

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Public Work Session

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 6:00 PM at the Fairfield Municipal Building

MR. ANTHONY DEPASCALE, BOARD PRESIDENT, CALLED THE ROLL AT 6:17 PM:

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Ms. Andrea Bellise-Jandoli	PRESENT	Ms. Angela Altaai	PRESENT
Mr. Joseph Fede	PRESENT	Mr. Anthony DePascale	PRESEN
Ms. Melinda Street	PRESENT		

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education meeting finds it necessary to meet in Executive Session (Closed to the Public) to discuss attorney/client privileged information, which is exempt from the Open Public Meetings Act.

ADMINISTRATION	POSITION	ATTENDANCE
Dr. Susan Ciccotelli	Superintendent of Schools	PRESENT
Mrs. Kathleen Marano	Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary	PRESENT

Now, please join us for the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. RECOMMENDATION TO MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education hereby convenes to Executive Session for discussion of the following subjects: 9.

It is anticipated that the Executive Session will take approximately 1 hour; the Board may take action when it reconvenes to Public Session; and the minutes of the Executive Session shall be released to the public when the reason for the Executive Session no longer exists.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters or other exceptions to the sunshine laws as follows:

1. Any matter considered confidential by federal law, state statute, or court rule;
2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair the receipt of federal funds;
3. Any material which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy if disclosed;
4. Any collective bargaining agreements;

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5. Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds;
6. Any tactics and techniques used in protecting the safety and property of the public;
7. Any pending or anticipated litigation;
8. Personnel matter related to the employment, appointment or termination of current or prospective employees;
9. Attorney/Client privilege.

Introduced by: Melinda Street Seconded by: Angela Altaai Time: 6:17 PM

Motion to return to open session (to be moved in Public Session):

Introduced by: Melinda Street Seconded by: Joseph Fede Time: 7:20 PM

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting is hereby adjourned.

Introduced by: Melinda Street Seconded by: Angela Altaai Time: 7:20 PM

ROLL CALL

Ms. Bellise-Jandoli, Mr. Fede, Ms. Street, Ms. Altaai, Mr. DePascale - All Ayes

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7:30 PM at the Fairfield Municipal Building

(Access livestream at www.fpsk6.org at 7:30 PM. Also available on Channel 34)

I. OPEN MEETING –PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING

MR. ANTHONY DEPASCALE, BOARD PRESIDENT, CALLED THE ROLL AT 7:30 PM:

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Ms. Andrea Bellise-Jandoli	PRESENT	Ms. Angela Altaai	PRESENT
Mr. Joseph Fede	PRESENT	Mr. Anthony DePascale	PRESENT
Ms. Melinda Street	PRESENT		

The Board will reconvene from Executive Session and Mr. Anthony DePascale, Board President, will preside and call the public meeting to order at approximately 7:30 PM and will read the following announcement to those present:

The public has been duly informed of this meeting in accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 by posting, at least 48 hours in advance, a notice on the bulletin boards in Stevenson and Churchill Schools, a notice to the Township Clerk, and a notice to The Herald News and The Progress.

Now, please join us for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADMINISTRATION	POSITION	ATTENDANCE
Dr. Susan Ciccotelli	Superintendent of Schools	PRESENT
Mrs. Kathleen Marano	Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary	PRESENT

Anthony DePascale recognized and presented trophies to the 9 Fairfield Student Athletes that have qualified for the 2024 NJ Scholastic State Championships.

Kathleen Marano, Interim Business Administrator presented the Budget Presentation

II. PUBLIC COMMENT ON: *AGENDA ITEMS ONLY*

Nicole Sudol - Broiler project: response addressed by Kathleen Marano

Tracy Ripa and Tyler Masterson - Roof project and appropriation/surplus: response addressed by Kathleen Marano

John Hubler - transportation cuts: response addressed by Anthony DePascale

Gabriela Cicchetti - Roof at Stevenson School: response addressed by Anthony DePascale

III. ENROLLMENT

Grade	Students 6/9/2023	Students 4/19/2024
Preschool Inclusive	18	17
Preschool Special Ed	18	17
Kindergarten	98	93
First	96	96
Second	86	99
Third	107	84
Fourth	106	108
Fifth	85	108
Sixth	91	86
Home Instruction	1	1
Out-of-District	2	2
Total	708	711

