

AGENDA
Laurens Central School
Board of Education
FACS Room 115 - 7:30 PM
February 19, 2025

I. OPENING OF MEETING

- A. Roll call and quorum check
- B. Call to order
- C. Additions to Agenda

II. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

(Note: If a board member believes that any item on the consent agenda requires discussion or a separate vote, the board member may request that the item be removed from the consent agenda and placed on the regular agenda for consideration.)

- 1. Minutes – 1/15/25*
- 2. January 2025 Fiscal Reports
 - A. Treasurer's Report:
 - 1. Treasurer's Report A Fund (General)*
 - 2. Treasurer's Report C Fund (Cafeteria)*
 - 3. Treasurer's Report F Fund (Special)*
 - 4. Treasurer's Report T Fund (Trust & Agency)
 - 5. Treasurer's Report L Fund (Library)*
 - 6. Treasurer's Report H Fund (Checking) (Capital Project)*
 - 7. Treasurer's Report H Fund (Savings) (Capital Project)*
 - 8. Treasurer's Report Repair Reserve*
 - 9. Treasurer's Report Capital Reserve*
 - 10. Treasurer's Report Workers Comp, ERS, Unemployment Reserve*
 - 11. NYLAF Investment Account*
 - 12. Transfers Over \$1000*
 - B. Other Reports (No Approval Required)
 - 1. Warrants
 - Warrant #31 A Fund \$225,818.77 (General)*
 - Warrant 13 C Fund \$6,635.74 (Cafeteria)*
 - Warrant #14 F Fund \$7,254.00 (Special)*
 - Warrant #15 T Fund \$1,510.41 (Trust & Agency)*
 - Warrant #9 H Fund \$20,455.10 (Capital Fund)*
 - Warrant # TE Fund \$0 (Trust-Scholarship)
 - Warrant # L Fund \$0 (Library)
 - Warrant #30 P Fund \$180,663.01 (Payroll)*
 - Warrant #32 A Fund \$354,507.01 (General)*
 - Warrant #14 C Fund \$4,532.71 (Cafeteria)*
 - Warrant #15 F Fund \$2,420.91 (Special)*
 - Warrant #16 T Fund \$1,466.38 (Trust & Agency)*
 - Warrant #10 H Fund \$500.00 (Capital Fund)*
 - Warrant # TE Fund \$0 (Trust-Scholarship)
 - Warrant # L Fund \$0 (Library)

- Warrant #33 P Fund \$184,817.26 (Payroll)*
- Warrant #34 P Fund \$205,783.13 (Payroll)*
- 2. Transfers Under \$1000*
- 3. Internal Claims Auditor's Reports*
- 4. Revenue Status Report - Fund A*
- 5. Extracurricular Reconciliation Report*

3. Committee on Special Education

CPSE: 21241

III. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS/OPEN COMMENT PERIOD

(The purpose of the Open Comment Period is to allow residents to share concerns with the Board of Education without having to be on the agenda. Comments are to be brief, as this section of the meeting will be limited to 10 minutes. Please state your name and issue of concern prior to addressing the board. Comments about Personnel, positive or negative, are not allowed during the Open Comment Period.)

IV. REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

- 1. Senior Trip – Class Officers & Advisors
- 2. Superintendent's Report – B. Dorritie
- 3. Report from Building Principal – J. Mushtare
- 4. Report from Supervisor Transportation – J. Kessler
- 5. Report from Supervisor Buildings & Ground – S. West

V. CORRESPONDENCE

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

- 1. To accept the 2023-2024 Audit as completed by External Auditor, Cwynar and Company.*

VII. PERSONNEL – NEW BUSINESS

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

- 1. The appointment of Brandon Opalich as a Non-Certified Substitute Teacher for the 2024-2025 school year, pending fingerprint clearance. His salary will be \$101.00 per day.

VIII. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

A. PERSONNEL

- 1. The appointment of Carol Fraser as a Substitute Cafeteria Worker for the 2024-2025 school year, Her salary will be \$15.50 per hour.
- 2. The Maternity Leave for Abigail Trombley, Elementary Teacher, effective approximately March 4, 2025 and continuing until June 27, 2025.*
- 3. The permanent appointment of Kylie Hatalla to the position of Teacher Aide, effective February 26, 2025.
- 4. To rescind the appointment of Lindsey Talbert as the Girls Modified Softball Coach for the spring

2025 season.

