

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Pascack Valley Regional High School District

**Monday, October 17, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.
In the Pascack Valley High School Auditorium**

Meeting Regulations

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The Vision of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District:

To create a culture of innovation, inquiry, and individuality that promotes achievement and choice by cultivating the skills needed to complete and collaborate as ethical and responsible global citizens.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mr. Joseph Blundo, President

Present: Mr. Joseph Blundo, President
Mrs. Gini Varghese, Vice President

Dr. Kelly Blundy
Mr. Pat Luisi arrived at 7:43 p.m.
Ms. Tammy Molinelli
Mr. James Stankus
Mr. Michael Weaver
Ms. Sarah Bilotti, Superintendent
Mr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Student Representatives: Isabella Velez - PVHS, Olivia Ge - PHHS

Absent: Mrs. Kristin Martin
Ms. Debra Stephans

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 August 15, 2022.

IV. STAFF RECOGNITION

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, recognize with appreciation staff members with 25 years of Service:

25 Years of Service

Name	Position
Patricia Corkery	Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
William Lynch	Mathematics Teacher – PV
Christie Rossig	Student Assistance Counselor – PV
Marianne Simak	Executive Secretary to the Principal – PH

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RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, recognize and congratulate newly tenured staff members:

Tenured Staff Members

Name	Position
Vani Apanosian	Special Education Teacher - PH
Steven Casamento	School Counselor - PH
Jamie Cohen	Special Education Teacher - PH
Laura Ely	Special Education Teacher - PV
Jimena Ladino	Spanish Teacher - PV
Vanessa Martinez	Spanish Teacher - PH
Daniel Phillips	English Teacher - PV
Tracy Ralph	Learning Disabilities Teacher/Consultant - PH
Nicholas Scerbo	Social Studies Teacher - PH

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, recognize and congratulate recently promoted staff members:

Promoted Staff Members

Name	Previous Position	New Position
Gabrielle Holland	Teacher Assistant	Executive Secretary - Region II
Lisa Leili	Teacher Aide/ Site Mentor	General Secretary Main Office - PH

Jill McCabe	General Secretary	Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent
Alison Petaccia	Science Teacher	Assistant Principal - PH
Patricia Uszenski	General Secretary	Executive Secretary Guidance - PV
Susan Vicchio	Site Mentor	Executive Secretary – Buildings & Grounds

RESOLVED that the Pascaack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, recognize and welcome newly hired staff members:

New Staff Members

First Name	Position
Alex Agnelli	Part-time Night-Custodian – PV
Nicole Alpern	Family & Consumer Science Teacher – PV
Dave Asani	Night Custodian – PH
Joseph Belger	Special Education Teacher - PV
Joseph Bellafigiore	Electrician – District
Kelsey Brentnall	Science Teacher – PV
Florian Caco	Night Custodian – PH
Michelle Chakansky	Special Education Teacher – PV
Mona Conjour	Site Mentor – Milestones
Heather Fisher	Transportation Supervisor & Tuition Bookkeeper

Krista Flinn	General Secretary – Guidance PV
Genci Gega	Night Custodian – PH
Megan Graziano	Supervisor of Instruction for Science & Technology Education
Kimi Ismaili	Night Custodian – PH
Lena Leacock	Media Specialist – PV
Janet Murray	Attendance Officer – PV
Nicole Ortiz	General Secretary – Main Office PV
Dilma Panarello Siempra	World Language Teacher – District
Olivia Payne	Special Education Teacher – PV
Alexa Petzold	School Counselor – PH
Derek Piccini	Assistant Principal – PH
Michelle Ramirez	Confidential Secretary – Technology, Communications & Business
Joseph Spafford	Athletic Director & Supervisor of Physical Education – PV

V. **ROUTINE MATTERS**

Monthly Reports

President’s Report: Joseph Blundo No report

Superintendent’s Report: Sarah Bilotti congratulated all employees who were just recognized. She stated that Pascack Valley Regional is a truly great place to work and it was great to see so much support for our staff. She noted that tenure has a true meaning for our staff, our staff has to meet a high bar in order to earn tenure, which is a special recognition and achievement for our staff. She also noted that our staff tends to stay at Pascack Valley and that they become part of our family.

