

HARRINGTON PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
HARRINGTON PARK, NEW JERSEY



Minutes

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Thursday, January 07, 2021

Virtual Meeting

Work Session and Executive/Closed Session

5:00 p.m.

Public Meeting - Regular Public Meeting

6:00 p.m.

REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL BOARD

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Brenda Cho

Eric Fishbein

Stephen Hahm

Tsampicos Perides

Laura Tebo

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, January 21, 2021**

Virtual Meeting



CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Fried called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE: Dr. Fried led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

Virtual Meeting	PRESENT	ABSENT	Time of arrival/departure
Brenda Cho	x		
Eric Fishbein	x		
Stephen Hahm	x		
Tsampicos Perides	x		
Laura Tebo	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.

**I. REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL BOARD FOR THE TERM
JANUARY 1, 2021 – DECEMBER 31, 2021**

- a. Administration of Oaths pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:12-2.1 by the Board Secretary to the duly elected candidates to the Board of Education.

Administration of Oath of Office of newly elected Board of Education members:

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I possess the qualifications prescribed by law for the office of member of the board of education and that I will faithfully, justly, and impartially perform all of the duties of that office according to the best of my ability.

I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey and that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and to the Government established in the United States and this State, under the authority of the people. So help me God.”

- b. Administration of Oath of Office of newly elected Board of Education members
The Board Secretary administered the Code of Ethics to the Board members

III. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Committees

Administrative Chair: Laura Tebo
 Finance and Audit Chair: Eric Fisbein
 House and Grounds: Tsampicos Perides
 Policy and Legislation: Stephen Hahm
 Negotiations: Laura Tebo and Tsampicos Perides

President's Committee Northern Valley Joint School Boards

Delegate: Tsampicos Perides Alternate: Laura Tebo

New Jersey School Boards Association

Delegate: Eric Fishbein Alternate: Brenda Cho

Bergen County School Boards Association

Delegate: Eric Fishbein Alternate: Brenda Cho

MEETING CALENDAR:

Date	Time:	Place	Purpose
Thursday, January 21, 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

- Welcome and Happy New Year!

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- Happy New Year to everyone
- New State requirement for Covid
 - 1 symptom requires quarantine for 10 days
- District is ready with Covid testing for students and staff as needed
- School Calendar revision to include 2nd half of year was released
 - Spring break was moved to after Easter for the safety and security of everyone as families travel
 - Martin Luther King Day was made into a Day of Service for others and staff will be working on programs and projects for the day

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT: (none)

PRESENTATION:

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 Tebo to open the meeting to the public.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Questions or Comments: none

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

Voice Vote: Unanimous

ACTION ITEMS

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

_____ BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the following minutes:

12/03/20 Work Session Executive/Closed Session Regular Public Session

Motion by President Perides, seconded by Trustee Cho to approve the Minutes listed above.

ROLL CALL: 5- YES 0 – NO Motion approved

V. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

Laura Tebo, Chairperson

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

A-1 APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF HARRINGTON PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Eric Fishbein as Harrington Park Board of Education Board Trustee effective 01/07/21 to 12/31/21 for vacant board member seat opened for unexpired term of Stephen Levine.

A-2 APPROVE CHANGE IN (FTE) APPOINTMENT AND ISSUANCE OF CONTRACT TO NANCY GILLMER, CHILD STUDY TEAM SECRETARY

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the change in (FTE) for Nancy Gillmer (employee # 4790), Child Study Team Secretary from her 09/01/20 appointment as a .69 (FTE) 10 month part-time position to her new appointment as a 12 month 1.0 (FTE) Child Study Team Secretary, effective 01/04/21 - 06/30/21 and the issuance of a contract with a prorated salary of \$30,000.00 for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year.

A-3 APPROVE STUDENT SAFETY DATA SYSTEMS (SSDS) REPORT FOR PERIOD 1

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Student Safety Data Systems (SSDS) Report for period 1 for 2020-21, Reporting of Incidents from 09/01/20 to 12/31/20 and Training and Programs from 07/01/20 to 12/31/20.

A-4 APPROVE STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE FOR THE USE OF PARAPROFESSIONAL STAFF FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Statement of Assurance for the use of paraprofessional staff for the 2020-21 school year (January 2021) on file for review in the superintendent's office.

A-5 APPROVE CHANGE IN APPOINTMENT OF AFTERCARE ASSISTANT SUBSTITUTE ISABELLA BRACKENBURY FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the change in the appointment of Aftercare Assistant Substitute, Isabella Brankenbury, approved on the 10/15/20 Public Session agenda (resolution A-7) to her new position as Aftercare Assistant working up to 15 hours per week at \$15.65 per hour effective 01/04/21 for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year.

A-6 APPROVE CHANGE IN APPOINTMENT OF AFTERCARE ASSISTANT MICHELLE DUROCHER FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the change in the appointment of Aftercare Assistant, Michelle Durocher, approved on the 10/15/20 Public Session agenda (resolution A-8) to her new position as **Aftercare Assistant Substitute** effective 01/04/21 for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year

Motion by Trustee Tebo, seconded by Trustee Cho to approve resolutions A-1 through A-2

Resolution #A-1:

ROLL CALL: 4- YES 0 – NO 1- ABSTAINED (Trustee Fishbein)

Motion approved

Resolution #A-2:

ROLL CALL: 5- YES 0 – NO

Motion approved

SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Mr. Jursca discussed the shed update:

- The insurance adjuster has viewed the damage and we are working on replacement/reimbursement of expenses.

VI. FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

Eric Fishbein, Chairperson

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

FA-7 APPROVE BILLS LIST

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the payment of expenditures in the amount of \$193,989.62 dated 01/07/21, the payroll of \$385,336.76 dated 12/15/20 and the payroll of \$365,037.49 dated 12/23/20, 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 NOVEMBER, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Board Secretary Report for the month ending 11/30/20.

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.

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

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

Voice Vote: Unanimous

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by President Perides, seconded by Trustee Fishbein to adjourn from the Public Session meeting at 6:17 p.m.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Dr. Adam Fried

Superintendent/Board Secretary