MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Pascack Valley Regional High School District

Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. In the Pascack Valley High School Media Center

Meeting Regulations

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education members, district administration, and staff will treat parents/guardians and other members of the public with respect and expect the same consideration in return. The district is committed to maintaining orderly processes for keeping school and district events free from disruption. 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 President unless the majority of the Board present and voting, rule otherwise.

During this regular meeting, two opportunities are provided for citizens to make comments. In order for a citizen to make a comment, they must be physically present at the meeting. During the first opportunity, early on the agenda, comments regarding agenda items are invited. The second opportunity will occur just prior to adjournment, when residents may address general comments to the Board.

Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise and state their name and town of residence. Comments shall be limited to issues. If personal remarks or discourteous statements are made, the presiding officer shall require the speaker to sit down.

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I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mr. Joseph Blundo, President

Present: Mr. Joseph Blundo, President

Mrs. Gini Varghese, Vice President

Ms. Elizabeth Calderone Mrs. Kristin Martin Mr. James Stankus Ms. Debra Stephans

Ms. Sarah Bilotti, Superintendent

Mr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Absent: Dr. Kelly Blundy

Mr. Pat Luisi

Mr. Michael Weaver

II. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Blundo led all those present in a salute to the flag.

III. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by mailing copies of said notice to The Record, filing copies of said notice with the municipal clerks of Hillsdale, Montvale, River Vale, and Woodcliff Lake, and publishing said notice in The Record on July 21, 2023.

IV. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education minutes:

June 12, 2023	Special Meeting	7:00 p.m.
June 12, 2023	Executive Meeting	7:04 p.m.
June 20, 2023	Regular Meeting	7:00 p.m.
June 20, 2023	Executive Meeting	7:04 p.m.

Moved by:	Stankus				Seconded by:	Martir	ı		
					VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				X	Stephans	X			
Calderone	X				Varghese	X			
Luisi				X	Weaver				X
Martin	X				Blundo	X			

V. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Citizens are invited to make comments regarding agenda items and are limited to three minutes, according to the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education policy number 0167. Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise, sign in and state their name, town of residence, and which agenda item(s) they are referencing. None

VI. **POLICY**

Consent Agenda for Items 1-8

1. Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan 2023-2024

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the submission to the New Jersey Department of Education of the Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan for the 2023-2024 school year.

2. Five Year Curriculum Revision Plan

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the revised five year curriculum revision plan.

3. Emergency Response Plans

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Emergency Response Plan for Pascack Hills and Pascack Valley High Schools for the 2023-2024 school year.

4. District Professional Development Plan

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the 2023-2024 District Professional Development Plan.

5. District Mentoring Plan

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the 2023-2024 District Mentoring Plan.

6. BOE Bylaws, Policies, and Regulations – First Reading

First reading of the following Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education bylaws, policies, and regulations:

Name of Policy or Regulation	Policy / Regulation Number
BOARD OFFICERS	<u>P 0152</u>
BOARD MEMBER ORIENTATION AND TRAINING	<u>P 0144</u>
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES (M)	<u>P 2520</u>

INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES (M)	<u>R 2520</u>
USE OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT	<u>P 3217</u>
USE OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT (new)	<u>P 4217</u>
HEALTH SERVICES PERSONNEL (M)	<u>P 5305</u>
STUDENT HEALTH RECORDS (M)	<u>P 5308</u>
STUDENT HEALTH RECORDS (M)	<u>R 5308</u>
HEALTH SERVICES (M)	<u>P 5310</u>
HEALTH SERVICES (M)	<u>R 5310</u>
REIMBURSEMENT OF FEDERAL AND OTHER GRANT EXPENDITURES (M)	<u>P 6112</u>
FEDERAL FUNDS – DUPLICATION OF BENEFITS - (M) (new)	<u>P 6115.04</u>
CONTRACTS FOR GOODS OR SERVICES FUNDED BY FEDERAL GRANTS (M)	<u>P 6311</u>
SCHOOL DISTRICT SECURITY (M)	<u>P 7440</u>
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEES	<u>P 9140</u>
FEDERAL AWARDS/FUNDS INTERNAL CONTROLS – ALLOWABILITY OF COSTS (M) (new)	R 6115.01
SCHOOL THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAMS	<u>P 2419</u>
ELIGIBILITY OF RESIDENT / NONRESIDENT STUDENTS	<u>P 5111</u>

7. Abolish BOE Policy and Regulation

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, abolish the following policy and regulation:

Policy/Reg Number	Name	Rational
<u>P 9100</u>	PUBLIC RELATIONS	Replaced with policy 9120
<u>R 9140</u>	CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (M)	No need for regulation because policy 9140 includes similar information.

