

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**AUDUBON HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**  
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2022**  
**6:30 P.M.**  
**MINUTES**

- I. **Call to Order:** In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act of 1975, the Audubon Board of Education transmitted notice of this meeting, scheduled at 6:30 P.M. in the Audubon Junior-Senior High School Auditorium to the Retrospect newspaper and the Borough Clerk and by postings on the Audubon Public School District website and at the Main and the Pine Street entrance of the Junior-Senior High School.

**Roll Call**

SY 2020-2022

  X   Ammie Davis                        X   Joseph Ryan                        X   Tara Sullivan-Butrica

SY 2021-2023

  X   Joseph Miller                        X   Christopher Proulx                        X   Lori Cassidy

SY 2022-2024

  AB   James Blumenstein                        X   Allison Cox                        X   Andrea Robinson  
Absent

SY 2022 Mt. Ephraim Representative

  X   Nancy Schiavo

Motion by Mrs. Cox seconded by Mrs. Schiavo to approve the resolution for board to enter into closed Authorizing Executive session at 6:35pm for the following purposes.

Motion approved by unanimous roll call (9-0)

III. **Authorizing Executive Session:**

**WHEREAS**, while the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 et seq.) requires all meetings of the **Audubon Board of Education** to be held in public, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in Executive Session," i.e. without the public being permitted to attend; and

**WHEREAS**, the **Audubon Board of Education** has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the Public; and

**WHEREAS**, the nine exceptions to public meetings set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) are listed below, and next to each exception is a box within which the number of issues to be privately discussed that fall within that exception shall be written, and after each exception is a space where additional information that will disclose as much information about the decision as possible without undermining the purpose of the exception shall be written.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the **Audubon Board of Education** will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b):

Any matter which, by express provision of Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from discussion in public;

Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government;

Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publically;

Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public body

Any matter involving the purchase lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed;

Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection;

Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law;

Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer;

Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public; Specifically the evaluation of the Superintendent

Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act of omission for which the responding party bears responsibility;

**WHEREAS**, the length of the Executive Session is undetermined; however, the **Audubon Board of Education** will make every attempt to estimate the time of the session prior to convening the session after which the public meeting shall reconvene and the **Audubon Board of Education** will proceed with business.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the **Audubon Board of Education** will go into Executive Session for only the above stated reasons;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the **Audubon Board of Education** hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) may be made public at a time when the **Audubon Board of**

**Education** attorney advises that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the school district or any other entity with respect to said discussion.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the **Board of Education**, for the aforementioned reasons, hereby declares that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place and hereby directs the board secretary to take the appropriate action to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

Motion by Mr. Proulx seconded by Mrs. Cox to adjourn closed Authorizing Executive session at 7:10pm.  
Motion approved by unanimous roll call (9-0)

**IV. Call Meeting to Order**

**V. Flag Salute**

**VI. Student Council Report:** Natalie Sylvester, President  
Leah Grim, Vice-President

**VII. Spotlight Program:**

**THE AUDUBON BOARD OF EDUCATION SPOTLIGHT PROGRAM RECOGNIZES THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER 2021:**

**Pre-Kindergarten**

Emily Squibb

**Kindergarten**

John Gaspari

**Grade One**

Peyton Whylings

**Grade Two**

Cecelia McCann

**Grade Three**

Natalie Seeberger

**Grade Four**

Casey Slaven

**Grade Five**

Hugh Gallagher

**Grade Six**

Clara Poponi

**Grade Seven**

Amelia Gaehring

**Grade Eight**

Ryan Pagano

**Freshman Class**

Pedro Marte

**Sophomore Class**

Amauri Pimentel

**Junior Class**

Matthew Wright

**Senior Class**

Joshua Rossell

**VIII. Presentation/Recognition(s):**

I. **All South Jersey Band Recognition**, by Andy Davis and Lee DeLoach  
Ethan Davis (Euphonium)  
Skyler Keyek (Clarinet)  
Peter Szkotak (Flute)  
Natalie Weaver (Oboe)

II. **New Jersey Educators of the Year Recognition:**  
District Educational Services Professional – Ilana Ablon  
District Paraprofessional of the Year – Diane Geisler  
Haviland Avenue Elementary School Educator of the Year – Cherie McNellis  
Mansion Avenue Elementary School Educator of the Year – Cara Novick  
Audubon Junior-Senior High School Educator of the Year – Dennis Bantle

**III. Fall 2021 Start Strong Assessment Results**, by Shamus Burke, Director of Curriculum and Instruction.

**IX. Approval of Board Minutes:**

- 1. Motion by Mrs. Cox and seconded by Mr. Ryan to approve the following minutes:
  - December 15, 2021 Public Session
  - December 15, 2021 Executive Session

