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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 MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Farrell called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

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

PRESENT:

James Burke
James Farrell
Gerald Flanagan
Ronald Golden
Michele Devine-Hartnett
April Howard
Haroula Rotondi – on phone

ABSENT:

Robert Causey
Scott McCracken
Laura Stefankiewicz

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

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

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4. FLAG SALUTE

5. PUBLIC HEARING - **TABLED**

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION OF THE 2026-2027 NORTH
WILDWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

Motion to Table: Ms. Howard

Second: Ms. Devine-Hartnett

Voting Yes:

James Burke
James Farrell
Gerald Flanagan
Ronald Golden
Michele Devine-Hartnett
April Howard
Haroula Rotondi – on phone

Absent:

Robert Causey
Scott McCracken
Laura Stefankiewicz

WHEREAS, the North Wildwood Board of Education adopted a tentative budget on March 23, 2026 and submitted it to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was approved by the Executive County Superintendent of Schools on April 15, 2026 and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was advertised in the legal section of the Press of Atlantic City on April 23, 2026 and posted on the School District's website on April 17, 2026 and

WHEREAS, the final budget was presented to the public during a hearing held in the Media Center at 1201 Atlantic Avenue, North Wildwood, NJ on April 27, 2026

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approved the 2027-2027 North Wildwood School District Budget as follows:

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Total
2026-27 Total Appropriations	\$10,574,122	\$1,109,846	\$373,175	\$12,057,143
Less: Anticipated Revenues	(\$3,101,300)	(\$1,109,846)	(\$128,356)	(\$4,339,502)
Taxes to be Raised	\$7,472,822	-0-	\$244,819	\$7,717,641

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the 2026-2027 Preschool Education Aid (PEA) Program and Budget. The District will receive Preschool Education Aid (PEA) in the amount of \$473,220 with an Additional \$72,978 from Prior Year Carry Over

CAPITAL RESERVE WITHDRAWAL

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that included in the General Fund appropriations, budget line 600 is a withdrawal from Capital Reserve - for Local Share in the amount \$749,000. Projects include: Update Athletic Fields, Cafeteria/Kitchen upgrade, Home Economics Room update, Repaint Building (phase 1) Upgraded Security

MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL

BE IT RESOLVED that as per N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.2(d) the General Fund appropriations include \$150,000 to be withdrawn from the Maintenance Reserve Account to be utilized for required maintenance activities as reported in the comprehensive maintenance plan pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26-20.5.

TUITION RESERVE WITHDRAWAL

BE IT RESOLVED that the General Fund appropriations include \$126,541 to be withdrawn from the Tuition Reserve Account.

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EMERGENCY RESERVE ACCOUNT

BE IT RESOLVED that the General Fund appropriations include \$150,000 to be withdrawn from the Emergency Reserve Account to be utilized for the increase in Health Benefits for the 2026-27 Budget

TRAVEL AND RELATED EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT 2026-2027

WHEREAS, the North Wildwood 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 North Wildwood Board of Education established \$20,000 as the maximum travel amount for the current school year and has expended \$0.00 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 \$20,000 for the 2026-2027 school year.

6. BOARD PRESENTATION

Falcon of the Month – Mrs. Morey
Superintendent Presentation-The Road Ahead.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION: **NONE**

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.

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8. 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 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.

9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 23, 2026

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:

Motion: Ms. Devine-Hartnett

Second: Ms. Howard

Voting Yes:

James Farrell
Gerald Flanagan
Ronald Golden
Michele Devine-Hartnett
April Howard
Haroula Rotondi – on phone

Abstained:

James Burke

Absent:

Robert Causey
Scott McCracken
Laura Stefankiewicz

10. APPROVAL OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS: **NONE**

11. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: **NONE**

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12. APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: April, 2026

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST:

Motion: Mr. Flanagan

Second: Mr. Golden

Voting Yes:

Robert Causey
James Farrell
Gerald Flanagan
Ronald Golden
Michele Devine-Hartnett
April Howard
Scott McCracken
Haroula Rotondi
Laura Stefankiewicz

Abstained:

James Burke

13. BOE MEMBER REPORTS: **NONE**

A. Committee Reports, WHS Reports

14. 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, approved MMS 8th Grade Graduation June 17, 2026.
- B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved 2026 Summer Enrichment Program starting 07-06-26 through 07-31-2026.
- C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved Field Day June 9, 2026, Rain date June 10, 2026.
- D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the updated Job Description of the Superintendent Secretary.
- E. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the name change of the MMS Mascot from Macey to Fenwick.