8. PVRSSA Sidebar Agreement

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the sidebar agreement between the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education and the Pascack Valley Regional Support Staff Association.

Moved by:	Martin				Seconded by:	Stepha	ans		
					VOTE	-			
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				X	Stephans	X			
Calderone	X				Varghese	X			
Luisi				X	Weaver				X
Martin	X				Blundo	X			
Stankus	X								

VII. EDUCATION

Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 3

1. Curricula - Revised

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the revised curricula for Mathematics.

Revised Curricula:

Department	Course
Mathematics	Geometry/Honors Geometry

2. Out of District Placement

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the out of district placement for student ID # 812079 at Rockland BOCES for the 2023-2024 school year per student's IEP. The tuition is \$79,684.

3. Services Provided by Bergen County Special Services (BCSS)

a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve BCSS to provide 1:1 aide for student ID# 811319 per student's IEP:

	Quantity	Cost	Total
ESY Program- June 27- August 4, 2023 (New			
Bridges)	6 Weeks	\$6,400	\$ 6,400
2023-2024 School Year (New Bridges)	180 Days	\$283.25	\$50,985
		Total	\$57,385

b. RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve BCSS to provide additional therapy services for the 2023-2024 school year, per students' IEPs:

Student ID#	Quantity	Cost	Total

811319	OT Individual- 2X/week for 30 min for 41 weeks	\$130	\$5,330
811319	Speech Individual- 3X/week for 30 min for 41 weeks	\$195	\$7,995
811319	Speech Group- 1X/week for 30 min for 41 weeks	\$65	\$2,665
811319	Counseling Individual- 1X/ week for 30 min 41 weeks	\$65	\$2,665
811319	Counseling Group- 1X/week for 30 min 41 weeks	\$65	\$2,665

c. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve BCSS to provide additional therapy services for the ESY summer program, per the student's IEP:

Student	Quantity	Cost	Total
811319	OT - 1X/week for 30 min for 6 weeks	\$65	\$390
811319	Speech - 1X/week for 30 min for 6 weeks	\$65	\$390

Moved by:	Martin	Seconded by:			Stepha	Stephans			
				7	VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				X	Stephans	X			
Calderone	X				Varghese	X			
Luisi				X	Weaver				X
Martin	X				Blundo	x			
Stankus	X								

VIII. HUMAN RESOURCES

WHEREAS, the superintendent, after considering the recommendation of her administrative staff which included consideration of experience, credentials, and references for the following candidates for employment in the school district, has determined that the appointment of these individuals is appropriate and in the best interest of the school district,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, appoint the following individuals to the positions indicated, as provided by the budget, in accord with terms of the employment specified:

Note: Appointment of new personnel to the district is provisional subject to:

- 1. Authorization from the State Department regarding a criminal background check and/or authorization from the Bergen County Superintendent's Office for emergent hiring; and
- 2. A medical examination including satisfactory results of the Mantoux tuberculin skin test;
- 3. Valid certification appropriate for his/her employment or assignment in New Jersey; and
- 4. Disclosure and review of applicants' employment history within the statutory time period.

Consent Agenda for Items 1-26

1. New Hire

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following individual to the position indicated:

Name	Position	Account Number	Salary*	Effective Date
Tara Wholey	PHHS Part-Time Nurse	11-000-213-100- 07-000	\$34,845, with no health benefits	On or about August 28, 2023
Segundo Valderrama	PHHS Tuesday through Saturday Night Custodian	11-000-262-100- 07-000	\$65,964 (prorated), plus prorated stipends: Saturday differential \$548, night crew \$548, (black seal \$959 pending completion), with benefits, per PVRSSA contract	On or about August 10, 2023

^{*}Salary may be adjusted once PVRSSA contract is settled.

2. New Hire - Rescind

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, rescind the June 5, 2023 Board approved new hire appointment for Leonardo Rivadeneyra, PHHS night custodian.

3. Appointment of Business Administrator

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the appointment of Yas Usami as Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the period of July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024, and approve his contract which has been approved by the Executive County Superintendent on June 20, 2023, as required by law, and according to the terms of the agreement, at an annual salary of \$200,049, plus an additional salary increment of \$7,500 for Region II programs of special education, with health benefits.

