



RIDGEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Education Center
49 Cottage Place, Ridgewood, NJ 07450
AGENDA

April 29, 2024

Regular Public Meeting 5:00 p.m.
Adjourn to Executive Session 5:00 p.m.
Reopen to Public Meeting 7:00 p.m.

The Public can view, listen and comment during the public comment period of the meeting via:

- **Physically attending at the Education Center (*following pandemic protocols*)**
- **Zoom** from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone Android device (meeting ID 870-1302 7741)
 - Password: 062607450 (use “raise hand” button to make a comment)
- **Phone at: 646-558-8656**
 - Password: 062607450 (*press *9 to make a comment*)
- **Streaming on the [District website](#)**
- **Watching on Fios Channel 33**

MEETING REGULATIONS

At all regular meetings, two opportunities are provided for citizens to make comments. The public comment period will be scheduled after student presentations. The second comment period will be at approximately 9:00 p.m. or just prior to the end of the meeting, whichever occurs first. The first opportunity may be limited by the presiding officer to conclude at about 8:00 p.m. in order for the Board to continue with its scheduled agenda. The second opportunity will occur at about 9:00 p.m. at the discretion of the presiding officer taking into consideration a break in the agenda.

At every opportunity for public comment, citizens are invited to comment on subjects on the agenda or general topics. At the discretion of the presiding officer, public comments may be permitted at other times.

Please remember this is a public meeting. Anything you say will be a public record. As a result, pursuant to law, the Board of Education cannot respond to you publicly concerning certain matters, such as those regarding an individual student or personnel. If there is a matter that you wish to remain private concerning personnel or students, please contact the Superintendent's Office. Public comment periods shall also be governed by the following rules:

1. Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise, sign in, and state their names and addresses.
2. Each speaker shall be limited to four minutes. The Board Recorder will note the time. A speaker who has not finished in the allotted time will be directed by the presiding officer to summarize quickly and relinquish the floor within 30 seconds (bylaw 0167).
3. Comments shall be limited to issues. If personal remarks or discourteous statements are made, the presiding officer shall require the speaker to stop.
4. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer, no participant may address or question Board members individually.
5. No participants may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.
6. Questions requiring investigation shall be referred by the Board to the Superintendent's Office for consideration and later response. A participant may be asked to submit such questions in written format.

Mission Statement

The Ridgewood Public Schools, committed to a tradition of excellence and innovation, in partnership with the community, provide a rich and challenging learning environment, enabling students to maximize their unique potentials to become life-long learners and productive, responsible citizens.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL **Ms. Brogan**

II. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION **Ms. Brogan**

Whereas the Ridgewood Board of Education seeks to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 to discuss matters pertaining to negotiations, confidential student matters and personnel. The minutes of this closed session will be released when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

III. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE **Ms. Brogan**

IV. OPENING STATEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER **Ms. Brogan**

V. PRESENTATIONS **Dr. Schwarz**

A. Retirement Recognition

- Nancy Reilly, Ridgewood High School
- Suzanne Zilvetti, George Washington Middle School

B. Student Representative Report

- Sarah Bronstein, Ridgewood High School

VI. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC **Ms. Brogan**

VII. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2024-2025 BUDGET **Dr. Schwarz**

A. FINAL BUDGET PRESENTATION

- Dr. Mark Schwarz, Superintendent of Schools
- Ms. Julie Kot, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

B. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON THE 2024-2025 BUDGET **Ms. Brogan**

C. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2024-2025 BUDGET **Dr. Schwarz**

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT **Dr. Schwarz**

IX. CONSENT ITEMS: REGULAR AND ROUTINE ISSUES **Dr. Schwarz**

A. ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves Attendance at Conferences, as listed on [Attachment A](#).

B. ADMINISTRATION

i. Approval: Receipt of Suspensions and Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Reports

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools approves the recommendation of the findings of the suspensions and confidential HIB reports received since the last Board meeting.

ii. Approval: Submission of the High School Voter Registration Law Annual Statement of Assurance for the 2023-2024 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the submission of the High School Voter Registration Law Annual Statement of Assurance for the 2023-2024 school year.

The Board has received background information

C. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

i. Approval: Field Trips

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves field trips as listed on [Attachment B](#).

ii. Approval: Win At Social, Inc. d/b/a The Social Institute Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves a one-year agreement with Win At Social, Inc. d/b/a The Social Institute for online, interactive lessons to be used in the new Middle School 101 course in the 2024-2025 school year, for a total cost of \$4,800.

The Board has received background information.

iii. Approval: Curriculum Consultation Agreement with Pamela Koutrakos

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves an agreement with Pamela Koutrakos for 40 hours of K-5 English Language Arts curriculum consultation and collaboration targeting reading and writing units to be completed in July 2024, at a rate of \$350 per hour, for a total of \$14,000.

The Board has received background information.

iv. Approval: 2024 Preschool Special Needs Summer Program

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2024 Preschool Special Needs Summer Program for students currently in the Preschool Special Needs Program.

The summer program will meet at Glen School from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., five days per week, for four weeks, from June 24, 2024 through July 19, 2024.

This is a tuition-free program.

v. Approval: 2024 Elementary K-5 Special Needs Summer Program

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2024 Elementary K-5 Special Needs Summer Program for students currently in Kindergarten through Grade 5.

The summer program will meet at Glen School from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., five days per week, for four weeks, June 24, 2024 through July 19, 2024.

This is a tuition-free program.

vi. Approval: 2024 Middle School Grades 6-8 Special Needs Summer Program

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2024 Middle School Grades 6-8 Special Needs Summer Program for students currently in Grades 6 through 8 in self-contained programs during the school year at BFMS and GWMS.

The summer program will meet at Ridgewood High School from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., five days per week, for four weeks, June 24, 2024 through July 19, 2024.

