

HARRINGTON PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
HARRINGTON PARK, NEW JERSEY

MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Board of Meeting

Location: Community Church Founders Hall

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

Brenda Cho

Stephen Hahm

Matthew Lehmann

Peter Toomin

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 5:00 p.m.

Regular Public Meeting - Third Thursday of Each Month at 6:00 p.m.

Next Work Session Meeting: **October 14, 2021**

Board of Education - Community Church - Founders Hall

CALL TO ORDER:

President Perides called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

Dr. Fried led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

Meeting	PRESENT	ABSENT	Time of arrival/departure
Tsampicos Perides, President	X		
Brenda Co	X		
Stephen Hahm		X	
Matthew Lehmann	X		
Peter Toomin	X		

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:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
October 14, 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:

1. President Perides welcomed public, staff, newly tenured staff and retired staff, along with Student Council members
2. President Perides noted that audio recordings will begin at the next BOE meeting scheduled for October 14th for those community members who missed the meeting or would like to hear what happened
3. Told story of new family in town and what makes HP such a special place to live

SUPERINTENDENT’S STATEMENT:

1. COVID screening tests will continue for students, staff and the community this year
Handouts were given to community members attending the meeting
We have a new company/vendor for this year
Continued testing is a way to keep us in school as long as possible and get back in if cleared
2. A Skateboard Rack has been installed for those students that skateboard to school
I love that students are riding bikes and skateboards to school
We have been talking about this option for two years with Student Council
3. Almost 30% of student leadership roles at Northern Valley Old Tappan are held by HP students
We congratulate all of our great students and thank the Student Council for their hard work and dedication
4. Training for staff around LGBTQ issues and current environment
Once again, I thank Student Council for their part in bringing this subject to the forefront
5. Tonight is a special time of the year for our Board and community where we honor our retirees
We extend our best wishes to Dr. Haracopos on her retirement
6. Our newly tenured staff is another special event and tenure in HP is something that is earned
We congratulate and welcome Ms. Wise and Ms. Zurlini to our family!

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT: Student Council Representatives: Lily Mitchell and Chloe Parsi

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 President Perides, seconded by Trustee Cho to open the meeting to the public.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Questions or Comments: none

Motion by President Perides, seconded by Trustee Cho to close the meeting to the public.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

ACTION ITEMS

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

08/27/21	Work Session	Executive/Closed Session	Regular Public Session
09/09/21	Work Session	Executive/Closed Session	Regular Public Session

Motion by President Perides, seconded by Trustee Cho to approve the Minutes of 08/27/21 and the Minutes of 09/09/21 as listed above.

ROLL CALL: 4-YES 0-NO 1-ABSENT Motion approved

II. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE , Chairperson

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

A-1 APPROVE NURSING SERVICE PLAN FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Nursing Service Plan for the 2021-22 school year.

A-2 APPROVE STUDENT SAFETY DATA SYSTEMS (SSDS) REPORT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Student Safety Data Systems (SSDS) Report Period 2 incidents, Training, Programs (01/01/21 - 06/30/21).

A-3 APPROVE E-SPORTS DONATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve various donations (monetary and equipment) to the E-Sports Program of Harrington Park School (Appendix A).

A-4 APPROVE DONATION FROM MR. BRIAN KIM TO HARRINGTON PARK SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the donation in the amount of \$1,000 from Mr. Brian Kim to Harrington Park School, expressing his gratitude to the district for his current and graduated children, directing the funds to be used as needed for students.

A-5 APPROVE LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR EMPLOYEE #4426

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the maternity/child rearing leave request from employee #4426 with an anticipated start date of 11/01/21 and end date of 03/14/21, and an extended unpaid leave of absence request from 03/15/21 to 04/22/21, with an estimated return date of 04/25/21.

A-6 APPROVE AYUSH DAMWANI & WILLIAM POGGI - E SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL COORDINATORS FROM SEPTEMBER 01, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve Ayush Damwani & William Poggi - Esports High School Coordinators from 09/01/21 - June 30, 2022 at a rate of \$50.00 per week for each coordinator.

A-7 APPROVE INCREASE OF DAILY RATE FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHER, KATHY DEGRUCCIO FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the increase of daily rate to \$110 for substitute teacher Kathy DeGruccio for the 2021-22 school year.