Motion to Approve: A. Cox Second: J. Ryan

**Roll Call**

<u>X</u> Ammie Davis	<u>X</u> Joseph Ryan	<u>X</u> Tara Butrica	<u>X</u> Nancy Schiavo
<u>X</u> Joseph Miller	<u>X</u> Christopher Proulx	<u>X</u> Lori Cassidy	
<u>AB</u> James Blumenstein Absent	<u>X</u> Allison Cox	<u>ABS</u> Andrea Robinson Abstained	

**VOTE FOR ITEM 1**

Motion approved by unanimous roll call (8-0) Board Member Blumenstein was absent and Board Member Robinson abstained

**X. Participation: (Agenda Items Only)**

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest.

In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of such comment, the Board has set aside two portions of this Board meeting for public comment on any school or school district issue that a member of the public feels may be of interest to the residents of the school district.

For the first portion, public comments are invited on matters pertaining only to the agenda for tonight's meeting. For the second portion, public comments are invited on all matters pertaining to the school district.

Participants should announce their name, address, and any group they may represent, if applicable. The Board reserves the right to limit public discussion. Public discussion of a topic will be limited to fifteen (15) minutes, and individual speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard. Reference bylaws #0167 of the Audubon Public Schools Board of Education Policy Manual.

The Board uses the public comment period as an opportunity to listen to citizen. Not all issues brought to a Board meeting will be resolved at that particular meeting. Complaints stated or actions requested by the public may be taken under advisement by the Board for investigation, discussion, actions, or disposition at a later date or time. The public comments sessions are an opportunity for citizens to share their opinions and remarks with the Board; it is not a question and answer session. The Board may or may not respond to public comments at the time they are made and is under no obligation to do so.

The Board does not endorse public comments nor will the Board be held liable for comments made by members of the public. Any individuals who may be the subject of public comments, including district employees, shall retain all rights against defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey.

All motions are voted on by all members unless otherwise marked with a +.

**XI. GOVERNANCE: Chairperson: Mr. Blumenstein – Committee Members: Ms. Butrica, Mr. Miller, Mr. Ryan and Alternate: Ms. Robinson**

**Board of Education Goals**

- ❖ To continue to provide equitable access to a rigorous curriculum while focusing on improving student achievement and decreasing the achievement gaps.
- ❖ To maintain a cost-effective budget that provides for educational resources, supports a preventative maintenance program, and encourages and facilitates long-range facility improvements.
- ❖ To foster a positive school climate and culture in order to positively impact student motivation, engagement, and achievement.

**MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM 1**

Motion by Mr. Proulx and seconded by Mrs. Cox

1. Motion to approve the following board members to serve on committees as listed:

Committee	Governance	Operations	Education	Human Resources
<b>BOE Chair</b>	James Blumenstein	Allison Cox	Nancy Schiavo	Ammie Davis
<b>District Lead</b>	Andy Davis	Deborah Roncace & Bud Rutter	Shamus Burke	Andy Davis
<b>Committee Member</b>	Tara Butrica	Ammie Davis	James Blumenstein	Lori Cassidy
<b>Committee Member</b>	Joseph Miller	Chris Proulx	Chris Proulx	Allison Cox
<b>Committee Member</b>	Joseph Ryan	Joseph Ryan	Andrea Robinson	Nancy Schiavo
<b>Alternate</b>	Andrea Robinson	Joseph Miller	Lori Cassidy	Tara Butrica

Motion to Approve: C. Proulx Second: A. Cox

**Roll Call**

- X Ammie Davis      X Joseph Ryan      X Tara Butrica      X Nancy Schiavo
- X Joseph Miller      X Christopher Proulx      X Lori Cassidy
- AB James Blumenstein      X Allison Cox      X Andrea Robinson  
Absent

**VOTE FOR ITEM1**

Motion approved by unanimous roll call (9-0) Board Member Blumenstein was absent

**XII. OPERATIONS: Chairperson: Mrs. Cox – Committee Members: Ms. Davis, Mr. Proulx, Mr. Ryan and Alternate: Mr. Miller**

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**MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS 1-10**

Motion by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Proulx

1. Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of November 2021. The Board Secretary certifies that no line item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A – 16.10 (c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

November Board Secretary's Report

2. Cash Reconciliation Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of November 2021. The Cash Reconciliation Report and Secretary's reports are in agreement for the month of November 2021.

November Cash Reconciliation Report

3. Board Secretary in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (c) 2 certifies that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts or revenue sources.