This is a tuition-free program.

vii. Approval: 2024 Middle School Grades 6-8 Enrichment Summer Program

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2024 Middle School Grades 6-8 Enrichment Summer Program for students currently in Grades 6 through 8 in a special education program during the school year at BFMS and GWMS.

The summer program will meet at Ridgewood High School from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., four days per week (Tuesday - Friday), for four weeks, June 24, 2024 through July 19, 2024.

This is a tuition-free program.

viii. Approval: 2024 Grades K-8 Social Emotional Learning Club Summer Program:

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2024 Grades K-8 Social Emotional Learning Club Program for students currently in Grades K through 8.

The summer program will meet at Ridge School (Grades K-5) and Ridgewood High School (Grades 6-8) from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., five days per week, for four weeks, June 24, 2024 through July 19, 2024.

This is a tuition-free program.

ix. Approval: 2024 Summer RISE Program/PREP Program

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2024 Summer RISE Program/PREP Program for students who are currently in the RISE Program/SAIL/PREP Program.

Classes for the Pre-K RED RISE program will meet at Glen School, five days per week, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., for six weeks, June 24, 2024, through August 2, 2024.

Classes for the elementary ABA RISE program will meet at Glen School, five days per week, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., for six weeks, June 24, 2024, through August 2, 2024.

Classes for the middle school PREP program will meet at Ridgewood High School five days per week, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., for five weeks, June 24, 2024 through July 26, 2024.

Classes for the high school PREP program will meet at Ridgewood High School, five days per week, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., for five weeks, June 24, 2024 through July 26, 2024.

This is a tuition-free program.

x. Approval: 2024 Structured Literacy Program

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2024 Structured Literacy Program. The program is tuition-free.

Classes for the K-5 Structured Literacy Program will meet at Ridge School, four days per week (1.25 hours each session/per student), Monday through Thursday, from 9:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., for four weeks, June 24, 2024, through July 18, 2024.

Classes for the 6-12 Structured Literacy Program will meet at Ridgewood High School, four days per week (1.25 hours each session/per student), Monday through Thursday, from 9:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., for four weeks, June 24, 2024, through July 18, 2024.

This is a tuition-free program.

xi. Approval: 2024 Summer PERL Program

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2024 Summer PERL Program for students who are currently in the PERL Program.

Classes for the elementary PERL program will meet at Ridgewood High School, five days per week, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., for five weeks, June 24, 2024, through July 26, 2024.

Classes for the middle school PERL program will meet at Ridgewood High School, five days per week, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., for five weeks, June 24, 2024, through July 26, 2024.

This is a tuition-free program.

xii. Approval: 2024 Summer STEPSS (18-21) Program

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2024 STEPSS Program for students who are currently in the STEPSS Program.

Classes for the STEPSS program will meet at Oak Street Campus five days per week, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., for five weeks, June 24, 2024, through July 26, 2024. This is a tuition-free program.

xiii. Approval: 2024 Community School Summer Academies

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2024 Community School Summer Academies courses and tuition price description as seen in [Attachment C](#).

xiv. Approval: 2024 Community School Summer Adventure Program

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2024 Community School Summer Adventure Program and tuition

price description as seen in [Attachment D](#).

xvi. Approval: 2024 Additional New Summer Community School Program

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the additional 2024 Summer Community School Program as seen in [Attachment E](#).

xvii. Approval: Revision 2024 Approved Summer Community School Programs

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the revisions to the 2024 Summer Community School Programs that were approved at the March 4, 2024, Board of Education Meeting as listed on [Attachment F](#).

xviii. Approval: Agreement SE#5/2023-2024

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves Agreement SE#5/2023-2024 between the parents of student #909438 and the Ridgewood Board of Education.

The Board has received background information.

D. HUMAN RESOURCES

i. 2023-2024 Teacher Recognition Honorees

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following nominees for the 2023-2024 Teacher Recognition Program.

Educational Services Professional	Kate Killby
Hawes Elementary School	Erica Lisa
Orchard Elementary School	Xue Tan
Ridge Elementary School	Jacqueline Sullivan
Somerville Elementary School	Ross Dembin
Travell Elementary School	Stephen Polanin
Willard Elementary School	Kelsey Parrasch
Benjamin Franklin Middle School	Benjamin Ran
George Washington Middle School	Odalys Romano
Ridgewood High School	Douglas Aday

Each award recipient will receive a stipend of \$500 (\$250 awarded by the individual Home and School Association and \$250 by the Board) for use in their classroom next year.

ii. Ridgewood Public Schools RAA, REA*, and REAS* for the 2024-2025 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the renewal of RAA, REA*, and REAS* staff as of April 29, 2024, for the 2024-2025 school year, as listed on [Attachment G](#).

*Salaries pending negotiations

iii. Appointments

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the appointments listed below, subject to receipt of appropriate documentation and the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) certificate, if required.

iii-a. 2023-2024 School Year - Appointments

Name	Assignment	Location	Effective Date	NJDOE Certificate	Salary	Account #
Teacher						
Walsh, Evan	LOA School Counselor	Hawes	05/06/24-06/30/24	Standard School Counselor	\$185 per day until certification is issued \$64,817 Cl. BA, St. 1 Upon issuance of certification	11-000-218-104-00-02-019-000

iii-b. Paraprofessionals for the 2023-2024 School Year

Name	Assignment	Location	Hours per day	Days per week	Salary	Effective Date	Account #
Osman, Amna	ABA Non-Certified	Glen	5.75	5	\$24,455	05/06/24-06/30/24	11-000-216-100-106-00-01-024-001

iii-c. 2023-2024 School Year Field Placement

Name	College/University	Placement	Supervisor	Location	Effective Date
Walsh, Evan	Seton Hall University	Practicum School Counselor	David Bailey	Hawes/RHS revision	09/01/23-05/03/24

