

**LOWER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING
MAY 27, 2026**

Work Session called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Work Session Meeting:

Roll Call:

PRESENT

Cynthia Baldacchini
Lauren Cox
Monica DiVito
Ember Loefflad
James Morris
Lauren Randle
Lindsey Selby
Patricia Smith
Gary Douglass

Also in Attendance:

Van Cathcart, Superintendent
Katie Siciliano, Board Secretary
Brett Gorman, Board Attorney

Agenda Items:

No comments on Agenda Items

Non-Agenda Items:

Policy 5756 Discussion - Mr. Cathcart instructed the board members to gather any questions related to policy 5756 and send them to him for further discussion at the next board meeting. Mr. Gorman gave some guidance related to the state of New Jersey and Strauss Esmay policies and answered some related questions for the board.

Mrs. Siciliano told the board that she is streamlining the board agenda process and hopes to have it ready for the July board meeting.

Mrs. Randle made comments about doing more to educate the community about the roles & responsibilities of the board.

Mrs. Smith followed up with commenting that the Roles & responsibilities of the board members are listed on the district website.

Other Matters:

Motion to enter Executive Session

Motion: Smith Second: Selby

All Voted In Favor

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Personnel: #5439, #5596

Transfers: #4348; #4217; #4810; #4464; #6031; #6075; #4046; #5514; #4300; #5282; #4702;

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#4006; #5022; #4860; #5203; #5486; #6020; #4047

Other Matters:

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Motion to return to Regular Meeting:

Motion: Smith Second: Selby

All Voted In Favor

Regular Meeting: Started at 7:03 p.m.

Roll Call:

PRESENT

Cynthia Baldacchini

Lauren Cox

Monica DiVito

Ember Loefflad

James Morris

Lauren Randle

Lindsey Selby

Patricia Smith

Gary Douglass

Also in Attendance:

Van Cathcart, Superintendent

Katie Siciliano, Board Secretary

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Salute to the Flag

Statement:

Notice of this meeting of the Lower Township Board of Education, listing the Agenda as known, was posted on the Lower Township Elementary Schools website, sent to the Cape May Star and Wave, posted at the Municipal Building, and a copy thereof delivered to the Township Clerk; in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

District Mission Statement:

"Dedicated to academic excellence, Lower Township Elementary Schools will nurture and challenge all students in a safe and innovative learning community. By encouraging respect and responsibility, students become self-directed, passionate, lifelong learners who will reach their potential. We are dedicated to supporting all students in exceeding the New Jersey Student Learning Standards."

Vision Statement:

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Every Student, Every Day, Learning, Teaching, Exploring, Succeeding.

2025-2026 District Goals:

1. The Lower Township Elementary School District will reduce chronic absenteeism across all four schools by a minimum of 3 percentage points by June 2026.
2. By June 2026, the district will complete the onboarding process with eduCLIMBER, with full implementation beginning in the 2026–2027 school year.

2025-2026 Board Goals:

1. Develop an understanding of the proper implementation of Board SMART goals through the stages of adoption, progress monitoring and achievement.
2. Establish Board norms as well as protocols of the roles and responsibilities of the Board and the Superintendent as standards of behavior expected of all Board members in their interactions with each other, the Superintendent, district staff and the community.
3. Develop a comprehensive understanding of district assessments used to measure student achievement, resulting in a better understanding of data and to better equip the Board in supporting district educational priorities.

This meeting will be conducted in accordance with:

District Policy: #0164 Conduct of Board Meetings

District Policy: #0167 Public Participation in Board Meetings

1} REPORTS:

A} Board President: Mr. Douglass recognized three board members with Certificates from NJSBA: Lauren Randle - Extraordinary Service, Monica DiVito - 10 years of Service & Patricia Smith - 20 years of Service

B} Superintendent: Mr. Cathcart made a statement clarifying some questions related to the 26-27 budget presentation from last month's meeting.

C} School Business Administrator: None

D} Presentations: None

E} Committee Reports:

Finance & Facilities Committee - Committee met May 27, 2026. Mr. Douglass provided minutes to the board. Next Meeting June 17, 2026.

Personnel & Management Committee - Committee met May 19 & May 22, 2026 . Mrs. Smith provided minutes to the board. Next Meeting June 15, 2026

Curriculum & Instruction Committee - Committee met May 21, 2026. Mrs. Randle provided minutes to the board. Next Meeting June 10, 2026.