Student Reports: Olivia Ge – Pascack Hills High School - [report](#)

Isabella Velez – Pascack Valley High School - [report](#)

VI. **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:

September 19, 2022	Regular Meeting	7:30 p.m.
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Moved by: Stankus

Seconded by: Varghese

VOTE

Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	x
Luisi	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	Varghese	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	x	Weaver	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Molinelli	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blundo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	x	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stankus	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

VII. **PRESENTATION**

State Testing Report - Dr. Bachenheimer and Ms. Merk - [presentation/report](#)

Mr. Stankus asked if the internship program has had an opposite effect on the DLM results.

Ms. Merk believed it has due to a strong social skills program in the students' first two years of high school to develop their "soft" skills. The students are into the community based program.

Mr. Weaver asked if the district is collecting data from students who are not going to a two or four year college. How well is the district preparing students who choose a career path after graduation.

Dr. Bachenheimer referred to the strength of the internship program and the number of students who are hired by the internship employer as well as going into the trades or military. The district has added business and vocational courses to better prepare those students.

Ms. Merk added that students with IEPs were in a cohort study which was required by the state. The district contacted those students one year after graduation to gather data on their status. She mentioned that the district did very well in this study and she would share the report with Ms. Bilotti and Dr. Bachenheimer, and they may share with the Board.

Mr. Stankus asked about two standards and what they addressed.

Dr. Bachenheimer said he would get the answer. He added that this was a pilot test and the goal was to address all the standards.

VIII. 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.

Ms. Carolee Adams of Montvale commented that the state test scores do not break out scores for bi-racial and test does not break out by black students. She believes that is an oversight that needs to be corrected at the state level. She mentioned in a piece by NJ Spotlight that there was debate about whether counseling and mental health should be addressed in schools. She indicated that the district does a good job of it and it should remain in schools.

IX. POLICY

Consent Agenda for Items 1-2

1. New Membership - Garden State Coalition of Schools

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wishes to join the Garden State Coalition of Schools (GSCS), a member-directed grassroots advocacy organization successfully representing Boards of Education, parents, school administrators, and community members in advocating for quality education for all New Jersey students for 30 years, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education desires to be part of GSCS' efforts to focus on the inter-related issues of academic achievement, educational practices and school finance, while continuing to strengthen New Jersey school programs that have led to high student achievement, and

WHEREAS, by joining GSCS, the Board of Education will be joining 100 other New Jersey school districts, and

WHEREAS, membership in GSCS is initiated by a one-time resolution form each Board of Education wishing to join the Coalition,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does agree to join the Garden State Coalition of Schools, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board secretary be authorized to initiate membership arrangements and pay the yearly dues, which may be prorated for the remainder of the year where applicable, based on the resolution date.

2. Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the 2022-2023 Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement between the Pascack Valley Regional

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; and
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 1-16

1. **New Hire**

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

Name	Position	Account Number	Salary	Effective Date
Stephen Taesler	Teacher of Music, Pascack Valley High School, full time leave replacement, non-tenure track	N/A	\$54,775, BA, Step 1, per diem \$273.88, prorated, without benefits	October 18, 2022 to December 22, 2022

Name	Position	Account Number	Salary	Effective Date
Craig Yaremko	Teacher of Music, Pascack Valley High School	11-140-100-101-06-106	\$113,275, prorated, step 15 MA+30, with benefits, tenure track as per PVREA contract	December 19, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year

Mr. Blundo announced that Stephen Taesler will be omitted from item #1.

2. **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 Crystal Pomales, Part-Time Custodian, effective September 30, 2022.

3. **Additional Hours**

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 work as an Executive Assistant at her hourly per diem for Westwood as part of the Agreement with the Regional Curriculum Office, to a maximum of \$5,000 for the 2022-2023 school year.

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve additional hours for Alyssa Merritt to work as a Regional Instruction and Curriculum Coordinator at her hourly per diem for Westwood as part of the Agreement with the Regional Curriculum Office, to a maximum of \$10,000 for the 2022-2023 school year.