iii-d. 2024-2025 School Year Field Placements

Name	College/University	Placement	Supervisor	Location	Effective Date
Kelly, Madison	Montclair State University	Clinical I and Clinical II	Kathryn Droske	Somerville	08/28/24-05/09/25
Khalil, Khalid	Montclair State University	Clinical I and Clinical II	Ross Dembin	Somerville	08/28/24-05/09/25
Leahy, Skylar	Montclair State University	Clinical I and Clinical II	Pia, Shannon	Somerville	08/28/24-05/09/25
Mathew, Sara	Montclair State University	Clinical I and Clinical II	Elizabeth Janowski	Somerville	08/28/24-05/09/25

iii-e. Additional: 2024 Spring Coaching Assignments

Assistant Coach for Girls Track

- **Uzoaru, Raymond**, Step II, Ratio 0.055, Total Stipend \$5,289

iii-f. Infant/Toddler Development Center

Name	Assignment	Location	Hours per day	Days per week	Hourly Rate	Effective Date	Account #
Gluckow, Thomas	Aide (High School)	ITDC	3	5	\$15.13	04/30/24-06/30/24	62-990-100-106-00-62-060-001
Vasan, Myra	Aide (High School)	ITDC	3	5	\$15.13	04/30/24-06/30/24	62-990-100-106-00-62-060-001

iii-g. Home Instructors, on an as-needed basis, for the 2023-2024 School Year

Name	Assignment	Location	Hourly Rate	Account #
Vasi, Gilda	Special Education	BFMS	\$60.32	11-219-100-101-00-24-024-001
O'Brien, Cheryl	Special Education	RHS	\$59.36	11-219-100-101-00-24-024-001
Murphy, Kristin	Special Education	RHS	\$58.09	11-219-100-101-00-24-024-001

iii-h. Permanent Substitute for the 2023-2024 School Year

Name	Location	Hourly Rate	Account #
Farfalla, Jenna	Hawes	\$32.17	11-120-100-101-00-00-019-002
Howes, Kassandra	BFMS	\$32.17	11-130-100-101-00-019-002
Wynne, Hugh	GWMS	\$32.17	11-130-100-101-00-019-002

iii-i. Substitutes for the 2023-2024 School Year Teachers

Chowdhry, Chandrika
Smith, Brianna

\$160 Daily Rate

Secretaries

Zaveri, Salomee

\$18.50 per hour

*Related to a staff member

iv. Change of Assignments for the 2023-2024 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the change of assignments for the 2023-2024 school year, as listed below.

Name	From FTE Assignment Location	From Salary/ Hourly Rate	To FTE Assignment Location	To Salary/ Hourly Rate	Effective Date	Account #
Teachers						
Arana, Ada	1.0 FTE WL Spanish GWMS	\$119,007 (\$117,207 + \$300 CP + \$1,500 longevity) Cl. MA+45, St. 18	1.40 FTE WL Spanish GWMS	\$165,890 (\$164,090 + \$300 CP + \$1,500 longevity) Cl. MA+45, St. 18 (non-pensionable)	04/29//24- 06/30/24	11-130-100-101-07-09-019-000
Gallagher, Kailey	1.0 FTE PE/Health RHS	\$65,817 Cl. BA, St. 3	1.20 FTE PE/Health RHS	\$78,980 Cl. BA, St. 3 (non-pensionable)	04/15/24- 06/19/24	11-140-100-101-06-10-019-000
Gill, Melissa	1.0 FTE WL Spanish BFMS	\$92,117 Cl. MA, St. 14	1.40 FTE WL Spanish BFMS	\$128,964 Cl. MA, St. 14 (non-pensionable)	04/29//24- 06/30/24	11-130-100-101-07-08-019-000
Lauro, Livia	1.0 FTE Physical Education RHS	\$103,267 Cl. MA, St. 17	1.20 FTE Physical Education RHS	\$123,920 Cl. MA, St. 17 (non-pensionable)	04/15/24- 06/19/24	11-140-100-101-06-10-019-000
McCullough, Amanda	1.0 FTE Mathematics RHS	\$119,007 (\$117,207 + \$300 CP + \$1,500) Cl. MA+45, St. 18	1.20 FTE Mathematics RHS	\$142,448 (\$140,648 + \$300 CP + \$1,500) Cl. MA+45, St. 18 (non-pensionable)	04/03/24- 04/18/24 revision	11-140-100-101-01-10-019-000
Mende, Allison	1.0 FTE PE/Health RHS	\$79,217 (\$78,917 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA, St. 7	1.20 FTE PE/Health RHS	\$95,000 (\$94,700 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA, St. 7 (non-pensionable)	04/15/24- 06/19/24	11-140-100-101-06-10-019-000
Nadi, Paola	1.0 FTE Librarian/ Media Specialist BFMS	\$126,039 (\$117,207 + \$300 CP + \$1,500 longevity + \$7,032 ratio) Cl. MA+45, St. 18	1.20 FTE Librarian/ Media Specialist BFMS	\$149,480 (\$140,648 + \$300 CP + \$1,500 longevity + \$7,032 ratio) Cl. MA+45, St. 18 (non-pensionable)	04/15/24- 06/19/19	11-000-222-104-00-08-019-000
Paulino, Emely	1.0 FTE WL Spanish BFMS	\$92,117 Cl. MA, St. 14	1.20 FTE WL Spanish BFMS	\$128,964 Cl. MA, St. 14 (non-pensionable)	04/29//24- 06/30/24	11-130-100-101-07-08-019-000
Richardson, Monika	1.0 FTE Computer Science/ Mathematics RHS	\$117,507 (\$117,207 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA+45, St. 18	1.20 FTE Computer Science/ Mathematics RHS	\$140,948 (\$140,648 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA+45, St. 18 (non-pensionable)	04/03/24- 04/18/24 revision	11-140-100-101-01-10-019-000