4. Board of Education Certification – pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (c) 4 We certify that after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major accounts or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

5. Motion to approve line item transfers for the month of November 2021.

November Transfers

6. Motion to approve the bills payable list for January 2022 in the amount of \$1,585,493.17 when certified.

January Bill List

7. Motion to approve the Health and Safety Evaluation of School Buildings Checklist Statement of Assurance for the 2021-2022 school year.

Statement of Assurance

8. Motion to approve the "Carpentry Career Connections Articulation Agreement" between the Northwest Carpenters Apprenticeship Fund and the Audubon Junior-Senior High School through the auspices of the Audubon Board of Education.

Carpentry Career Connections Articulation Agreement

9. Motion to acknowledge Safety conducted in the District Schools:

**Audubon Park Preschool**

December 16, 2021 Fire Drill  
 December 17, 2021 Evacuation Drill

**Haviland Avenue School**

December 13, 2021 Fire Drill  
 December 21, 2021 Evacuation Drill

**Mansion Avenue School**

December 15, 2021 Fire Drill  
 December 21, 2021 Lockout Drill

**Audubon High School**

December 1, 2021 Fire Drill  
 December 21, 2021 Lockout Drill

10. Motion to approve the following resolution for the sale of Bonds:

**RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF \$26,810,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2022 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF AUDUBON IN THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THEIR SALE AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF AUDUBON IN THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** The \$26,810,000 School Bonds, Series 2022 of The Board of Education of the Borough of Audubon in the County of Camden, New Jersey (the "Board" when referring to the governing body and the "School District" when referring to the territorial boundaries governed by the Board) authorized by virtue of a proposal adopted by the Board pursuant to a resolution adopted on October 20, 2021, and approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the legal voters present and voting at a special School District election held on December 14, 2021 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:24-1 et seq., as amended and supplemented, shall be issued as School Bonds (the "Bonds"). The Bonds shall mature in the principal amounts on August 15 in each of the years as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>
2023	\$ 720,000	2035	\$1,160,000
2024	580,000	2036	1,160,000
2025	1,150,000	2037	1,160,000
2026	1,160,000	2038	1,160,000
2027	1,160,000	2039	1,160,000
2028	1,160,000	2040	1,160,000

2029	1,160,000	2041	1,160,000
2030	1,160,000	2042	1,160,000
2031	1,160,000	2043	1,160,000
2032	1,160,000	2044	1,160,000
2033	1,160,000	2045	1,160,000
2034	1,160,000	2046	1,160,000

The Bonds shall be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity as set forth therein. The Bonds shall be twenty-four (24) in number, with one certificate being issued for each year of maturity and shall be numbered SCH-1 to SCH-24 inclusive. The Bonds are entitled to the benefits of the New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act, 1980 N.J. Laws c. 72, as amended and supplemented.

**SECTION 2.** The Bonds will be issued in fully registered book-entry only form, without certificates. One certificate shall be issued for the aggregate principal amount of Bonds maturing in each year. Both principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable in lawful money of the United States of America. Each certificate will be registered in the name of and held by Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), which will act as securities depository for the Bonds (the "Securities Depository"). The certificates will be on deposit with DTC. DTC will be responsible for maintaining a book-entry system for recording the interests of its participants or the transfers of the interests among its participants. The participants will be responsible for maintaining records regarding the beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds on behalf of individual purchasers of such beneficial interests. Individual purchases of the beneficial interests in the Bonds may be made in the principal amount of \$1,000 each or any integral multiple thereof with a minimum purchase of \$5,000 required, through book entries made on the books and the records of DTC and its participants.

Individual purchasers of the Bonds will not receive certificates representing their beneficial ownership interest in the Bonds, but each book-entry Bond owner will receive a credit balance on the books of its nominee, and this credit balance will be confirmed by an initial transaction statement stating the details of the Bonds purchased.

The Bonds will be dated their date of delivery and will bear interest from such date, which interest shall be payable, commencing August 15, 2022 and semiannually thereafter on the fifteenth day of February and August in each year until maturity or prior redemption, at a rate or rates per annum, expressed in a multiple of one-eighth (1/8) or one-twentieth (1/20) of one per centum (1%), as proposed by the successful bidder in accordance with the Notice of Sale authorized and defined herein. The principal of and interest on the Bonds will be paid to the Securities Depository by the Board on the respective maturity dates and due dates and will be credited on the respective maturity dates and due dates to the participants of DTC as of each next preceding February 1 and August 1 (the "Record Dates" for the Bonds). The Bonds shall be executed by the manual or facsimile signature of the Board President under the official seal (or facsimile thereof) affixed, imprinted, engraved or reproduced thereon and attested by the manual signature of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary. The following matters are hereby determined with respect to the Bonds:

Date of Bonds:	Date of Delivery
Principal Payment Dates:	August 15, 2023 and each August 15 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption
Interest Payment Dates:	Semiannually on each February 15 and August 15 of each year beginning August 15, 2022 until maturity or prior redemption
Place of Payment:	Cede & Co., New York, New York

**SECTION 3.** The Bonds shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, with such additions, deletions and omissions as may be necessary for the Board to market the Bonds in accordance with the requirements of DTC.



