20.5

#### **Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement 2025-2026**

WHEREAS, the Keansburg Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Keansburg Board of Education established \$50,000.00 as the maximum travel amount for the current school year and has expended \$4,211.84 as of this date; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of \$50,000 for the 2025-2026 school year

#### **10. PRESCHOOL EXPANSION AID (PEA) 2025/2026**

The Superintendent recommends that the Keansburg School District Board of Education accept the Preschool Expansion Aid funding for the 2025/2026 school year in the amount of:

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| Preschool Education Aid (PEA)                   | \$3,134,625        |
| Prior Year PEA Carryover                        | \$0                |
| Minimum Amount for PSD in General Ed Classrooms | \$ 241,125         |
| <b>2025-2026 Total Preschool Funding</b>        | <b>\$3,375,750</b> |



**11. FY25 NEW JERSEY CHILD ASSAULT PREVENTION GRANT APPLICATION-KELC**

Approve the FY25 New Jersey Child Assault Prevention Grant Application for the Keansburg Early Learning Center. The New Jersey Child Assault Prevention (NJCAP) fulfills the Erin's Law compliance requirement. The total cost for implementation of the program is \$2,780.00 of which is funded through the State CAP funding. The Keansburg School District is responsible for 30% of that which is \$834.00.

**12. APPROVE NJ/ARM ASSET MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

Approval authorizing the School Business Administrator of the Keansburg School District Board of Education, New Jersey to invest funds in the New Jersey Asset & Rebate Management Program.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Keansburg School District as follows:

1. The Keansburg School District Board of Education hereby finds and determines that (a) the School Business Administrator has received and reviewed (i) the Information Statement dated as of January 3, 2005 describing the New Jersey Asset & Rebate Management Program ("NJ/ARM") and (ii) the Amended and Restated Interlocal Services Investment Agreement governing the NJ/ARM Program ("Program Agreement") and (b) the School Business Administrator has been afforded the opportunity to discuss NJ/ARM with the Investment Administrator and Special Counsel to NJ/ARM and the Keansburg School District Board of Education has determined that it is in the best interests of the Keansburg School District Board of Education to authorize the Keansburg School District Board of Education to participate in NJ/ARM.
2. The Program Agreement is hereby approved and the School Business Administrator is authorized to execute the Program Agreement on behalf of the Keansburg School District Board of Education.
3. U.S. Bank, N.A., as Custodian for the NJ/ARM Program, is hereby approved to act as a depository of Public Funds for the Keansburg School District Board of Education Municipal of Keansburg and Monmouth County entities should also add and the Keansburg School District Board of Education's Cash Management Plan is hereby amended to provide the same.
4. The Keansburg Borough School District Board of Education acknowledges that its decision to authorize the participation in NJ/ARM is based solely on the information set forth in the Information Statement and in the Program Agreement.
5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**13. APPROVE TUITION COST FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR**

Recommend that the Board of Education approve the tuition costs for the 2025-2026 school year as follows:

| <u>Grade</u>   | <u>Cost</u>     |
|--|-----------------|
| <u>Kindergarten</u>  | <u>\$16,315</u> |
| <u>1-5</u>   | <u>\$18,324</u> |
| <u>6-8</u>   | <u>\$17,423</u> |
| <u>9-12</u>  | <u>\$18,555</u> |
| <u>Language Learning Disability (Mild to Moderate)</u>         | <u>\$21,982</u> |
| <u>Emotional Regulation Impairment (Behavioral Disability)</u> | <u>\$27,211</u> |
| <u>Autism</u>  | <u>\$38,557</u> |
| <u>Multiple Disability</u>                                     | <u>\$24,159</u> |
| <u>Preschool Disabled – FT</u>                                 | <u>\$28,489</u> |

**DISCUSSION -**

**Matthew Kitchen:** #6 Is there something specific they need for approval?

**Kathleen O'Hare:** This is mandatory for the KAP program contract.

| APPROVAL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY REPORT |  |
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| Moved By:   | Kenneth Cook   |
| Seconded By:  | Judy Ferraro   |
| Aye:  | Brooke Clayton, Kenneth Cook, Judy Ferraro, Christopher Hoff, Kim Kelaher-Moran, Matthew Kitchen, Michael Mankowski and Catherine Ryan |
| Nay:  |  |
| Abstain:  |  |

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS RELATING TO ADDITIONAL CONCERNS- None**

**OLD/NEW COMMUNICATIONS**

**Mathew Kitchen:** Thank you everyone for coming. Congratulations to Ms. Ryan. I look forward to working with you.

**Catherine Ryan:** Congratulations to the drama club and the National Honor Society inductees from both the high school and middle school. I was very impressed with the Key Club. I was a member when I was in high school.

**Judy Ferraro:** I agree with everything Cathy said and would also like to congratulate the girls' basketball team and the boys' wrestling team.

**Brooke Clayton:** Congratulations to Cathy and the new inductees of the National Honor Society. Spring sports are upon us.

**Kenneth Cook:** I would like to acknowledge all the achievements and successes of the Keansburg School District that have been mentioned tonight. I want to thank everyone for their contributions to these successes. I also want to mention that the budget process is not easy and is a thankless job. Thank you all for your hard work on that.

**Kim Moran:** Congratulations to the students. You are doing a great job. It is nice to see the teamwork we see in our sports teams. Being invited to the prom means a lot to us. We love seeing you all dressed up and having a good time. No one can take away the good memories you have of Keansburg High School.

**John Bennett:** I want to clarify that Ms. Ryan was ceremonially sworn in tonight; however, she was officially sworn in at an earlier date. She had the opportunity to review the agenda that was voted on tonight.



## MARCH 18, 2025 MINUTES

**Michael Mankowski:** Congratulations to Ms. Racanelli on her retirement. Now that she has retired, I hope that Multicultural Night continues. The budget requires a lot of hard work, and we are always looking for alternative sources of funding beyond state aid. Congratulations to all the participants in the musical. Thank you to everyone who helped with the flooding at Caruso earlier this week. Read Across America was a success, with over 300 people in attendance.

**Chris Hoff:** Thank you for coming out. I'd like to wish good luck to all retirees. Father Time had a great dance! I want to acknowledge the success of our winter sports teams, and congratulations to Mr. Ferraro for being voted Coach of the Year. The musical was absolutely amazing, and I want to thank the budget team for their hard work, as well as the maintenance team for dealing with the flooding.

I will be signing up for the Key Club's blood drive. Additionally, there will be a parade on the 29th featuring a float for the board of education members. It is exciting to see the inductees being honored in the National Honor Society. Our e-sports team has an impressive 35 students participating. Good luck to all spring sports! Lastly, I want to give a shout-out to the Woodbridge School System and their security team.

## ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

| MOTION TO ADJOURN |  |
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| Moved By:         | Matthew Kitchen  |
| Seconded By:      | Michael Mankowski  |
| Aye:              | Brooke Clayton, Kenneth Cook, Judy Ferraro, Christopher Hoff, Kim Kelaher-Moran, Matthew Kitchen, Michael Mankowski and Catherine Ryan |
| Nay:              |  |
| Abstain:          |  |



**MARCH 18, 2025 MINUTES**

Moved by Matthew Kitchen, seconded by Michael Mankowski, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Sette', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Michael Sette  
Asst. to the Business  
Administrator/Board Secretary