4. Staff Assignment Change

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following change of assignment for the 2023-2024 school year:

Name	Previous		2023-2024	
Dana Amato	Health and Physical Education Teacher	PVHS	Health and Physical Education Teacher	PHHS
James Cleary	Social Studies Teacher	PVHS	Social Studies Teacher	PHHS

5. Revised Leave of Absence

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve

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1564	PHHS Special Education Teacher	From: Total leave period August 28, 2023 - March 1, 2024 Using 33 sick days FMLA October 16, 2023 - January 12, 2024 Add'l Leave: (without pay and benefits) January 15 - March 1, 2024 To: Total Leave Period August 28, 2023 - March 1, 2024 Using 28 sick days FMLA September 22, 2023 - December 14, 2023 Add'l Leave: (without pay and benefits) December 15, 2023 - March 1, 2024		
1830	District Supervisor of Instruction	From: Total Leave Period: January 23, 2023 - December 15, 2023 Using 37 sick, 1 vacation and 2 personal days FMLA: March 22, 2023 - June 21, 2023 Leave of Absence: June 22, 2023 - December 15, 2023 Without pay and without health benefits To: Total Leave Period: January 23, 2023 - June 30, 2024 Using 37 sick, 1 vacation and 2 personal days FMLA: March 22, 2023 - June 21, 2023		

	Leave of Absence: June 22, 2023 - June 30, 2024 Without pay and without health benefits
	Without pay and without health benefits

6. Leave Replacement - Revised

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following revised leave replacement:

Name	Position	Salary*	Effective Date
Meghan Magnus For employee ID # 1100	Music Teacher PVHS	\$82,275 prorated, MA Step 9, From: without benefits To: with benefits	From: August 28, 2023 - December 15, 2023 To: August 28, 2023 - June 30, 2024
Argine Safari For employee ID # 1830	Acting District Supervisor of Instruction for the World Language, FACS, Music, and ELL Departments	Stipend \$19,784	From: January 20, 2023 - December 15, 2023 To: January 20, 2023 to June 30, 2023

^{*}Salary may be adjusted once the PVREA and PVRSSA contracts are settled.

7. Leave Replacement

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following leave replacement:

Name	Position	Salary	Effective Date
Argine Safari For employee ID # 1830	Acting District Supervisor of Instruction for the World Language, FACS, Music, and ELL Departments	Stipend \$17,346	July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

8. Mentor

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Ms. Michelle Gaeta, Pascack Hills High School Math Teacher, to mentor Ms. Cassandra Leibfried. Pascack Hills High School Leave Replacement Special Education/Math Teacher, for the 2023-2024 school year.

9. Revised Job Description

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the revision to the job description of Transition Coordinator.

10. Retirement - Payment for Unused Sick Days

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the payment for unused sick days for the purpose of retirement for employee ID# 0386.

11. Additional Periods

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following additional sixth period assignments for the 2023-2024 school year:

PHHS

Name	Department		Course Name - Additional Period
Marty Edelberg	Science	FY	Research in Molecular Genetics II/III
Corin Gamgort	Business	FY	Honors Merchandising & Marketing
Brooke Schwartzman	Special Education	FY	Modified Mathematics (LLD)
Danielle Garretson	Art	FY	Advanced Photography
Angela Rossi	Art	FY	Related Arts (LLD)
Aarti Mallya	Science	FY	AP Biology
Mary Scorese	Science	FY	Honors Forensics
Adam Ostrowski	Tech Ed	FY	Honors Engineering
Kate Vargo	Special Ed	FY	Geometry (collaborative)
Jim Whitfield	Science	FY	Honors Anatomy & Physiology
Rose Welyczko	Health Clinic	FY	

PVHS

Name	Department		Course Name - Additional Period
Tracy Recine	English	S2	Public Speaking
Jim Kennedy	Tech Education	FY	Graphic Design 1
Diane Fallon	Health Clinic	FY	

12. Move on Academic Salary Guide

RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve movement on the academic salary guide for the following certificated staff for the 2023-2024 school year:

Name	From	То
Vani Apanosian	MA+15	MA+30
Kim Caminiti	MA+30	MA+45
Marcia Forte	MA+15	MA+30
Jimena Ladino	MA+15	MA+30
Daniel Phillips	MA+30	MA+45
Pamela Schwartz	MA+15	MA+30

13. Additional Hours

- a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve additional hours for Luanne McGlone to cover the duties of the Secretary to Supervisors of Instruction from May 4, 2023 to June 5, 2023 for a total amount of 66.5 hours.
- b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve additional summer hours for Angela Rossi to update Art curriculum with new NJ Visual Performing Arts standards and rubrics for 5 hours at an hourly rate of \$51 for a total amount of \$255.
- c. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve additional summer hours for Tina Rauscher to finalize all revised curricula according to NJSLS updates; adjust rubrics; create new ELA student handbook for 2024-2025 school year for 7 hours at an hourly rate of \$51 for a total amount of \$357.

14. Summer Employment

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Lauren Bielan, General Secretary to Supervisors of Instruction, 3 additional days for summer employment at her usual rate of pay.