**SECTION 4.** The Notice of Sale (the "Notice of Sale") and the Official Form of Proposal for Bonds shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit B with such additions, deletions and omissions as may be necessary for the Board to market the Bonds in accordance with the requirements of DTC.

**SECTION 5.** The Bonds shall be sold upon receipt of electronic bids on February 8, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary of the Board on i-Deal's Bidcomp®/PARITY® electronic competitive bidding system ("PARITY") in accordance with the Notice of Sale authorized herein. The use of the services provided by PARITY and the fees associated therewith are hereby approved. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary or Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Bond Counsel ("Bond Counsel") is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for the publication of the Notice of Sale, such publication to be not less than seven (7) days prior to the date of sale, in summary form in The Bond Buyer, a nationally recognized local government bond marketing publication devoted to financial news and municipal bonds, and the full text of such Notice of Sale in The Retrospect. The Board hereby delegates to and designates the Business Administrator/Board Secretary as the officer authorized to sell and to award the Bonds in accordance with the Notice of Sale authorized herein, and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall report in writing the results of the sale to this Board as required by law. **Furthermore, the Board hereby delegates to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary the authority to postpone and reschedule the sale of the Bonds, upon consultation with Bond Counsel, without readvertisement in accordance with the Notice of Sale authorized herein and to adjust the maturity schedule of the Bonds up to twenty-four (24) hours prior to the date of sale indicated herein, which adjustment shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the principal amount of any maturity or in the aggregate, the overall issue.**

The Board President, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Bond Counsel, the Municipal Advisor, Phoenix Advisors, LLC (the "Municipal Advisor"), the Board Auditor and the Board Attorney, are each hereby further authorized and directed to do and accomplish all matters and things necessary or desirable to effectuate the offering and sale of the Bonds.

**SECTION 6.** The Bonds shall have affixed thereto a copy of the written opinion with respect to the Bonds that is to be rendered by Bond Counsel to the Board.

**SECTION 7.** The Official Statement to be distributed in preliminary form on or about February 1, 2022 (the "Preliminary Official Statement"), prepared in connection with the offering and sale of the Bonds, is hereby "deemed final" for the purposes of Rule 15c2-12, as amended and supplemented (the "Rule") promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the provisions of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and supplemented, with the exception of certain information permitted to be omitted thereby and is hereby approved and authorized for the information of purchasers of the Bonds, with such changes and corrections not inconsistent with the substance thereof, including those required to reflect the effect of the sale of the Bonds, as are deemed necessary and advisable by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary in consultation with Bond Counsel.

**SECTION 8.** Bond Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for the printing of the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement. Bond Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for the distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement on behalf of the Board to those financial institutions that customarily submit bids for such Bonds. The Board President or the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to deliver the Official Statement to the purchaser of the Bonds for its use in connection with the sale, resale and distribution of the Bonds, where and if applicable. Bond Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement as necessary in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, and the Board President or the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Official Statement and any certificates necessary in connection with the distribution of the Official Statement. Bond Counsel is hereby further authorized and directed to arrange for the printing of the Bonds.

**SECTION 9.** The Board hereby covenants that it will comply with any conditions subsequent imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in order to preserve the exemption from taxation of interest on the Bonds, including, if necessary, the requirement to rebate all net investment earnings on the gross proceeds above the yield on the Bonds.

**SECTION 10.** The Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Bond Counsel, the Municipal Advisor and the Board Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to make representations and warranties, to enter into

agreements and to make all arrangements with DTC, as may be necessary in order to provide that the Bonds will be eligible for deposit with DTC and to satisfy any obligation undertaken in connection therewith.