IV. PERSONNEL

A. Certificated Staff

1. Renewal of Non-Tenured Certificated Staff

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves renewal of the following certificated, non-tenured staff, as well as staff to be tenured, for the 2024-2025 school year:

Will reach tenure September 3, 2024 (24-25 SY)	Will reach tenure May 5, 2025 (24-25 SY)
Girardi, Gabriella (Started 8/31/2020)	Lazaro, Justin (Started 5/3/2021)
Goodman, Sara (Started 8/31/2020)	
Yelovich, Karissa (Started 8/31/2020)	

Will reach tenure September 2, 2025 (25-26 SY)	Will reach tenure November 30, 2026 (26-27 SY)
Biondi, Anthony (Started 9/1/2021)	Hadi, Samira (Started 11/28/2022)
Silvestri, Kyle (Started 9/1/2021)	Will reach tenure January 18, 2028 (27-28 SY)
Will reach tenure January 5, 2026 (25-26 SY)	Lagasi, Samantha (Started 1/17/2024)
Day, Gabriella (Started 1/2/2022)	Will reach tenure February 22, 2028 (27-28 SY)
Will reach tenure February 23, 2026 (25-26 SY)	Pineault Usinowicz, Nichole (Started 2/21/2024)
Prinzo, Heather (Started 2/22/2022)	Will reach tenure March 2, 2028 (27-28 SY)
Will reach tenure September 2, 2026 (26-27 SY)	Thompson, Tina (Started 3/1/2024)
Ashinsky, Jennifer (Started 9/1/2022)	Will reach tenure March 20, 2028 (27-28 SY)
Lozito, Patricia A. (Started 9/1/2022)	Kelly, Andrea (Started 3/19/2024)
Will reach tenure October 5, 2026 (26-27 SY)	Will reach tenure April 10, 2028 (27-28 SY)
Martone, Ceyla (Started 10/4/2022)	Bohr, Kaitlynn (Started 4/8/2024)
Chomyszak, Theodor (Started 10/4/2022)	

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2. Maternity Leave of Absence

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves a Maternity Leave of Absence request for Melisa Locantore. Mrs. Locantore’s due date is July 14, 2024. She will begin her 12-week FMLA leave from August 29, 2024 through November 20, 2024. Mrs. Locantore plans to return for the 2025-2026 school year.

3. Approval of New Jersey Learning Acceleration Grant Tutor

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves Andrea Kelly as a tutor paid through the New Jersey Learning Acceleration Grant Funding.

4. Club Advisor and Revised Club Approval

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the club advisor and revised club for the following position for the 2023-2024 school year, per current teachers’ contract, for a minimum of 15 sessions per year. Split position stipends will be divided evenly.

<u>Club</u>	<u>Advisor</u>
Games Club will replace TREP\$ (replacing Student Council this year) (1 at Churchill)	James Verrengia will replace Sarah Kirk

B. Non-Certificated Staff

1. Reappointment of Non-Tenured Paraprofessionals, Secretaries, and Custodians

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the renewal of the following Non-Tenured Paraprofessionals, Secretaries and Custodians for the 2024-2025 school year:

<u>Paraprofessionals</u>		<u>Custodians</u>
Alatiyat, Heba	Matos, Rose	Colon, Gladys
Blum, Sharyn	Ortizzo, Kristin	Colon, Jenelee
Carroll, Lisa	Spano, Jeanney	Fedna, Carlos
Contaldi, Kathy	Straface, Kimberly	Grotz, William
Convertino, Daniela	Suhey, Tracey	Mucka, Ervis
DeStefano, Daniella		Palos, Nicholas
D’Urso, Roseanne	<u>Secretaries</u>	Woodson, Robert
Fiore, Melissa	Kadushin, Laynie	Zuk, Robert
Lozito, Patricia	Petinakis, Maria	

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2. Reappointment of Tenured Secretary

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the renewal of Jane Serpico as a Tenured Child Study Team Secretary for the 2024-2025 school year.

3. Resignations

a. BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accepts the letter of resignation from Mary Trentin, Stevenson School Playground/Cafeteria/Office Aide, retroactively to April 15, 2024.

b. BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accepts the letter of resignation from Lauren Celentano, Kindergarten Aide, effective June 19, 2024, with regret, best wishes, and appreciation for her service to the students of Fairfield.

