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**\*\*The Board reserves the right to enter into closed session at any time during the meeting to discuss matters permitted by NJSA 10:4-12**

**SUGGESTED MOTIONS FOR MEETING  
NORTH WILDWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 2025  
6:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. OPENING STATEMENT**

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the Public to have advance notice of, and to attend, the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the North Wildwood Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted with the City Clerk, the Atlantic City Press and the Cape May County Herald.

**3. ROLL CALL**

James Burke	_____
James Farrell	_____
Gerald Flanagan	_____
Ronald Golden	_____
Michele Devine-Hartnett	_____
April Howard	_____
David C. MacDonald	_____
Scott McCracken	_____
Haroula Rotondi	_____
Laura Stefankiewicz	_____

**4. ATTENDANCE**

Jonathan Price, Superintendent	_____
Dawn Cottrell, Board Secretary/SBA	_____
Patricia Donlan, Vice-Principal	_____
Carolyn Morey, Supervisor of Pupil Personnel	_____
Robert Belasco, Solicitor	_____

**5. FLAG SALUTE**

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6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Authorization of Executive Session: to discuss a current and an ongoing matter as per N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (1) Any matter which, by express provision of Federal Law or State statute, or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of subsection a. of this section.

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

Carried: \_\_\_\_\_

James Burke \_\_\_\_\_  
James Farrell \_\_\_\_\_  
Gerald Flanagan \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronald Golden \_\_\_\_\_  
Michele Devine-Hartnett \_\_\_\_\_  
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Scott McCracken \_\_\_\_\_  
Haroula Rotondi \_\_\_\_\_  
Laura Stefankiewicz \_\_\_\_\_

RESUME PUBLIC SESSION, MOTION TO RESUME

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

Carried: \_\_\_\_\_

James Burke \_\_\_\_\_  
James Farrell \_\_\_\_\_  
Gerald Flanagan \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronald Golden \_\_\_\_\_  
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Laura Stefankiewicz \_\_\_\_\_

7. PUBLIC COMMENT- AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

The Board values and welcomes comments and opinions from residents. This meeting will now be open to public comments on [agenda items only]. Public Comment will be held for a total of 15 minutes. If your questions pertain to litigation, student or personnel items, please contact the Superintendent directly, after the meeting, as the Board does not

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discuss these matters in public. If there are items the Superintendent would like to address, he may wish to do so after all public comment has been heard.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 28, 2025 Regular and Closed
9. APPROVAL OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS: July 2025
10. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS as of \_\_\_\_\_, and certification of non-over expenditure of funds (roll call); acknowledgement receipt of investment report.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER'S REPORT OF June 30, 2025, On a motion made by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the board unanimously approved the Secretary and Treasurer's Report for June 30, 2025, as per the following:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4 the Board of Education certifies that as of June 30, 2025, and after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) as presented and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of the Board's knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

David MacDonald, President \_\_\_\_\_

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4, I certify that as of June 30, 2025, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.2, and no budgetary line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b). In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)2, it is certified that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts and sources for the month of June 30, 2025.

Dawn Cottrell, Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

11. APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: August 2025

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES, TRANSFERS, FINANCIAL STATEMENTS & BILL LIST

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

Carried: \_\_\_\_\_

James Burke \_\_\_\_\_  
James Farrell \_\_\_\_\_  
Gerald Flanagan \_\_\_\_\_  
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Scott McCracken \_\_\_\_\_

Haroula Rotondi \_\_\_\_\_

Laura Stefankiewicz \_\_\_\_\_

## 12. BOE MEMBER REPORTS

### A. Committee Reports, WHS Reports

## 13. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are believed to be items of a routine nature requiring no discussion and which are to be voted upon a single roll call vote of the board of education. Any single member of the board of education may have any of the items on the consent agenda removed and placed on the other part of the agenda for discussion merely by so indicating prior to the vote to be taken on the consent agenda

