MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Pascack Valley Regional High School District

Monday, February 28, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the Pascack Hills High School Auditorium

Meeting Regulations

During this regular meeting, two opportunities are provided for citizens to ask questions and to make comments. During the first opportunity, early on the agenda, comments are invited. The second opportunity will occur just prior to adjournment, when residents may address general comments to the Board with time limits being at the discretion of the President.

Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise and state their name and address. The Board reserves the right to establish rules for the conduct of its meetings, including such matters as the time at which the public will be heard, if at all, who may speak, and for how long. All such rules shall be monitored by the President unless the majority of the Board present and voting, rule otherwise.

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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
	Mr. Pat Luisi
	Mr. James Stankus
	Ms. Debra Stephans
	Mr. Michael Weaver
	Dr. Daniel Fishbein, Interim Superintendent
	Mr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
	Student Representatives: Hilary Siegel – PHHS; Evan Scalia – PVHS
Absent:	Dr. Kelly Blundy
	Mrs. Kristin Martin
	Ms. Tammy Molinelli

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 compete and collaborate as ethical and responsible global citizens.

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 May 18, 2021.

IV. ROUTINE MATTERS

Monthly Reports

Superintendent's Report:	Dr. Daniel Fishbein – <u>report</u>
Student Reports:	Hilary Siegel – Pascack Hills High School – report
	Evan Scalia – Pascack Valley High School – report

Mr. Blundo commented on the success of the hockey team.

One Agenda Item

1. Minutes

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

February 7, 2022	Regular Meeting	7:30 p.m.
February 7, 2022	Executive Meeting	8:39 p.m.
February 12, 2022	Special Meeting	9:00 a.m.
February 12, 2022	Executive Meeting	9:02 a.m.
February 14, 2022	Special Meeting	4:30 p.m.
February 14, 2022	Executive Meeting	4:32 p.m.

Moved by:	Stephans	Seconded by:	Varghese	
		VOTE		

Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				\checkmark	Stephans	\checkmark			
Luisi	\checkmark				Varghese	\checkmark			
Martin				\checkmark	Weaver	\checkmark		\checkmark	
Molinelli				\checkmark	Blundo	\checkmark			
Stankus	\checkmark								

Mr. Weaver abstained to February 12 Executive Meeting minutes since he left early.

Mr. Blundo read the names and Mrs. Varghese and Dr. Fishbein handed out the certificates of achievement.

V. STUDENT RECOGNITION

1. Bergen County Band – PHHS

WHEREAS, Amy Sheehan, a junior at Pascack Hills High School, was accepted as a Bb Clarinet musician to the Bergen County Band and represented Pascack Hills High School at the Bergen County Band festival and performance on January 16, 2022, and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education recognize and commend Amy for her outstanding achievement.

2. All State Band - PVHS

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Barlow, a junior at PVHS, has earned the first chair bassoon seat in the 2022 New Jersey All-State Wind Ensemble Band, and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education recognize and commend Elizabeth for her outstanding achievement.

3. BCCA and BCWCA 1st Team All County Awards – PVHS

WHEREAS, the following students from Pascack Valley High School were selected for 1st Team All Bergen County recognition:

- Jolie Bellaff, a senior, on the Pascack Valley Regional District Gymnastics team.
- Amanda Polyniak, a sophomore, on the Pascack Valley Girls Soccer team.
- Michael Caminneci, a senior, on the Pascack Valley Boys Soccer team.
- Dylan Hutchinson, a senior, on the Pascack Valley Football team.
- Nick Messina, a senior, on the Pascack Valley Football team.
- Steven Demboski, a senior, on the Pascack Valley Football team.

These students received their awards from the Bergen County Women Coaches Association (BCWCA) and the Bergen County Coaches Association (BCCA) at awards dinners recently held at The Fiesta in Wood Ridge, NJ, and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, recognize and commend these students for their outstanding achievements.

4. NJSIAA North 1, Group 3 Boys Soccer Champions – PVHS

WHEREAS, the Pascack Valley High School Boys Soccer Team, won the state sectional finals for the first time in PV history by defeating Roxbury High School by 2-1. Pascack Valley High School was seeded number 12 and Roxbury High School was seeded number 2.