5. The Paternity leave for Aaron Stary, Physical Education Teacher, effective approximately March 4, 2025 for four (4) weeks.
6. The appointment of Ryan Mason as a Certified Substitute Teacher for the 2024-2025 school year. His salary will be \$110.00 per day.
7. The appointment of Collin Neer as a Long-term Non-Certified Substitute Physical Education Teacher for Aaron Stary, effective approximately March 4, 2025 for four (4) weeks. His salary will be as per board policy.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. To award the fuel bids for the 2025-2026 school year, opened on February 19, 2025. (The bid award information will be added before the meeting.)
2. The overnight trip of the senior class to Wildwood, New Jersey. They will be leaving on Friday, June 6, 2025, and returning on Sunday, June 8, 2025, noting that the Laurens Central School Board of Education has the right to rescind their decision at any time.
3. The attached State Environmental Quality Review Type II Action for the proposed 2025-26 Capital Improvement Project.*

IX. INFORMATION

1. Student Enrollment January 31, 2025*
2. NYSIR Legal Digest – Winter 2024*

X. MEETINGS

1. Board of Education Meeting – March 19, 2025

XI. OPEN COMMENT PERIOD

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XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, enter executive session for the following reasons:

1. Personnel
2. Student

XIII. FINAL ADJOURNMENT

Draft MINUTES
**Laurens Central School
Board of Education
FACS Room 115 - 7:30 PM
January 15, 2025**

Opening of Meeting

I. OPENING OF MEETING

- A. Roll call and quorum check

**Board Members Present: C. Struckle, T. Francisco, G. Murello, M. Wikoff,
P. Bush-Allen**

Board Members Absent: None

**Others Present: B. Dorritie, Superintendent: J. Mushtare, Building
Principal; P. Weir, District Clerk; A. Schlee, District Treasurer; J. Kessler,
Head of Transportation; Members of the Staff and Community (see
attached sign in sheet).**

- B. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by President C. Struckle.

Additions to Agenda

- C. Additions to Agenda

Spring Sports Mergers

1. To approve the merger of the following spring sports with Milford
Central School for the 2024-2025 school year:

Modified and Varsity Baseball
Modified and Varsity Softball
Boys and Girls Track and Field

**Motion made by T. Francisco, seconded by M. Wikoff to approve the above
mergers. Motion carried 5-0-0.**

Approval of Consent Agenda

II. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the
Superintendent, approve the following:

Minutes

1. Minutes – 12/18/24

Fiscal Reports

2. December 2024 Fiscal Reports

- A. Treasurer's Report:

1. Treasurer's Report A Fund (General)
2. Treasurer's Report C Fund (Cafeteria)
3. Treasurer's Report F Fund (Special)
4. Treasurer's Report T Fund (Trust & Agency)
5. Treasurer's Report L Fund (Library)
6. Treasurer's Report H Fund (Checking) (Capital Project)
Treasurer's Report H Fund (Savings) (Capital Project)
7. Treasurer's Report Repair Reserve
8. Treasurer's Report Capital Reserve
9. Treasurer's Report Workers Comp, ERS, Unemployment
Reserve
10. NYLAF Investment Account
11. Transfers Over \$1000

- B. Other Reports (No Approval Required)

1. Warrants

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| Warrant #25 | A Fund \$190,073.83 (General) |
| Warrant #11 | C Fund \$8,216.21 (Cafeteria) |
| Warrant #12 | F Fund \$3,439.69 (Special) |
| Warrant #14 | T Fund \$386.51 (Trust & Agency) |
| Warrant #7 | H Fund \$25,786.40 (Capital Fund) |
| Warrant # | TE Fund \$0 (Trust-Scholarship) |
| Warrant # | L Fund \$0 (Library) |
| Warrant #24 | P Fund \$183,674.24 (Payroll) |
| Warrant #26 | P Fund \$430.60 (Payroll) |
| Warrant #28 | A Fund \$591,710.17 (General) |
| Warrant #12 | C Fund \$5,229.39 (Cafeteria) |
| Warrant #13 | F Fund \$1,361.50 (Special) |
| Warrant # | T Fund \$0 (Trust & Agency) |
| Warrant #8 | H Fund \$500.00 (Capital Fund) |
| Warrant # | TE Fund \$0 (Trust-Scholarship) |
| Warrant #3 | L Fund \$187.64 (Library) |
| Warrant #27 | P Fund \$199,973.04 (Payroll) |
| Warrant #29 | P Fund \$2,181.69 (Payroll) |
2. Transfers Under \$1000
 3. Internal Claims Auditor's Reports
 4. Revenue Status Report - Fund A
 5. Extracurricular Reconciliation Report

3. Committee on Special Education
None

Motion made by T. Francisco, seconded by M. Wikoff to approve the above consent agenda items. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Open Comment

III. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS/OPEN COMMENT PERIOD

Reports and Discussions

IV. REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

1. Superintendent's Report – B. Dorritie
 - 2023-2024 Audit – still waiting to receive it
 - Congratulations to 3 new members of Athletic Hall of Fame
 - Parent/Teacher Conferences on February 12th
 - Music and Drama departments practicing for this year's production of "Spamelot" to be performed in April
 - Waiting on Governor's Executive Budget proposal and state aid runs
 - Annual Coaches vs. Cancer event this Saturday
 - 3 junior girls had interviews for Girls State
 - Thank you to Mr. Mushtare for all his work to organize the Sweethearts and Heroes workshop for this Friday
 - Hartwick College's VITA program to be held again on Friday, March 28
 - Student Ex-Officio BOE member needs to be in place by July 1
2. Report from Building Principal – J. Mushtare
 - Underground Spirit Week
 - Sweethearts and Heroes Assembly
 - Regents exams next week
 - 3-8 State Test simulation
3. Report from Supervisor Transportation – J. Kessler
 - Everything is running smoothly
 - Talking about idea of purchasing 3 new diesel buses next year
 - February 27th delivery of new bus
4. Report from Supervisor Buildings & Ground – S. West
 - Capital Outlay project is finished
 - Building Condition Survey is complete
 - King and King Architects is changing the engineering firm they use