Scevola, Adam	1.0 FTE Mathematics RHS	\$96,927 (\$96,627 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA+45, St. 12	1.20 FTE Mathematics RHS	\$116,252 (\$115,952 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA+45, St. 12 (non-pensionable)	04/03/24- 04/18/24 revision	11-140-100-101-01-10-019-000
Turkington, Sean	1.0 FTE Mathematics RHS	\$119,007 (\$117,207 + \$300 CP + \$1,500 longevity) Cl. MA+45, St. 18	1.20 FTE Mathematics RHS	\$142,448 (\$140,648 + \$300 CP + \$1,500 longevity) Cl. MA+45, St. 18 (non-pensionable)	04/03/24- 04/18/24 revision	11-140-100-101-01-10-019-000
Van Hise, Brian	1.0 FTE Mathematics RHS	\$103,227 (\$102,927 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA+45, St. 15	1.20 FTE Mathematics RHS	\$123,812 (\$123,512 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA+45, St. 15 (non-pensionable) revision	04/03/24- 04/18/24 revision	11-140-100-101-01-10-019-000
Vergona, Alexandra	1.0 FTE PE/Health RHS	\$71,917 Cl. MA, St. 1	1.20 FTE PE/Health RHS	\$86,300 Cl. MA, St. 1 (non-pensionable)	04/15/24- 06/19/24	11-140-100-101-06-10-019-000
Paraprofessionals						
Cruz, Melissa	ABA Non-Certified Ridge	\$24,455	ABA Certified Ridge	\$28,257	04/15//24- 06/30/24	11-000-217-106-00-04-024-001
Lohr, Jennifer	Brailist/Job Coach RHS	\$30,649	ABA Certified RHS	\$29,105	04/04/24- 06/30/24	11-000-217-106-00-10-024-001
Ozturk, Yesim	ABA Non-Certified Glen	\$24,455	ABA Certified Glen	\$28,257	04/17//24- 06/30/24	11-000-217-106-00-01-024-001

v. Resignations for the Purpose of Retirement

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the resignations for the purpose of retirement listed below.

Name	Assignment	Location	Years of Service	Effective Date
Teachers				
Donnelly, James	English	RHS	16	07/01/24
Handy, Mary Louise	Grade 6 Social Studies	GWMS	25	07/01/24
Reilly, Nancy	Spec Ed Science	RHS	25	07/01/24
Zilvetti, Suzanne	Grade 8 Science	GWMS	25	07/01/24

vi. Resignation

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the resignation as listed below.

Name	Assignment	Location	Effective Date
Teacher			
Lyons, Kelly	Spec Ed Resource	Willard	07/01/24
Saltalamacchia, Julianne	Spec Ed Resource	Hawes	07/01/24

vii. Administrative Leave with Pay

It is recommended that the Board approve employee #7665 for administrative leave of absence with pay effective April 17, 2024, through TBD.

viii. Leave of Absence

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the leave of absence, as listed below.

Name	Assignment	Location	Type of Leave	New/ Revision	Paid	Unpaid w/ Benefits	Unpaid w/out Benefits	Return to Work
Adams, Brianna	Special Education Inclusion	GW	Medical/ Family	Revision	02/12/24-04/02/24	04/03/24-06/21/24	N/A	08/28/24
Batista, Giselle	School Psychologist	RHS	Medical/ Family	Revision	05/15/23-06/30/23	09/01/23-11/30/23	12/01/23-06/30/25	08/27/25
Cigolini, Lucille	Grade 6 English	BF	Family	New	04/19/24-05/10/24	N/A	N/A	05/13/24
Grippaldi, Jaclyn	Grade 1 in 24-25	Somerville	Medical/ Family	New	N/A	08/28/24-11/29/24	12/02/24-01/14/25	01/15/25
Kaplysh, Ingrid	Spanish	GW	Medical/ Family	Revision	04/26/24-05/23/24	05/29/24-12/13/24	N/A	12/16/24
Vitale, Alicia	Music	Somerville	Medical/ Family	New	8/28/24-10/11/24	10/14/24-01/30/25	N/A	01/31/25

ix. Supplemental Pay Beyond Contract

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the supplemental pay beyond contract, as listed below.

ix-a. Academic Study Hall/Detention Supervision for the 2023-2024 School Year

Name	Location	# Days per week each	Hourly Rate	Account #
Watson, Andrea	RHS	5	\$40.17	11-140-100-101-00-10-010-001

ix-b. Chaperones for the 2023-2024 School Year

Name	Trip/ Activity	Dates	# of Nights per person	# of hours/ Days per person	Hourly Daily Rate per person	Total not to exceed per person	Account #
Willard Elementary School							
Brandao, Luciana Feder, Karen	Fourth Grade Ellis Island	05/03/24	N/A	2	\$19.83	\$39.66	11-401-100-101-00-07-007-001
Lucchesi, Michael Ong, Jerome Scully, Brett	Fifth Grade Circus Performance	04/19/24	N/A	2	\$40.17	\$80.34	11-401-100-101-00-07-007-001
Connor, Danielle Dodd, Rebecca Halter, Wesley Ong, Jerome Tamuzza, Lindsey	Philadelphia	06/05/24	N/A	5	\$40.17	\$200.85	11-401-100-101-00-07-007-001
Neilson, Margaret Seguin, Danielle	Philadelphia	06/05/24	N/A	6	\$19.83	\$118.98	11-401-100-101-00-07-007-001
Luongo, Elizabeth Neilson, Margaret	Sandy Hook	05/01/24	N/A	1	\$19.83	\$19.83	11-401-100-101-00-07-007-001
Connor, Danielle Dodd, Rebecca	Talent Show	04/19/24	N/A	2	\$40.17	\$80.34	11-401-100-101-00-07-007-001
Benjamin Franklin Middle School							
Casler, Erica revision	8th Grade Boston Trip	05/01/24- 05/03/24	2	3	\$200	\$400	11-401-100-101-00-08-008-001
Znakina, Lija volunteer	8th Grade Boston Trip	05/01/24- 05/03/24	2	3	N/A	N/A	11-401-100-101-00-08-008-001