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve additional hours for Robert Salgado to provide 1:1 support for student ID# 812127 in the participation of JV football, as per student's IEP. Additional hours not to exceed 90 hours until October 29, 2022 at an hourly rate of \$29.67.

4. **Additional Periods**

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following additional assignments in the area of mathematics from September 15 - October 4, 2022:

Name	Total Pay
William Lynch	\$555.56
Nancy Ricca	\$555.56
Mark Russo	\$1,222.22
Roni Silberstein	\$666.67

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of

Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following additional assignments in the area of English from October 4-21, 2022.

Name	Total Pay
Brett Conrad	\$722.22
Amy Maniscalco	\$722.22
Daniel Phillips	\$722.22
Kate Overgaard	\$722.22
Val Santo	\$722.22
Tina Rauscher	\$722.22

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following additional assignment in the area of music from October 18, 2022 - December 16, 2022:

Name	Total Pay
Argine Safari	\$2,222.22

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve additional teaching period for student ID# 812475 as per student's IEP, starting October 4, 2022 for greater than 10 school days with an estimated length of 30 days:

Instructor	Subject	Total Pay
Jamie Cohen	English II	\$222.22
Jamie Cohen	US History I	\$222.22
Joseph McCarten	Chemistry in the Community	\$222.22
Joseph McCarten	Geometry	\$222.22

5. Leave of Absences

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following Federal/NJ family leave requests:

Name	Position	Requests:
Jennifer Kuo	PVHS School Counselor	<p><u>Total Leave Period Revised:</u> September 19, 2022 - February 5, 2023 Paid using 30 sick days <u>FMLA:</u> November 3, 2022-February 3, 2023 <u>Leave of Absence:</u> None</p>
Jamie Marootian-Miller	PHHS English Teacher	<p><u>Total Leave Period Revised:</u> August 29, 2022 - December 20, 2022 Paid using 19 sick days <u>FMLA:</u> September 28, 2022 - December 20, 2022 <u>Leave of Absence:</u> None</p>
Noemi Rodriguez	District Supervisor of Instruction	<p><u>Total Leave Period:</u> January 23, 2023 - December 15, 2023 Using 39 sick days <u>FMLA:</u> March 20, 2023 - June 9, 2023 <u>Leave of Absence:</u> June 12, 2023 - December 15, 2023 Without pay and without health benefits</p>

6. **Co-Curricular**

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following co-curricular stipend for the 2022-2023 school year:

Name	Position	School	Amount
Craig Yaremko	Jazz Band	PVHS	\$3, 520

7. **Co-Curricular - Adjustments**

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following previously Board approved co-curricular stipends for the 2022-2023 school year:

Name	Position	School	Amount
Irene Cassa	Student Accounts Bookkeeper	PHHS	From \$5,000 To \$5,150
Patrick Brennan	Drama Assistant Director	PVHS	From \$880 To \$1,760
Kelsey McGrail	Drama Assistant Director	PVHS	From \$880 To \$1,760

8. **Home Instruction**

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve home instruction for student ID# 811399 as per student's IEP starting on September 12, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year:

Teacher	Subject	Frequency
Yvette Kohn	Mathematics III	1 hour session per week
Yvette Kohn	Elements of Financial Lit.	1 hour session per week
Yvette Kohn	US History II	2 hour sessions per week
Yvette Kohn	English IV	2 hour sessions per week
Yvette Kohn	PE Health 12	2 hour sessions per week
Yvette Kohn	Conceptual Physics	2 hour sessions per week
Brooke Schwartzman	Mathematics III	1 hour session per week

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve home instruction for student ID# 810874 in the subject of statistics for two hours per week starting October 3, 2022 with an end date TBD. Instruction to be provided by Heather Ocampo.

