

SOUTH HACKENSACK BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 11, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, January 11, 2021. Meeting was held remotely through the use of electronic equipment.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the President, Mr. Donatello

Mr. Donatello 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 **December 22, 2020 (remote meeting notice January 4, 2021)** 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, Mr. Donatello, Mr. Lemonie, Ms. Paladino, Mrs. Regan, Mr. Tornambe, Mr. Yannetti

Absent: None

Also Present: Mark Hayes, Elizabete Schaefer, Jason Chirichella

Approximately 14 people in attendance

Mr. Donatello led the Board in the Flag salute

Presentations: None

Public Discussion on Agenda Resolutions: None

Mr. Donatello 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: 12/20

(On file in the business office) moved by Mrs. Regan, seconded by Ms. Paladino

Ayes: Ms. Davis, Mr. Donatello, Mr. Lemonie, Ms. Paladino, Mrs. Regan
Mr. Tornambe, Mr. Yannetti
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Report of the Interim Superintendent:

Dr. Hayes opened his discussion by giving the board the current enrollment for the district which is at 269. He shared some good news with the board regarding the Memorial School Holiday Fund. He stated that 18 families from South Hackensack received some holiday cheer during the month of December. Dr. Hayes then continued his report by discussing the district's reopening plan. Due to a surge in Covid-19 cases after the holidays both statewide and in our north east region which was reported by the New Jersey Department of Health on January 7, 2021, therefore Dr Hayes is requesting from the Board of Education that the district extend its full remote learning dates to January 29th, 2021. He further stated that the district plans to resume the hybrid/in person instruction model again on February 1st, 2021. Mr. Chirichella briefed the board further on this matter stating that this decision is based on keeping the students, staff and the community health and safety at the forefront of this decision. The district will continue to monitor the data as we approach closer to the time of reopening. Ms. Davis asked about surveying the parents regarding the reopening of school. Mr. Chirichella stated that a letter with a survey will be made available to parents within this week. Ms. Paladino stated that the district made the right decision to keep the consistency between the teachers and the students for now especially with the high numbers still on the rise. No other questions were voiced on the Interim Superintendent report. Mr. Donatello asked if there were any questions or comments on the consent agenda. Mr. Lemonie questioned Resolution #12 regarding the discard of lunch tables. Ms. Schaefer stated that they were broken and for safety reasons they were no longer able to be used. No other questions or comments were voiced on any other resolutions.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

The following resolutions were moved by Mr. Tornambe, seconded by Mrs. Regan

1. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the following for the school year 2020-21:

Accept Monthly Discipline Report

Month	In-School Suspensions
September 2020	0
October 2020	0
November 2020	0
December 2020	0

2. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the following for the school year 2020-2021:

Accept Monthly Superintendent HIB Report and approves the actions recommended by the Superintendent for the following incidents: (if applicable)

Month	HIB Incidents
September 2020	0
October 2020	0
November 2020	0
December 2020	0

3. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the following for the school year 2020-21:

(Attachment A)

The monthly district calendar

4. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the Statement of Assurance Regarding the Use of Paraprofessional Staff 2020-21. *(as presented)*

5. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education ratify the virtual professional development request(s) below.

Faculty	Date & Time	Professional Development	Cost
Jacalyn Adler	December 15, 2020 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Becoming More Knowledgeable about Perform Care	\$0

6. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the virtual professional development request(s) below.

Faculty	Date & Time	Professional Development	Cost
Carla Moreno	January 20, 26, 27 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Affirmative Action Certificate Program	\$400

7. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the amended substitute list for the school year 2020-21. *(as presented)*

8. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the appointment of the following staff members for the Extended Curriculum Program for the school year 2020-2021 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 effective January 19, 2021.

