



**Monday, March 17, 2025
Board of Education - Special Budget Meeting**

PAULSBORO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**Paulsboro Junior / Senior High School Auditorium
670 N. Delaware Street
Paulsboro, New Jersey 08066**

**6:00 p.m. - Board of Education Executive Session
7:00 p.m. - Board of Education Meeting**

- **The Board will take official action at this meeting.**
- **The meeting is open to the public and comments will be solicited from citizens in attendance.**

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Paulsboro School District is to work with students, parents, educators, and community to develop excellence in education while preparing each student to be viable and productive citizens in society. Our goal is to develop the unique potential of the whole student by creating a challenging and diverse learning climate that prepares students for the 21st Century and is rich in tradition and pride.

A. OPENING OF MEETING

Subject	1. Call to Order
Meeting	Mar 17, 2025 - Board of Education - Special Budget Meeting
Category	A. OPENING OF MEETING
Access	Public
Type	Information, Procedural

As required by the Open Public Meetings Act as presiding officer, I announce that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by mailing on the original date of February 26, 2025 to the Paulsboro Clerk, Greenwich Township Clerk, Courier Post, South Jersey Times, Secretary of Greenwich Township Board of Education and by posting the schedule of meetings in a public place reserved for such announcements by the Board of Education.

The 2024-2025 Board of Education schedule of meetings was re-adopted by the Board of Education at the Reorganization Meeting on January 2, 2025. In addition, an announcement that this meeting would be conducted in public was placed on the district website, Facebook and Twitter.

As usual, notice of the meeting was posted in Paulsboro Borough Hall and sent to the newspapers.

Subject	2. Roll Call
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Category	A. OPENING OF MEETING
Access	Public
Type	Procedural

Theresa Cooper, Robert Davis, John Golembiewski, Lawrence Haynes, Sr., Jack Henderson, Joseph Lisa, Dei'jah Moore, Markee Robinson, Danielle Scott, Greenwich Township Representative Roseanne Lombardo, and Student Board of Education Member Valentine Mitchell and / or Alternate Student Member Nada Reda.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Subject	1. WHEREAS the "Open Public Meetings Act:" (Chapter 231 Laws of 1975) authorizes a public body to exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which specified topics are to be discussed, the Paulsboro Board of Education will meet in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the following: Personnel, Contracts, and Legal. The matters discussed will remain confidential until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.
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Category	B. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Access	Public
Type	

Subject	2. Adjourn to Executive Session
Meeting	Mar 17, 2025 - Board of Education - Special Budget Meeting
Category	B. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	BE IT RESOLVED: The Paulsboro Board of Education will adjourn to the Executive Session to - discuss Personnel, Contracts, and Legal matters the results of which may be made known upon return to regular session or when conditions warrant.

C. OPENING OF PUBLIC SESSION 7:00 - p.m.

Subject	1. Open Public Meetings Declaration
Meeting	Mar 17, 2025 - Board of Education - Special Budget Meeting
Category	C. OPENING OF PUBLIC SESSION 7:00 - p.m.

Access Public
 Type Information, Procedural

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Subject 2. Pledge of Allegiance
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 Category C. OPENING OF PUBLIC SESSION 7:00 - p.m.
 Access Public
 Type Procedural

Subject 3. Upcoming Scheduled Events
 Meeting Mar 17, 2025 - Board of Education - Special Budget Meeting
 Category C. OPENING OF PUBLIC SESSION 7:00 - p.m.
 Access Public
 Type Information

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

E. FINANCE

Subject 1. Preschool Budget
 Meeting Mar 17, 2025 - Board of Education - Special Budget Meeting
 Category E. FINANCE
 Access Public
 Type Action
 Fiscal Impact Yes
 Dollar Amount \$1,825,266.00
 Budgeted Yes
 Budget Source Pre-K Grant
 Recommended Action Recommend approval of the 2025-2026 Preschool Budget and Carryover in the amount of \$1,825,266, and the submission of the budget to the DOE Office of Early Childhood.