F} Board Comment: Mrs. Randle, Mrs. Cox made positive comments regarding the spring concert and the music program. Mrs. Smith recognized John Hansen's service over the past year in helping the district transition a new BA.

2} APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

April 27, 2026 Regular Meeting & Executive Meeting

Motion: Selby Second: Randle

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Discussion: None

Voted Yes:

Cynthia Baldacchini
Lauren Cox
Monica DiVito
Ember Loefflad
James Morris
Lauren Randle
Lindsey Selby
Patricia Smith
Gary Douglass

3} CONSENT AGENDA:

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON CONSENT ITEMS ONLY:

PLEASE NOTE: Each speaker shall identify him/herself by giving their name and address and will be allowed to speak once for a period not to exceed four minutes. The public comment portion of all Board Meetings shall not exceed forty minutes in total. Prior to the roll call vote, any member of the board may ask for discussion on any of the items within the block.

The following items are believed to be items of a routine nature and will be moved as a block of action items. Prior to the roll call vote, any member may ask for discussion on any of the items without the block.

R. Routine Matters

R-1 Approval of Financial Statements:

Secretary's and custodian's reports for **April 2026** which are in agreement as certified by the Board Secretary, that no budgetary account has been over-expended, in violation of NJAC 6:20-2.12 (a), (d).

R-2 Approval of Transfers: April 2026 {Backup R-2}

R-3 Approval of Bill List: April 27, 2026 - May 27, 2026 {Backup R-3}

R-4 Approval of Cafeteria Report: May 2026 {Backup R-4}

R-5 Approval of Travel: May 2026 {Backup R-5}

P. Personnel:

- 1.** On the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the following substitute be approve for the remainder of 2025-2026 school year: (Backup P-1)

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

Beth Snyder

- 2.** On the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the following Non-FMLA/FMLA/FLI:

EMPLOYEE

#5736

POSITION

Teacher

EFFECTIVE DATE

4/24/26 - 7/31/26 - FMLA Intermittent

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#5919	PT Cafe/Daycare	5/4/26 - 6/19/26 - Non-FMLA
#4041	Teacher	5/5/26 - 6/12/26 - FMLA
#5644	Teacher	5/18/36 - 5/29/26 - Non-FMLA
#4710	Teacher	5/29/26 - 8/28/26 - FMLA
#4575	Teacher	6/5/26 - 7/6/26 - NON-FMLA
#5228	Teacher	9/8/26 - 2/1/27 - FMLA

3. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Lower Township Board of Education accept, with regret, the resignation of John J. Hansen, Interim Assistant School Business Administrator, effective May 1, 2026. (Backup P-3)
4. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the elimination of the position of Administrative Assistant to the Building and Grounds effective June 30, 2026, as part of a Reduction in Force (RIF), in accordance with applicable New Jersey Statutes, Regulations, Board Policy and Collective Bargaining Agreements.
5. ***An addendum was provided for item # 5 prior to the board meeting reflecting a change in the transfer list. The addendum was approved with a separate roll call vote following the consent agenda.***

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the following transfers, effective 2026-2027:

<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>TRANSFERRED FROM</u>	<u>TRANSFERRED TO</u>
Christina Granero	Super. Of Academic Achievement	Principal @ Maud Abrams
Meg Desmond	Guidance Counselor @ Memorial	Guidance Counselor @ Mitnick
Stacey Salerno	PreK Teacher	PreK Relief Teacher @ Memorial
Miken Sheets	BSIP @ Mitnick	PreK Teacher @ Memorial
Alexandra Lihou	Social Worker @ Mitnick	Social Worker @ Memorial
Hanna Christiansan	1st Gr. @ Mitnick	3rd Gr. LLD @ Maud
Janet Baxter	K Intervention @ Mitnick	BSI @ Mitnick
Michelle Keeler	Intervention @ Maud	3rd Gr. @ Maud
Justine Cavanaugh	Intervention @ Sandman	6th Gr. @ Sandman
Bryce Yerk	Intervention @ Maud	Intervention @ Sandman
Greta Pacevich	4th Gr. Advanced @ Maud	5th Gr. Advanced @ Sandman
Rob Ackroyd	3rd Gr. Advanced @ Maud	4th Gr. Advanced @ Maud
Donna Geiger	School Secretary @ Maud	School Secretary @ Mitnick

6. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve Laurie Magargal as School Secretary at the Maud Abrams School, effective July 1, 2026, on the 2nd Step of the LTEEA Secretaries Salary Guide at the rate of \$43,392 with a stipend of \$1,000.00 as school secretary. (Backup P-6)

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7. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve Sabrina Breder, Speech Teacher, for the ESY Summer Program for the 2025-2026 school year at the rate of \$60.00 per hour. (Backup P-7)
- H. Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying:**
 1. The Board affirms the actions taken by the Superintendent and the School Safety Teams, for HIB Sandman #7 2025-2026 and HIB #4 Maud Abrams 2025-2026. (Backup H-1)
- L. Legislative and Internal Policies:**
 1. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the Contract between the Lower Township Board of Education and the Lower Township Little League, Inc. effective April 27, 2026 to April 26, 2027. (Backup L-1)
 2. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the submission of the Comprehensive Equity Plan Statement of Assurance (Year 2) for the 2026-2027 school year to the County. (Backup L-2)
 3. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the Facilities Use Form for the 6th Grade Closing Exercises Ceremony at the Lower Cape May Regional High School PAC for June 15, 2026. (Backup L-3)
- E. Education:**
 1. On the recommendation of the Supervisor of Special Services, that the Lower Township Board of Education certifies that the Medicaid Annual Notification Regarding Parental Consent was mailed on April 14, 2026. (Backup E-1)
- F. Finance and Insurance:**
 1. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47, the Lower Township Board of Education intends to renew, award, or permit to expire the following Contracts previously awarded by the Board of Education. The Contracts are, have been, and will continue to be, in full compliance with all State and Federal Statutes and Regulations: in particular: New Jersey Title 18A:18, Et. Seq. NJAC Chapter 23, and Federal Regulations 2CFR Part 200.317 Et. Seq.
 2. On the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Lower Township Board of Education authorizes the submittal of the 2025-2026 Extraordinary Aide Application.
 3. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the following, awarded as Professional Services Contracts, for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, as listed.
All Professional Contracts listed were Awarded on a Fair And Open Process
 - a. **Auditors** – Inverso & Stewart

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- b. **Solicitor** – Gorman, D’Anella, and Morlok
 - c. **Behavior Therapy Specialist** – Brett DiNovi & Associates & Step by Step
 - d. **Nursing Services** – Bayada Home Healthcare & Stepping Stones Group & Delta T Group
 - e. **Medical Inspector** – AtlantiCare
 - f. **Occupational Therapy** – Stepping Stones Group
 - g. **Architect of Record** – Garrison Architects
 - h. **Employee Assistance Program** - Shore Counseling, LLC
 - i. **Financial Advisor** – Phoenix Advisors, LLC
 - j. **Physical Therapy Services** – Kim Vona
 - k. **Pediatric Psychiatric Physician** – No proposals received
 - l. **Bond Counsel** - Parker McCay
 - m. **Risk Management Consultant (Liability Insurance Broker)** - J. Byrne
 - n. **Risk Management Consultant (Health Insurance Broker)** - J. Byrne
 - o. **School Physician** - AtlantiCare
4. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of Education authorize Preschool Budget Transfers for the 2025-26 SY, if needed.
5. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the contract between Lower Township Board of Education and WMY Transportation for the 2026-27 school year for hauling State Commodities from Safeway Cold Storage. (Backup F-5)
6. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve dental renewal, through Delta Dental of NJ effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. (Backup F-6)
7. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve health and prescription benefits renewal through the Southern Coastal Regional Employee Benefits (health) and Benecard for (prescription) effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. (Backup F-7)
8. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the Bus Lease Agreement with Lower Cape May Regional School District effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 for an annual cost of \$18,000 (Thomas Bus 2013- VIN#4UZABRDU3DCFE6130). (Backup F-8)
9. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the AMENDED pass-through Special Services Tuition Contract between Lower Township Elementary Schools and Middle Township Board of Education for

Student # 18787 for September 2, 2025 through December 31, 2025, at the rate of \$12,240.64. (Backup F-9)

10. On the recommendation of the Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of Education adopt the 2026-2027 Board of Education Meeting dates. (Backup F-10)
11. On the recommendation of the Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of education adopt the following resolution urging relief from Rising Public School Employee Health-Care Costs:

WHEREAS, At a time of continued fiscal uncertainty and mounting challenges, local boards of education from across the state of New Jersey continue to suffer under the growing crisis posed by the rising cost of health benefits and are desperate for relief; and

WHEREAS, Despite record levels of state investments in public education, these school districts are facing fiscal pressures similar to those confronting the state budget, including the unsustainable growth in health-care premiums and the mounting insolvency of the state's public employees health benefits programs; and

WHEREAS, Both within the School Employees' Health Benefits Program (SEHBP) and the private market, year-over-year double-digit increases are placing tremendous strain on district budgets and local taxpayers alike; and

WHEREAS, Governor Sherrill and legislative leadership have publicly acknowledged the urgent need to address rising health-care costs and the challenges facing the state's health benefits plans, including both the state and local portions of the State Health Benefits Program and the SEHBP; and

WHEREAS, The seriousness of this issue is underscored by the mid-year SEHBP analysis released by the Treasury Department in March 2026, which concluded that "based on these projected losses and building in future trends, active premium rate increases for 2027 are likely to be in the double digits;" and

WHEREAS, These projected increases would follow the 31.9 percent premium increase that took effect in January 2026, further exacerbating an overall premium increase of nearly 74 percent in the preceding five years; and

WHEREAS, This growth in health-care costs far exceeds inflation, state aid increases and the fiscal capacity of local communities; and

WHEREAS, Rising health-care premiums are consuming an ever-larger portion of already constrained school district budgets, forcing difficult decisions that directly affect students, staff and educational quality; and

WHEREAS, These cost pressures also have significant consequences for taxpayers, as districts are often compelled to utilize the full extent of their available tax levy, even after which many districts remain unable to fully offset these increases due to the constraints of the property tax levy cap, despite the limited health-care exception; and

WHEREAS, For the families and students these districts serve, the downstream consequences — including district deficits, program cuts and school closures — mean the loss of community stability, continuity of services, and in many cases, access to the specialized supports that our most vulnerable students depend on; and

WHEREAS, These are also precisely the conditions that erode student achievement and weaken the family engagement that is central to strengthening New Jersey's public schools; and **WHEREAS,** Implementing real, sustainable solutions to the rising cost of health benefits and reforming how benefits are delivered through the SEHBP would demonstrate the Governor's and Legislature's leadership and continued commitment to New Jersey's students, educators and families, which directly advances our shared goal of affordability and effective, efficient government for all New Jerseyans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lower Township Elementary Board of Education in the county of Cape May calls upon the Governor and State Legislature to provide immediate, short-term relief from the unsustainable increased health-care costs experienced by school districts in recent years; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lower Township Elementary Board of Education in the county of Cape May urges the Governor to engage in meaningful engagement with all affected stakeholders to develop and implement practical long-term reforms to the state's system of delivering health care to its public employees in order to generate meaningful, long-term savings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Mikie Sherrill, State Treasurer Aaron Binder, Senate President Nicholas Scutari, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin, State Senator Michael Testa Jr., Assemblyman Erik Simonsen, Assemblyman Antwan McClellan and the New Jersey School Boards Association.

12. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the Personal Aide Agreement for 2026 - 2027 Extended School Year with Cape May County Special Services School District. (Backup F-12)
13. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of Education approve the resolution for requisition of taxes schedule for the 2026-2027 school year, pursuant to R.S. 54:4-75

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Lower Township Elementary School District that the amount of district taxes, inclusive of school district paid debt service requirements, if any, needed to meet the obligations of this Board for the 2026-2027 school year is \$22,310,810 and that the Township of Lower is requested to place in the hands of the Custodian of School Monies by the 10th of each month, that amount in accordance with the following schedule and statutes relating thereto.

July 2026	\$2,231,081	January 2027	\$2,231,081
August 2026	\$2,231,081	February 2027	\$2,231,081
September 2026	\$2,231,081	March 2027	\$2,231,081
October 2026	\$2,231,081	April 2027	\$2,231,081
November 2026	\$2,231,081	May 2027	\$2,231,081

14. On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board

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of Education approve the Agreement for Psychiatric Evaluation Services with Anchored Adolescent & Child Psychiatry, LLC as an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service for 2026 - 2027 at the rates set forth in the agreement.