A-8 APPROVE INCREASE OF DAILY RATE FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHER, LORA VAZACOPOULOS FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the increase of daily rate to \$110 for substitute teacher Lora Vazacopoulos for the 2021-22 school year.

A-9 APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT AND ISSUANCE OF CONTRACT TO KIM GIORDANO AS PART TIME (FTE .83) BOARD OF EDUCATION CONFIDENTIAL OFFICE STAFF

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the appointment and issuance of a contract to Kim Giordano as a part time (FTE .83) 12 month Board of Education Confidential Office Staff, starting date (TBD) with no health or dental benefits, pending paperwork approval at a salary of \$45,000 prorated.

A-10 APPROVE RAMAPO COLLEGE STUDENT, KOLLEN JOSHI, AS STUDENT TEACHER

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve Ramapo College student, Kollen Joshi, as student teacher 2 days per week during the Fall 2021 and 5 days per week during Spring 2022 with Ms. Giannella, pending paperwork approval.

A-11 APPROVE REAPPOINTMENT AND ISSUANCE OF SERVICE CONTRACTS TO MEDICAL INSPECTORS FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the reappointment and issuance of service contracts to Medical Inspectors Christopher Weiss & Howard Friedman for the 2021-22 school year in the amount of \$5,100.00 each.

A-12 APPROVE RESPECT WEEK AND SCHOOL VIOLENCE AWARENESS WEEK

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Respect Week (October 4-8, 2021) and School Violence Awareness Week (October 18-22, 2021).

A-13 APPROVE HSA ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS FOR FALL 2021

BE IT RESOLVED BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the HSA Enrichment Programs for the Fall of 2021.

A-14 APPROVE WEST BERGEN MENTAL HEALTHCARE CONTRACT FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the West Bergen Mental Healthcare contract for the 2021-22 school year.

A-15 APPROVE CURRICULUM GUIDES AND REVISION/UPDATE SCHEDULE FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Curriculum Guides and Revision/Update Schedule for the 2021-22 school year.

A-16 APPROVE STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE FOR THE USE OF PARAPROFESSIONAL STAFF FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the use of paraprofessional staff for the 2021-22 school year (September).

A-17 APPROVE CO-CURRICULAR ASSIGNMENT FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Co-Curricular Assignment and issuance of contract for the 2021-22 school year as listed below:

String Ensemble: Lisa Woods \$1,925.12

A-18 APPROVE SUBSTITUTE TEACHER FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the appointment of substitute teacher, Emma Palamidis, for the 2021-22 school year pending paperwork approval.

A-19 APPROVE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR SCHEDULED SCHOOL BASED ASSESSMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the 2021-22 school year scheduled school based assessments.

Motion by Trustee Cho, seconded by President Perides to approve resolutions A-1 through A-19

ROLL CALL: 4 - YES 0 - NO 1 - ABSENT Motion approved

III. FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE , Chairperson

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

FA-20 APPROVE BILLS LIST

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the payment of expenditures in the amount of \$532,699.95 dated 09/30/21 based upon the computer listing dated 09/30/21 and the payroll of \$372,494.21 dated 09/15/21, 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-21 APPROVE BOARD SECRETARY REPORT FOR JULY 2021

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Board Secretary Report for the month ending July, 2021.

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-22 APPROVE MONTHLY TRANSFER REPORT FOR JULY 2021

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the monthly Transfer Report for the month ending July 2021.

FA-23 APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JULY 2021

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending July 2021.

FA-24 APPROVE BANYAN SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACT FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the special education tuition contract agreement with Banyan School from 09/08/21 - 06/30/22 for the following student:

Student ID: 20313187 Tuition Charge: 56,611.12 One to One Aide: N/a

FA-25 APPROVE DEMAREST BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACT FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the special education tuition contract agreement with the Demarest Board of Education from 09/01/21 - 06/30/22 for the following student:

Student ID: 20283666 Tuition Charge: 33,300.00 One to One Aide: N/A

FA-26 APPROVE DEMAREST BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACT FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the special education tuition contract agreement with the Demarest Board of Education from 07/01/21 - 06/30/22 for the following student:

Student ID: 20273405 Tuition Charge: 28,300.00 One to One Aide: N/A

FA-27 APPROVE NORTHERN VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOE SPECIAL EDUCATION VALLEY SUMMER PROGRAM TUITION CONTRACT FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the special education tuition contract agreement with the Northern Valley Regional High School District Board of Education Valley Summer Program from 07/01/21 - 07/30/21 for the following students:

Student ID: 20313187 Tuition Charge: \$7,237.00 One to One Aide (n/a)

Student ID: 20323400 Tuition Charge: \$7,237.00 One to One Aide: (n/a)

FA-28 APPROVE SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE COMMISSION BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACT FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the special education contract agreement with the South Bergen Jointure Commission Board of Education from 07/07/21 - 06/23/21 for the following student:

Student ID: 20263927 Tuition Charge: \$57,925.00 One to One Aide: (n/a)

FA-29 APPROVE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 ARP-IDEA ALLOCATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the submission of the application for the fiscal year 2022 ARP-IDEA allocations as follows:

Basic \$23,514

Preschool \$2,009

Motion by President Perides, seconded by Trustee Cho to approve resolutions FA-20 through FA-29

ROLL CALL: 4-YES 0-NO 1-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):

HG-30 APPROVE USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Use of Facilities for Use and Hold Harmless Agreement for the Girls Scouts of the USA (Kindergarten Daisy Troop) on 9/17, 10/15, 11/19, 12/17, 1/21, 2/11, 3/18, 4/8, 5/30, 6/10 from 3:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in Room 28.

HG-31 APPROVE USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Use of Facilities and Hold Harmless Agreement for the Girl Scouts of the USA (3rd Grade) on 9/24, 10/22, 11/12, 12/10, 1/14, 2/11, 3/11, 4/8, 5/13 from 3:08 - 4:15 p.m. in a classroom to be determined.

Motion by Trustee Lehmann, seconded by Trustee Cho to approve resolutions HG-30 and HG-31

ROLL CALL: 4-YES 0-NO 0-ABSENT Motion approved

V. POLICY AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE Stephen Hahm, Chairperson

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent, The Policy and Legislation Committee recommends the following resolution(s):

OPEN TO PUBLIC - PUBLIC BE HEARD (On Policy Only)

Motion by President Perides, seconded by Trustee Cho to open the meeting to the public on Policy only.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Questions or Comments: none

Motion by Trustee , seconded by Trustee to close the meeting to the public on Policy only

Voice Vote: Unanimous

PL-32 APPROVE SECOND READING OF POLICIES

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the second reading for the following policies:

Policy 1620 - Administrative Employment Contracts

Policy 2220 - Adoption of Courses

Policy 2422 - Health and Physical Education

Policy 2622 - Student Assessment

Policy 3142 - Nonrenewal of Non tenured Teaching Staff Member

Policy 5200 - Attendance

Policy 5320 - Immunization

Policy 5610 - Suspension

Policy 5620 - Expulsion

Policy 8462 - Reporting Potentially Missing or Abused Children

Motion by President Perides, seconded by Trustee Cho to approve resolution PL-32

ROLL CALL: 4 -YES 0-NO 0 -ABSENT Motion approved

V. TRAVEL/CONFERENCES/OTHER (none)

PUBLIC BE HEARD - ALL SCHOOL RELATED ISSUES

Motion by President Perides, seconded by Trustee Cho to open the meeting to the public.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Questions or Comments:

Leslie Finer - 89 Norma Road, Harrington Park, NJ

1. Ms. Finer thanked the Board and Administration for listening to the input for recording public meetings and questioned if there is an option for live streaming. Ms. Finer noted she was excited to see a new typing class for our third graders and asked if there was any option for other students who may have missed the opportunity or would like to take the class.

Dr. Fried responded that we are looking to do this along with many other electives such as DJing, running electives at off-hours is another potential with our adjunct model.

2. Ms. Finer questioned if there are any thoughts of bringing more technology down to the lower grades.

Dr. Fried responded that technology is different for every grade but technology is currently integrated or infused into daily lessons of every subject and not just taught by our technology teacher.

3. Ms. Finer questioned if school parking lot blacktop repairs are being considered.

President Perides responded that we are looking at everything.

4. Ms. Finer questioned if Mr. Hahm is still on the Board as she noticed he has been absent from the past few meetings.

Dr. Fried responded that it is personal matter but we send our prayers to Mr. Hahm and his family during this very difficult time.

Motion by President Perides, seconded by Trustee Cho to close the meeting to the public.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Motion by President Perides, seconded by Trustee Cho to adjourn from the Regular Public Session meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Dr. Adam Fried

**Dr. Adam Fried
Superintendent/Board Secretary**