

Burlington County Insurance Pool Joint Insurance Fund

**Voorhees Administration Building
329 Route 73
Voorhees, New Jersey 08043**

Wednesday, January 8, 2025- 1:15 PM

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

I. Call to Order Closed Executive Session of the Board of Trustees

A closed session meeting of the Burlington County Insurance Pool Joint Insurance Fund (BCIP JIF) was held at the Voorhees Township BOE Administration Offices, 329 Route 73, Voorhees, New Jersey, on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, beginning at 1:18 p.m., Ms. Gauld, President, presiding.

II. Roll Call

A. 2024-25 Trustees answering to roll call were:

Jennifer Gauld, Haddon Township BOE, **President**
Robert J. Wachter, Jr., Mt. Laurel Township BOE (SPELL Trustee)
Beth Ann Coleman, Collingswood PS/Oaklyn PSD (SPELL Alternate)
Dennis Nettleton, Ewing Township Public Schools

2024-25 Trustees absent were:

Amy Lerner, Avon/North Hanover Township School District, **Vice President**
Laura Archer, Shamong Township School District/Woodland Twp BOE
Richard J. Kaz, Jr., Northern Burlington County RSD (SPELL Trustee/Vice Chair)
Greg Gontowski, Magnolia PS/Merchantville BOE/Woodlynne BOE
Kathleen Huder, Lindenwold BOE (SPELL Alternate)

2024-25 Alternate Trustees answering roll call were:

Bernard Biesiada, Millstone BOE/New Hanover

2024-25 Alternate Trustees absent were:

James Heiser, Moorestown Township Public School District

2024-25 Delegates answering roll call were:

Deborah Roncace, Audubon PS
Chifonda Henry, Bordentown RSD, arrived at 2:06 p.m.
Dr. Ashlee Caldwell, Eastampton Township BOE
Kenneth Verrill, Eastern Camden County RSD
Sara Bell, Gloucester City BOE
Cande Kristoff, Haddon Heights BOE
Mark Stratton, Interim, Haddon Heights
Michael Catalano Haddonfield BOE
Dan Baginski, Jackson Township BOE
Robert Kraft, Lumberton Township BOE, arrived at 1:26 pm
Nikolas Vrettos, Medford Lakes School District

Tom Venanzi, Interim, Mercer County SSSD/Area Vocational Technical Schools
Christopher Eberly, Mount Ephraim BOE
Mary Conroy, Southampton Township BOE
Lisa Vrettos, Springfield Township BOE
James McCullough, Sterling High School District
Helen Haley, Voorhees Township BOE
Karen Greer, Westampton Township Public Schools

2024-25 Delegates absent were:

Ray Bonnette, Burlington City BOE
Scott Hogan, Chesterfield BOE
Bruno Berenato, Clementon BOE
Arlene Biesiada, Interim, Delanco Township BOE
Paul Todd, East Windsor RSD
Jonathan Yates, Evesham Township School District
Bill Thompson, Laurel Springs BOE
Kara L. Huber, Lenape Regional HSD
Robert O'Brien, Riverside Township BOE
Patricia Palmieri, Tabernacle Township School District

2024-25 District Personnel answering roll call were:

Brandi DeCaro, Evesham Township School District
Nicole Tangarone, Lenape Regional HSD
Shannon Wright, Mercer County SSSD/Area Vocational Technical Schools
Jaime Williams, Northern Burlington County RSD (SPELL Trustee/Vice Chair)
Mary Jane Bonfiglio, Tabernacle Township School District

B. Fund Professionals answering roll call were:

Craig H. Wilkie, Deputy Executive Director – RPA, a division of Gallagher
Scott C. Tennant, Deputy Executive Director – RPA, a division of Gallagher
Bradford Hoffman, Executive Director – RPA, a division of Gallagher
Annette Reap, Sr. Account Manager - RPA, a division of Gallagher
Kim Hill, Account Manager – RPA, a division of Gallagher
Patrick J. Madden, Esquire – Fund Solicitor
Chris Roselli, Claims Administrator – Qual-Lynx
Christine Gallagher, Qual-Lynx
John W. Geitz, Safety Coordinator – Risk Assessment Services LLC
Rick Hillman, Virtual Safety Director – Ironwood Consulting LLC
Jodi Lennon, Treasurer
Michael Colling, Recording Secretary

C. Risk Management Consultants

Arthur J. Gallagher – East Windsor/Millstone
Barclay Group – Bordentown/Chesterfield/North Hanover
Hardenbergh Insurance Group – Audubon/Collingswood/Eastern Camden County/Haddon
Township/Haddon Heights/Lindenwold/Magnolia/Merchantville/Oaklyn/Sterling

III. PARS

1. #2025348426 – The claimant was in gym class, when she fell backwards while trying to stand up from squatting and landed on her lower back. Total Incurred value: \$316,544.71.
2. #2025351764 – The claimant was teaching a gym class and during a ball game was tackled by a student causing her to fall on her right hip. Total Incurred Value: \$231,625.56.
3. #2025342111 – The claimant was picking up a box and pulled her lower back. Total Incurred Value: \$224,025.76.
4. #001124044 – Claimant was knocked out of a chair by a student. Total Incurred Value: \$209,243.77.
5. #2023304600 – The claimant was trying to hold a student having an outburst in the classroom and injured her right shoulder. Total Incurred Value: \$156,629.00.
6. #2024313825 – While walking down the steps, the claimant fell and strained her lower back and left hip. Total Incurred Value: \$124,870.97.
7. #2021219547 – While performing maintenance in the board office, the claimant fell off an 8-foot ladder and landed on a filing cabinet drawer that was open, causing a laceration to his head. Total Incurred Value: \$104,436.33.
8. #2025344632 – The claimant accidentally hit her head on a door that was being opened. Total Incurred Value: \$94,553.00.
9. #2023301981 – The claimant tripped on a rolled-up plastic chair roll shield and injured her right knee. Total Incurred Value: \$91,715.02.
10. #2019168837 – Claimant was watching children in the gym and was hit on the left side of the face with a basketball. Total Incurred Value: \$73,899.49.
11. #2025339740 – Claimant was wiping down tables, when she felt a sharp pain in her lower back, radiating to her left hip and down her left side. Total Incurred Value: \$61,555.92.
12. #2023302300 – While in the gym, claimant was struck in the head with a volleyball. Total Incurred Value: \$56,436.87.
13. #2023306625 – The claimant was walking back into the building, tripped over a back pack and injured her left wrist and foot. Total Incurred Value: \$42,296.64.
14. #2024310784 – Trip & Fall same level. Total Incurred Value: \$110,000.00.
15. #2025344767 – Discrimination. Total Incurred Value: \$135,000.00.
16. #2021232705 – Educator's Legal Dispute. Total Incurred Value: \$160,012.25.
17. #2021232705 – Sexual Misconduct. Total Incurred Value: \$285,000.00.
18. #2019148132 – Educator's Legal Dispute. Total Incurred Value: \$135,000.00.
19. #2024318643 - Harassment Intimidation, Bullying. Total Incurred Value: \$130,000.00.
20. #2022243068 - Trip & Fall same level. Total Incurred Value: \$72,500.00.

Litigation - None

Negotiations – None

IV. **MOTION REQUESTED** - Motion by Ms. Coleman, seconded by Mr. Biesiada, to come out of closed session at 2:04 pm. Motion carried by unanimous vote.