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RESOLVED that the Pascaack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve home instruction for student ID# 811928 starting October 3, 2022 with an end date TBD:

Teacher	Subject	Frequency
Laura McSpirit	English III	2 hours per week
Laura McSpirit	Conceptual Physics	2 hours per week
Deborah Ragone	US History II	2 hours per week
Dana Amato	PE/Health 11	2 hours per week
Lauren Johnson	Geometry	2 hours per week
Stephanie DiGiacopo	Studio Art	2 hours per week

9. Supplemental Instruction

RESOLVED that the Pascaack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve supplemental instruction for student ID# 811571 as per student's IEP for 1 hour per week for the months of September and October 2022. Instruction to be provided by Deborah Ragone, Special Education Teacher.

RESOLVED that the Pascaack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve supplemental instruction for student ID# 811076 as per student's IEP in the subject of calculus for 3 hours per week for the 2022-2023 school year. Instruction to be provided by Heather Ocampo.

RESOLVED that the Pascaack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve supplemental instruction for student ID# 812420 as per student's IEP starting September 29, 2022 to December 31, 2022:

Teacher	Subject	Frequency
Vani Apanosian	English II	1 hour session per week
JP McCarten	Chemistry in the Community	1 hour session per week
Michele Olszewski-Garcia	Spanish I	1 hour session per week

Deborah Ragone	US History I	1 hour session per week
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10. Athletic Appointments

RESOLVED that the Pascaek Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following restructuring in roles and compensation for the previously approved coaches for the 2022-2023 school year:

Name	Team	Position	Stipend/Step
Daniel Ressler	PVHS Wrestling	Volunteer Coach	From \$2,107/3 To Volunteer
Samuel Schneider	PVHS Wrestling	Volunteer Coach	From \$1,990.80/2 To Volunteer
Michael Worthington	PVHS Wrestling	Assistant Coach	From \$3,128.40/2 To \$7,110/2
John Dinkey	PHHS Softball	Assistant Coach	From \$4,740/ To \$5,925/3
Lindsay Runge	PHHS Softball	Assistant Coach	From \$4,740/ To \$5,925/3

RESOLVED that the Pascaek Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following Athletic appointments for the 2022-2023 school year:

Name	Team	Position	Stipend/Step
Phyllis Beck	PVHS Bowling	Assistant Coach	\$5,940/3
Kaitlin Higgins	PHHS Bowling	Assistant Coach	\$4,775/1
Gerald Mercandante	PHHS Softball	Assistant Coach	\$5,925/ 1/3 of 3

Mr. Blundo announced that Phyllis Beck will be omitted from item #10.

11. Volunteers

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

Name	School	Activity
Brad Christie	PHHS	Wrestling
Bruce Wacha	PHHS	Wrestling

12. Substitute Teachers and Custodian

RESOLVED that the Pascaack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following new substitutes:

Name	Position	Timeframe
Nicholas Annese	Classroom Substitute	2022-2023 school year
James Fox	Classroom Substitute	2022-2023 school year
Edinson Perez-Santana	Custodian	From October 24, 2022 To on or about January 23, 2023

13. Service Providers

RESOLVED that the Pascaack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following service providers for Pascaack Valley Regional High School District for the 2022-2023 school year:

Psychiatric Evaluations

Physician	Rate Per Evaluation
Derek Berberian, MD	\$550
Richard Hahn, MD	\$795
Mercedes Paine, MD	\$850-\$1,050
Nancy Kaplan Tancer, MD	\$850-\$1,050

Psychiatric Clearance Letters

Physician	Rate
Derek Berberian, MD	\$250

Neurological Evaluations

XII. FINANCE

Consent Agenda for Items 1 – 21

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 October 17, 2022	\$1,917,314.54
Payroll as of September 30, 2022	\$1,699,662.18
Payroll as of October 15, 2022	\$1,659,571.57
Total	\$5,276,548.29

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 August 2022.

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 August 2022 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:232.11(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 August 2022 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 overexpended 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	August 2022
b. e-Learning Account	August 2022
c. Capital Project Account	August 2022
d. Student Government Account – PH	August 2022
e. Student Government Account – PV	August 2022

f. Athletic Account – PH	August 2022
g. Athletic Account – PV	August 2022

5. **Transfers**

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve transfers for the month of August 2022.

