

**OUTH HACKENSACK BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015 – 7:30 p.m.**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Maher at 7:30 p.m.

Present:

Y. Encarnacion
A. Davis
T. Lofaro
K. Maher
M. Regan

Also Present:

Gregorio Maceri, Superintendent/Principal
Elizabeth Schaefer, Board Secretary
Mrs. Vidal

Absent:

J. Obando
L. Perdomo

SALUTE TO THE FLAG LED BY: Maher

SUNSHINE LAW ANNOUNCEMENT: Maher

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 the public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the South Hackensack Board of education has caused notice of meetings published in The Record by having the date, time and place thereof posted. Notice was also placed on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building and in the Lobby of Memorial School.

MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes of 1/5/15, 1/12/15

Discussion – Approved.

Motioned by M. Regan, seconded by T. Lofaro. Roll call, all in favor

CORRESPONDENCE:

Motion to approve correspondence, per attached listing.

Discussion – Approved.

Motioned by M. Regan, seconded by Y. Encarnacion. Roll call, all in favor.

REPORTS:

Monthly Expense Report of 12/31/14

Discussion – Approved

Motioned by T. Lofaro, seconded by K. Maher. Roll call, all in favor.

Treasurer's Report of 12/31/14

Discussion – Approved

Motioned by M. Regan, seconded by Y. Encarnacion. Roll call, all in favor

Board Secretary's Monthly Certification Budgetary Line Item Status (N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (c) 4)

Board of Education's Monthly Certification Budgetary Major Account/Fund Status (N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (c) 4)

Discussion – Approved

Motioned by T. Lofaro, seconded by M. Regan. Roll call, all in favor.

Superintendent/Principal Report:

Mr. Maceri opened his discussion by reviewing his superintendent's report. He provided the date for his Open Forum
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which is schedule for February 25, 2015 at 6:30 pm. He provided the board with the current school enrollment which stands at 248 students. Mr. Maceri shared some good news with the board regarding the Pasta for Pennies. This is a fundraiser for the leukemia and lymphoma society. The district raised a total of \$1091.56. The class that raised the most money would be treated to a pasta lunch from Olive Garden. Mr. Maceri stated that the winning class was Mrs. D'Elia's 5th grade class. The board congratulated the winning class and the district for participating in this fundraiser. Mr. Maceri stated that the district welcomed a new student to Mrs. Corsa 1st grade class from Australia. The student is adjusting well to the school. He provided the board with the names of the students of the Month of January for Science, Language Arts, Mathematics and Social Studies. He reported that there were no incidents of HIB for the month of January, but that there had been one in school suspension. As part of his report he gave the board a brief rundown of upcoming events for the month of February. Other matters discussed were: dates for faculty/PLC meetings, honor roll counts for the 2nd marking period and open house attendance for January 13 and January 14, 2015.

Mr. Maceri presented the 2015-2016 and the 2016-2017 school calendars. He further stated that teaching staff had reviewed the calendars made some revisions and it is now presented to the board for adoption in March if all board members are in agreement. Mr. Maceri stated that he is still interested in pursuing a shared I.T. person either through the Township or with other school districts. The township has now formed a sub-committee and is doing a cost analysis on this matter. Mr. Maceri informed the board that Chief Terraccino had called him regarding the situation and the request from the board for a police officer stationed at the school. Mr. Maceri stated that Chief Terraccino was away but when he returned they would hopefully meet to discuss this matter further. Mr. Maceri stated that he had some suggestions on what he would like to discuss. He stated that the police department has a juvenile officer and that may be that would be a good person to bring into the school to patrol the school. He further stated that the having an officer presented in the school from 7 am to 3 pm might not be feasible. Mr. Maceri also stated that the juvenile officer can assist the district in residency checks. Mrs. Lofaro reinforced the presence of an officer at all times during any after school programs, elections and any other functions held at the school that are open to the public. She further stated that this should be done in a form of an agreement between the district and the police department. A brief discussion arose regarding the PRACC testing and the readiness of the district. Mr. Maceri stated that our district is in good shape in regards to computers and technology. He stated that both him and Mrs. Turtoro had sat down together and discussed and figured out how to create sessions and moving students from session to session. The students have had practice tests and have been spending sometime on computers getting them ready to be able to do the testing on line. Testing will start for our district March 2nd and then again in April. Mr. Maceri stated that the 2014-2015 school calendar will be amended for March since the original one approved had a teacher in service day on March 20th, 2015 but because of the PRACC testing that will now be a regular school day, the teacher in service will me March 27th, 2015. Mr. Maceri then reviewed the motions on the consent agenda and one individual motion. Mr. Maceri asked if any board member had any questions or needed clarification on any of the motions presented. Ms. Davis asked for clarification on the Debt Service Wire transfer. Mr. Maceri explained that this was to do with the construction and renovation of the school. No other questions were voiced on any other motions.

Motioned by M. Regan, seconded by L. Perdomo. Roll call, all in favor

BILLS

Motion to approve, ratify and pay all bills, funds permitting.

Discussion – Approved

Motioned by T. Lofaro, seconded by M. Regan. Roll call, all in favor

COMMENTS AND CITIZENS:

Meeting opened to citizens at 8:06 p.m.

None

Mrs. Schaefer asked if Mr. Maceri would like to share some good news of his own with the board. Mr. Maceri stated that he was happy to announce that his wife was expecting a daughter July 30th, 2015. The board congratulated him and wished him all the best.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 8:07p.m.

Motioned by T. Lofaro, seconded by M. Regan

Roll call, all in favor

Respectfully Submitted,



Elizabete Schaefer
Board Secretary