15. Summer Help

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following student for summer employment in the buildings and grounds department for the district:

Name	Туре
Nash Lukievics	Returning

16. Co-curricular- Name Change

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following name changes to co-curricular activities for Pascack Valley High School:

From:	To:
Harvesters' Club	Inter Faith Club
Marching Band	Pascack Valley Panthers Band

17. Co-curricular - Abolish

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, abolish of the following co-curricular activities at Pascack Valley High School:

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Acion Cultura Club	0 9
Asian Culture Club	One Spirit

18. Co-curricular Appointments - New

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following co-curricular appointments:

PVHS Co-curricular Appointments - New:

Activity	Name	Position	Stipend
Bro Squad	Meghan Magnus	Advisor	\$1,530
Chess Club	Nancy Ricca	Co-Advisor	\$765
Choir	Meghan Magnus	Advisor	\$1,530
Drama Asst. Director	Gayle Fuentes	Asst. Director	\$3,520
Habitat for Humanity	Jim Kennedy	Advisor	\$1,530
Pascack Valley Panthers Band	Jonathan Gittings	Band Assistant	\$3,825
Pascack Valley Panthers Band	Christopher Hutter	Band Assistant	\$3,825
Model UN	Courtney Rems	Advisor	\$1,530
World Culture Club	Chris Guinta	Co-Advisor	\$765
World Culture Club	Elena Spathis	Co-Advisor	\$765
Yearbook Business	Nicole Ortiz	Co-Advisor	\$4,105
Class Advisor - 12th	Stephanie DiStasi	Co-Advisor	\$2,627.50
Class Advisor - 12th	Jen Kuo	Co-Advisor	\$2,627.50
Class Advisor - 11th	Danielle deQuintal	Co-Advisor	\$1,377.50
Class Advisor - 11th	Mike Sherman	Co-Advisor	\$1,377.50

Class Advisor - 10th	Maggie Ely	Co-Advisor	\$1,377.50
Class Advisor - 10th	Ron Villone	Co-Advisor	\$1,377.50
Class Advisor - 9th	Nicole Alpern	Co-Advisor	\$1,377.50
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PHHS Co-curricular Appointments - New:

Activity	Name	Position	Stipend
Camp Rasberry	Melissa Zsabo	Advisor	\$1,530
Class Advisor - 12th	Jamie Cohen	Advisor	\$5,255
Class Advisor - 11th	Corin Gamgort	Co-Advisor	\$1,377.50
Class Advisor - 11th	Maria Forte	Co-Advisor	\$1,377.50
Class Advisor - 10th	Jessica Sachs-Serfess	Advisor	\$2,755
Class Advisor - 9th	Heather Lutz	Co-Advisor	\$1,377.50
Class Advisor - 9th	Aarti Mallya	Co-Advisor	\$1,377.50

19. Co-curricular Resignations

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept the following co-curricular resignations: **PVHS Co-curricular Resignations:**

Activity	Name	Position
Bro Squad	Argine Safari	Advisor
Choir	Argine Safari	Advisor
Habitat for Humanity	Chris Guinta	Co-Advisor
Habitat for Humanity	Elena Spathis	Co-Advisor
Society of Women Engineers	Jim Kennedy	Co-Advisor
Spring Musical Asst. Director	Francesca Silvano	Assistant Director
Class Advisor - 12th	Tina Rauscher	Co-Advisor
Class Advisor - 12th	Matt Will	Co-Adviosr

20. Athletic Appointment

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following athletic appointments for the 2023-2024 school year:

Name	Team	Position	Stipend/Step
Julia Abahazy	PHHS Girls Soccer	Assistant Coach	\$7,110 / Step 3
John Esposito	PHHS Boys Lacrosse	Head Coach	\$9,440 / Step 3
Dawn Priestner	PHHS Cheerleading	Assistant Coach	\$3,605 Step 3

21. Summer Employment - PVRHSD Special Services ESY 2023

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following Substitutes for the ESY program, July 6 - July 31, 2023:

LLD ESY Program

Staff	Substitute	Hourly Rate
Bus Paraprofessional: Marnee Rosen	Dana McDonough	\$27

Milestones @PVR ESY

Staff	Substitute	Hourly Rate
Teacher: Zabrina Kearns	Anne Catalano Judi Catherwood	\$55

Site Mentor: Max Adoff	Mona Conjour Anne Catalano Judi Catherwood	\$27
Site Mentor: Paul Hildum	Mona Conjour Anne Catalano Judi Catherwood	\$27
Site Mentor: Lena Leacock	Mona Conjour Anne Catalano Judi Catherwood	\$27
Bus Paraprofessional: Max Adoff	Paul Hildum	\$27

22. Summer Employment - PVRHSD Special Services ESY 2023 - Adjustment

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve an adjustment to the previously board approved summer employment for the 2023 Extended School Year program for the following staff members:

LLD Level 1 ESY

Staff	From: Days @ 3.5 Hours/Days	Hourly Rate
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	To: Days @ 3.75 Hours/Days	
Leslie Manfredonia	19	\$27
Dena Noone	19	\$27

23. ABA Consultant - Region II

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Kimberly Zoretic as an ABA consultant at the hourly rate of \$75 for the 2023-2024 school year.