6. **Travel Pre-Authorizations**

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve travel expense pre-authorizations for the following:

Brooks Alexander	Frank Andrisani	Sarah Bilotti
Theresa DelGiudice	Catherine Devine	Robert Donahue
Deborah Horn	Jimena Ladino	Dorey Leal-Drago
Valerie Mattessich	Wendy McDonald	Caitlin Murphy
Elise Naramore	Christine Pollinger	Virena Rossi
Christie Rossig	Mark Russo	Nick Scerbo
Francesca Silvano	Joseph Spafford	Elena Spathis
Sean Struncis	Yas Usami	Ron Villone
Paul Zeller	Jennifer Zimmerman	

7. **Equipment Disposal**

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the disposal, donation, sale or recycling of the following equipment:

Item	ID or Tag Number
2017 CHE Bus Model G33	Vin #GB3GSBG1G1249799
Hobart Slicer	Tag #005019
Hobart Slicer	Tag #005018
Hobart Mixer	Tag #1128

8. **Joint Transportation Agreement With Emerson Board of Education**

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the Joint Transportation Agreement with Emerson Board of Education for the transportation of internship students.

9. **Applied Behavioral Analysis Parent Training Agreement Between Region II and Non-Member Districts**

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 Districts for Applied Behavioral Analysis Parent Training for the 2022 – 2023 school year for the following districts:

Allendale Public Schools	Oakland Public Schools
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10. **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 2022 – 2023 school year.

11. **Approve Use of Funds**

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

FUND	STAFF	PURPOSE	# OF SESSIONS	RATE / SESSION	STUDENT ID
IDEA ARP	Deborah Ragone	Supplemental Instruction	1 per week	\$55	811571
IDEA ARP	Danielle Macaluso	Supplemental Reading Instruction	8 per month for 11 months	\$55	811105
ARP ESSER III	Roni Silberstein	Math Center	33	\$55	
ARP ESSER III	Christina Rossi	Math Center	50	\$55	

ARP ESSER III	Mary Doherty	Math Center	16	\$55	
ARP ESSER III	Kevin Kirkby	Math Center	132	\$55	
ARP ESSER III	Ryan Postman	Math Center	33	\$55	
ARP ESSER III	Kevin Killian	Math Center	33	\$55	
ARP ESSER III	Lauren Bucco	Math Center	66	\$55	

12. **Approve Use of ESEA Title I, Part A Grant for Title I Coordinator and Instructor**

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Heather Ocampo as Title 1 coordinator and instructor without benefits, using the ESEA Title I, Part A grant for the 2022-23 school year. The instruction rate of \$55 per hour is not to exceed \$37,180 and a stipend of \$1,970 will be used for Title 1 coordinator responsibilities

13. **Donation to PFA & PFO**

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, donate \$500 each to the Parent Faculty Association (PFA) of Pascack Hills High School and the Parent Faculty Organization (PFO) of Pascack Valley High School for the 2022-23 school year.

14. **Donation**

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

Date	Donor	Donation	Club or Group
10/3/22	Rita & Arthur Stahl	\$35.00	Robotics Team
10/3/22	PH PFA	\$1,000	Robotics Team
10/10/22	Pascack Valley PFO	Honey Extractor value \$899	PV Beekeeping Club

15. **Approve Change Order 001 -Pattman Plumbing & Heating & Air Conditioning**

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RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve change order 001 submitted by Pattman Plumbing and Heating and Air Conditioning Inc. for the Band Room HVAC Upgrade at Pascack Hills High School. This change order in the amount of \$1,377.60, will not change the contract sum as the allowance is being used to provide materials and labor for two (2) 120v feeds. Furthermore, this change order has been reviewed and approved by KSI Consulting Engineers, LLC.

