# HARRINGTON PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT HARRINGTON PARK, NEW JERSEY

# MINUTES

# BOARD OF EDUCATION

# Thursday, March 04, 2021

# Virtual Meeting

Work Session and Executive/Closed Session 5:00 p.m. Public Meeting - Regular Public Meeting

6:00 p.m.

# MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Tsampicos Perides, President Laura Tebo, Vice President Brenda Cho, Trustee Eric Fishbein, Trustee Stephen Hahm, Trustee

Dr. Adam D. Fried, Superintendent/Board Secretary Mr. Bryan Jursca, Business Administrator

Executive Closed Meeting - First and Third Thursday of Each Month at 5:00 p.m. Work Session - First Thursday of Each Month at 6:00 p.m. Regular Public Meeting - Third Thursday of Each Month at 6:00 p.m. Next Work Session Meeting Thursday, March 18, 2021: Board of Education Conference Room - Harrington Park School

# CALL TO ORDER:

President Perides called the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

# FLAG SALUTE:

Dr. Fried led the flag salute.

#### ROLL CALL:

Virtual Meeting	PRESENT	ABSENT	Time of arrival/departure
Tsampicos Perides, President	х		
Laura Tebo, Vice President	х		
Brenda Cho, Trustee	х		
Eric Fishbein, Trustee	Х		
Stephen Hahm, Trustee	х		

Also Present: Dr. Adam Fried, Superintendent/Board Secretary Mr. Bryan Jursca, Business Administrator Public

# **OPEN PUBLIC PORTION MEETING ACT STATEMENT**

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Harrington Park Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting, which includes the date, time and place thereof posted on the bulletin board of the municipal building, and the Board of Education bulletin board, published in The Record and filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Harrington Park.

### **MEETING CALENDAR:**

Date	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Place</u>	Purpose
Thursday, March 18, 2021			
Work Session and Executive/Closed Session	5:00 p.m.	Virtual Meeting	Discussion
Regular Public Meeting	6:00 p.m.	Virtual Meeting	Discussion

#### **PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT:**

• President Perides thanked everyone for attending tonight's virtual meeting and wished everyone a Happy Employees Day tomorrow

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S STATEMENT:

- Dr. Fried discussed the ESSER II Federal funding to use for building and facilities needs such as HVAC, ventilation, etc.
- In discussion with our architects as to what can be done
- Release of "A View Forward"
  - District's plan is to continue educating and navigating the COVID restrictions and/or loosing of them in the coming months as well as for the next school year

#### STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT: none

#### **PRESENTATION:** none

#### OTHER: none

# PUBLIC BE HEARD AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

During each regular meeting, two opportunities are provided for citizens to ask questions and to make comments. During the first opportunity, early on the agenda, comments are invited regarding subjects on this agenda. The second opportunity occurs just prior to adjournment, when citizens may address general questions and comments to the Board,

Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise and state their name and address. The Board reserves the right to establish rules for the conduct of its meetings including such matters as the time at which the public will be heard if at all, who may speak, and for how long. All such rules shall be monitored by the presiding officer.

All cell phones must be turned off or be in vibrating or silent ring mode, Persons should leave the meeting room before answering their cell phones.

All comments and questions must be addressed to the Board President or the presiding officer, and shall be limited to school-related issues. If personal remarks or discourteous statements are made, the presiding officer may require the speaker to sit down.

Motion by Vice President Tebo, seconded by Trustee Fishbein to open the meeting to the public. **Voice Vote: Unanimous** 

#### Questions or Comments: none

Motion by Vice President Tebo. seconded by Trustee Fishbein to close the meeting to the public. **Voice Vote: Unanimous** 

# **ACTION ITEMS**

# I. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u> (none)

### II. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

### Laura Tebo, Chairperson

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Administrative Committee recommends the following resolution(s):

#### A-1 <u>APPROVE MICHELE McMAHON, LEAVE REPLACEMENT LDTC</u>

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve Michele McMahon, Leave Replacement LDTC as of January 25, 2021 until approximately May 11, 2021. Ms. McMahon will work hourly at a rate of \$120.00 with time sheets to be submitted and no health benefits, sick or personal days.

# A-2 <u>APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF BOARD SECRETARY CONTRACT FOR THE</u> 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the issuance of the Board Secretary contract to Dr. Adam Fried in the amount of \$35,875 for the 2020-2021 school year.

#### A-3 <u>APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHER, EMILY PASI ,FOR THE</u> <u>REMAINDER OF THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR</u>

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the appointment of substitute teacher, Emily Pasi, for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year.

# A-4 APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF E-SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL COORDINATORS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve Ayush Damwani, William Poggi, and Cody Budinich as E-Sports High School Coordinators from March 4, 2021 to June 30, 2021 at a rate of \$25.00 per week for each Coordinator.