Zlotkin, Amanda	7&8 Grade Spring Concert Jazz Machine	06/4/24	N/A	2.5	\$40.17	\$100.43	11-401-100-101-00-08-008-001
Maskin, Brook Zlotkin, Amanda	7&8 Grade Choir Concert	06/11/24	N/A	2.5	\$40.17	\$100.43	11-401-100-101-00-08-008-001
Maskin, Brook	7&8 Orchestra & Chamber	06/13/24	N/A	2.5	\$40.17	\$100.43	11-401-100-101-00-08-008-001
Ridgewood High School							
Maphis, Kevin Valeri, Amanda	Junior Semi-Formal	04/09/24	N/A	5	\$40.17	\$200.85	11-401-100-101-00-10-010-001

ix-c. Elementary, Middle School, and High School Clubs/Activities for the 2023-2024 School Year

Name	Club	Category	Ratio	Divided by	# of Hours per person	Hourly Rate per person	Pay Per person	Total not to exceed per person	Account #
Somerville Elementary School									
Galeano, Javier	FC Soccer	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	\$40.17	\$241.02	N/A	11-401-100-101-00-05-005-001
Ridgewood High School									
Gibson, Leah Luckenbill, John revision	Winter Twirlers	3	0.028	1	N/A	N/A	\$1,347 revision	N/A	11-401-100-101-00-10-010-001

ix-d. 2023-2024 ESSER Extended Day

Name	Hourly	Account #
Hawes not to exceed from \$9,500 to \$11,500		
Berry, Julianne	\$74.12	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Bodard, Kristen	\$72.77	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Chang, Helen	\$63.00	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Coyne, Albina	\$52.61	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Gao, Jeannie	\$47.04	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Golden, Andrea	\$59.34	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001

Golden, Michelle	\$52.61	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Gorman, Brandi	\$61.41	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Larcara, Lauren	\$48.28	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Nebbia, Charles	\$79.34	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Saltamacchia, Julianne	\$48.28	
Orchard not to exceed from \$15,500 to \$15,000		
Bonfanti, Jill	\$70.49	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Burkett, Jessica	\$58.84	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Galanti, Megan	\$79.94	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Gribben, Hailey	\$52.81	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Heider, Erin	\$68.82	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Lintner, Jessica	\$48.61	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Lynch, Michelle	\$61.11	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Madison, Marissa	\$51.78	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
MacKenzie, Ian	\$47.94	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Meany, Judith	\$54.12	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Redfern, Nicole	\$72.94	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Romito, Ellen	\$59.34	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Saglimbeni, Mary	\$57.44	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Schaffer, Amy	\$77.12	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Tan, Xue	\$57.44	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Ward, Kathryn	\$43.21	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Wolff, Ellen	\$69.49	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Woods, Jamie	\$46.71	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Ridge not to exceed from \$10,500 to \$9,000		
Brandsness, Ashley	\$47.88	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Catalano, Nanci	\$79.40	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Coppola, Michele	\$84.03	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Dittamo, Rachel	\$46.38 revision	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Gill, Shabinder	\$22.19	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Higgins, Dana	\$79.40	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001

Kimbell, Tracee	\$79.34	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Main, Laurie	\$74.66	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
McDermott, Meghan	\$72.12	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Roesemann, Megan	\$64.62	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Sullivan, Jacqueline	\$57.44	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Somerville not to exceed from \$7,500 to \$9,000		
Aynillian, Elizabeth	\$19.83	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Calaman, Kerry	\$79.40	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Fabish, Cassandra	\$71.70	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Finnegan, Kathleen	\$52.51	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Foerch, Summer	\$44.34	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Galeano, Sebastian	\$19.83	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Grippaldi, Jaclyn	\$49.08	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Kaplan, Nancy	\$63.54	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Kiernan, Meredith	\$69.71	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Kirk, Amanda	\$47.94	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Kowalski, Alexandra	\$43.88	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Levanti, Stamatina	\$26.41	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Merhige-Petrick, Donna	\$61.13	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Middleton, Sarah	\$54.08	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Raffo, Karli	\$66.72	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Travell not to exceed from \$6,000 to \$5,500		
DeNunzio, Mary	\$48.61	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Fleming, Dawn	\$76.12	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Nagy, Zsuzsanna	\$78.34 revision	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Porfido, Joann	\$19.83	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Stipanov, Barbara	\$76.12	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Willard not to exceed from \$8,500 to \$9,000		
Blois, Kevin	\$74.12	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Brunner, Dina	\$79.34	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Connor, Danielle	\$61.11	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001

Devaney, Eileen	\$78.34 revision	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Dodd, Rebecca	\$62.52	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Kearns, Christopher	\$69.49	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Lohr, Sarah	\$71.67	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Lyle, Roshanak	\$79.34	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
McCoy, Lydia	\$70.56	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Ong, Jerome	\$75.37	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Rockey, Colleen	\$50.94	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Valentine, Christa	\$79.40	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
RHS not to exceed from \$7,000 to \$5,000		
Contreras, Colleen	\$65.11	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Doris, Michelle	\$78.34	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Driscoll, Samantha	\$57.44	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Fanelli, Alyssa	\$48.61	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Gordon, Julie	\$71.70	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Gyulay, Joseph	\$71.70	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Ingoglia, Brenda	\$78.34	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Minichini, Gina	\$50.08	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Richardson, Monika	\$78.34	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Scevola, Adam	\$64.62	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001
Streitman, Rachel	\$59.35	20-487-100-101-00-22-022-001

ix-e. Compensatory Service

Name	# of Hours	Hourly Rate	Total	Account #
O'Brien, Cheryl	12	\$61.41	\$736.92	11-212-100-101-00-10-010-001

ix-f. Additional pay due to schedule change at BFMS

Name	# of Hours	Hourly Rate	Total	Account #
Porod, Jason	10	\$79.34	\$793.40	11-130-100-101-02-08-019-000

ix-g. Jump Start 1:1 Tutoring - Title 1 for the 2023-2024 School Year, hours determined as needed, inclusive of all staff