**SECTION 11.** The Board reasonably expects to reimburse itself from the proceeds of the Bonds for certain costs of the school project paid prior to the issuance of the Bonds. No funds from sources other than the Bonds have been or are reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or have otherwise been set aside by the Board, or any member of the same "Controlled Group" as the Board, within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(e), pursuant to their budget or financial policies with respect to any expenditures to be reimbursed. This Section 11 is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Board's official intent to reimburse any expenditures toward certain costs of the school project, as described above, to be incurred and paid prior to the issuance of the Bonds in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2, and no further action (or inaction) will be an abusive arbitrage device in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-10 to avoid, in whole or in part, arbitrage yield restrictions or arbitrage rebate requirements under Section 148 of the Code. The proceeds of the Bonds used to reimburse the Board for any expenditures toward certain costs of the school project to be financed by the Bonds will not be used directly or indirectly (i) to "refund" an issue of governmental obligations within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(d), (ii) to create or increase the balance in "replacement proceeds", within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1 of the Bonds, or any other Bond issue, with respect to any obligation of the Board or to replace funds or (iii) to reimburse the Board for any expenditure or payment that was originally paid with the proceeds of any obligation of the Board (other than borrowing by the Board from one of its own funds or the funds of a member of the same "Controlled Group" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(e)). The Bonds used to reimburse the Board for any expenditures toward certain costs of the school project, as described above, will be issued in an amount not to exceed \$26,810,000. The costs to be reimbursed with the proceeds of the Bonds will be "capital expenditures" in accordance with the meaning of section 150 of the Code and Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1. This section shall take effect immediately, but will be of no effect with regard to expenditures for costs paid outside the permitted reimbursement period set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2(d)(2).

**SECTION 12.** In the event that DTC may determine to discontinue providing its service with respect to the Bonds or is removed by the Board and if no successor securities depository is appointed, the Bonds which were previously issued in book-entry only form shall be converted to registered Bonds (the "Registered Bonds") in denominations of \$1,000, or any integral multiple thereof with a minimum purchase of \$5,000 required. The beneficial owner under the book-entry system, upon registration of the Bonds held in the beneficial owner's name, will become the registered owner of the Registered Bonds. The Board shall be obligated to provide for the execution and delivery of the Registered Bonds in certified form.

**SECTION 13.** The Board hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the "Certificate") which will set forth the obligation of the Board to file budgetary, financial and operating data and notices of certain enumerated events deemed material in accordance with the provisions of the Rule. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Certificate evidencing the Board's undertaking with respect to the Rule. Notwithstanding the foregoing, failure of the Board to comply with the Certificate shall not be considered a default on the Bonds; however, any Bondholder may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance to cause the Board to comply with its obligations hereunder.

**SECTION 14.** The Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary are each hereby authorized and directed to determine all matters in connection with the issuance of the Bonds by the Board not determined by this or a subsequent resolution, all in consultation with Bond Counsel, and the manual or facsimile signature of the Board President or the Business Administrator/Board Secretary upon any documents shall be conclusive as to all such determinations. The Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and any other Board representative, including but not limited to, Bond Counsel and the Board Attorney, are each hereby authorized and directed to take such actions or refrain from such actions as are necessary to consummate the transaction contemplated by the issuance of the Bonds by the Board and any and all such actions or inactions heretofore taken by the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and any other Board representative, including, but not limited to Bond Counsel and the Board Attorney, are hereby ratified and confirmed. Wherever herein the Board President is authorized and directed to act or execute and deliver documents, including the Bonds, the Board Vice President is hereby authorized and directed to do same in the Board President's place.

**SECTION 15.** After a process seeking proposals, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with the Municipal Advisor, is hereby authorized to appoint an investment agent to invest the proceeds of the Bonds and provide arbitrage/rebate services.

**SECTION 16.** The Bonds will **not** be designated as “qualified tax-exempt obligations” for purposes of section 265(b)(3)(B)(ii) of the Code.

**SECTION 17.** This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Exhibit A

Exhibit B

Motion to Approve Item(s) 1 through 10: J. Miller Second: C. Proulx

**Roll Call**

X Ammie Davis      X Joseph Ryan      X Tara Butrica      X Nancy Schiavo  
X Joseph Miller      X Christopher Proulx      X Lori Cassidy  
AB James Blumenstein      X Allison Cox      X Andrea Robinson  
 Absent

**VOTE FOR ITEMS 1-10**

Motion approved by unanimous roll call (9-0) Board Member Blumenstein was absent

**XIII. EDUCATION: Chairperson: Ms. Schiavo - Committee Members: Mr. Blumenstein, Mr. Proulx, Ms. Robinson and Alternate: Ms. Cassidy**

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**MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS 1-10**

Motion by Mrs. Cassidy and seconded by Mrs. Robinson

1. Motion to approve the issuance of written decisions affirming, rejecting, or modifying the Superintendent’s determination in regard to incident(s) reported at the December 15, 2021 meeting of the Board of Education.