4. Employment

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves Efsathia Nunez as a Stevenson School Playground/Cafeteria/Office Aide at a prorated salary of \$7,595 for the 2023-2024 school year retroactively to April 8, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED Mrs. Nunez will work from April 8, 2024 through April 12, 2024 at two hours per day and three hours per day from April 15, 2024 through the end of the school year.

A. Substitutes

1. BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following fully-qualified substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year pending receipt of all required documentation:

Avery Lieberman	Teacher	Amy Velez	Teacher/Aide
Brianna Millstein	Teacher/Aide	Kaylin Volltrauer	Teacher/Aide

Personnel Recommendations:

Introduced by: Andrea Bellise-Jandoli

Seconded by: Angela Altaai

Discussion: NONE

ROLL CALL

Ms. Bellise-Jandoli, Mr. Fede, Ms. Street, Ms. Altaai, Mr. DePascale - All Ayes

V. CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM

A. 2023-2024 School Calendar Revision

Attachment A

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the revisions to the 2023-2024 School Calendar to reflect Tuesday, June 18, 2024 as the last day of school. Furthermore, schools will be closed on Friday, May 24, 2024.

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B. Professional Development Workshops

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves attendance at the following workshops and approves the reimbursement of registration and/or mileage, to be made, pending completion of the workshops and submission of the travel report. *Lodging will be noted separately if applicable.

<u>Staff</u>	<u>Workshop</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Registration</u>
Kristin Crisafi Catherine Prall	High-Impact and Engaging Routines for Phonics, Work Study, Vocabulary and Fluency (K-6) (Rutgers Center for Literacy Development)	05/21/2024 Rutgers University	\$180 each
Catherine Prall	(BER) Highly Targeted Interventions for Students Struggling with Reading	05/16/2024 Live Online Seminar	\$279
James Verrengia	(Cengage Learning) Big Ideas Math Virtual Training	Virtual June 2024	\$750 Title II

Curriculum/Program Recommendations:

Introduced by: Andrea Bellise-Jandoli

Seconded by: Angela Altaai

Discussion: NONE

ROLL CALL

Ms. Bellise-Jandoli, Mr. Fede, Ms. Street, Ms. Altaai, Mr. DePascale - All Ayes

VI. POLICY

A. Policy/Regulation First Reading

Attachment B

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accepts the first reading of the following policies and regulations, as noted:

<u>Policy/Regulation #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Status</u>
P 1140	Educational Equity Policies/Affirmative Action (M)	Revised
P 1523	Comprehensive Equity Plan (M)	Revised
P 1530	Equal Employment Opportunities (M)	Revised
R 1530	Equal Employment Opportunity Complaint Procedure (M)	Revised
P 1550	Equal Employment/Anti-Discrimination Practices (M)	Revised
R 2200	Curriculum Content (M)	Revised
P 2260	Equity in School and Classroom Practices (M)	Revised
R 2260	Equity in School and Classroom Practices Complaint Procedures (M)	Revised
P 2411	Guidance Counseling (M)	Revised

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P&R 2423	Bilingual Education (M)	Revised
P&R 2431.4	Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries (M)	Revised
P 3211	Code of Ethics	Revised
P 5750	Equitable Educational Opportunity (M)	Revised
P 5755	Equity in Educational Programs and Services (M)	Abolished
P 5841	Secret Societies	Revised
P 5842	Equal Access of Student Organizations	Revised
P&R 7610	Vandalism	Revised
P 9323	Notification of Juvenile Offender Case Disposition	Revised

Policy Recommendations:

Introduced by: Andrea Bellise-Jandoli

Seconded by: Angela Altaai

Discussion: NONE

ROLL CALL

Ms. Bellise-Jandoli, Mr. Fede, Ms. Street, Ms. Altaai, Mr. DePascale - All Ayes

VII. BUSINESS/FINANCE OFFICE RESOLUTIONS

A. Minutes Approval

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves/accepts the following minutes:

March 3, 2024 Executive Session	March 16, 2024 Executive Session
March 10, 2024 Executive Session	March 17, 2024 Executive Session
March 14, 2024 Public & Executive Sessions	March 21, 2024 Executive Session

FINANCE:

B. Bills/Claims/Payrolls

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves the following Bills and Claims List and Payroll:

Ratify and Affirm Bills & Claims List - 3/19/2024	\$96,820.99
Ratify and Affirm Bills & Claims List - 4/12/2024	\$221,043.63
Ratify and Affirm Bills & Claims List - 4/25/2024	\$233,786.32
Ratify and Affirm March 15, 2024 Payroll	\$430,166.68
Ratify and Affirm March 29, 2024 Payroll	\$424,100.06
Ratify and Affirm April 15, 2024 Payroll	\$428,473.00

C. Transfer of Funds

Attachment C

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education authorizes the transfers in the 2023-2024 budget, per details of the Transfers Report for March 2024, per state law, for the 2023-2024 school year.

D. Secretary/Treasurer Report

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education acknowledges and accepts the reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the period of March 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the financial reports for the month be accepted and shall become a part of the official minutes of this meeting.

E. Adoption of the Final Budget 2024-2025 School Year

The Superintendent recommends approval to adopt the Final Budget for SY 2024-2025:

BE IT RESOLVED that the final budget for the Fairfield Board of Education, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey be approved for the 2024-2025 school year using the 2024-2025 school year state aid figures and the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary be authorized to submit the final budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline, as follows:

ADOPTION OF FINAL 2024-2025 SCHOOL BUDGET

	General Fund	Special Revenues	Debt Service	Total
2024-2025 Total Expenditures	\$17,169,410	\$329,929	\$0	\$17,499,339
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$2,785,361	\$329,929	\$0	\$3,115,290
Taxes to be Raised	\$14,384,049	\$0	\$0	\$14,384,049

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education advertised said tentative budget in the Progress in accordance with the form suggested by the State Department of Education and according to the law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education public meeting be held at the Fairfield Municipal Building on April 25, 2024 at 7:30 PM for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2024-2025 school year.

F. Appropriation of Legal Reserve

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education includes in the final budget an appropriation of surplus in the amount of \$478,352.

G. Adjustment for Health Care Costs

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education includes in the final budget the adjustment for increased costs of health benefits in the amount of **\$23,464**. The additional funds will be used to pay for the additional increases in health premiums.

H. Adjustment for Enrollment

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education includes in the final budget the adjustment for enrollment in the amount of **\$20,464**. The district intends to utilize this adjustment for supplies and materials necessary for the additional students.

I. Capital Reserve Withdrawal - Other Capital Projects

BE IT RESOLVED that included in the general fund appropriations, budget line 620 is a withdrawal from Capital Reserve - Other Capital Projects in the amount of \$1,201,000 for other capital project costs associated with Winston S. Churchill School (roof replacement - 3 sections and server room relocation). The total cost of this project is \$1,201,000 which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

J. Maximum Travel

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, a board of education must establish a maximum dollar limit for travel expenditure, as defined in N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.1 et seq.,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield 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 \$21,900 for the 2024-2025 school year.

K. Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement 2024-2025

WHEREAS, the Fairfield 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 Subchapter 7 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, a Board of education may establish, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of \$150 per staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

WHEREAS, travel and related expenses not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A Subchapter 7 but deemed by the board of education to be necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out-of-District Travel and Reimbursement Forms;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves all travel not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A Subchapter 7 as being necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out-of-District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; and

WHEREAS, the Fairfield Board of Education established \$19,600 as the maximum travel amount for the current school year and has expended \$5,412 as of this date;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield 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 \$19,600 for the 2024-2025 school year.

CONTRACTS:

L. Network Infrastructure Wiring for Adlai Stevenson School for Relocation of the Board Office

BE IT RESOLVED that two proposals were received from the Technology Administrator to facilitate the transition from the business office to Adlai Stevenson School.

Eastern DataComm	\$4,991.30
JCT Solutions	\$5,800.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves the proposal for the Network Infrastructure Wiring for Adlai Stevenson School for the Relocation of the Board Office to Eastern DataComm in the amount of \$4,991.30 and this will necessitate a transfer.

M. Advertise Award of Bid - Roof Replacement at Winston S. Churchill School

WHEREAS, Bids were received and on March 26, 2024 Di Cara/Rubino Architects and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary opened six (6) Bids for the Roof Replacement at Winston S. Churchill School D/R Project No: 4265/4266.