#### A-5 APPROVE DONATION FROM NETFLIX

BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Education approve the donation of 10 used Clarus Glass Boards in various sizes donated by Netflix at an estimated value of \$10,000

Motion by Vice President Tebo, seconded by Trustee Fishbein to approve resolution A-1

ROLL CALL: 5-YES 0-NO 0-ABSENT Motion approved

# SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Discussion: Mr. Jursca discussed the Audit Report for the fiscal year ending 06/3020 which is on the agenda tonight. Lerch, Vinci & Higgins auditor, Andrew Parente, presented the report to the Board earlier and overall there were no findings or recommendations.

# III. <u>FINANCE AND AUDIT\_COMMITTEE</u> Eric Fishbein, Chairperson

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent, the finance and Audit Committee recommends the following resolution(s):

#### FA-6 <u>APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL</u> <u>REPORT AND THE AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR</u> <u>ENDING JUNE 30, 2020</u>

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the acceptance of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and the Auditor's Management Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

# FA-7 <u>APPROVE BILLS LIST</u>

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the payment of expenditures in the amount of \$109,676.04 as based upon the computer listing dated 03/04/21, the payroll of \$367,081.49 dated 02/12/21 and the payroll of \$367,835.86 dated 02/26/21, all of which are on file in the office of the Board of Education. *In accordance with N.J.A.C.* 6A:23-2:11(b), C 3, and C 4:

Approval that all bills as examined, audited and certified by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and presented to the Board of Education shall, if found to be correct, be ordered paid by the Board of Education. Any exceptions noticed tonight, on the record, will be reexamined by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and the appropriate committee chairperson and if found to be correct, be ordered paid by the Board of Education. Prior to payment, the inquiring board trustee will be duly notified by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in reference to satisfaction of the submitted concern.

# FA-8 APPROVE BOARD SECRETARY REPORT FOR JANUARY. 2021

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Board Secretary Report for the month ending 01/31/21.

# CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS

In accordance with N.J.A.C.6A:23-211 (b), (c), and (c) 4:

The Business Administrator/Board Secretary certifies that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation. The Board of Education certifies that no major account or fund has been over-expended. Furthermore, the Board of Education And the business Administrator/Board Secretary certify that current expense, special revenue and debt service fund balances have not been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

# FA-9 APPROVE MONTHLY TRANSFER REPORT FOR JANUARY, 2021

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the monthly Transfer Report for the month ending 01/31/21.

# FA-10 APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JANUARY, 2021

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending 01/31/21.

Motion by Trustee Fishbein, seconded by Trustee Cho to approve resolutions FA-6 through FA-10

ROLL CALL: 5-YES 0-NO 0-ABSENT Motion approved

- IV.
   HOUSE & GROUNDS COMMITTEE
   Tsampicos Perides, Chairperson

   Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent, the House & Grounds Committee
   recommends the following resolution(s): (none)
- V. <u>POLICY AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE</u> Stephen Hahm, Chairperson Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent, The Policy andLegislation Committee recommends the following resolution(s): (none)

# V. <u>TRAVEL/CONFERENCES/OTHER</u> (none)

# PUBLIC BEHEARD - ALL SCHOOL RELATED ISSUES

Motion by Trustee Fishbein, seconded by Vice President Tebo to open the meeting to the public.

#### Voice Vote: Unanimous

#### Questions or Comments:

Ms. Brianne Schryver, 89 Highland Avenue, Harrington Park, NJ

- 1. Asynchronous learning days: Unfair/difficult to expect younger students to navigate virtual components
- 2. What are teacher's responsibilities during these days to help students with Google Classroom? Dr. Fried response:
- 1. Asych days are really until things get back to "normal" and would be limited in the future.
- 2. Dr. Fried will speak with Administration about Google Classroom and make sure everyone is on the same page and be able to do what they need to do

Mr. Larry Rossi, 107 Klein Street, Harrington Park, NJ

- "A New Way" discussion
- 1. This is less than an ideal schedule even though a lot has been done given the situation
- 2. A lot of districts in NJ are operating at a much higher in person rate
- 3. Does Harrington Park have a reopening committee?
- 4. Will the survey be sent to parents?
- 5. State level committee being formed will Harrington Park be part of it? Dr. Fried response:
- 1. Currently working on schedules for any changes, lunch and space is an issue
- 2. Dr. Fried will talk to Mr. Rossi privately about what is really happening in other districts
- 3. Internal team working with our school physicians and also with town and all stakeholders
- 4. Dr. Fried is currently working on the survey
- 5. A State level committee is being formed and Harrington Park will be a part of it if or when called upon.

Motion by Vice President Tebo, seconded by Trustee Fishbein to close the meeting to the public.

#### Voice Vote: Unanimous

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Vice President Tebo, seconded by Trustee Fishbein to adjourn from the Public Session meeting at 6:53 p.m. and adjourn to Executive Closed Session meeting - no action to be taken.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Dr. Adam Fried

Dr. Adam Fried Superintendent/Board Secretary