School	Incident Report Number	Board Determination
AHS	7932	Not HIB
AHS	7884	HIB
AHS	7948	HIB
HAS	N/A	N/A
MAS	N/A	N/A

2. + Student Statistics January 2022

Date	Audubon Preschool	Haviland Avenue	Mansion Avenue	Audubon Jr./Sr. HS	Out of District	Total
1/4/2022	27	250	361	777	20	1,435
12/1/2021	26	247	361	776	21	1,431
1/4/21	N/A	246	370	813	22	1,451

3. Motion to approve homebound instruction for the following student(s):

STUDENT ID#	DATE
10224	Home instruction effective retroactive to January 10, 2022 – January 21, 2022

4. Motion to approve 2021-2022 High School Plus Program Agreement reflecting policies and procedures of Camden County College.

High School Plus Program Agreement

5. Motion to approve the amended Audubon Public School Bilingual-ESL Three Year Plan 2021-2024.

APS Bilingual-ESL Three Year Plan

6. Motion to approve the following students for Option II for the 2021-2022 school year. *(All Option II courses will appear on the students' transcript, but will not be factored into the students' GPA.)*

Student ID #00530 – Harvard University’s Introduction to the Intellectual Enterprises of Computer Science and the Art of Programming for Students in High School Course (CS50 AP) for the Audubon Jr-Sr High School Computer Science Principles; Facilitates the student’s eligibility to take the AP Exam.

7. Motion to approve the following out of district DCP&P placements for the 2021-2022 school year at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

ID#	Placement	Tuition \$	ESY \$	Extraordinary Services \$
19258543	Gloucester Twp. School District	12,526.00		

8. **Approval of Attendance at Conferences and Workshops for the 2021-2022 School Year**

**WHEREAS**, certain **Audubon Public School District employees** have requested authorization to attend the conference(s)/Workshop(s) listed below, and

**WHEREAS**, the attendance of each employee at the specified conference/workshop is educationally necessary, fiscally prudent and 1) directly related to and within the scope of the employee’s current responsibilities and the **District’s Professional Learning Plan**, and 2) critical to the instructional needs of the District or furthers the efficient operation of the District;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the **Audubon Board of Education** authorizes the attendance of the employees at the specified conferences/workshops listed below, and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the **Board** hereby determines that the estimated expenses related to the authorized travel listed below are justified and

**THEREFORE**, authorizes payment of any registration fees and statutorily authorized travel expenditures to the designated employees, not to exceed District budgetary limitations and to be in accordance with the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12*, the District’s travel policy and procedures, State travel payment guidelines established by the Department of Treasury in NJOMB circular letter 08-13-OMB, and with the guidelines established by the federal Office of Management and Budget:

Participant	Conference Title & Location	Date(s)	Cost
Amanda Brown	2022 Shape NJ Convention Long Branch, NJ 07740	February16, 2022	Conference Cost \$149.00 Travel

9. Motion to revise the 2021-2022 Audubon Public School District Calendar.  
\* January 3, 2022 snow day made May 27, 2022 an early dismissal day for all.

Audubon PSD 2021-2022 Calendar

10. Motion to approve the 2022-2023 Audubon Public School District Calendar.

Audubon PSD 2022-2023 Calendar

Motion to Approve Items 1 through 10:  L. Cassidy  Second:  A. Robinson

**Roll Call**

- X  Ammie Davis       X  Joseph Ryan       X  Tara Butrica       X  Nancy Schiavo  
 X  Joseph Miller       X  Christopher Proulx       X  Lori Cassidy  
 AB  James Blumenstein       X  Allison Cox       X  Andrea Robinson  
Absent

**VOTE FOR ITEMS 1-10**

Motion approved by unanimous roll call (9-0) Board Member Blumenstein was absent

- XIV. HUMAN RESOURCES: Chairperson: Mrs. Davis, Committee Members: Ms. Cassidy, Ms. Cox, and Mrs. Schiavo, Alternate: Ms. Butrica**

**Board of Education Goals**

- ❖ To continue to provide equitable access to a rigorous curriculum while focusing on improving student achievement and decreasing the achievement gaps.
- ❖ To maintain a cost-effective budget that provides for educational resources, supports a preventative maintenance program, and encourages and facilitates long-range facility improvements.
- ❖ To foster a positive school climate and culture in order to positively impact student motivation, engagement, and achievement.

**MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS 1-15**

Motion by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mrs. Cox

1. + Motion to revise the part-time Special Education Aide contract for Mikayla Lavecchio, at the Mansion Avenue Elementary School, Step 2, BA, \$14.96 per hour, 2 days per week, 5.9 hours per day, not to include benefits, effective January 3, 2022 through May 6, 2022, with executed timesheets, in accordance with the 2021-2024 negotiated contract between the Audubon Board of Education and the Audubon Administrator’s Association pending the completion of all Audubon Board of Education and New Jersey Department of Education requirements, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.
2. Motion to revise the part-time Special Education Aide contract for Nicholas May, at the Audubon Jr./Sr. High School, Step 3, BA, \$15.38 per hour, 4 days per week, 5.9 hours per day, not to include benefits, effective January 3, 2022 through May 6, 2022, with executed timesheets, in accordance with the 2021-2024 negotiated contract between the Audubon Board of Education and the Audubon Administrator’s Association pending the completion of all Audubon Board of Education and New Jersey Department of Education requirements, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.
3. Motion to revise a request from employee #536, to invoke a Family Leave of Absence, effective November 16, 2021 to February 8, 2022:
 

November 16, 2021 through February 8, 2022	Paid Leave
November 16, 2021 through February 8, 2022	NJ Family Leave
4. + Motion to approve a request from employee #232, to invoke a Family Leave of Absence, effective December 21, 2021 to March 21, 2022:
 

December 21, 2021 through March 21, 2022	Paid Leave (61 days)
December 21, 2021 through March 21, 2022	Federal FMLA (12 weeks)
5. Motion to approve Shamus Burke as the Data Coordinator for the 2021-2022 school year, effective July 1, 2021, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.
6. Motion to approve Shamus Burke as the District Coordinator of State Testing for the 2021-2022 school year, effective July 1, 2021, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.
7. Motion to approve Shamus Burke as the District ESEA Coordinator for the 2021-2022 school year, effective July 1, 2021, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.
8. Motion to approve Shamus Burke as the District Bilingual/ESL Point of Contact for the 2021-2022 school year, effective July 1, 2021, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.
9. Motion to approve Noelle Bisinger as the District Educational Stability Liaison for the 2021-2022 school year, effective July 1, 2021, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.
10. + Motion to approve Barbara Ledyard as the Early Childhood Contact for the 2021-2022 school year, effective October 4, 2021, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.
11. Motion to rescind the following Audubon Junior-Senior High School extracurricular contracts for the 2021-2022 school year in accordance with the negotiated 2021-2024 contract between the Audubon Board of Education and the Audubon Education Association, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

Name	Position/Activity	Contractual Rate
Emily Warren	Graduation – High School	\$714.27 (1/2 Stipend)

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Wendy VanFossen	Graduation – High School	\$714.27 (1/2 Stipend)
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12. + Motion to approve an adjustment in the salary status of the following staff members in accordance with the negotiated 2021-2024 contract between the Audubon Board of Education and the Audubon Education Association, retroactive to January 1, 2022, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

Name	Step	Degree (Previous)	Degree (Current)
Nicole Racite	5	BA+30	MS

13. Motion to approve the following paid spring coaching positions for the 2021-2022 school year based on the negotiated agreement between the Audubon Education Association and the Audubon Board of Education, pending the completion of all Audubon Board of Education and New Jersey Department of Education requirements, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

As a result of the health-related closures due to COVID-19, payments and stipends may be impacted by cancellation of events, school closures, hybrid schedules, etc. The following stipends will be compensated as follows for the 2021-2022 school year:

Cancelation of Season/Event	
When notified; one week or more prior to the start of the season or three days prior to the event	0.0%
School Closure & Hybrid Schedules	
Greater Than 50% of Season or Event Occurred	100.0%
Greater Than or Equal to 25% and Less Than or Equal to 50%	50.0%
Greater than 7 practices and Less Than 25%	25.0%

- Athletic Season = First official practice to sectional start or school closure
- Extracurricular Season = First official practice to culminating event or school closure

Name	Sport/Activity	Position	Contractual Rate
Eric Miller	Boys Tennis	Head Varsity Coach	\$6,095.00
Dennis Kolecki	Boys Tennis	Assistant Varsity Coach	\$4,015.00

14. + Motion to approve the following Mansion Avenue School extracurricular contracts for the 2021-2022 school year in accordance with the negotiated 2021-2024 contract between the Audubon Board of Education and the Audubon Education Association, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

Name	Position/Activity	Contractual Rate
Jennifer Beebe	Family Writing Club	\$1,270.00
Theresa Salamone	Family Writing Club	\$1,270.00

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15. + Motion to approve the following Student Teachers for Field Experience/Practicum.