Subject 2. Tentative 2025-2026 Budget
 Meeting Mar 17, 2025 - Board of Education - Special Budget Meeting
 Category E. FINANCE
 Access Public
 Type Action, Information
 Recommended Action Recommend approval of the Tentative 2025-2026 Budget.

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:

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service	TOTAL
Total 2025-2026 Expenditures	\$39,334,790	\$2,917,779	\$214,445	\$42,467,014
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$31,737,894	\$2,917,779	\$0	\$34,655,673
Taxes to be Raised	\$7,596,896	\$0	\$214,445	\$7,811,341

And to advertise said tentative budget in the South Jersey Times and the Courier Post 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 Paulsboro Board of Education located at 670 N. Delaware St., Paulsboro, NJ 08066, on April 28, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2025-2026 School Year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Paulsboro Board of Education includes in the final budget the adjustment for increased costs of health benefits in the amount of \$544,853. The additional funds will be used to pay for the additional increases in health benefit premiums.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Paulsboro Board of Education includes in the proposed budget the adjustment for banked cap in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-10.1(b). The district has fully exhausted all eligible statutory spending authority and must increase the base budget in the amount of \$116,239 for the purpose of maintaining educational programming. The district intends to complete said purposes by June 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that included in the general fund appropriations, budget line 620 is a withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Other Capital Projects in the amount of \$1,301,720 for other capital project costs of \$1,720,578. The total cost of this project is \$1,720,578 which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, specifically

new unit ventilators in 19 classrooms at Billingsport Early Childhood Center.

WHEREAS, the Paulsboro 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 Paulsboro Board of Education established \$50,000 as the maximum travel amount for the current school year and has expended \$16,797 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.

F. Personnel - 1 The Greenwich Township Representative may not vote on items in this section of the agenda.

Subject	1. Voluntary Transfer - Erica Scott
Meeting	Mar 17, 2025 - Board of Education - Special Budget Meeting
Category	F. Personnel - 1 The Greenwich Township Representative may not vote on items in this section of the agenda.
Access	Public
Type	Action, Information
Recommended Action	Recommend approval to voluntarily transfer Erica Scott from the position of Long-Term Substitute Teacher for 6th Grade Language Arts back to BD Instructional Aide Position at Loudenslager Elementary School on March 17, 2025. Ms. Scott will earn prorated Step 3 - \$27,857.00 as per agreement with the Paulsboro Education Association.

G. Facilities 1:The Greenwich Township Representative may vote on items in this section of the agenda.

Subject	1. Organizations to use School Facilities
Meeting	Mar 17, 2025 - Board of Education - Special Budget Meeting
Category	G. Facilities 1:The Greenwich Township Representative may vote on items in this section of the agenda.
Access	Public
Type	Action, Information
Recommended Action	Recommend authorization for the Superintendent to approve the following organizations to use school facilities as listed for the 2024-2025 school year. This recommendation is contingent on each group filing the appropriate request and verification of insurance.

Organization/ Person	Activity	Facility	Contact
Guardian Angels School	Track Practice March 1, 2025 through May 31, 2025 Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays	Athletic Complex Track	Jennifer Ridinger

File Attachments
[Guardian Angels School Track Practice for Spring 2025 Schedule.pdf \(725 KB\)](#)

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS

I. BOARD COMMENTS

J. NEXT MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Subject	1. Regular Meeting
Meeting	Mar 17, 2025 - Board of Education - Special Budget Meeting
Category	J. NEXT MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Access	Public
Type	Information

Regular Meeting

**Monday, March 24, 2025
7:00p.m. in the
Paulsboro High School Auditorium**

- The Board will take official action at this meeting.
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K. ADJOURNMENT

Subject	1. Adjourn the Meeting
Meeting	Mar 17, 2025 - Board of Education - Special Budget Meeting
Category	K. ADJOURNMENT
Access	Public
Type	Action

Recommended Action

Motion to adjourn the meeting.