Alex Betancourt	Nicholas Bonanos	Jayson Cacavella
Michael Caminneci	Dylan Criscuolo	Michael Criscuolo
Sam Elrich	Liam Evans	Shane Feder
Luca Focella	Steven Gifford	Ian Hagen
Aidan Haller	Luca Honovic	Aiden Koo
Daniel Lin	Ben Loeser	Connor Moon
Charles Moscone	Adrain Pilet	Julian Pilet
Alex Schlessinger	Ethan Schwartz	Preston So
Luke Stephan	Sean Stewart	Max Van Gyzen
Nolan Wasserman	Robert Wasserman	Head Coach
		Luciano Cofrancesco
Assistant Coach	Assistant Coach	Assistant Coach
Al Coleman	Ron Villone	Brenna Walsh

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, recognize and commend these students and their coaches for their outstanding achievement.

5. NJSIAA State Sectional Champions Boys Bowling North IA Group III 2021-2022

WHEREAS, the following students from Pascack Valley High School are the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association, State Sectional Champions in Boys Bowling North IA Group III 2021-2022:

Cody Lake	Diego Mercado	Andrew Morris
Joseph Quinn	Tyler Tarabocchia	Nathaniel Veit
Head Coach Judy Lucia	Assistant Coach Phyllis Beck	

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, recognize and commend these students and their coaches for their outstanding achievement

VI. PRESENTATIONS

Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights: Self-assessment Reports 2019-2020, 2020-2021 - Dr. Sean Struncis, District Supervisor of Guidance – report

Mr. Blundo asked if volunteer coaches go through the same training as a teacher or coach.

Dr. Struncis confirmed that all employees receive the training.

Board Training: Standard Operating Procedures – Mr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary – <u>report</u>

VII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Citizens are invited to make comments regarding agenda items and are limited to five 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

VIII. POLICY

Consent Agenda for Items 1-4

1. Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Executive Report

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, affirm the findings of the following harassment, intimidation and bullying incident: 226964_PHH_01182022.

2. BOE Bylaws, Policies, and Regulations – Second Reading and Adoption

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, adopt the following bylaws, policies and regulations:

Name of Policy or Regulation	Policy/ Reg Number
Public Participation in Board Meetings	<u>P 0167</u>
Safety Plan for Healthcare Settings in School Buildings – COVID-19	<u>P 1648.14</u>
Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program	<u>P 2425</u>
Sexual Harassment of Students	<u>P 5751</u>
Control of Communicable Disease	<u>P 8451</u>
Civility	<u>P 9202</u>
Sexual Harassment of Students	<u>R 5751</u>
Control of Communicable Disease	<u>R 8451</u>

3. BOE Bylaws, Policies, and Regulation – 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/ Reg Number
School Employee Vaccination Requirements	<u>P 1648.13</u>

4. School Self-assessment Reports under the Anti-Bullying Act

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the submission of the 2020-2021 School Self-assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act for Pascack Hills and Pascack Valley High Schools.

5. PVREA Sidebar Agreement

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

Motion to vote separately on Item 3, Policy 1648.13

Moved by:	Weav	ver			Seconded by:	Luisi			
	VOTE								
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				\checkmark	Stephans	\mathbf{A}			
Luisi	\checkmark				Varghese	\square			
Martin				\checkmark	Weaver	\square			
Molinelli				\checkmark	Blundo	\checkmark			
Stankus	\checkmark								

Mr. Weaver said he understands the Board is held accountable for state mandates. He mentioned that the Board should be able ask why when certain policies are put forth by the state. It's two years into the pandemic and data should drive the decisions. He indicated that the CDC first initiated the "Stop the Spread" to get vaccinated, however they have said currently that the vaccine does not prevent the spread of the virus. The CDC also recommended if unvaccinated then wear a mask in indoor public settings. He said the district is going mask optional on March 7 (he is all for the option), yet the Board has a policy for testing unvaccinated staff seems contradictory to what the CDC is saying. He indicated that the Board acted on what was logical and made sense, but now there is data and the policy does not seem logical or makes sense. He said he will vote "no" to this policy.