Description/ Program	School/ Grade/S ubject	Dates	Cooperating Teacher	Requesting Program	Student Teacher(s)	Links
Practicum Experience for Counseling in an Educational Setting	AHS	1/17/22- 4/29/22	Emily Warren	Rowan University	Nicholas May	Practicum Field Experience Description  Agreement
Field Experience	HAS	2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5, 4/12	Alycia Colucci	Rowan University	Taylor Braun	Agreement
Field Experience	HAS	2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5, 4/12	Alycia Colucci	Rowan University	Katelyn A. Jensen	
Field Experience	HAS	2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5, 4/12	Chelsea Rohner	Rowan University	Colin Camp	
Field Experience	HAS	2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5, 4/12	Chelsea Rohner	Rowan University	Casey Colgate	
Field Experience	HAS	2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5, 4/12	Joanne McCarty	Rowan University	Brianna Del Rossi	
Field Experience	HAS	2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5, 4/12	Joanne McCarty	Rowan University	Gionna Gilbert	
Practicum	AHS	1/18/22 - 5/13/22	Denise Allman	Georgian Court University	NA	

Motion to Approve Items 1 through 15:  J. Miller Second:  A. Cox

**Roll Call**

- X Ammie Davis       X Joseph Ryan       X Tara Butrica       X Nancy Schiavo  
 X Joseph Miller       X Christopher Proulx       X Lori Cassidy  
 AB James Blumenstein       X Allison Cox       X Andrea Robinson  
Absent

**VOTE FOR ITEMS 1-15**



Motion approved by unanimous roll call (9-0) Board Member Blumenstein was absent

**XV. REPORTS:**

**XVI. HIB District Report**

January 2021	BULLYING INCIDENTS REPORT		
SCHOOL	Confirmed HIB	Non-HIB	Total
AHS #8007, #8047, #8057, #8085, #8067	1	4	5
MAS #8009, #8014, #8049, #8052	1	3	4
HAS	0	0	0
APPS	0	0	0

**XVII. Superintendent’s Report:** Dr. Davis commented on the following:

- HIB Report
- NJDOH New guidance released earlier this week
- Update on Governor’s mask requirement

**XVIII. Special Program Representatives:**

- A. CCEESC Rep. Rotation: **James Blumenstein** (Rolling)
- B. CCSBA Rep. Rotation: **Ammie Davis**

**XIX. Board Member Comments:** Board Member Davis made the following comments:

- A spreadsheet has been created to attend various Stakeholder’s meetings in the Comm.
- The Audubon Board of Education and the Mt. Ephraim Board of Education will hold a joint meeting on Monday, February 28, 2022 with Terri Lewis, NJSBA Representative.

**XX. Public Participation: (Open Discussion)**

Eric Miller, AEA President read a statement regarding the School Climate Survey and the fact that the Survey has not been released.

Sara Kuhlen, Resident asked if there could be more details released on why Mansion Ave. School went to remote learning for a week.

Dr. Davis responded to both questions

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest.

In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of such comment, the Board has set aside two portions of this Board meeting for public comment on any school or school district issue that a member of the public feels may be of interest to the residents of the school district.

For the first portion, public comments are invited on matters pertaining only to the agenda for tonight's meeting. For the second portion, public comments are invited on all matters pertaining to the school district.

Participants should announce their name, address, and any group they may represent, if applicable. The Board reserves the right to limit public discussion. Public discussion of a topic will be limited to fifteen (15) minutes, and individual speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard. Reference bylaws #0167 of the Audubon Public Schools Board of Education Policy Manual.

The Board uses the public comment period as an opportunity to listen to citizen. Not all issues brought to a Board meeting will be resolved at that particular meeting. Complaints stated or actions requested by the public may be taken under advisement by the Board for investigation, discussion, actions, or disposition at a later date or time. The public comments sessions are an opportunity for citizens to share their opinions and remarks with the Board; it is not a question and answer session. The Board may or may not respond to public comments at the time they are made and is under no obligation to do so.

The Board does not endorse public comments nor will the Board be held liable for comments made by members of the public. Any individuals who may be the subject of public comments, including district employees, shall retain all rights against defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey.

**XXI. ADJOURNMENT**

1. The next Regular Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 6:30 PM in the Audubon Junior-Senior High School Library Media-Center.
2. Motion by Mrs. Cassidy seconded by Mrs. Cox to adjourn meeting at approximately 9:23pm. Motion approved by unanimous roll call (9-0)

Motion to Approve: L. Cassidy      Second: A. Cox

**Roll Call**

<u>X</u> Ammie Davis	<u>X</u> Joseph Ryan	<u>X</u> Tara Butrica	<u>X</u> Nancy Schiavo
<u>X</u> Joseph Miller	<u>X</u> Christopher Proulx	<u>X</u> Lori Cassidy	
<u>AB</u> James Blumenstein Absent	<u>X</u> Allison Cox	<u>X</u> Andrea Robinson	

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**Deborah Roncace**  
**Business Administrator/Board Secretary**

*The Audubon Board of Education reserves the right to add and/or delete motions or make changes to motions in this agenda up to the time of the meeting and during the actual meeting.*