

TEACHERS' PENSION AND ANNUITY FUND

May 1, 2025

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Notice of this meeting has been provided through the annual notice of the schedule of regular meetings of the Board filed with and prominently posted in the offices of the Secretary of State. The 2025 annual meeting schedule was mailed to the Secretary of State, Star Ledger and the Trenton Times on December 19, 2024.

DISCLOSURE OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

(A) When necessary, the Board shall adopt Resolution A to go into closed session to consider individuals' disability applications, which states:

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-13, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees go into closed session for purposes of discussing matters pertaining to disability retirement which involves material involving personal medical and health records, data, reports and recommendations relating to specific individuals, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(3). Those matters are confidential unless expressly waived by the individual involved.

The actions taken during closed session relating to a disability retirement are anticipated to become available to the public immediately at the conclusion of the meeting and will be posted on the Division of Pensions and Benefits' website within a reasonable time; however, personal information pertaining to an individual shall be redacted from the minutes of such meeting and shall remain confidential until after such time as the Board determines that the need of confidentiality no longer exists under state and federal law, including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), and the matters discussed can be disclosed.

(B) When necessary, the Board shall adopt Resolution B to go into executive session to request/receive attorney-client advice from legal counsel, which states:

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-13, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees go into closed session to discuss matters falling within the attorney client privilege, and/or matters in which litigation is pending or anticipated, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(7).

The minutes of such meeting shall remain confidential until after such time as the Board determines that the need of confidentiality no longer exists and the matters discussed can be disclosed and the Board waives the attorney-client privilege.

OPEN SESSION

Called to Order: --	Adjourned: --
Roll Call:	
Absent:	
Also Present:	

OPEN SESSION

Minutes

Minutes from the meeting of April 3, 2025

OPEN SESSION

Retirement and Death Lists

C-1 Retirement List

CLOSED SESSION

Ordinary Disability

	Member's Name & No.:	Employer:	Effective Date:	Option:	Decision:
D-1	Halliday-Oro, Courtney	Jersey City Public Schools	05/01/2025	2	Reinstatement from Ordinary Disability
D-2	Monthly OD Grid				

OPEN SESSION

Retirement Issues

- F-1 Winkelried, Joseph - Central Regional High School District - Honorable Service
- F-2 Cinotti, Gina - Saddle River BOE - Honorable Service
- F-3 Gammara, Loraine - Belleville BOE - Request to change retirement option

OPEN SESSION

Hearing Decision

- G-1 Gilmartin, Joya - - Hearing Withdrawal
- G-2 Lewis, George - Plainfield BOE - Appellate Division Decision - The court affirmed the Board's determination that Mr. Lewis' retirement was non-bona fide and ordered him to repay the pension benefits he received since July 1, 2020

OPEN SESSION

Hearing Request

- H-1 Sciortino, Laura - Hawthorne BOE - Appeals the Board's denial of Accidental Disability retirement benefits
(a) Reconsideration
(b) Hearing request
- H-2 Levy, Scott - Wyckoff Twp BOE - Appeals the Board's determination following a post-retirement audit that the compensation the member received for the period covering May 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 (14 months) as part of a Settlement Agreement is not creditable for pension calculation purposes and as a result the member lacks the requisite 25 years of service credit and was not eligible for Early retirement benefits
(a) Reconsideration
(b) Hearing request
- H-3 Valenti, Grace - Kittatinny Regional HS - Non-Disability Denial Appeals the Board's denial of request to purchase service credit
(a) Reconsideration
(b) Hearing request
- H-4 Kelley, Deborah - Willingboro Twp BOE - Appeals the Board's denial of Ordinary Disability retirement benefits
- H-5 Tropp, Karen - Clementon BOE - Appeals the Board's denial of request to calculate additional pension service credit based on initial purchase request date of February 25, 2002
- H-6 Caratozzolo, Theresa - Gloucester Twp BOE - Appeals the Board's denial of Accidental Disability retirement benefits

OPEN SESSION

Active Membership Issues

- J-1 Labance, Heather - Franklin Boro BOE - Request to maintain Tier 2 membership status

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Informational Issues

- L-1 Appellate Division Decision - Latasha Walker-Harrison v. PFRS

- L-2 Trial Balance for September 30, 2024

- L-3 Appellate Division Decision - Jennifer Frisco v. PERS

- L-4 Appellate Division Decision - E.T. v. PFRS

- L-5 Trial Balance for October 31, 2024

The next meeting of the Board will be held on June 5, 2025