24. Independent Evaluator/Provider - Region II - Amendment

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the amendment to the June 5, 2023 Board approval for the following independent child study team evaluator:

School Guidance Counselor	From: Hourly Rate for Counseling	To: Hourly Service Rate for Counseling and/or attending CST Meetings
Caroline Gangi	From: \$77	To: \$77 individual sessions/meeting rate \$87 Group Sessions

25. Physicians and Providers for Evaluations

Tel: 201-767-9399

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following providers for evaluations for the district for the 2023-2024 school year:

Providers Approved For Psychiatric Evaluations 2023-2024

Derek Berberian, MD	\$550	
North Jersey Health & Wellness	North Jersey Health & Wellness	
4 Forest Avenue, Paramus, NJ 07652	46 No. Central Avenue, Ramsey, NJ 07446	
Tel: 201-588-3491		
Fax: 201-357-4222	Email: nihealthandwellness@qmail.com	
Natasha Baron, MD	\$795	
NBAR Psychiatry (Virtual Evals Only)	Tel: 201-334-2537 Text or Voice	
Admin Address: 220 Cumley Terrace	e-Fax: 201-625-6510	
Leonia, NJ 07605	Email: <u>nbaronCAP@gmail.com</u>	
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Nancy Kaplan	\$850-\$1050	
One DeWolf Road	Fax 201-767-3105	
Old Tappan NJ 07675	Cell: 551-206-4585 Urgent matters only	

Email: ntancer@optonline.net

Mercedes Paine, MD	\$1100-\$1250
One University Plaza, Suite 618	Fax
Hackensack NJ 07601	Secure email: info@mercedesaoainemd.com
Tel: 201-487-4298	Email: mpoffice618@gmail.com
Richard Hahn, MD	\$795
Dr. Hahn will come to the school	Billing Address:
Office Address: 347 Fullerton Avenue	PO Box 925
Newburgh, NY 12550	Harriman, NY 10926
Tel: 845-988-9300	Cell: 914-213-5954
Fax: 845-782-8943	Email: integrative.strategy@gmail.com
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Providers Approved For Psychiatr	ric Clearance Letters 2023-2024
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Derek Berberian, MD	\$250
North Jersey Health & Wellness	North Jersey Health & Wellness
4 Forest Avenue, Paramus NJ 07652	46 No. Central Avenue, Ramsey, NJ 07446
Tel: 201-588-3491	
Fax: 201-357-4222	Email: nihealthandwellness@gmail.com

Natasha Baron, MD	\$250
NBAR Psychiatry (Virtual Evals Only)	Tel: 201-334-2537 Text or Voice
Admin Address: 220 Cumlev Terrace	e-Fax: 201-625-6510
Leonia, NJ 07605	Email: nbaronCAP@gmail.com

Providers Approved For **Neurological Evaluations** 2023-2024

Damon M. Fellman, MD	\$450
Hackensack Neurology Group	Tel: 201-488-1515
211 Essex St., Suite 202	Fax: 201-488-9471
Hackensack, NJ 07601	Email: hngfrontdesk@gmail.com

26. Resignation

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept, with regret, the resignation of Lori Birdsall Executive Secretary to the Director of Special Services, effective September 28, 2023.

Moved by:	Stephans				Seconded by:	Martin	l		
					VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				х	Stephans	X			
Calderone	x				Varghese	X			

Luisi			X	Weaver			x
Martin	X			Blundo	x		
Stankus	X						

IX. FINANCE

Consent Agenda for Items 1 – 26

1. Approval of Bills

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve bills as follows:

Budget Expenditures as of July 26, 2023	\$4,365,571.10
Payroll as of June 30, 2023	\$185,313.81
Payroll as of July 14, 2023	\$437,171.81
Total	\$4,988,056.72

2. Secretary's and Treasurer's Financial Reports

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept the Secretary's and Treasurer's unaudited 2022-23 financial reports, which are in agreement reflecting the district's financial activities for the period May and June 2023.