Original Contract Amount	\$146,750.00
Previously Authorized Change Order	\$0.00
Subtotal	\$146,750.00
Contract Sum will be Unchanged by Change Order 001, used \$1,377.60 of Allowance	\$0.00
Revised Contract Amount	\$146,750.00
\$5,000 Project Allowance Balance	\$3,622.40

16. **Approve Change Order 001 - Teo Technologies, Inc.**

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve change order 001 submitted by Teo Technologies, Inc. for the HVAC Filtration Upgrades at Pascack Valley High School. This change order in the amount of \$3,934.81, will not change the contract sum as the allowance is being used to provide materials and labor for four (4) GFCI roof receptacles. Furthermore, this change order has been reviewed and approved by KSI Consulting Engineers, LLC.

Original Contract Amount Pascack Valley High School	\$428,650.00
Previously Authorized Change Order	\$0.00
Subtotal	\$428,650.00
Contract Sum will be Unchanged by Change Order 001, used \$3,934.81 of Allowance	\$0.00

Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	x	Weaver	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Molinelli	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blundo	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stankus	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Molinelli commented about Project Search which was highly successful for students. She indicated that she is the executive director of the Bergen County Workforce Development that sponsors the program, but she does not have any say with any of the schools that refer students to the program.

Mr. Blundo commented that prior to the change in administration, the Board received a draft agenda on Thursdays before the board meetings. He indicated that a draft agenda will go out on Thursdays prior to a meeting. He said to keep in mind that there could be changes when the final agenda comes out.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Blundy asked when the board committees will start since she has not seen a schedule.

Ms. Bilotti indicated that they have slowly scheduled them as needed. She mentioned that she only received responses from two members regarding general availability. She asked for input, otherwise she would begin drafting a schedule. She mentioned that there was a Facilities meeting, a Finance meeting scheduled for next week and a Policy meeting, and Curriculum meeting as well. Dr. Blundy commented that she would like to serve on the Wellness Committee.

Mr. Blundo said that Ms. Bilotti will match people’s interests to the committees as best she can. He added that since it’s a transition year the process may have taken a little longer.

Mr. Blundo mentioned that the Finance Committee has been discussing the potential of acquiring property across the street from Pascack Hills. He mentioned the discussion

about the 18-21 year old life skills program which is housed in Hillsdale and the potential of expanding the program.

Mr. Usami gave a general update on the capital projects and how it affects the capital reserve fund. He indicated that capital projects had been delayed for two years and for some projects more than two years. The capital reserve funds were budgeted in the previous two budgets and now the costs have gone up significantly. Robert Donahue, the Director of Facilities estimated that the increase is almost \$1.3 million. He mentioned the audit and how he will discuss it with the Finance Committee and recommend adding more to the capital reserve. The end result of after factoring the additional funds needed for the previously mentioned estimate is that an estimated \$3.8 million will be in the capital reserve with a plan to budget two roof projects in 2023-2024 which leave an estimated \$2.1 million in capital reserve. He added that there may be potential items on the horizon and the two auditorium projects may need additional funding which is not known at this time.

Ms. Molinelli asked if \$2.1 million in the capital reserve is enough compared to other districts. She feels that it's a safety net for the district.

Mr. Usami indicated that capital reserve is only for capital projects and outside of the operating budget. He went over the audit and that the district is allowed to keep 2% plus some other things for a rainy day. Due to COVID, the state allowed districts to keep 4% in each of the two years. Last year, he indicated he recommended 2% and the Board agreed. This decision was reinforced by the auditor since the district is healthy financially. The auditor agrees with keeping 2% this year as well. He said that the district manages the budget well to take excess surplus for a future budget, in this case for the 2023-2024 budget and the remainder of excess surplus goes into capital and maintenance reserves. He added that typically the district puts in \$3-\$4 million into capital reserve and uses it for capital projects for the schools or the district.

XV. 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.

Ms. Carolee Adams of Montvale mentioned that \$1.7 billion dollars will be going to schools throughout the country for mental health. She mentioned programs such as mixed martial arts such Taekwondo. She mentioned that instead of medications, physical activities like self defense can support sound mind sound body and self confidence. She indicated that 750,00 students from 12-18 years old experienced violent crimes that could have been avoided with self defense. The Board has a goal regarding Wellness for students, but she has not seen or heard anything about personal safety through self defense.

XVI. MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:25 p.m.

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

