



LIVINGSTON BOARD OF EDUCATION VOTING MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, June 28, 2022

Public Session - Hybrid Meeting at Administration Building – 7:00 p.m.

This is a public meeting of the Board of Education. The Livingston Board of Education will be video recording and posting its open public meetings on the district website. The Board reserves the right to edit the videotape prior to posting to protect the privacy of students and staff.

The Board's Bylaw #0168 allows videotaping and livestreaming of public meetings with prior approval from the Board Secretary. Any member of the public may record the proceedings of a public meeting of the Board in a manner that does not interrupt the proceedings, inhibit the conduct of the meeting, distract Board members or other observers present at the meeting, or violate the privacy of students and staff. The Board will permit the use of tape recorder(s), video camera(s) or live streaming only when notice of such intended use has been given to the Board Secretary five days in advance of the meeting. Any camera(s) must be operated in an inconspicuous location in the meeting room. The Board reserves the right to request a copy of the tape. The presiding officer shall determine when any recording device interferes with the conduct of a Board meeting and may order that an interfering device be removed.

While the Board of Education discourages the videotaping/livestreaming of students without written parental consent, public meetings are not subject to the same restrictions as other school events. Please be aware that you and your children may be videotaped or livestreamed as a result of your participation at this meeting.

In accordance with Policy #9131, the Livingston Board of Education members, district administration, and staff will treat students, parents/guardians and other members of the public with respect and expect the same consideration in return. The district is committed to maintaining orderly educational and administrative processes in keeping schools and administrative offices free from disruptions and preventing unauthorized persons from entering school/district grounds.

I. OPEN SESSION

A. Call to Order – Mr. Seth Cohen, President

B. Reading of Meeting Notice

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by amendment to notice approved at the Board's reorganization meeting on January 4, 2022 and posted at the Board of Education office and communicated to *The Star Ledger*, *West Essex Tribune*, *TAPinto Livingston* and the Livingston Township Clerk.

C. Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

D. Superintendent's Report

1. Start Strong Assessment Letter

E. Public Input on Agenda Items ~ up to 15 minutes

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Public participation shall be governed by the following rules:

1. A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate;
2. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three minutes' duration;
3. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard;
4. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question Board members individually.

The portion of the meeting during which the participation of the public is invited shall be limited to fifteen minutes, or at the discretion of the presiding officer.

II. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPROVAL

2. STUDENT SERVICES

The Superintendent recommends the following:

2.1 Great Schools Partnership, Inc.

Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the contract with Great Schools Partnership, Inc. to provide coaching and technical assistance in support of the learning and planning efforts around educational equity, anti-racism, diversity and inclusion initiated by the district for the 2022-2023 school year.

2.2 Contract for Supervisory Services for L.I.N.K.S.

Be It Resolved, Drs. Eric Herschman and Susan Herschman have the experience and expertise to provide professional development for mental health services. Drs. Eric Herschman and Susan Herschman have provided a proposed Agreement, dated September 1, 2022 regarding the nature of their services to the satisfaction of the Board.

Be It Further Resolved, that Drs. Eric Herschman and Susan Herschman be approved by the Board of Education for the period September 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 at the professional fees provided in the proposed Agreement.

Be It Further Resolved, that this appointment is made without advertising for bids because the services rendered are professional services as defined by the statute and not subject to competitive bidding.

ROLL CALL VOTE

3. BUSINESS

The Superintendent recommends the following:

3.1 Genesis Educational Services, Inc.

Whereas the Livingston Public Schools utilizes Genesis, a proprietary software package for school operations; and

Whereas the Livingston Board of Education is desirous to upgrade the software to expand its utilization for district operations; and therefore

Be It Resolved that the Livingston Board of Education authorizes the School Business Administrator to upgrade the Genesis software for district operations in the amount of \$125,000; and

Be It Further Resolved, that this agreement is being awarded without competitive bidding in that said agreement is for goods or services for the support or maintenance of proprietary computer hardware and software and is exempt pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a) (19); and

Be It Further Resolved, that the monies for this software package be drawn from the contingency account, current balance \$238,265. The amount to be transferred is \$125,000 and the remaining balance will be \$113,365.

3.2 CJPRIDE Shared Services Agreement

Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education approves the agreement with Central Jersey Program for Recruitment of Diverse Educators ("CJPRIDE") for the 2022-2023 school year.

ROLL CALL VOTE

F. Public Comment ~ up to 15 minutes

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III. ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Whereas, N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq., also known as the "Sunshine Law," authorizes a public body to meet in executive or private session under certain limited circumstances, and

Whereas, said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public hearing before it can meet in such an executive or private session, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Livingston Board of Education that:

- (A) It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in executive session on June 28, 2022 to discuss the matters stipulated, in conformance with the subsections of said act which are indicated.
1. Matter rendered confidential by federal law, state statute or rule of court.
 2. Matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive federal funds.
 3. Matter, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy unless the individual concerned shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.
 4. Collective bargaining matter.
 5. Matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates, etc. where it would adversely affect the public interest if discussion were disclosed.

6. Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting public property where disclosure could impair protection.
 7. Investigation of violations or possible violations of law.
 8. Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than collective bargaining agreement.
 9. Personnel matters unless the individual employees or appointees affected requested that such matter be discussed at a public meeting.
 10. Deliberations occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty.
- (B) The matters discussed will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required and formal action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a meeting to which the public has been invited.
- (C) No action will be taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE

PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (dates subject to change)

July 12, 2022 (*voting*)

- Property, Liability and WC Insurance
- Food Service Renewal
- Out of District Placements for 2022-2023
- Related Services and Medical Consultants for 2022-2023
- Extended School Year Out of District Placements Summer 2022

August 9, 2022 (*voting*)

- Enrollment Update
- Livingston Chinese School Contract
- Livingston Huaxia Chinese School Contract

September 6, 2022 (*workshop*)

September 20, 2022 (*voting*)

- District Goals
- District Nursing Services Plan

October 11, 2022 (*workshop*)

- NJSLA (as per Policy 2610)

October 18, 2022 (*voting*)

- Conference with the Livingston Education Association
- Summer Curriculum Writing Update

November 8, 2023 (*workshop*)

- Board Budget Goals

November 22, 2022 (*voting*)

- Assessment Update

December 6, 2022 (*voting*)

- National Merit Semi-Finalists Recognition Ceremony
- Public Hearing for District and School HIB Self-Assessment Report
- New Course Offerings

January 3, 2023 (*reorganization*)