Secretary's Report	Treasurer's Report
May	May
June	June

3. Ratification of Board Secretary's Monthly Certification – Budgetary Line Item Status

RESOLVED pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(c)3, the Board Secretary certifies that as of May and June 2023 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

BE IT RESOLVED pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2-11(c)4 that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education certifies that as of May and June 2023 after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial report, in the minutes of the Board each month that no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(b).4.

4. Approval of the Following Reports

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following reports:

a. Cafeteria Account	May and June
b. e-Learning Account	May and June
c. Capital Project Account	May and June
d. Student Government Account – PH	May and June
e. Student Government Account – PV	May and June
f. Athletic Account – PH	May and June
g. Athletic Account – PV	May and June

5. Transfers

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve transfers for the months of May and June 2023.

6. Travel Pre-Authorizations

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the pre-authorization travel expenses for professional development or school trips:

Name	Professional Development or School Trip
Mark Russo	Presenting at NCTM Annual Conference and Exposition, Washington, DC

7. Change of Use Application

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the change of use application for the Wellness Center to be converted to a classroom.

8. Approve Asbestos Abatement

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the asbestos abatement of the upper and lower sections of the cafeteria at Pascack Valley High School in the amount of \$53,296.50, bank of lockers at Pascack Valley High School in the amount of \$13,500.00, the gang bathroom at Pascack Valley High School in the amount of \$5,400.00, and the restrooms at Pascack Hills and Pascack Valley High Schools in the amount of \$6,500.00 by Spes Contracting LLC, Paterson, NJ under the Ed-Data pricing consortium, vendor # T483.

9. Reject Bid for Auditorium Renovations at Pascack Hills High School

WHEREAS, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education advertised for bids for the Auditorium Renovations at Pascack Hills High School Project ("Project");

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2023 the Board received four bids for the Project which exceeded the cost estimate and budget for the Project;

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2023 the Board passed a resolution rejecting the bids for the Project for exceeding the cost estimate and budget for the Project and authorized the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to re-advertise the Project and have the architect make appropriate revisions to the specifications to obtain a bid within the cost estimate and budget for the Project;

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2023, the Board received three bids for the Project which exceeded the cost estimate and budget for the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(c), the Board may negotiate a contract when bids have been advertised pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18-4 on two occasions and the bids were rejected as excessive as to price as they exceed the cost estimate and budget for the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board at the recommendation of the Superintendent hereby rejects the bids pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:18A-22(a) for exceeding the cost estimates and budget for the Project and is, therefore, unreasonable as to price;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Secretary/Business Administrator and the Architect are hereby authorized to negotiate a contract for the Project in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(c).

10. Reject Bid for Lab Pack Services

WHEREAS, on May 25, 2023, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education ("Board") received and publicly opened one bid for Lab Pack Services ("Project");

WHEREAS, the low bidder, Elk Transportation, Inc., DBA as Elk Environmental Services ("Elk") submitted a bid, which was defective insofar as Elk was unable to provide a Certificate of Employee Information Report which is non-waivable material defect; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, at the recommendation of the superintendent hereby rejects the bid received for the Project because Elk was unable to provide a non-waivable material defect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Secretary/Business Administrator is hereby authorized to re-advertise the Projects, in the best interests of the School District.

11. Approve Petty Cash Funds

RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following petty cash funds for the 2023-2024 school year:

Buildings and Grounds each school \$200	\$400
Home Economics	\$100
Region II	\$400
Park Academy	\$100
Board Office	\$500
Superintendent's Office	\$500
Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment	\$500
Principal's Office each school \$500	\$1,000
Milestones	\$500
PV Athletic Office	\$200
PH Athletic Office	\$200
Special Programs	\$300
Total	\$4,700

12. Approve Direct Energy to Supply Electric

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Direct Energy who was awarded by ACES through competitive bids to supply electric at a fixed energy charge of \$0.07099/kwh commencing July 2023 for a period of 17 months.

13. Approve Ramapo Ice Rinks, Inc.

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the agreement with Ramapo Ice Rinks, Inc. for 43 hours at a rate of \$565.00 per hour for a total of \$24,295.00 for the term of September 2023 to March 2024.

14. Applied Behavioral Analysis Parent Training Agreement Between Region II and Non-Member District

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the agreement between Region II and Non-Member District, Oakland Public Schools for Applied Behavioral Analysis Parent Training for the 2023 – 2024 school year.

15. Independent Child Study Team Therapy Evaluations and/or Services - Joint Agreement Between Region II and Non-Member District

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the agreement between Region II and the Non-Member District, Oakland Public Schools for Independent Child Study Team Therapy Evaluations and/or Services for the 2023-2024 school year.

