

**NORTHERN HIGHLANDS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Workshop Meeting**

**April 4, 2016**

**AGENDA**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Board President will call the meeting to order.
  
2. **FLAG SALUTE and PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT:**  
 The Board Secretary will read the following: 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 any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Secretary has transmitted notice of this meeting by having the date, time and place sent to the North Jersey Media Group (Ridgewood News, The Record), the Boroughs of Allendale and Upper Saddle River and published on January 8, 2016 in the Ridgewood News and The Record and posted in the Board of Education Office at Northern Highlands Regional High School. Our agenda allows two opportunities for public comments; at the beginning of the meeting for agenda items only and at the conclusion of our meeting for general comments. We ask members of the public to state their name and address and limit their comments to a three to five minute time period.

3. **ROLL CALL**

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mrs. Barbara Garand		
Mrs. Anne Goddard		
Dr. Robert Hands		
Mr. James Mulanaphy		
Mrs. Ann Pagano		
Mrs. Gail Trumbetti		
Ms. Ellen Marie Walsh		
Mrs. Lisa Jill Webb		
Mr. Robert C. Wei		
Dr. Sheila Yallowitz		
Mr. Henry Senger (Saddle River Liaison)		
Brian O'Connor (Student Representative)		
Grace Travers (Student Representative)		
Dr. Scot Beckerman, Superintendent		
Mr. James Davis, Business Administrator/Board Secretary		

4. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Northern Highlands Regional High School Board of Education shall go into executive session for the purposes of discussing:
  - Personnel - Non-tenured staff

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\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded that the Board move into executive session.

TIME: All in Favor: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded that the Board moves into public session.

TIME: All in Favor: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_

**5. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

**6. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

**7. COMMITTEE & LIAISON REPORTS**

**8. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

**9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**10. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**11. ACTION ITEMS FOR Business Agenda for April 4, 2016, BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING:**

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves/accepts the following business item(s) **B-1** through **B-4**, in accordance with NJSA 18A and NJAC Title 6, et. sec., including NJAC 6A:23-2.11 reporting no over-expenditure of funds and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Business Administrator:

**B-1.** Approval of current bills list (check register) from March 16, 2016 through March 29, 2016, per attachment.

**B-2.** Approval of minutes, March 7 and March 21, 2016 Board of Education meetings and executive session and March 29, 2016 Quad District meeting, per attachments.

**B-3.** *Approval of the following staff travel (accommodations note room rate only; occupancy taxes & Fees associated therein and other costs on trips presently unknown, meals for overnight trips and Mileage, tolls, parking will be reimbursed in accordance with policy and law).*

Who: Michael Koth, Paul Albarella

What: SNAP Conference: Protecting Students & Schools in the Cyber Age

Where: The Venetian, Garfield, NJ

When: Wednesday, April 20, 2016

Costs: Registration: no cost

Mileage: as per NJ OMB Guidelines

Who: Kelly Peterfriend  
 What: National Association for College Admission Counseling Conference & College Tours  
 Where: Columbus, Ohio  
 When: Wednesday, September 21 – Saturday, September 24, 2016  
 Costs: Registration: \$285  
 Airfare: approx. \$300 round trip  
 Hotel: Hyatt Regency (conference hotel) \$179 per night for 3 nights, totaling approx. \$630 including tax  
 Car rental: approx. \$100  
 Mileage: as per NJ OMB Guidelines

- B-4.** RESOLVED, that the Northern Highlands Board of Education authorize the purchase of technology equipment from Aspire Technology Partners in the amount of \$28,175.06 per **New Jersey State Contract # 87720, NVP #AR233 (2014-19** – per attachment), and two (2) quotes were obtained and the higher quote was under the MRESC Cooperative Contract.

