

SOUTH HACKENSACK BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 9, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, January 9, 2023, in the Gymnasium of Memorial School, 1 Dyer Avenue, South Hackensack, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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 **December 15, 2022**. 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 (entered 7:10 p.m.), Mr. Donatello, Ms. Paladino, Mr. Paladino, Mr. H. Yannetti, Mr. T. Yannetti

Absent: Mr. Tornambe

Also Present: Ms. Schaefer, Mr. Chirichella

2 people in attendance

Ms. Paladino led the Board in the Flag salute

Private Session:

Mr. T. Yannetti motioned, Mr. H. Yannetti seconded to Private session @7:01 p.m. – Student Matters

Whereas, in accordance with provision of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, the South Hackensack Board of Education wishes to meet in Private Session for the purposes of discussing matters of confidential nature relating to Student Matters

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved, that the South Hackensack Board of Education adjourn to Private Session for the purpose of discussing such matters, and

Be It Further Resolved, that the public be informed of these matters as soon as the need to Remain confidential is no longer necessary at a future date to be determined.

Mr. Paladino motioned, Mr. H. Yannetti seconded, to return to public session @7:46 p.m.

Presentations: None

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: 12/22

(On file in the business office) moved by Mr. H. Yannetti, seconded by Mr. Paladino

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

Report of the Superintendent:

Mr. Chirichella opened his discussion by giving the board the current enrollment which is at 238 students. He shared some good news with the board which included Mrs. Murphy's 4th grade class as the Bulldogs of the Month for the best attendance for the month of December, the Invitational Basketball Tournament hosted by South Hackensack which will start on Wednesday of this week and run through Friday and the date for th Honor roll Assembly which will be held on February 3rd at 2:30 p.m. in the gym. No questions or comments were voiced on the superintendent report or on the resolutions presented for approval.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

The following resolutions were moved by Mr. Paladino seconded by Mr. Donatello
Resolution #8 - was voted No by all board members

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 2022-2023:

Accept Monthly Discipline Report

Month	In-School Suspensions
September 2022	1
October 2022	1
November 2022	2
December 2022	0

2. 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 2022-2023:

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

Month	HIB Incidents
September 2022	0
October 2022	1
November 2022	1
December 2022	0

3. 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 2022-2023:
The Monthly District Calendar (Attachment A)*
4. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the outreach service contract for nurse oversight Marie Bridge for January 2023 between the South Bergen Jointure Commission and the South Hackensack Board of Education at a cost of \$1,141.97

5. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the updated ARP Safe Return to School Plan.
6. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the submission of the Paraprofessional Staff Statement of Assurance SOA. *(on file Superintendent's office)*
7. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the Health and Safety Evaluation of School Buildings Checklist for 2022-2023.
8. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve Direction Solutions LLC/ProCare Therapy contract for Long Term Elementary School maternity leave replacement effective date TBD at a rate of \$91.00/hour at a minimum of 35 hours. *(on file in the business office)*
9. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve JoAnne Zahn as the South Hackensack District Testing Coordinator effective immediately.
10. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the following field trip:

Grade	Trip	Date
8th	Two Day Washington DC Tour - cost for chaperones - \$3,168.00	April 5-6, 2023

11. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the following high school students for community service to assist with the 2022-2023 cheering season.

Gabriella Maceri
Alyah Gonzalez

SPECIAL EDUCATION

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Professional Development</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Nicollette Manresa	Running an efficient IEP meeting	February 2, 2023 9:00am-10:30am	\$0

13. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the new placement of a Special Education student for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year - effective January 3, 2023 - June 30, 2023.

Student Number	School	Tuition <i>(does NOT include transportation costs)</i>
0068	Ridgefield School/ Shaler	\$34,600 <i>(prorated)</i> <i>OT/SP Services \$90.00/ 30 minute session</i>

PERSONNEL

14. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the hiring of the following Teacher Aide at the salary listed below for the 2022-2023 school year, effective January 11, 2023 to June 30, 2023.

Name	Gross \$
Abigail Bergoffen	\$21,420

**pending paperwork*

POLICY

15. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the first reading of the Board of Education's regulations / policies as submitted and as follows: *(as presented)*

Alert 229

- 0152 Board Officers - Bylaw
- 0161 Call, Adjournment, and Cancellation - Bylaw
- 0162 Notice of Board Meetings - Bylaw
- 1648.11 The Road Forward COVID-19 – Health and Safety – Policy (M) **(ABOLISHED)**
- 1648.13 School Employee Vaccination Requirements - Policy (M) **(ABOLISHED)**
- 2423 Bilingual and ESL Education - Policy & Regulation (M)
- 2425 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program - Policy (M)
- 2425 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program – Regulation (M) **(NEW)**
- 5200 Attendance - Policy & Regulation (M)
- 5512 Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying - Policy (M)
- 8140 Student Enrollments - Policy (M)
- 8140 Enrollment Accounting – Regulation (M)
- 8330 Student Records – Policy & Regulation (M)
- 8420.2 Bomb Threats – Regulation (M)
- 8420.7 Lockdown Procedures – Regulation (M)
- 8420.10 Active Shooter – Regulation (M)

FINANCE

16. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the Business Administrator to pay January 2023 bills.

17. 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

November 2022

18. 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.
19. 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 December 2022 in the amount of \$365,504.16 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.
20. 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 January 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 \$375,000.
21. Be it Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the South Hackensack Board of Education approve the Bill List for December 2022.

(Attachment C)

Fund 10	\$ 677,929.97
Fund 20	\$ 22,776.42
Fund 30	\$ 0
Fund 40	\$ 0
Fund 50	\$ 5,868.27
Total	\$ 706,574.66

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

Resolutions Approved

New Business

The following resolution was moved by Ms. Davis seconded by Mr. T. Yannetti

1. **Whereas**, the Superintendent of Schools has requested that the Board disenroll a student whose name is on file in the Board office (“Student”) based on information that the Student is not entitled to a tuition free education from the Board; and

Whereas, on or about December 21, 2022, the Superintendent provided the Student’s parent with notice of the parent’s right to a disenrollment hearing in the event that the parent did not agree with the Superintendent’s recommendation; and

Whereas, the Board has determined that the Student’s parent has not proven that the Student is entitled to a tuition-free education from the Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:38-1.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board hereby disenrolls the Student from the South Hackensack Public School District, and the Board Secretary shall provide the parent with notice of the same; provided, however, that if the Student’s parent contests the Board’s decision before the Commissioner of Education within twenty-one days of receiving the notice of disenrollment, then the Student shall remain enrolled in South Hackensack Public School District while the appeal is pending before the Commissioner of Education.

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

Resolution Approved

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: None

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Moved by Mr. Paladino, seconded by Mr. H. Yannetti

All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Schaefer

Board Secretary