16. Dual Enrollment Agreement – Syracuse University

RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education at the recommendation of the superintendent approve the Dual Enrollment Agreement between Syracuse University and Pascack Valley Regional High School District at the rate of \$115 per credit hour for the 2023-2024 school year.

17. Approve Pomptonian Lunch Price List

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the Pomptonian Lunch Price List for the 2023-2024 school year.

18. Renewal Interlocal and Shared Services Agreement with Hillsdale Board of Education for Sharing Fiber Optic Network

RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, renew the Interlocal Agreement between Pascack Valley Regional High School District (PVRHSD) and the Hillsdale Board of Education (Hillsdale BOE) to use PVRHSD's fiber optic network for the purpose of operating its internet service. PVRHSD will guarantee an Internet speed of 1 Gbps for the 2023-2024 school year and the Hillsdale BOE shall pay a service charge of \$753.00 per month to PVRHSD. Technical Services for the 2023 – 2024 school year shall not exceed \$10,000. For technical services requested by the Hillsdale BOE that are not included in this Agreement, PVRHSD shall provide such services at the rates noted in the below table.

Assistance	Normal Hours 8 - 5	After Hours (after 5 pm)
Per Hour of Assistance	\$100	\$125
4 Hours of Assistance	\$350	\$475
Full Day of Assistance 4 - 8 hrs	\$675	\$850
Summer Student Help	\$14	N/A

19. IDEA Contract W/BCSS/Non-Public School Services

RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education at the recommendation of the superintendent, enter into an agreement with Bergen County Special Services to administer services to students with disabilities parentally placed in non-public schools for the 2023-2024 school year. Maximum of \$69,886 to be billed, following the start of services. Additional carryover amount of \$58,116.00.

20. Transportation – Aid-in-Lieu Reimbursement for the 2nd Semester of the 2022-2023 School Year for Non-Profit Private School Parents

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, and pursuant to NJ State Administrative Code 6A:27-2.3, approve the second semester (February 2023 – June 2023) pupil transportation aid-in-lieu reimbursement to non-profit private school district parents in the amount of \$120,596.00 of which \$68,474.00 is for high school district parents. Pursuant to 18A:39-11, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District, on behalf of the Hillsdale, Montvale, River Vale, & Woodcliff Lake Boards of Education, shall provide transportation bids through a (CSTA) Coordinated Transportation Service Agency, invoice the districts, and make

payments on their behalf to parents of elementary students attending non-profit private schools in the amount of \$52,122.00.

21. Nonpublic Allocations for the 2023-2024 School Year

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept the Nonpublic Allocations for the 2023–2024 school year.

Nonpublic Nursing	\$53,760
Nonpublic Textbook	\$19,193
Nonpublic Technology	\$16,268
Nonpublic Security	\$91,840

22. Agreement to Provide Textbooks - Nonpublic School Textbook Program for the 2023-2024 School Year

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the agreement to provide textbooks to St. Joseph Regional High School under the NJ Nonpublic School Textbook Program for the 2023–2024 school year.

23. Agreement to Provide Services and/or Equipment Under the Nonpublic School Security Aid Program for the 2023-2024 School Year

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the agreement to provide services and/or equipment under the Nonpublic Security Aid program for the 2023–2024 school year.

24. Accept IDEA Part B Fiscal Year 2024 Funding

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept the IDEA Part B Fiscal Year 2024 funding in the amount of \$481,438 for the 2023-2024 school year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a proportionate share of the grant in the amount of \$69,886 be set aside to provide services to students with disabilities parentally placed in non-public schools./

25. Approve Supplemental Instruction utilizing IDEA-ARP funds

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following Supplemental Instruction according to students' IEPs utilizing IDEA-ARP funds. The Instructor is paid at the District's rate of \$55 per hour.

Dates	# of Sessions	Instructor	Content
9/1/21-6/16/22	75	Deborah Ragone	Financial Literacy

Student ID numbers as follows:

812807	812304	811601	811657
811911	811526	812350	811653
812263	811664	812159	811665
812466	811689	812287	812445
812247	812147	812435	812327
812079	812495	812418	812621
812427	812764	812636	812457
812179	812241	812676	812399
811658	812203	812326	811903
812342	812387	812482	812109
813117	811464	813568	812580

26. Application Submission Fiscal Year 2023-2024

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the submission of the Individual with Disabilities Education Act, Part B (IDEA-B) grant application for Fiscal Year 2024.

