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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**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2026
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	_____
Robert Causey	_____
James Farrell	_____
Gerald Flanagan	_____
Ronald Golden	_____
Michele Devine-Hartnett	_____
April Howard	_____
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. BOARD PRESENTATION

Recognition of the Falcon of the Month for January 2026

7. OATH OF OFFICE: Board Solicitor will administer the Oath of Office to the following Board Members:

Three Year Term

Michele Devine-Hartnett

8. On the recommendation of the Board of Education to appoint _____ for the delegate of the Cape May County School Board Association and the NJSBA Legislative Delegate for the term of January 5, 2026 through the Reorganization Meeting of 2027.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Vote: _____

Carried: _____

James Burke _____

Robert Causey _____

James Farrell _____

Gerald Flanagan _____

Ronald Golden _____

Michele Devine-Hartnett _____

April Howard _____

Scott McCracken _____

Haroula Rotondi _____

Laura Stefankiewicz _____

9. 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 _____

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RESUME PUBLIC SESSION, MOTION TO RESUME

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Vote: _____

Carried: _____

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Ronald Golden	_____
Michele Devine-Hartnett	_____
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10. PUBLIC COMMENT- AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 15, 2025

12. APPROVAL OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS: December 2025

13. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS as of N/A, and certification of non-over expenditure of funds (roll call); acknowledgement receipt of investment report.

14. APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: January 2026

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

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Vote: _____

Carried: _____

James Burke	_____
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April Howard	_____
Scott McCracken	_____
Haroula Rotondi	_____
Laura Stefankiewicz	_____

15. BOE MEMBER REPORTS

A. Committee Reports, WHS Reports

16. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are believed to be items of a routine nature requiring no discussion and which are to be voted upon by 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 acknowledge the thank you letter from the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.
- B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the submission of the Biannual SOA Regarding the Use of Paraprofessional Staff.
- C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Valentine's Bag Bingo at MMS February 11, 2026.
- D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the MMS Student Council to host a VIP dance for PreK through Grade 4 on February 5, 2026.
- E. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Spring Concert on May 28, 2026.
- F. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Student Safety Data Submission for the 2025-2026 school year.
- G. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the continued enrollment of students 281791, 291791 and 351791 until 01/30/2026.
- H. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following field trip

<u>GRADE / GROUP</u>	<u>PLACE / SPEAKER</u>	<u>DATES</u>
Kindergarten	Wildwood Boardwalk-Tram Car Pizza and Ice cream	June 2026
Grades 3-8	Yoga Club	After school some Thursdays Jan-May 2026
Grade 5	Bayshore Center at BiValve-AJ Meerwald Tall Ship	June 10, 2026
Grade 8	New York City	April 17, 2026
Grade 7	Washington DC	March 20, 2026
Grade 5	The Turtle Hospital Virtual Tour Guest Speaker	February 25, 2026
Grade 6	Baltimore, MD	April 24, 2026

Pre K	Guest Speaker South Jersey Family Medical Center- Dental Health	March 12, 2026
Mentor Buddy	Beach Clean Up and Pizza	May 7, 2026
PreK and K	Brayces Orthodontics Guest Speaker	February 24, 2026
Mentor Buddy	Hassle's Golf and Ice Cream	June 3, 2026
Mentor Buddy	MMS Yoga Class	February 19, 2026
Mentor Buddy	Island Bowl	April 15, 2026

I. Report of Drills Fire 12/17/2025 Lockdown 12/22/2025.

FINANCE

A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to approve submission and accept funds for the FY 2026 IDEA Consolidated Grant amendment to apply carryover funds:

Basic \$195,820
Preschool \$ 4,607

B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to accept funds for the AtlantiCare Healthy Schools, Healthy Children for New Resiliency Room/Zen Den Grant in the amount of \$1,000 for the 2025-2026 school year.

C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent and School Business Administrator, to accept an AED machine from AtlantiCare Healthy Schools, Healthy Children for Heart Heroes Grant for the 2025-2026 school year.

PERSONNEL

A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Lorna Connell as Substitute Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year.

B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve a leave of absence under FMLA for Employee #93138 commencing March 2, 2026 through June 30, 2026 to run concurrently with days used.

C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Mario Nocito as Boys Basketball Volunteer for the 2025-2026 school year.

D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Hannah Stone as Substitute Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year.

E. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to regretfully accept the retirement of Renee Forrest effective September 1, 2026.

POLICIES

A. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Policy and Regulation 2530 Resource Materials.

B. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Policy and Regulation 2535 Library Material.

C. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve Policy and Regulation 9130 Public Complaints.

D. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy

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- E. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy 1220 Employment of Chief School Administrator.
- F. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading of Policy and Regulation 1552 Sexual Harassment - Staff.
- G. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading to abolish Policy 3362 Sexual Harassment.
- H. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading to abolish Regulation 3362 Sexual Harassment of Teaching Staff Members Complaint Procedure.
- I. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading to abolish Policy 4352 Sexual Harassment.
- J. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the first reading to abolish Regulation 4352 Sexual Harassment of Support Staff Members Complaint Procedure.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED EXPENSES

NAME	PLACE	SUBJECT	DATES	COSTS

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: _____ Second: _____
Vote: _____ Carried: _____

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Robert Causey _____
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18. BOARD COMMENTS

19. ADMIN COMMENTS

20. HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, BULLYING REPORTS

Motion: _____ Second: _____
Vote: _____ Carried: _____

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21. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

22. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: _____ Second: _____

23. BOARD INFORMATION

- A. The following Board Members must complete the NJSBA Board Member Mandated Training for 2026 by December 31, 2026: James Burke, Robert Causey, Michele Devine-Hartnett, Gerald Flanagan and Haroula Rotondi
- B. Thank you letter from the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
- C. School Ethics Commission 2026 Personal/Relative and Financial Disclosure Statements for returning school officials are due April 30, 2026 and any new school officials the deadline is within thirty (30) days of appointment or taking office.

24. NEXT MEETING

February 23, 2026 Regular meeting at 6:00 pm