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F. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the following field trips:

<u>GRADE / GROUP</u>	<u>PLACE / SPEAKER</u>	<u>DATES</u>
Pre K	Boardwalk Trip-Tram Car, Pizza and Ice Cream	June 2, 2026
Attendance Incentive Winners	Pizza with Mr. Lynch-MMS	May 20, 2026
Choir	Community Chorus Day Lighthouse Church	May 7, 2026
Grades 7 and 8 Girls	Wildwood High School- Leadership Conference	April 29, 2026
Grade 5	Mother's Day Tea	May 8, 2026

G. Report of Drills Fire 03/26/2026 Lockdown 03/31/2026 .

FINANCE

- A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and the School Business Administrator, approved the Shared Services Agreement between City of North Wildwood and North Wildwood School District for a School Resource Officer beginning September 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029 with no cost to North Wildwood School District.
- B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator authorized Garrison Architects to prepare a NJDOE Other Capital Project for the North Wildwood School District 2026 Security, PA and Telecommunications upgrade. The District acknowledges that it will receive no state aid for these projects and further authorizes Garrison Architects to amend the District's plan to include these projects.
- C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, approved the 2026-2027 Agreement for Continuing Disclosure Agent and Registered Municipal Advisor with Phoenix Advisors.
- D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, approved the 2026-2027 Cape May County Special Services School District Tuition Contracts as follows:
- Emotional Regulation Impairment (ERI) \$49,500
 - Multiple Disabilities (MD) \$41,500
 - Pre-School Disabilities Regular \$45,500
 - Autism \$47,500
 - One-to-One Aides \$30,960
 - Extended School Year (ESY)
 - ESY Tuition \$3,600
 - ESY Transportation \$2,550

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- ESY One-to-One Aides \$3,100
- E. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approved the Cape May County Special Services School District for Transportation Department Shared Services for the 2026-2027 School Year.
- F. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator approved the tuition amount of \$2,500.00 for each nonresident North Wildwood student (approved by the county office).

PERSONNEL

- A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved Elizabeth Fabik as Substitute Custodian for Summer 2026.
- B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved Rickii Davis as Substitute Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year.
- C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the renewal of contracts for the following certificated staff members for the 2026-2027 school year at negotiated salaries:

Tenured 2026 – 2027

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Guide</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Longevity</u>
Aiken	Valerie	BA	13+	+ longevity
Andre	Kristen	BA+15	13+	+ longevity
Basile	Lori	MA+15	13	+ longevity
Brojakowski	Amanda	MA+15	13+	+ longevity
Carr	DeAnn	MA+15	13+	+ longevity
Clarke	Corrine	BA+15	13+	+ longevity
Clemens	Michelle	BA+15	13+	+ longevity
Delaney	Mary	MA	13+	+ longevity
DeRitis	Donna	BA	13+	+ longevity
DiPadova	Eric	MA	13+	+ longevity
Donzola	Tonilynn	MA+30	13+	+ average of guide steps
Emberger	Kelly	MA+30	13+	+ longevity
Erdo	Kristianne	BA	13+	
Farrell	Megan	MA+30	13+	+ longevity
Fuentes	Rebecca	MA+15	12	
Golden	Jean	BA+15	13+	+ longevity
Hawthorne	Tina	MA	13	+ longevity
Holland	Karen	BA	13+	+ longevity
Kobierowski	Lisa	BA+30	13+	+ longevity
Lowe	Megan	MA	13+	+ longevity
Marrotta	Jennifer	BA+30	13	+ longevity
McCabe	Patrick	MA+30	13+	+ longevity
Nichols	Kathleen	MA+15	13+	+ longevity

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Resnick	Kelly	MA	13+	+ longevity
Stone	Andrew	BA+30	13+	+ longevity
Tillotson	Jenny	MA	10	
Way	Pamela	MA+30	13+	+ longevity

Non-Tenured 2026 – 2027

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>Guide Step</u>	<u>Tenured Date</u>
Clark	Benjamin	MA	13+	September 2026
Dardine	Alison	MA	13+	September 2026
Morgenweck	Kyle	BA	2	September 2028
Shaw	Michelle	MA	2	February 2029

- D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the reappointment of non-teaching staff members for the 2026-2027 school year at negotiated salaries

Office Support 2026 – 2027

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Guide Step</u>	<u>Longevity</u>
Davis	Sherri	5+	Y
Matthews	Linda	5+	Y
Sabins	Margaret	5+	Y

Custodians 2026 – 2027

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Guide Step</u>	<u>Longevity</u>
Davies	Kevin	7+	Y
Ward	Kyle	4	N
Ward	Steven	7+	Y

Food Service Supervisor 2025 - 2026

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Guide Step</u>
Connolly	Annefrances	14

Student Support & District Operations 2026 - 2027

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Guide Step</u>
Chernenko	Dina	11
Fabik	Elizabeth	11
Davidson	Kortnie	10
Reuter	Desiree	7
Suchan	Andrea	10
Sylvester	Letitia	15+

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***Note**-All staff members will move on the salary guide once the contract for the 2026-2030 school year is approved by the NWEA and North Wildwood Board of Education.