Name	Hourly Rate	Account #
Hawes Elementary School from not to exceed \$7,000 to \$ 6,000		
Golden, Andrea	\$59.34	11-120-100-101-00-02-002-001
Raupp, Ellen	\$71.70	11-120-100-101-00-02-002-001
Trubac, Thomas	\$69.80	11-120-100-101-00-02-002-001

ix-h. Lunch Time Supervision for the 2023-2024 School Year

Name	# Days per Week	Hourly Rate	Account #
Somerville Elementary School			
Finnegan, Kathleen	5	\$27.87	11-000-218-104-00-05-005-001

ix-i. Additional Hours for Special Education Supporting Students

Name	# of Hours	Hourly Rate	Total	Account #
Acosta, Kathleen	15	\$62.31	\$934.65	11-000-219-104-00-07-024-001

ix-j. Ridgewood Community School Employees - Summer 2024

Name	Program	# of Hours	Hourly Rate	Monthly Rate	Total stipend not to exceed	Account #
Trubac, Thomas Director	Space Camp	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$8,221.00	13-422-200-100-00-60-019-000
Harney, Thomas Director	Space Camp	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$7,236.00	13-422-200-100-00-60-019-000
Luckenbill, John Director	Summer Music Academies	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$13,000.00 (pending enrollment)	13-422-200-100-00-60-019-000

E. FINANCE

i. Acceptance of Restricted Donations:

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accepts the following restricted gifts for the **2023-2024** school year to be used as indicated.

Donations			
Donor	Amount	Use	Account Number
Anonymous	\$2,000	To be used to purchase new playground equipment for Glen School.	20-2200-000-00-000-000

Lynne Thayer Stroker	\$100	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
Lynne Thayer Stroker	\$100	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
Lynne Thayer Stroker	\$3,000	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
Ridgewood High School Girls Lacrosse	\$905	To be used to pay for the extra cost of hiring a charter bus for Lacrosse games located in Morristown, NJ.	20-045-270-512-00-10-034-003
New York Football Giants, Inc.	\$1,500	To be used to enhance the Wellness Program at Benjamin Franklin Middle School.	20-2200-025-08-008-000
Ridgewood High School Girls Lacrosse	\$1,658	To be used to pay for the extra cost of hiring a charter bus for Lacrosse games located in Cold Spring Harbor, NY.	20-045-270-512-00-10-034-003
Somerville Hawes Dad's Night	\$3,556 (gift in kind)	A gift in kind of a Promethean board for Somerville Elementary School.	N/A

ii. Approval: Joint Transportation Agreement with the South Bergen Jointure Commission (SBJC) 2024-2025

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve an agreement with the South Bergen Jointure Commission, an approved Coordinated Transportation Services Agency, for the purpose of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the 2024-2025 school year. The services to be provided include but are not limited to, Coordinated Transportation of non-public, out-of-district special education, vocational, and summer programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ridgewood Board of Education agrees to abide by the Transportation Services Agreement as published by the South Bergen Jointure Commission and attached to this resolution.

The Board has received background information.

iii. Approval: Joint Transportation Addendum with South Bergen Jointure Commission (SBJC) 2024-2025

WHEREAS, the South Bergen Jointure Commission and the Ridgewood Board of Education are parties to a 2024-2025 agreement for the SBJC, an approved Coordinated Transportation Service Agency, to coordinate transportation services for the Board students; and

WHEREAS, due to a possible public health emergency, school districts may be required to close for health-related reasons; and

WHEREAS, under N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-9, if a school district is subject to a health-related closure for a period longer than three consecutive school days, a jointure commission shall continue to make payments under the terms of a contract with a contracted service provider as if the school facilities remained open, and

WHEREAS, if there are health-related school closures, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-9, the SBJC will be obligated to continue payments to its transportation service providers during the 2024-2025 school year; and

WHEREAS, the SBJC's commitment to continue payment to those contracted transportation service providers is contingent upon the Board's continued payment to the SBJC; and

WHEREAS, the SBJC is desirous of amending the terms of the Agreement to memorialize the Board's responsibility to continue its payment obligations to the SBJC in the event of school closures due to health-related reasons to ensure full compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-9.

The Board has received background information.

iv. Approval: Joint Transportation Agreement with Region 1/Mahwah Board of Education

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve an agreement with the Region 1/Mahwah Board of Education, a Coordinated Transportation Services Agency, for the purpose of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the 2024-2025 school year. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to, the coordinated transportation of public, nonpublic, and special education students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ridgewood Board of Education agrees to abide by the Transportation Services Agreement as published by the Region 1/Mahwah Board of Education and attached to this resolution.

The Board has received background information.

v. Approval: Joint Transportation Agreement with the Essex County Regional Educational Services Commission (ERESC) 2024-2025

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve a contract renewal with the Essex County Regional Educational Services Commission, an approved Coordinated Transportation Services Agency, for the purpose of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the 2024-2025 school year. The services to be provided include but are not limited

to, special education and regular education transportation, as well as field and athletic trips and other unique transportation requests.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ridgewood Board of Education agrees to abide by the Transportation Services Agreement as published by the Essex County Regional Educational Services Commission and attached to this resolution.

The Board has received background information.