Teacher	Grade Bands	Subjects	Time	Maximum # of Days/Week
Jaymie Mainieri	K-2	ELA/Math	3:30-4:30 p.m.	2 days per week

Emily Fersch	3-5	ELA/Math	3:30-4:30 p.m.	2 days per week
Jessica Carroll	3-5	ELA/Math	3:30-4:30 p.m.	2 days per week
Christina Caporrino	6-8	ELA	3:30-4:30 p.m.	2 days per week
Chris Masullo	6-8	Math	3:30-4:30 p.m.	2 days per week
Frank DiLorenzo	6-8	Math	3:30-4:30 p.m.	2 days per week
Mary Gould	ELL K-8	ELA/Math	3:30-4:30 p.m.	2 days per week
Liz DeRogatis	K-2	ELA/Math	3:30-4:30 p.m.	2 days per week
Wendy Duva	PreK-2	ELA/Math	3:30-4:30 p.m.	2 days per week

9. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education ratify the appointment of the following staff members for the extracurricular teaching duties for the school year 2020-2021 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 effective January 2021.

Extra-Curricular	Faculty
Yearbook	Christina Caporrino
Yearbook	Victoria Giacalone
Student Council	Elizabeth Higgins
Student Council	Patrick Ryan

10. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education ratify the following teacher at her modified salary listed below for the 2020-2021 school year.

Teachers	Step	2020-2021	Longevity	Other	Gross
Thom, Valentine*	MA5 +30	\$73,072			\$73,072

**salary will be prorated as of January 1, 2021- Moved to MA30*

11. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the extended paid medical leave for staff #0045 effective January 11, 2021 to approximately January 29, 2021 per doctor's letter on file.
12. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the discard of the following items:

Item	Location	Tag #
Lunch Room Table (broken)	Lunch Room	002049
Lunch Room Table (broken)	Lunch Room	002067
Lunch Room Table (broken)	Lunch Room	2110
Lunch Room Table (broken)	Lunch Room	2115

13. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the CARES Emergency Relief Grant Amendment:

20-477-200-600 Supplies and Materials

<u>Original</u>	<u>Revised</u>
\$44,703	\$47,145

14. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the Bergen County CARES Grant:

20-480-100-600 Supplies and Materials - \$25,000.00

15. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve EI Associates's proposal for Professional Architectural Services for Partial Roof replacement in accordance with the following fee schedule:

Phase I - Schematic Design and NJDOE submission Phase: \$9,000

Phase II - Contract Documents Phase: \$22,000

Phase III - construction Administration Phase: \$12,000

16. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the following :

Accept the audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020

17. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the Business Administrator to pay January 2021 bills.

18. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim 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

October 2020 and November 2020

19. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim 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.

20. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the actual payroll for the month of December 2020 in the amount of \$325,775.19 that the President of the Board, the School Business Administrator and the Interim Superintendent be, and they hereby are, authorized to sign warrants up to and including the above.
21. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the estimated payroll for the month of January 2021 in the amount of \$320,000 the President of the Board, the School Business Administrator and the Interim Superintendent be, and they hereby are, authorized to sign warrants up to and including the above \$320,000.
22. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the Bill List for November 2020.

(Attachment C)

Fund 10	\$	724,392.35
Fund 20	\$	30,489.01
Fund 30	\$	0
Fund 40	\$	0
Fund 50	\$	0
Total	\$	754,881.36

23. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the Bill List for December 2020.

(Attachment D)

Fund 10	\$	709,628.25
Fund 20	\$	15,800.47
Fund 30	\$	0
Fund 40	\$	0
Fund 50	\$	0
Total	\$	725,428.72

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ms. Davis, Mr. Donatello, Mr. Lemonie, Ms. Paladino, Mrs. Regan
Mr. Tornambe, Mr. Yannetti

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Resolutions Approved

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: None

PRIVATE SESSION: None

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Moved by Mrs Regan, seconded by Ms. Paladino

All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

**Elizabete Schaefer
Board Secretary**

January 2021 Meeting (December 2020 Correspondence)

To / From	Subject
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Anzevino / Mr. Jason Chirichella</i>	<i>Thank you for Holiday Fund donation</i>
<i>EASH / Mr. Jason Chirichella</i>	<i>Thank you for Holiday Fund donation</i>