- E. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the following appointments for the 2026-2027 school year:

Asbestos Coordinator	Richard Harris
Integrated Pest Management Coordinator	Richard Harris
Right-to-Know Coordinator	Richard Harris
District Anti-Bullying Specialist	Alison Dardine

- F. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved a salary of \$53,235 for Christopher Chobert as School Resource Officer for the 2026-2027 school year.
- G. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved a salary of \$72,726 for Jennifer Fisher as Superintendent Secretary for the 2026-2027 school year.
- H. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved a salary of \$90,000 for Richard Harris as Facilities Director for the 2026-2027 school year.
- I. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved a salary of \$60,000 for Michael Goodroe as Night Time Custodial Supervisor for the 2026-2027 school year.
- J. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved a salary of \$145,128 for Patricia Donlan as Assistant Principal for the 2026-2027 School Year.
- K. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the appointment of Patricia Donlan as Issuing Officer for Working Papers and Section 504 Compliance Officer for the 2026-2027 School Year.
- L. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved a salary of \$145,128 for Carolyn Morey as Supervisor of Pupil Personnel for the 2026-2027 School Year.
- M. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the appointment of Carolyn Morey as ADA Coordinator, Affirmative Action Officer, Anti-Bullying Coordinator, and Title IX Coordinator for the 2026-2027 School Year.
- N. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approved the Resolution certifying Qualitative Merit Bonus Criteria that is listed in the current Superintendent's contract for 2026-2027, 2027-2028 and 2028-2029 school years.
- O. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the following summer program staff @\$50/hour:
- Tonilynn Donzola
 - Alison Dardine
 - Dina Chernenko
 - Jean Golden
 - Mary Delaney
 - Annefrances Connolly
 - Maya Benichou

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- Michelle Shaw
- Kelly Resnick
- Kelly Emberger
- Megan Farrell
- Andy Stone
- Donna Deritis (substitute)

POLICIES

A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Policy
8310 Public Records.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED EXPENSES

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>COSTS</u>
Patti Donlan	Virtual	NJ Legal One-Law Update	June 23, 2026	\$170
Corinne Clarke	Stockton University	Children's Literacies Coursework	Summer 2026	TBD
Carolyn Morey	Kean University	Summer All in Conference 2026	May 28, 2026	\$225 +Mileage and Tolls
Carolyn Morey	NUJC- New Providence, NJ	Principal/VP/Supervisors Survival Guide	May 20, 2026	Mileage +Tolls

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion: Ms. Howard **Second:** Mr. Flanagan

Voting Yes:

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Gerald Flanagan
Michele Devine-Hartnett
April Howard
Haroula Rotondi – on phone

Abstained Personnel # C & O:

James Farrell
Ronald Golden

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Absent:

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15. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Amanda Brojakowski, MMS Teacher, spoke of the NWEA's attendance, support, longevity and cooperation at various community donations/events representing Margaret Mace School's i.e. Island basketball tournaments, Literacy Night, Lazarus House, Junior Life Guards, etc. These events/donations are not only attended and supported by the current NWEA members, but past members showing the positive sign of dedication to North Wildwood School District.

16. BOARD COMMENTS

Ms. Rotondi appreciated the NWEA staff and, with the Board Members, have the best interest of the school's continuity.

17. ADMIN COMMENTS

Mrs. Donlan and Mrs. Morey spoke of the various school events that have taken place and upcoming events. Mrs. Morey spoke of the enjoyable 6th, 7th and 8th Grade Trips and thanked the Board for approving them.

18. HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, BULLYING REPORTS - NONE

19. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Price thanked Mrs. Morey for organizing and chaperoning the field trips. Mr. Price mentioned other various events.

20. CLOSE SESSION

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Enter into Close Session at 7:00 PM:

Motion: Ms. Devine-Hartnett **Second:** Ms. Howard

Voting Yes:

James Burke
James Farrell
Gerald Flanagan
Michele Devine-Hartnett
Ron Golden
April Howard
Haroula Rotondi – on phone

Absent:

Robert Causey
Scott McCracken
Laura Stefankiewicz

End Close Session at 7:10 PM:

Motion: Ms. Devine-Hartnett **Second:** Mr. Golden

Voting Yes:

James Burke
James Farrell
Gerald Flanagan
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Absent:

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21. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT at 7:11 PM:

Motion: Ms. Howard

Second: Ms. Devine-Hartnett

Voting Yes:

James Burke

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Gerald Flanagan

Ronald Golden

Michele Devine-Hartnett

April Howard

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Absent:

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Respectfully submitted,

Robert Delengowski

Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

22. BOARD INFORMATION

A. Non-Resident Student Tuition Billing

B. Superintendent Secretary Job Description

C. Superintendent Presentation

23. NEXT MEETING

May 18, 2026 Regular meeting at 6:00 pm