**2024-2025 Contract Renewal Rates
Contractor: Scholastic Bus Company**

Route	Route Cost 2024-2025	Aide Cost	# of aides currently anticipated	180 Days	Administrative Fee
Benjamin Franklin Middle School					
BFMS01	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.20	\$2,903.31
BFMS02	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.20	\$2,903.31
BFMS03	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.20	\$2,903.31
BFMS04	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.20	\$2,903.31
BFMS05	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.20	\$2,903.31
George Washington Middle School					
GWSR01	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.20	\$2,903.31
GWSR02	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.20	\$2,903.31
Hawes Elementary School					
HES01	\$537.65	\$150	0	\$96,777.42	\$4,838.87
HES02	\$537.65	\$150	0	\$96,777.42	\$4,838.87
HES03	\$537.65	\$150	0	\$96,777.42	\$4,838.87
HES04	\$537.65	\$150	0	\$96,777.42	\$4,838.87
Ridgewood High School					
RWHS01	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.84	\$2,903.34
RWHS02	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.84	\$2,903.34
RWHS03	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.84	\$2,903.34
RWHS04	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.84	\$2,903.34
RWHS05	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.84	\$2,903.34
RWHS06	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.84	\$2,903.34

RWHS07	\$322.59	\$150	0	\$58,066.84	\$2,903.34
			<i>Totals</i>	\$1,200,045.38	\$60,002.24

vi. Approval: Budget Appropriation Transfers

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves transfers for **February 2024** as shown in the Journal Entry listing pursuant to Policy 6422.

The Board has received background information.

vii. Approval: Budget Appropriation Transfers

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves transfers for **March 2024** as shown in the Journal Entry listing pursuant to Policy 6422.

The Board has received background information.

viii. Approval: Secretary’s Line Item Certification

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received the Report of the Secretary for the month of **February 2024**,

WHEREAS, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(d), the secretary has certified that, as of the date of the report(s), no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education, now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the above referenced reports and certifications and orders that they be attached to and made part of the record of this meeting, and Be it Further Resolved, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-A10(e), the Board of Education certifies that, after review of the secretary’s monthly financial reports (appropriate section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of its knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(a)(1), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the school year.

The Board has received background information.

ix. Approval: Secretary’s Line Item Certification

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received the Report of the Secretary for the month of **March 2024**,

WHEREAS, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(d), the secretary has certified that, as of the date of the report(s), no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments

(contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education, now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the above-referenced reports and certifications and orders that they be attached to and made part of the record of this meeting, and Be it Further Resolved, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-A10(e), the Board of Education certifies that, after review of the secretary’s monthly financial reports (appropriate section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of its knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(a)(1), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the school year.

The Board has received background information.

x. Approval: Acceptance of the Board Secretary and Treasurer Report

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received the report of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month of **February 2024**; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the above-referenced reports and orders that it be attached to and made part of the official record of this meeting.

The Board has received background information.

xi. Approval: Acceptance of the Board Secretary and Treasurer Report

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received the report of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month of **March 2024**; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the above-referenced reports and orders that it be attached to and made part of the official record of this meeting.

The Board has received background information.

xii. Approval: Additional Contracted Vendors to Provide Special Education Services for the 2023-2024 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves additional contracted vendors as listed below:

Contractor	Service	Schedule	Rates
Let’s Talk Speech	Speech Therapy, Evaluation Svc, Case Mgmt	2023-2024 School year	Direct Services: \$110/hr Evals: \$450 Bilingual Evals: \$700

xiii. Approval: Budgeted Regular School Year Out-of-District Placement for the 2023-2024 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the budgeted regular school year out-of-district placement for the 2023-2024 school year as listed below:

- Cornerstone Day School, Cranford, NJ - 1 student

xiv. Approval: Agreement with West Bergen Mental Healthcare

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the agreement with West Bergen Mental Healthcare to provide clinical services for students on a trip to Boston, Massachusetts on May 1, 2024 through May 3, 2024 in the amount of \$2,500.

The Board has received background information.

X. RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS NOT INCLUDED IN CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Schwarz

A. Approval: Adoption of the 2024-2025 Final Budget as approved by the Interim Executive County Superintendent of Schools

WHEREAS, the Ridgewood Board of Education adopted a Tentative 2024-2025 Budget on March 18, 2024, and submitted it to the Interim Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval, and

WHEREAS, the Tentative Budget was approved by the Interim Executive County Superintendent of Schools on April 3, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Tentative Budget was advertised in *The Star Ledger* on April 25, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Final 2024-2025 Budget was presented to the public during a hearing held in the Board of Education Administrative Offices at 49 Cottage Place, Ridgewood, NJ, on April 29, 2024, and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Final 2024-2025 Budget with the following Fund Allocations:

2024-2025 Budget	Budget	Local Tax Levy
Total General Fund	\$132,906,704	\$105,286,462
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$2,454,048	N/A
Total Debt Service Fund	\$3,145,650	\$2,550,753
Grand Total Budget	\$138,506,402	\$107,837,215

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ridgewood Board of Education authorizes the use of, and includes in the proposed budget, a withdrawal from Emergency Reserves in the amount of \$500,000, which will be used to pay for the increases in health benefit premiums; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ridgewood Board of Education authorizes the use of, and includes in the proposed budget, a withdrawal from Maintenance Reserves in the amount of \$1,500,000, for use on required maintenance activities for school facilities as reported in the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan (CMP) pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26-20.5; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ridgewood Board of Education authorizes as included in budget line 600, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve for Local Share, a transfer in the amount of \$6,840,662 from Capital Reserve for the local share of capital project costs for:

- 1) Ridgewood High School HVAC System Upgrades - NJ SDA Project No. 4390-050-23-G5QZ; DOE Project #: 4390-050-23-R501.
- 2) Glen School HVAC System Upgrades - NJ SDA Project No. 4390-080-23-G5RA; DOE Project #4390-080-23-R502.
- 3) Ridge Elementary School HVAC Systems Upgrades - NJ SDA Project No. 4390-090-23-G5RB; DOE Project #4390-090-23-R502.