BIDDER	TOTAL BIDS (including Alternate 1 & 2)
Arco Construction	\$567,900.00
Mak Group, LLC	\$628,558.00
Patwood Roofing Co.	\$631,280.00
Northeast Roofing Maintenance, Inc.	\$660,379.00
Galia Construction, Inc.	\$774,470.00
Laumar Roofing, Co.	\$785,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves the award for the Roof Replacement at Winston S. Churchill School to Arco Construction in the amount of \$567,900.00.

N. Electrical Panel Upgrade Project at Adlai E. Stevenson School

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves Vanore Electric, Inc. Change Order No: GC-02 for the installation of an emergency generator for the Electrical Upgrade at Adlai E. Stevenson School in the amount of \$14,127.65 as per architect review and district approval.

Material Costs for the installation of emergency generator (during power shutdown)	\$12,701.65
Cost for construction building permit fee	\$1,426.00
Total cost for Change Order No: GC-02	\$14,127.65

O. Award Bid for Relocation of Server Room at Winston S. Churchill School

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposal was completed and on April 17, 2024 the Business Administrator/Board Secretary received and opened one (1) proposal for the Relocation of the Server Room at Winston S. Churchill School Bid No: 00-01.

BIDDER	TOTAL BID
JCT Solutions	\$224,659.53
New Era Technology	Withdrew
Core BTS	Withdrew
Eastern DataComm	No response
Millennium, Inc.	No response
AB Contracting	No response

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves the award for the Relocation of Server Room at Winston S. Churchill School to JCT Solutions in the amount of \$224,659.53.

GRANT APPROVAL:

P. New Jersey Schools Insurance Group - Safety Grant Award

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group (“NJSIG”) is a school board insurance group authorized by N.J.S.A. 18A:18B-1, et seq. to provide insurance coverage and risk management services for its members; and

WHEREAS, the Fairfield Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the “Educational Institution,” is a member of NJSIG; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with NJSIG Policy 3710, the goal of the safety grant program is to provide members the necessary resources to complete risk reduction projects and improve the safety of the population NJSIG members serve.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

- 1) The Educational Institution applies for a safety grant through the NJSIG safety grant program for the 2024-2025 fiscal year in the amount of **\$2,129** for the purposes set forth in their safety grant application; and
- 2) The Business Administrator or their designee is hereby authorized to take all action necessary to apply for and receive a safety grant award.

OUT-OF DISTRICT TUITION/TRANSPORTATION/HOME INSTRUCTION CONTRACTS:

Q. Essex Regional Educational Services Commission (ERESC)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves Essex Regional Educational Services Commission (ERESC) to provide the District with Child Study Team, Speech/Language and Home Instruction Services for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at the rates listed below:

Child Study Team Services	
Social Assessment, Educational Evaluation, Psychological Evaluation, Speech Evaluation	\$463.00 per student
Bilingual Evaluation	\$578.81 per student
Physical Therapy Evaluation, Occupational Therapy Evaluation	\$520.94 per student
LDTC, Social Worker, School Psychologist	\$144.70 per meeting
Speech/Language Services	\$109.98 per hour
Home Instruction Services	\$63.68 per hour

BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND MAINTENANCE:

R. Purchase of a Replacement Lawn Mower Tractor

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education received two quotes from the following contractors for a replacement lawn mower tractor:

Storr Tractor Company	\$13,382.36
Fairfield Power Equipment	\$14,999.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves the purchase of a lawn mower tractor for the district from Storr Tractor Company in the amount of \$13,382.36.

BE IT RESOLVED that the current pricing is through #65MCESCCPS, ESCNJ bid 22/23-12

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the following transfer from account 11-000-262-100-00 for \$13,283.00 to account 12-000-261-730-00 for \$13,283.00.

S. Replacement of Control Panel for Sump Pump at Adlai E. Stevenson School

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education ratify and affirms payment for the replacement of the control panel and 4 floats for the sump pump at Adlai E. Stevenson School from Rainbow International of Fairfield in the amount of \$6,809.70.

