

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
LITTLE FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT
LITTLE FALLS, NEW JERSEY**

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 Agenda

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. FLAG SALUTE
- III. PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Public Meetings Act, the Little Falls Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting by notifying the Board's official newspaper, the local parent-teacher associations, and posting same on the Community Bulletin Board and the District's Website.

IV. ROLL CALL

V. CORRESPONDENCE

VI. MINUTES

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVE that the Little Falls Board of Education approve the Minutes of the following meetings.

- 1. Reorganization Meeting – January 19, 2021

VII. OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC – **(Limited to Agenda Items Only)**

VIII. PRESENTATION

IX. REPORTS

A. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

B. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (Mrs. Tracey L. Marinelli)

- 1. Superintendent's Report.

(Exhibit A)

C. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY REPORT- (Christopher Jones)

D. FINANCE & INSURANCE COMMITTEE (Mrs. Kribs)

1. PRESENTATION OF BILLS:

RECOMMENDED ACTION by the Superintendent, in consultation with the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, move that the Little Falls Board of Education approve the list of bills dated February 16, 2021, Warrant No.'s #27174 thru #27255(Current Account) totaling \$;2,066,033.41 Warrant No. # 1210 (Cafeteria Account) totaling \$28,965.11 be paid if, properly sworn to and funds are available in accordance with Board of Education Policy and to be appended to the minutes of this meeting. The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11I3, certifies that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a) and the Board of Education, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4, certifies that after review of the Board Secretary's & Treasurer's --monthly financial reports that no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b). Further, the Board of Education and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary certify that major accounts/fund balances have not been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

(Exhibit B)

2. TRANSFERS – JANUARY 31, 2021

RECOMMENDED ACTION by the Superintendent, in consultation with the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, move that the Little Falls Board of Education authorize the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary's action of making transfers prior to the Board Meeting as per the attached January 31, 2021 Transfer Report.

(Exhibit B-1)

3. TREASURER AND SECRETARY'S REPORTS – JANUARY

RECOMMENDED ACTION by the Superintendent, in consultation with the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, moved that the Little Falls Board of Education accept the Treasurer and Secretary's Reports for the month ending January 31, 2020.

(Exhibit C)

4. APPROVAL OF PURCHASE – TELEPHONE AND WIFI INFRASTRUCTURE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10 {a);} and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), and based upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator /Board Secretary, The Little Falls Board of Education, by this resolution and without advertising for bids, authorizes the purchase of Data Communications Equipment from the following listed State Contract vendor who participates with the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program. The State Contract vendor agrees to sell Data Communications Equipment to the Little Falls Board of Education in accordance and subject to all conditions applicable to the individual state contract at a cost of \$17,848 plus shipping.

Vendor	NOA#	State Contract #	Description
Eastern Data Comm,	M7000	88132	Data Communications Equip.

5. APPROVAL OF THE ADDENDUM TO THE LITTLE FALLS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Little Falls Board of Education (“Board”) and the Little Falls Education Association (“Association”) have negotiated an addendum to the Little Falls Education Association Contract (“Addendum”), which is attached to this Resolution and made a part hereof; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby ratifies and approves the Addendum immediately; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute on behalf of the Board, the Addendum by and between the Board and the Association.

(Exhibit D)

6. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS

As per the recommendation of the Superintendent moved that the Little Falls Board of Education accept, pursuant to Board of Education Policy #7230, “Gifts, Grants and Donations,” the following donations for:

A. Acceptance of 111 \$25.00 Amazon Gift cards donated by the Little Falls Education Foundation

E. EDUCATION COMMITTEE (Dr. Rachel Capizzi)

1. APPROVAL OF LDTC INTERNSHIP 20/21 SY

As per the recommendation of the Superintendent moved that the Little Falls Board of Education approve the following William Patterson University student, for an internship with Dawn Daura/Jessica Purn, LDTC, January 25, 2021 through May 3, 2021.

Lorin Muir

2. APPROVE/RATIFY HOME INSTRUCTION

RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT, move that the Little Falls Board of Education approve home instruction services to district student #2002689. Home instruction not to exceed 5 hours per day retroactive to February 8, 2021 through March 22, 2021.