The total cost of these projects 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.

B. Approval: Adoption of 2024-2025 Maximum Expenditures for Professional Services

RESOLVED that the Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves an annual maximum expenditure for professional services for the 2024-2025 school year. As defined in N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.2(a)1, upon notification if it becomes necessary to exceed the maximum amount, the Board of Education may adopt an increase in the dollar amount through formal Board action:

- Accounting/Auditing Services: \$79,000
- Architectural Services - current expense operations: \$175,000
- Architectural Services - ROD Grant-related capital projects: \$350,000
- Legal Services - General Counsel: \$190,000
- Legal Services - Special Education Counsel: \$150,000
- School Physician: \$38,000

C. Approval: Adoption of 2024-2025 School District Travel Maximum.

RESOLVED that the Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, the Ridgewood Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure, as defined in N.J.A.C 6A:23A-7.1 et seq.,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ridgewood Board of Education includes in the tentative budget a maximum travel expenditure in the amount of \$195,000 for the 2024-2025 school year. The maximum travel expenditure amount for the 2023-2024 school year was

\$220,000, of which \$49,269.83 has been spent and \$51,364.47 has been encumbered as of February 29, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Business Administrator will track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

D. Approval: Adoption of 2024-2025 Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement

RESOLVED that the Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Ridgewood 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;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the 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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education includes in the final budget travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A Subchapter 7, to a maximum expenditure of \$195,000 for all staff and board members for the 2024-2025 school year. The School Business Administrator will track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

E. Approval: 2024-2025 Tax Payment Schedule

RESOLVED that the Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves that the amount of district taxes needed to meet the obligations of this Board during the 2024-2025 school year is \$105,286,462.00 General Fund plus \$2,550,753.00 Debt Service payment and that the Village of Ridgewood is hereby requested to place in the hands of the School Business Administrator that amount according to the following schedule in accordance with the statutes relating thereto:

Date	General Fund	Debt Service	Total
Monday, July 1, 2024	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Monday, July 15, 2024	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Thursday, August 1, 2024	\$5,849,247.89	\$18,700.00	\$5,867,947.89
Tuesday, September 3, 2024	\$5,849,247.89	\$506,625.00	\$6,355,872.89
Tuesday, October 1, 2024	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Tuesday, October 15, 2024	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Friday, November 1, 2024	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Friday, November 15, 2024	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Monday, December 2, 2024	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Thursday, January 2, 2025	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Wednesday, January 15, 2025	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Monday, February 3, 2025	\$5,849,247.89	\$253,700.00	\$6,102,947.89
Monday, March 3, 2025	\$5,849,247.89	\$1,771,728.00	\$7,620,975.89
Tuesday, April 1, 2025	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Tuesday, April 15, 2025	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Thursday, May 1, 2025	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Thursday, May 15, 2025	\$5,849,247.89		\$5,849,247.89
Monday, June 2, 2025	\$5,849,247.87		\$5,849,247.87
TOTAL	\$105,286,462.00	\$2,550,753.00	\$107,837,215.00

F. Authorization: Purchases with Approved State Contract Vendors Pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:18A-10(a)2023-2024

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, authorizes the following purchases with the identified State Contract vendors who agree to sell goods and services to the Ridgewood Board of Education in accordance with all conditions of the individual state contract that may or may not exceed the bid threshold in the aggregate.

Vendor	Description	Contract #	Items Being Purchased	Cost of Purchase
Dell	NASPO ValuePoint	NJ NASPO Contract	1,200 Chromebooks	\$343,920.00

	Computer Equipment, Peripherals & Related Services	M-0483/ 24-TELE-71883		
Dell	NASPO ValuePoint Computer Equipment, Peripherals & Related Services	NJ NASPO Contract M -0483/ 24-TELE-71883	80 All-in-One Computers	\$85,338.40
Keyboard Consultants	Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission Interactive Technology for Classrooms & Meeting Rooms	HCESC Contract HCESC-CAT-23-07	55 Laser Projectors	\$76,395.00

XI. APPROVAL OF BILLS**Ms. Brogan**

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the payment of bills as listed below and reviewed by Mr. Mahmoud.

DATES	DESCRIPTION	CHECK NUMBER	AMOUNTS
April 9	Columbia Bank On-Line	113514	331.79
April 17	Columbia Bank On-Line	113515	925.00
April 29	Columbia Bank On-Line	113516-113672	1,770,867.79
April 29	Columbia Bank On-Line Unemployment	821133	8,025.03
April 15	Electronic Transfer	H 48276	1,358,424.07
April 8	Electronic Transfer	L48290	1,350.00
April 29	Food Service	620461-620462	235,668.70
April 19	Void Check	112904	(2,300.00)
TOTAL			3,373,292.38

XII. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**Ms. Brogan****XIII. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS****Ms. Brogan**

- Finance
- Facilities
- Curriculum
- Policy

XIV. DISCUSSION ITEMS**Ms. Brogan**

- A. Revisions to Bylaw/Policy as listed below:
- [Regulation 9120 Public Information Program](#)
 - [Bylaw 0174 Legal Services](#)

XV. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES	Ms. Brogan
None	
XVI. OTHER BUSINESS	Ms. Brogan
XVII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC	Ms. Brogan
XVIII. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION	Ms. Brogan
XX. RECONVENED PUBLIC MEETING	Ms. Brogan
XXI. ADJOURNMENT	Ms. Brogan

Upcoming Meetings

Monday May 20, 2024
Regular Public Meeting
7:00 p.m. Education Center

Monday June 10, 2024
Regular Public Meeting
7:00 p.m. Education Center