Moved by:	Stankus				Seconded by:	Stepha	ans		
					VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				X	Stephans	Х			
Calderone	X				Varghese	X			

Luisi			X	Weaver			x
Martin	X			Blundo	X		
Stankus	X						

X. OLD BUSINESS

Monthly Suspension Report - June

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Blundo said there were two controversial situations that occurred at the two graduations. He indicated that it has caused fervor among the community whether in favor or not. He mentioned that he would like to have the policy committee look into potential guidelines to consider that would drive content for anybody delivering speeches at commencement. He added that there may be nothing that can be done, but he would like to explore it. Mr. Blundo mentioned that some people were not pleased with the speeches at Pascack Hills as well.

Mrs. Martin brought up that graduates at Pascack Valley were smoking cigars after graduation on school property which is not appropriate.

Ms. Bilotti commented that they have communicated with the police department about this issue since it is prohibited by law.

Mrs Varghese agreed and added that there should be clear written guidelines about commencement. She commented that students should be informed of what is expected of them prior to graduation. She added that there should be guidelines for decorating caps.

Mr. Blundo agreed and mentioned that the principals or their designees should be involved.

Ms. Stephans echoed Mrs. Varghese's comments and the importance of having written guidelines.

Ms. Bilotti indicated that the principals are looking into packets that are distributed to students for graduation guidelines.

Mrs. Varghese mentioned that valedictorians and salutatorians have earned the right to speak, but she believes there should be guidelines.

XII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Citizens are invited to make comments and are limited to three minutes, according to the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education policy number 0167. Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise, sign in and state their name and town of residence. None

XIII. MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education will meet in the Media Center at Pascack Valley High School, 200 Piermont Avenue, Hillsdale, NJ, for the purpose of recessing to a closed Executive Meeting.

WHEREAS, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education has been formed pursuant to applicable New Jersey Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Board is charged with the responsibility of performing all acts and doing all things, consistent with law and the rules of the State Board of Education, necessary for the lawful

and proper conduct, equipment and maintenance of the public schools and public school property of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District; and

WHEREAS, Section 7 of the Opening Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10-4-12) permits the exclusion of the public ("Executive Session") from a meeting of the Board in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that circumstances exist for such an Executive Session; and

WHEREAS, the Board has found the action described below to be necessary and proper; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board on the date indicated above that:

- 1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action on the Executive Session herein set forth.
- 2. The subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - a. CSA Evaluation
 - b. Real Estate
 - c. Student Issue
 - d. Settlement
 - e. Possible HIB Incident Report # 250234 PHH

If needed, the subject of executive session will be stated in the verbal motion

3. Official action will be taken on one or more subjects when the Board reconvenes to Public Session.

A motion was made by Mr. Stankus to enter into an executive session at 6:19 p.m. Ms. Stephans seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

Moved by:	Stankus				Seconded by:	Stepha	ıns		
					VOTE	-			
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				X	Stephans	X			
Calderone	x				Varghese	X			
Luisi				X	Weaver				X
Martin	X				Blundo	X			
Stankus	X								

A motion was made by Ms. Stephans to reconvene into the public meeting at 7:56	p.m
Mrs. Varghese seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.	

Moved by:	Stephans	Seconded by:	Varghese	
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				7	VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				X	Stephans	X			
Calderone	X				Varghese	X			
Luisi				X	Weaver				X
Martin	X				Blundo	X			
Stankus	X								

CSA Evaluation

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, affirm that the Board of Education presented and reviewed the CSA evaluation with the Superintendent of Schools.

Moved by:	Stankus				Seconded by:	Stepha	ans		
					VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				X	Stephans	X			
Calderone	X				Varghese	X			
Luisi				X	Weaver				X
Martin	X				Blundo	x			
Stankus	X								

Nonresident Tuition Student

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, deny the application for student ID# 813093 for admission as a nonresident tuition student for the 2023-2024 school year.

Moved by:	Martin				Seconded by:	Stepha	ns		
,					VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				X	Stephans	X			

Calderone	x			Varghese	X		
Luisi			X	Weaver			x
Martin	X			Blundo	X		
Stankus	X						

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, deny the application of another school district to enroll a nonresident student ID# 811986 for the 2023-24 school year.

Moved by:	Stephans				Seconded by:	Vargh	ese		
				7	VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				X	Stephans	X			
Calderone	X				Varghese	X			
Luisi				X	Weaver				X
Martin	X				Blundo	X			
Stankus	X								

Mrs. Varghese commented about the passing of a student and sent condolences to the family. The Board observed a moment of silence.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Stephans to adjourn the public meeting at 8:04 p.m. Mr. Stankus seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

Moved by:	Stephans				Seconded by:	Stankı	ıs		
					VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				X	Stephans	X			
Calderone	X				Varghese	X			
Luisi				X	Weaver				X
Martin	X				Blundo	X			

Stankus	X		
			Respectfully, Mami
			Yas Usami Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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