

SOUTH HACKENSACK BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 18, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, September 18, 2023, in the Gymnasium of Memorial School, 1 Dyer Avenue, South Hackensack, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by the President, Ms. Paladino

Ms. Paladino read the following statement:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon.

Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, the Board Secretary caused notice of this meeting to be given to the public and the press on **September 3, 2023**. Said notices was posted at the South Hackensack Municipal Building, in the Lobby of Memorial School, and the South Hackensack School District Website.

Roll call was taken by Elizabete Schaefer, Board Secretary, and the following members responded to their names:

Present: Ms. Davis, Ms. Paladino, Mr. Paladino, Mr. Tornambe

Absent: Mr. Donatello, Mr. H. Yannetti, Mr. T. Yannetti

Also Present: Ms. Schaefer, Mr. Chirichella, Ms. Zahn

4 people in attendance

Ms. Paladino led the Board in the Flag salute

Presentations: Access for ELLs Spring 2023 Powerpoint presentation made by Ms. Zahn.

Public Discussion on Agenda Resolutions: None

Ms. Paladino read the following statement:

Residents are requested to state their names, addresses and subject matter. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the District are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific

legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.

Approval of Minutes: None

Approval of Correspondence: None

Report of the Superintendent:

Mr. Chirichella opened his discussion by giving the board the current enrollment for the start of the 2023-2024 which is at 247 students. He provided information regarding the opening of school and thanked the PEO and Education Association of South Hackensack (EASH) for providing lunch to the staff over the 2 days during professional development. Mr. Chirichella stated that the boys and girls soccer teams have begun practicing for the soccer season and that dates for the Coppa Italia will begin on October 14th with finals on October 21st - with a rain date of October 28th. Mrs. Moreno and Ms. DeRogatis have begun working with students to prepare them for our annual Student Council Elections. He informed the board of "Back to School Night" which will be held on September 21st at 7:00 pm. He gave a special recognition to our 8th grade class of 2024 for a successful car wash. Mr. Chirichella thanked the students, parents and the South Hackensack Township and Police Department for their donation and assistance. No questions or comments were voiced on the superintendent report. Ms. Paladino asked if there were any questions on the resolutions presented. No comments or questions were voiced on any resolutions presented for approval.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

The following resolutions were moved by Mr. Paladino seconded by Mr. Tornambe

EDUCATION

1. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the following for the school year 2023-2024:
The Monthly District Calendar (Attachment A)*
2. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the week of October 2nd as Week of Respect.

3. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the week of October 16th as School Vandalism and Violence Awareness Week.
4. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the following staff members to provide supervisory coverage at Memorial School when the Superintendent/Principal and Vice-Principal are not on-site.

5.

Carla Moreno	Supervisor & Principal Certificate
Lynne Crawford	School Administrator, Supervisor & Principal Certificate
Frank DiLorenzo	Supervisor & Principal Certificate

6. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education appoint the following individuals as members of the district's School Safety Team for the school year 2023-2024:

Jason Chirichella
Nicollette Manresa
JoAnne Zahn
Stephanie Kropp
Christina Caporrino
Tatjana Castillo

7. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the contracted services with the South Bergen Jointure Commission for the school year 2023-2024.
(on file in the business office)

8. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the following request for professional development:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Professional Development</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost</u>
JoAnne Zahn	Curriculum Understanding the Revised Regulations for Supporting Multilingual learners ZOOM - NJPSA/FEA	October 2, 2023	\$75.00
JoAnne Zahn	Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying (HIB) Training Program Ocean County College Conference Center Toms River, New Jersey	September 27, 2023	\$145.00
Jaymie Mainieri	Bureau of Education & Research Increasing Your Student's Mastery of Math Facts and Mental Math Skills Live online Seminar	October 30, 2023	\$279.00
Valentine Thom	New Jersey Science Convention Princeton Marriott at Forrestal	October 17, 2023 & October 18, 2023 8:00am-5:00pm	\$310.00
Laura Schreck	Case Study Overview Emergency Response Bergen Community College Paramus, NJ 07652	September 28, 2023 8:00am-1:30pm	\$0

SPECIAL EDUCATION

9. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the appointment of Dr. Hugh Bases for Pediatric Neurodevelopment Assessments/Physician Services for 2023-2024 at a cost of \$700.00/evaluation

PERSONNEL

10. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the following teacher mentor for the school year 2023-2024.