- A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the NWSD Mentoring Plan for the 2025-2026 school year.
- B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the NWSD District Goals for the 2025-2026 school year.
- C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the NWSD Professional Develop Plan for the 2025-2026 school year.
- D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Danielson Framework (2013) as the Teacher Evaluation Tool for the 2025-2026 school year.
- E. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve The North Wildwood School District HIB Self Assessment.
- F. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Student Safety Data Submission.
- G. **WHEREAS**, the North Wildwood Board of Education recognizes the importance of supporting the emotional, mental, and social well-being of its students and staff; and

**WHEREAS**, therapy animals have been shown to improve mood, reduce stress and anxiety, increase engagement, and promote a positive school climate; and

**WHEREAS**, a proposal has been submitted by Superintendent, Jonathan Price to implement a certified therapy dog program at the Margaret Mace School, in compliance with all health, safety, and liability guidelines; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed therapy dog, Dolly Aiken, is a certified therapy animal through The Bright & Beautiful Therapy Dogs, Inc. and the handler, Valerie Aiken, has completed all required training and will remain responsible for the care, supervision, and proper conduct of the dog while on school property;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Margaret Mace School hereby approves the implementation of the therapy dog program for the 2025 – 2026 school year;

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board authorizes the administration to established guidelines and procedures for the use of the therapy dog within district buildings, ensuring the safety and comfort of all students and staff, including the right to opt out for those with allergies, fears, or other concerns;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this program will be reviewed annually to assess its effectiveness and determine future continuation.

H. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following field trip

<u>GRADE / GROUP</u>	<u>PLACE / SPEAKER</u>	<u>DATES</u>

I. Report of Drills Fire 07/31/2025 Table Top 07/24/2025.

**FINANCE**

A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve the 2025-2026 Non Public Funding for Chapter 192/193 as follows:

Chapter 192 \$88,321

Chapter 193 \$53,322

B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve the District's submission of the 2025-2026 ESEA consolidated grant application and acceptance of funds in the following amounts: (reject Title III)

Title I \$98,667

Title II \$10,282

Title IV \$10,000

C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to amend original approved to accept and approve the submittal of the 2025-2026 IDEA Grant and the Consortium with West Wildwood, Statement of Assurances/Board Certifications that the district administers a district-wide (local) assessment and the district will participate in the National Instructional Materials Access Center (NIMAC), which includes funding as follows:

IDEA Basic \$171,457

IDEA Preschool \$ 4,521

D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve the District's submission and acceptance of funds for the 2025-2026 Cultivating Ongoing Achievement through Coaching in Literacy (COACH) grant application.

E. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve the District's submission and acceptance of funds for the 2025-2026 Instructional Materials for Professional Advancement and Coherent Teaching (IMPACT) grant application.

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- A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve the 2025-2026 student tuition contract with Mr. Sticco in the amount of \$7,000.

PERSONNEL

- A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Jonathan Price as NWSD Homeless Liaison.
- B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year:

- *BENICHOU, LEAH*
- *BENICHOU, MAYA*
- *BLACKMON, JULIA*
- *BRADWAY, DANIELLE (NURSE)*
- *CATANOSO, JOSEPH (SRO/TEACHER)*
- *CONNOLLY, ANNEFRANCES (CUSTODIAN/TEACHER)*
- *DUBBS, REBECCA*
- *FANDETTA, MICHELE*
- *FISHER, RILEY*
- *GIBSON, MATTHEW*
- *GOULD, DAVID*
- *MCHALE, KRISTEN (NURSE)*
- *O'BRIEN, MARGARET (NURSE)*
- *PAPAZOGLU, MARIANNA*
- *PETRO, DENISE (NURSE)*
- *PURCELL, MILDRED*
- *REGAN, ANNE*
- *RULON, MARY*
- *SMITH, DOROTHEA*
- *SPARKS, MARCELLA*
- *SWANSON, ALLEN (CUSTODIAN)*
- *SYLVESTER, LETITIA (CUSTODIAN/TEACHER)*
- *THURLOW, MACKENZIE*
- *TIERNEY, JULIANNE*
- *VERGANTINO, BRIAN (SRO)*
- *WEISER, KAY*