3. APPROVAL OF CALDWELL UNIVERSITY STUDENT TEACHER INTERNSHIP FALL 2021/2022 SEMESTER

As per the recommendation of the Superintendent moved that the Little Falls Board of Education approve student teacher internship for the following Caldwell University student effective September 1, 2021 through December 22, 2021.

Gabrielle Santana

F. REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE/BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE
(Mr. Thomas Breitwieser)

G. PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE (Mrs. Lauren Verdi)

1. SALARY GUIDE ADVANCEMENT

RECOMMENDED ACTION by the Superintendent move that the Little Falls Board of Education approve, pursuant to Article XVII of the contract between the Little Falls Board of Education and the Little Falls Education Association, the following salary guide advancement effective February 1, 2021.

Maribel Bayo
MA STEP 10
MA 15 STEP 10

Christine Fiorendino
BA STEP 14
BA 15 STEP 14

Vincent Plateroti
MA 15 STEP 9
MA 30 STEP 9

Lynn Donovan
MA 15 STEP 14
MA 30 STEP 14

2. APPROVAL OF MATERNITY LEAVE OF ABSENCE 20/21- 21/22 SCHOOL YEAR

RECOMMENDED ACTION by the Superintendent move that the Little Falls Board of Education, approve the following maternity leave of absence:

20/21 School Year *pending the birth of the child

Name	Position/ Location	Leave Start Date	Accumulated Sick days Applied	FMLA Start date	NJFLA Date	EXTENDEND LEAVE (Unpaid without benefits)	Date of Return (Anticipated)
4211	Sch 2	03/15/21	30 sick days 3 Personal days 3/15/2021-5/7/2021				5/10/2021

21/22 School Year

Name	Position/ Location	Leave Start Date	Accumulated Sick days Applied	FMLA Start date	NJFLA Date	EXTENDEND LEAVE (Unpaid without benefits)	Date of Return (Anticipated)
4211	Sch 2				09/01/2021- 11/24/2021 (12 weeks)		11/29/22

3. APPROVAL OF TRAVEL/CONFERENCE EXPENSES
 RECOMMENDED ACTION by the Superintendent move that the Little Falls Board of Education approve travel/conference expenses as noted for the following district employees/board members: (Exhibit E)

4. AMMEND APPROVAL OF MATERNITY LEAVE OF ABSENCE 20/21-21/22 SY
 RECOMMENDED ACTION by the Superintendent move that the Little Falls Board of Education, approve the following maternity leave of absence:

20/21 School Year

Name	Position/ Location	Leave Start Date	Accumulated Sick days Applied	FMLA Start date	NJFLA Date	EXTENDEND LEAVE (Unpaid without benefits)	Date of Return (Anticipated)
4800	Sch 3	06/01/20	0 sick days			09/01/20- 06/30/21	

21/22 School Year

Name	Position/ Location	Leave Start Date	Accumulated Sick days Applied	FMLA Start date	NJFLA Date	EXTENDEND LEAVE (Unpaid without benefits)	Date of Return (Anticipated)
4800	Sch 3	1	0 sick days			09/01/21- 06/30/22	09/01/22

5. APPROVE/RATIFY HOME INSTRUCTION
 RECOMMENDED ACTION BY THE SUPERINTENDENT, move that the Little Falls Board of Education approve Briana Cruz to provide home instruction services to district student 2002689 at a rate of \$30.00 per hour. Home instruction not to exceed 2.5 hours per day, effective February 8, 2021 through March 22, 2021.
6. APPROVE/RATIFY HOME INSTRUCTION
 RECOMMENDED ACTION BY THE SUPERINTENDENT, move that the Little Falls Board of Education approve Tiffany Studzinski to provide home instruction services to district student 2002689 at a rate of \$30.00 per hour. Home instruction not to exceed 2.5 hours per day, effective February 8, 2021 through March 22, 2021.

H. HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE (Mr. Doug Jandoli)

I. POLICY COMMITTEE (Mr. Michael Murphy)

J. REFERENDUM COMMITTEE (Mr. Fred DeMarco)

K. COMMITTEE REPORTS

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XI. OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

XII. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIV. ADJOURNMENT