Mentor	Mentee
Ms. Lori Murphy	Ms. Roberta Carbah

**Mentee will pay the mentor a prorated amount of \$200.00 for 12 hours*

11. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the updated substitute list for the 2023-2024 school year.
12. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education rescind the appointment of Jalyn Love - Teacher Aide effective 9/1/2023.
13. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the appointment of the following individual for the 2023-2024 school year, effective start day moved from September 1, 2023 to October 23, 2023.

Name	Step	Gross \$	Position
Monia Dahdouh	BA12	\$76,730	School Nurse

**start date changed due to 60 day notice at previous employer*

14. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education appoint the following staff members for the extracurricular teaching duties for school year 2023-2024 at the negotiated salary agreed upon in the 2020-2024 agreement between the Education Association of South Hackensack and the South Hackensack Board of Education.

Name	Extracurricular Activity
Ms. Caporrino	Yearbook Advisor

15. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the hiring of the following tenure faculty members at the corrected salary listed below for the 2023-2024 school year, effective September 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024:

Faculty	Step	2023-2024	Longevity	Other	Gross
Liggio, Rita	MA30 18	\$108,722	\$4,800		\$113,522
Watts, Deborah	MA30 18	\$108,722	\$4,800		\$113,522

**longevity per teacher's contract*

16. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the hiring of the following non-tenure faculty at the salary listed below for the 2023-2024 school year, effective September 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024:

Faculty	Step	2023-2024	Longevity	Other	Gross
Kisker, Anna	BA4	\$58,930		\$300*	\$59,230

**9 college credits*

17. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the payout as per the SideBar Agreement made on November 16, 2021 between the South Hackensack Board of Education and the South Hackensack Education Association for the following Extra Curricular Stipend for the school year 2023-2024.

Faculty	Position	Rate of Pay
Mary Gould	ESL Coordinator	\$2,500

POLICY

18. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the revision of the School Policy 5600 Pupil Code of Conduct. *(as presented)*

FINANCE

19. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve Servpro payment of \$24,244.61 for the water restoration. *(claim was submitted to the insurance company.)*
20. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the Business Administrator to pay September 2023 bills.
21. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the following reports in accordance with NJAC 6A:23-2.11(a) and NJAC 6A:23-2.11(b). *(Attachment B)*

Board Secretary's Report
Treasurer's Report
Monthly Fund Transfer Report
July 2023

22. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.11-4 and upon consultation with district officials, certifies that to the best of its knowledge, no major account of funds have been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11(a) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's needs.
23. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the actual payroll for the month of August 2023 in the amount of \$86,299.26 that the President of the Board, the School Business Administrator and the Superintendent be, and they hereby are, authorized to sign warrants up to and including the above.

24. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the estimated payroll for the month of September 2023 in the amount of \$375,000 the President of the Board, the School Business Administrator and the Superintendent be, and they hereby are, authorized to sign warrants up to and including the above.

25. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the Bill List for August 2023.

(Attachment C)

Fund 10	\$	386,458.27
Fund 20	\$	6,110.73
Fund 30	\$	0
Fund 40	\$	12,097.50
Fund 50	\$	2,740.98
Total	\$	407,407.48

Void checks#	045887
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	045930

26. Be it Resolved that the Board of Education approve the Business Administrator to approve bids, approve account transfers, pay bills, approve construction change orders, in between board meeting on an emergency basis with lists of such bids, transfers, payments, construction change orders subject to presentation and ratification at the next business meeting of the board.

Roll Call:

Ayes:	Ms. Davis, Ms. Paladino, Mr. Paladino, Mr. Tornambe
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Mr. Donatello, Mr. H. Yannetti, Mr. T. Yannetti

Resolutions Approved

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: None

Private Session: None

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Moved by Ms. Davis, seconded by Mr. Tornambe

All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabete Schaefer
Board Secretary

September 2023 Meeting (August 2023 Correspondence)

<u>To / From</u>	<u>Subject</u>
<i>Board of Education Stephanie Kropp</i>	<i>None</i>