- C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following staff attendance at preschool registration/open house on August 27, 2025 (to be paid at the contractual rate):

- *HOLLAND, KAREN*
- *CHERNENKO, DINA*

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- D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following 2025-2026 Wildwood Catholic Academy employees:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Funding</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Bischoff, Linda	School Nurse	Nonpublic Nursing	\$35,000 salary
Brown, Tamara	Classroom Assistant	IDEA	\$16.00/hr
D'Antonio, Gerardo	Basic Skills	Chapter 192	\$30.00/hr
Flud, Jennifer	Classroom Assistant	IDEA	\$18.00/hr
Gerner, Sophia	Supplemental	Chapter 193	\$25.00/hr
Girard, Celine	Classroom Assistant	IDEA	\$18.00/hr
Kelly, Timothy	Classroom Assistant	IDEA	\$18.00/hr
Lees, Cynthia	Basic Skills	Chapter 192	\$30.00/hr
McNulty, Colleen	Basic Skills	Chapter 192	\$31.00/hr
Moser, Matthew	Classroom Assistant	IDEA	\$16.00/hr
Rodgers, Madlyn	Classroom Assistant	IDEA	\$16.00/hr

- E. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Literacy Coach Job Description to be funded under the Cultivating Ongoing Achievement through Coaching in Literacy (COACH) grant.
- F. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to regretfully accept the resignation of LDT/C, Cynthia Dykhouse, effective October 15, 2025.
- G. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Alexis Fox for Student Fieldwork September 2025 through December 2025 with Cooperating Teacher Amanda Brojalowski.
- H. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Victoria Vliet for Student Fieldwork September 2025 through December 2025 with Cooperating Teacher Lori Basile.
- I. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Roy Somers for Student Fieldwork September 2025 through December 2025 with Cooperating Teacher Lori Basile.
- J. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Richard Harris as the Facilities Director at the per diem rate of \$326.92 from September 1, 2025 through September 26, 2025.

#### POLICIES

- A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy 0143 Board Member Election and Appointment
- B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy 0173 Duties of Public School Accountant
- C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy 0174 Legal Services
- D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy 0177 Professional Services

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- E. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy and Regulation 1570 Internal Controls
- F. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy 1620 Administrative Employment Contracts
- G. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy 1636.01 Notification of Promotion, New Job, and Transfer Opportunities
- H. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to abolish the first reading of Policy 1648.15 Recordkeeping for Healthcare Settings In School Buildings - Covid-19
- I. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy 2422 Statutory Curricular Requirements
- J. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy 5339.01 Student Sun Protection
- K. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy and Regulation 6111 Special Education Medicaid Incentive (SEMI) Program
- L. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy and Regulation 6220 Budget Preparation

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED EXPENSES

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>COSTS</u>

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: \_\_\_\_\_ Carried: \_\_\_\_\_

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15. BOARD COMMENTS

16. ADMIN COMMENTS

17. HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, BULLYING REPORTS

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

Carried: \_\_\_\_\_

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Scott McCracken	_____
Haroula Rotondi	_____
Laura Stefankiewicz	_____

18. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

19. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

Second: \_\_\_\_\_

20. BOARD INFORMATION

- A. The following Board Members must complete the NJSBA Mandated Training for 2025: Michele Devine-Hartnett, Haroula Rotondi, and Laura Stefankiewicz
- B. NWSD 2025-2026 Mentoring Plan
- C. NWSD 2025-2026 District Goals
- D. NWSD 2025-2026 Professional Development Plan
- E. Dykhous Resignation Letter
- F. Therapy Dog Dolly Registration and License
- G. NWSD HIB Self Assessment

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21. NEXT MEETING

September 22, 2025     Regular meeting at 6:00 pm