T. Building Use Applications

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves the following Building Use Applications:

<u>Organization Group/Location/Purpose</u>	<u>Date and Time Slot</u>
Parent Training - Meghan Cafone Stevenson Room 30	7:00 PM to 8:30 PM Retroactively to 3/26/2024 & 5/7/2024
Corporal James High - Fairfield Police Department - LEAD Graduation Atlantic Health helicopter landing	May 20, 2024 at 11:00 AM

U. Purchase and Installation of Backstop Fencing for Fields in the Fairfield School District

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education received two quotes from the following contractors for purchase and installation of backstop fencing for fields at Adlai E. Stevenson and Winston S. Churchill Schools:

Vendor Name	Stevenson	Churchill	TOTAL
Barcia Bros. Fence Company	\$13,100	\$12,800	\$25,900
JGB Sports, LLC	\$19,760	\$18,560	\$38,320

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education approves the purchase and installation of backstop fencing for fields in the Fairfield School District from Barcia Bros. Fence Company in the amount of \$25,900 and this will necessitate a transfer.

Business/Finance Resolutions Items A-U

Introduced by: Andrea Bellise-Jandoli

Seconded by: Angela Altaai

Discussion: None

ROLL CALL

Ms. Bellise-Jandoli, Mr. Fede, Ms. Street, Ms. Altaai, Mr. DePascale - All Ayes

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None

IX. NEW BUSINESS

None

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Melinda Street reported on Special Education and HSA

- SEPAG meeting - Attorney spoke about “Parental Rights”.
- HSA upcoming event:
 - Tricky Tray event on May 15, 2024
 - Color Run as a success raise \$13,000
 - Career Day was a wonderful event and thank everyone

Angela Altaai reported on Curriculum and Technology

- New math program for next year (2 classroom sets and teacher editions ordered);
- Both school sent out some damaged chromebooks for repairs;
- Meeting regarding Server Relocation project;
- NJSLA testing

Andrea Bellise-Jandoli

- Lauren Mattaliano, co-vice president of Fairfield Education Foundation clarified that the process to decide where monies will be allotted has begun and the process for grant submissions.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Nicole Sudol - Reassignment of kindergarten aides: response addressed by Dr. Ciccotelli and Mr. DePascale

Alexis Fabbriatore - Can funds from FEA be used for kindergarten aides: response addressed by Mr. DePascale

Mr. Piccinnini - Asked about staffing and budgets issues: response addressed by Mr. DePascale and Mr. Fede

Gail Bottone - Asked if parents or community members could volunteer as aides: response addressed by Dr. Ciccotelli

Nancy Bertoldi - Addressed her employment position - response addressed by Dr. Ciccotelli

Allison Measso - Recap about kindergarten aides, staffing and ballot questions - response addressed by Mr. DePascale, Ms. Marano and Meghan Cafone

Desiree Agrifolio - Ask about personnel - response addressed by Dr. Ciccotelli, Mr. DePascale and Ms. Marano

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Lauren Mattaliano - Asked about the ballot questions - response addressed by Ms. Marano and Dr. Ciccotelli

Melissa Podeia - Asked about the kindergarten aides - response addressed by Dr. Ciccotelli

Frank LaMorte - Asked about the kindergarten aides, transportation and ways to save money in the district

Ashil Antonakos - Asked what the plan is going forward since busing has been eliminated. Ms. Antonakos also spoke about the FEA: response addressed by Mr. DePascale and Ms. Bellise-Jandoli

John Fabbriatore - Asked about the relocation of the server room: response addressed by Ms. Marano

Tracy Ripa - Asked about the bid for server room: response addressed by Ms. Marano

Tyler Masterson - Asked about the staff position on the ballot questions: response addressed by Dr. Ciccotelli, Mr. DePascale and Ms. Cafone

Christine Cifelli - Asked about looking to the township to analysis the school budget: response addressed by Mr. DePascale and Mr. Fede

XII. NEXT MEETING

BE IT RESOLVED that the next meeting will be held, in person, on May 22, 2024, Public Work Session beginning at 6:00 PM followed by Executive Session with Public Session resuming at approximately 7:30 PM, at the Fairfield Municipal Building.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting is hereby adjourned.

Introduced by: Andrea Bellise-Jandoli Seconded by: Angela Altaai Time: 9:50 PM

ROLL CALL

Ms. Bellise-Jandoli, Mr. Fede, Ms. Street, Ms. Altaai, Mr. DePascale - All Ayes