- 15.** On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Lower Township Board of Education approves the following equipment for **parts only** on GovDeals:

Samsung Chromebooks with box (opened)	Qty 2	Starting Bid: \$20.00
Lenovo N22-N23 Chromebooks	Qty 8	Starting Bid: \$20.00
Lenovo 300e Chromebooks	Qty 6	Starting Bid: \$20.00
Lenovo 100e Chromebooks variants	Qty 17	Starting Bid: \$20.00

MOTION ON CONSENT AGENDA ON ALL MOTIONS LISTED BELOW:

Routine Matters: R-1 to R-5

Personnel: P-1 to P-7 (Exclude P-5 See Addendum)

Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying: H-1

Legislative and Internal Policies: L-1 to L-3

Education: E-1

Finance: F-1 to F-15

Motion: Smith Second: Selby

Discussion: Mr. Douglass noted addendum to P-5 - it was voted on separately by Roll call.

Voted Yes:

Cynthia Baldacchini
Lauren Cox
Monica DiVito
Ember Loefflad
James Morris
Lauren Randle
Lindsey Selby
Patricia Smith
Gary Douglass

4} NON-CONSENT AGENDA: None

5} OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC: (*public comment rules as read above apply*): A community member spoke about questions related to the 2026 - 2027 budget. The BA engaged with the member to answer the question.

6} OLD/NEW BUSINESS: None

7} GOOD TO THE ORDER:

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- A}** Next Board Meeting: Work session: June 24, 2026
- B}** Emergency Drill: 5/28/26 - Evacuation Drill
- C}** Fire Drills: 5/15/26 - Maud Abrams School; 5/18/26 - Mitnick School; 5/20/26 - Sandman School; 5/26/26 - Memorial School
- D}** Bus Evacuation Drills: 4/21/26 - Sandman School; 4/22/26 - Maud Abrams School; 4/23/26 - Mitnick School; 4/28/26 - Memorial School

8} ADJOURNMENT

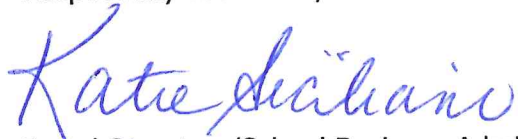
MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING

Motion: Selby Second: Cox

All Voted in Favor

The meeting concluded at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Board Secretary/School Business Administrator

**LOWER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION**

WHEREAS, while the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) requires all meetings of the Lower Township Board of Education to be held in public, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine (9) types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in "Executive Session," i.e. without the public being permitted to attend, and

WHEREAS, the Lower Township Board of Education has determined that ____ issue permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) to be discussed without the public in attendance shall be discussed during an Executive Session to be held on May 27, 2026 at _____P.M. and

WHEREAS, the nine (9) exceptions to public meetings set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) are listed below, and next to each exception is a box within which **the number** of issues to be privately discussed that fall within that exception shall be written, and after each exception is a space where additional information that will disclose as much information about the discussion as possible without undermining the purpose of the exception shall be written.

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"(1) Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law, State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from public discussion." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____

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"(2) Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____

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"(3) Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal

and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly."

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

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"(5) Any matter involving the purchase lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is Personnel matters

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"(6) Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____;

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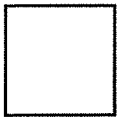
"(7) Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body's/or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer." The parties to and docket numbers of each item of litigation and/or the parties to each contract discussed are and nature of the discussion, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is:

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"(8) Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee

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employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting." Subject to the balancing of the public's interest and the employee's privacy rights under South Jersey Publishing Co. v. New Jersey Expressway Authority, 124 N.J. 478, the employee(s) and nature of the discussion, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality:
#5439; #5596; #4348; #4217; #4810; #4464; #6031; #6075; #4046; #5514; #4300; #5282; #4702; #4006; #5022; #4860; #5203; #5486; #6020; #4047



"(9) Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act of omission for which the responding party bears responsibility." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is

WHEREAS, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be ____ minutes after which the public meeting of the Board shall reconvene and proceed with business.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) will be made public at a time when the public's interest in disclosure is greater than any privacy or governmental interest being protected from disclosure. For each of the above items, the estimated date by which such disclosure can be made and/or the occurrence that needs to take place before disclosure can be made are listed below (attach separate sheet if necessary)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Secretary, at the present public meeting, shall read aloud enough of this resolution so that members of the public in attendance can understand, as precisely as possible, the nature of the matters that will privately be discussed.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Secretary, on the next business day following this meeting, shall furnish a copy of this resolution to any member of the public who requests one at the fees allowed by N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.