

**CALIFON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
July 15, 2026
7:00 p.m. Library**

***I. CALL TO ORDER – OPENING STATEMENT**

This meeting is called to order at _____ p.m. with the following opening statement read by _____:

“I would like to announce and have placed in the minutes that adequate notice of this meeting of the Califon Board of Education has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Proper notice of this Regular Meeting was provided to Hunterdon County Democrat and Hunterdon Review. A copy of this notice has also been posted on the public bulletin board in the Municipal Building and filed with the Borough Clerk. The agenda of this meeting has been posted at the Califon School and on the district’s website.

***II. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

***III. ROLL CALL**

Mr. Christopher Keiser - President
Mr. Michael Reaves - Vice President
Dr. Rebecca Kipp-Newbold
Ms. Rita Lemley
Mr. Netz Sacro

***IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (resolutions only; time limits: 3 min. /person)**

AT THIS TIME, COMMENT IS INVITED ON RESOLUTIONS ON TONIGHT’S AGENDA ONLY. PLEASE STATE ALL OF YOUR COMMENTS IN SUCCESSION TO THE BOARD DURING YOUR SPEAKING TURN. BE AWARE THAT YOU MAY NOT RECEIVE AN IMMEDIATE RESPONSE TO YOUR COMMENT. ALL COMMENTS WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED BY THE BOARD AND IF APPLICABLE, WILL BE ANSWERED DURING THE BOARD COMMENT SECTION OF THE MEETING. PLEASE RESPECT THE 3 MINUTE SPEAKING RULE AS PER BOARD OF EDUCATION BYLAW #0167 AND BOARD MEETING PUBLIC COMMENT GUIDELINES POSTED ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE SO THAT BUSINESS OF THE BOARD MAY PROCEED IN A TIMELY MANNER.

***V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion to approve the following minutes:

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***VI. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

***VII. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

***VIII. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Curriculum & Instruction Committee:

Policy & Legislation Committee:

Finance, Facilities, & Transportation Committee:

Personnel Committee:

Negotiations Committee:

***IX. CONSENT AGENDA**

Matters listed within the consent agenda have been referred to members of the Board of Education and/or its standing committees, for reading and study and will be enacted with one motion. The Personnel items on the consent agenda are recommended by the Superintendent. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the consent agenda by Board action.

Finance/Facilities/Transportation/Personnel/Curriculum and Instruction/Policy

Finance:

1. Motion to approve the bills list dated June 25, 2026 through July 15, 2026 in the amount of \$269,189.61.

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Transportation:

Facilities:

Personnel:

1. Motion to accept resignation from Megan Piontkowski as Leave Replacement Teacher from August 26, 2026 through September 30, 2026.
2. Motion to approve Megan Piontkowski as Special Education Teacher beginning August 26, 2026 for the 2026-2027 school year at Step 3 BA \$63,730.00.
3. Motion to approve Marie Heyduke, for summer CST meetings at the contracted rate for approximately 2 hours.
4. Motion to approve the contract for the superintendent

WHEREAS, the Board and Dr. Jones are parties to an employment contract dated August 1, 2026 through June 30, 2030; and

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed to mutually to that contract and enter into an employment contract from August 1, 2026 through June 30, 2030; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, with the consent of Dr. Jones, the Board of Education hereby offers Dr. Jones' employment contract and with the approval of the Executive County Superintendent of Schools, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-3.1, the Board of Education approves a new employment contract for Dr. Jones at initial annual salary of \$155,000.00; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board President is authorized to execute the contract on behalf of the Board.

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Curriculum and Instruction

1. Motion to approve the submission of the Updated Chapter 27 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan & NJDOE Checklist to the NJDOE County Office as per NJDOE mandate.
2. Motion to accept the Health Report for June 2026.

POLICY

1. Motion to approve Califon Public School District first reading for the following policies and regulations:
 - Policy 2363 - Abolish
 - Policy 5516 - New
 - Policy 8660 - New
 - Policy 8662 - New
 - Regulation 5516 - New
2. Motion to approve Califon Public School District second reading for the following policies and regulations:

***X. OLD BUSINESS**

***XI. NEW BUSINESS**

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***XII. PUBLIC COMMENT (all school-related topics; 3 min. /person)**

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***XIII. BOARD COMMENT**

***XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

WHEREAS, Section 6 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 (R. S.10:4-13), permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting or portion of a meeting of this public body in certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, the Board must consider (see check below), which is/are exempt from public discussion pursuant to the Act;

- ☐ 1. Matter which by express provision of law is rendered confidential
- ☐ 2. Release of information which would impair receipt of federal funds
- ☐ 3. Individual Privacy/Student Matters
- ☐ 4. Collective Bargaining/Negotiations
- ☐ 5. Real estate matters
- ☐ 6. Disclosure could impair public safety
- ☐ 7. Pending/Anticipated litigation/Contract negotiation
- ☐ 8. Terms and conditions of employment
- ☐ 9. Deliberations involving imposition of specific civil penalty

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourn to executive session at _____ p.m. to discuss the above-mentioned matters to the exclusion of all others. Matters discussed may or may not be made public this evening. Resulting action may or may not be taken following re-entry into regular session.

***XV. RECONVENE**

***XVI. ADJOURNMENT**