Roll Call:

**12. ACTION ITEMS FOR the Education Agenda for April 4, 2016 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING:**

\_\_\_\_\_ moved and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approve/accept the following Education items, **E-1** through **E-12**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, effective immediately following the completion of required certification and documentation:

- E-1.** Accept and affirm the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying investigation report, per attachment.
- E-2.** Accept with regret, the resignation of JENNIFER SAXTON, School Guidance Counselor effective June 30, 2016, per attachment.
- E-3.** Approve a Leave of Absence for JOSEPH (JAY) LUCCI, Teacher of Latin from March 28, 2016 to April 8, 2016.
- E-4.** Approve extending the Leave of Absence for DEANNA FRIEDLAND, School Social Worker from April 29, 2016 to May 31, 2016, per attachment.
- E-5.** Approve an additional assignment for LYLE BECOURTNEY at a rate of \$64.17 per day, JESSICA VERDICCHIO at a rate of \$64.17 per day, ROBIN BURTON at a rate of \$64.17 per day, CATHY BERBERIAN at a rate of \$64.17 per day and TRACY LAROCCA at a rate of \$42.60 per day, for the purpose of Leave of Absence Replacement for School Social Worker, from May 3, 2016 to May 31, 2016.

- E-6.** Approve the following Quad District Faculty to teach Quad District Mini Courses during the 2015-2016 school year as follows:

Mini Course (\$550 per person for 3 workshops & in-school sessions) PAM KOUTRAKOS, EILEEN RAKOWSKI, CARLA LABABERA, AMY D'AMBOLA, DANIELLE ANDERSON, MELISSA DEBOER, JESSICA MENZELLA, AMY TORCHIA, MARGARET JUSINSKI, ALISON BAIER, TIFFANY COHEN, PATTY POLICASTRO, DINA SIMONETTI, PAUL ALBARELLA, GARY BACH  
Tech Workshops (\$360 per person for 2 workshops) SARA BUCHBAUM, DOROTHY FOX, JOHNNA COSTANZA

- E-7.** Approve student workshops “Basic Training for College Applications” with Kelly Peterfriend and Ethan Sawyer, “College Essay Guy”, on August 15, 16, 17 and 18, 2016, per attachment.

- E-8.** Approve the following field trips for the 2015-2016 school year as follows:

- a.) Highland Heroes - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Outreach program
  - Ho-Ho-Kus School and Brookside School, NJ: 3/23/16
- b.) Highland Heroes - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Outreach program
  - Cavallini School, NJ: 4/1/16
- c.) A Cappella - International HS Finals (Overnight Trip)
  - Town Hall Theatre, NYC: 4/29 - 4/30/16
- d.) Chinese Class - Chinese Culture
  - Flushing, NYC: 5/24/16
- e.) Robotics Club- Google Tour
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, NYC: 5/20/16
- f.) Science Class - Marine/Estuarine Ecosystems
  - Forsythe Wildlife Refuge, Brick NJ: 5/16/16
- g.) Spanish Club - Latin American Culture
  - Red Bull Arena, Harrison NJ: 4/29/16
- h.) Actors Workshop Class
  - New Amsterdam Theatre, NYC: 6/9/16
- i.) DECA
  - Training Sessions for Oasis Teen Program - Oasis, Paterson NJ: 5/9/16
  - Investors Conference - Palace Hotel, NYC: 6/15/16

- E-9.** Approve the following list of advisors/chaperones for an overnight field trip as follows:

A Cappella - International HS Finals: April 29-30, 2016  
Advisor: THOMAS PASTER  
Chaperone: THEODORA SOTIROPOULOS (\$425 for 2 days)

**E-10.** Approve the following Athletic/Co-Curricular appointments for the 2015- 2016 school year as follows:

1. RICHARD SMITH as Volunteer Advisor for Coding Club
2. NATHANIEL MOON as Volunteer Lecturer for Coding Club
3. KATIE HINCHEN as Assistant Spring Track Coach (Revised to 1/2 Group 2a, \$3,408.50 from Full Group 2a, \$6,817)
4. WILL ESPOSITO as Assistant Spring Track Coach (1/2 Group 2a, \$3,408.50 each)

**E-11.** Approve the following Athletic/Co-Curricular appointments for the 2016-2017 school year as follows:

1. SARA BELGIOVINE as Transition Project Advisor (Group 3, \$3,797)
2. MARY LARDIERE as Transition Project Advisor (Group 3, \$3,797)

**E-12.** Approve the receipt of one out of district Tuition Student for the 2016-2017 school year, per attachment.

Roll Call:

**13. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

**14. OLD BUSINESS**

**15. NEW BUSINESS**

**16. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**17. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Northern Highlands Regional High School Board of Education shall go into executive session to discuss the following matters:

- **Review of MOA between the Northern Highlands Regional High School Board of Education and the Northern Highlands Supervisor’s Association**

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**18. ADJOURNMENT**

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

TIME: All in Favor: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_