- Trying to finalize the scope for Capital Project
- trying to get through winter
- Thank you to the bus garage for all the athletic bus runs

Correspondence

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Old Business

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

Approval of Consent Agenda

VII. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

A. PERSONNEL

E. Chickerell Non-Certified Sub

1. The appointment of Eowyn Chickerell as a Non-Certified Substitute Teacher and Teacher Aide for the 2024-2025 school year, pending fingerprint clearance. Her salary will be \$101.00 per day as a Substitute Teacher and \$15.50 per hour as an Aide.

L. Talbert Maternity Leave

2. The Maternity Leave for Lindsey Talbert, Elementary Teacher, effective approximately January 31, 2025 and continuing until June 27, 2025.

P. Smith Long-term Sub

3. The appointment of Paige Smith as a Long-term Non-Certified Substitute for Lindsey Talbert, effective approximately February 1, 2025 and continuing until June 27, 2025. Her salary will be as per Board Policy.

B. NEW BUSINESS

Table 2023-2024 Audit until received

1. To accept the 2023-2024 Audit as completed by External Auditor, Cwynar and Company.

Motion made by P. Bush-Allen, seconded by T. Francisco to table the above resolution until we receive the hard copies of the audit. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Surplus

2. To declare the attached list of items as surplus and discard appropriately.

Surplus Halide Lamps

3. To declare the following items as surplus and put up for bid:

Quantity of 12 – GE Metal Halide Multi-Vapor Lamps - 400 watt

Resolution Data Privacy Services

4. The attached resolution from the South Central Regional Information Center regarding Data Privacy Services.

Mileage Reimbursement

5. An increase for the established mileage reimbursement to \$.70 per mile, effective January 1, 2025.

Motion made by P. Bush-Allen seconded by G. Murello to approve the above consent agenda items. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Information

VIII. INFORMATION

1. Student Enrollment December 31, 2024
2. 2025-2026 Budget Timeline
3. NYSIR News – November 2024
4. Data Privacy Agreement Structure Overview

Meetings

IX. MEETINGS

1. Board of Education Meeting – February 19, 2025

Open Comment

X. OPEN COMMENT PERIOD

Executive Session

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, enter executive session for the following reasons:

1. Personnel
2. Student

The Board adjourned to executive session at 7:55 pm to discuss Personnel and Student issues. Motion made by M. Wikoff, seconded by T. Francisco. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Final Adjournment

XII. FINAL ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned from executive session at 8:50 pm. Motion made by G. Murello, seconded by M. Wikoff. Motion carried 5-0-0.

The Board adjourned, without further discussion at 8:52 pm. Motion made by P. Bush-Allen, seconded by M. Wikoff. Motion carried 5-0-0.

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME BELOW

January 15, 2025

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU SPEAK AT A BOARD MEETING DURING PUBLIC COMMENT, YOUR NAME WILL APPEAR IN THE BOARD MINUTES. PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT OUR MINUTES ARE PLACED ON OUR WEBSITE AND YOUR NAME WILL APPEAR ON THE INTERNET.

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RESOLUTION REGARDING STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Laurens Central School District (the “Board”) has considered the effect upon the environment of the proposed 2025 Capital Improvement Project work, which will include, but is not limited to the following:

Renovations, improvements and reconstruction to the District Bus Garage, Red Storage Barn and Main School Building and grounds as set forth in the proposed scope of work to include, but not be limited to upgraded lighting, technology, communications, HVAC, roof work, interior and exterior improvements. Reconstruction of parking lots, sidewalks, play structures. Renovations to athletic fields, fencing and the addition of a scoreboard at Factory Grounds field and the addition of an E.V. charging station at the Bus Garage. Replace fuel tank at the Village Library.

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the scope of the project and has further received and considered the advice of its architects with respect to the potential for environmental impacts resulting from the proposed action; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the Proposed Action with respect to the Type II criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c), now therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education as follows:

1. The Proposed Action does not exceed thresholds established under 6 NYCRR Part 617, the State Environmental Quality Review Act, (SEQRA).
2. The Board hereby determines the Proposed Action as a Type II action in accordance with the SEQRA regulations.
3. No further review of the Proposed Action is required under SEQRA.
4. This resolution shall be effective immediately.

Dated: _____, 2025

Board Clerk
Laurens Central School District