Mr. Stankus indicated that the CDC has changed its position as the science has developed. He believes the vaccine requirements are necessary because of the load on the hospitals. He said it has always been about keeping the rates down to avoid hospitalization. He commented that vaccines are known to keep people out of the hospitals. He mentioned that from the beginning, when there was a lockdown it was about avoiding hospitalization. The peak hospitalization made it dangerous for anyone needing medical attention at a hospital.

Mrs. Varghese said as a nurse she agrees with Stankus' on hospitalization. She indicated that it's important to keep the teachers healthy so they can teach. If not, it has a significant impact on students. She added that the policy does not terminate anyone who is not vaccinated, the requirement is to be tested.

Mr. Luisi commented that he believed the Supreme Court was correct to reverse the vaccine mandate on companies with 100 or more employees. He mentioned that people have different reasons for not getting vaccinated. He said that he would not like to see people who love what they do not be able to work due to the requirement.

Ms. Stephans supports mask optional and it gives those who are not comfortable the ability to wear a mask.

Mr. Blundo said his "yes" vote is to support the Department of Education and its mandate. He indicated that he is concerned about the ramification such as QSAC and loss of funding if they do not comply. He mentioned that his company was one of the first to mandate being vaccinated and he saw people lose their jobs. He added that he respects everyone's opinion on this subject and thanked everyone.

Ms. Stephans asked if vaccinated means the person has had the booster.

Dr. Fishbein said up to date means booster and fully vaccinated means the two or one dose. He confirmed that the policy refers to fully vaccinated.

Mr. Weaver asked if it was up to the district's discretion to have staff boosted.

Dr. Fishbein said that applied to contact tracing. He indicated that the district already has this policy in place and has been implementing it since October. These are slight changes to the existing policy.

Mr. Weaver said that a lot has changed since September and that was the impetus for his comments. He indicated more importantly to advocate for the teachers and students to ask why to the Department of Education. He commented that we should not scare the public about QSAC and losing points or funding since this may only be a loss of a point or two. He admitted that he did not know the exact scoring process. According to Dr. Fishbein the board attorney said those were the two options which in this case would not necessarily mean loss of funding. Mr. Weaver added that he respects everyone's opinion.

Dr. Fishbein confirmed that no one will be terminated because of this policy. He said the policy has a bad title. He said being vaccinated is an option.

Mr. Luisi asked who pays for the testing.

Dr. Fishbein and Mr. Usami explained that the testing company indicated that they submit it to insurance and when it's rejected they submit it through the CARES Act to be reimbursed.

Vote on Item 3, Policy 1648.13

Moved by:	Weav	er			Seconded by:	Stank	tus				
		VOTE									
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P		
Blundy				\checkmark	Stephans		\checkmark				
Luisi		\checkmark			Varghese	\checkmark					
Martin				\checkmark	Weaver		\checkmark				
Molinelli				\checkmark	Blundo	\checkmark					
Stankus	\checkmark										

Mr. Blundo indicated the policy did not pass and this may be brought up again with all nine members.

Vote on Items 1, 2, 4, and 5

Moved by:	Steph	ans			Seconded by:	Stank	us			
	VOTE									
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	
Blundy				\checkmark	Stephans	\mathbf{A}				
Luisi	\checkmark				Varghese	\checkmark				
Martin				\checkmark	Weaver	\checkmark				
Molinelli				\checkmark	Blundo	\checkmark				
Stankus	\checkmark									

IX. EDUCATION

Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 4

1. Overnight Trips

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve Pascack Valley High School students, teachers, and if necessary, chaperones, for a trip to Italy and Greece for an authentic learning experience to better understand food chemistry, civil/geotechnical engineering, astronomy, earth and space science from June 24 – July 3, 2022. The trip dates are modified from the previous approval on February 8, 2021.

2. Bedside/Home/Supplemental Instruction

- a. RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve bedside tutoring for student ID #811928 admitted to High Focus Center in Paramus, NJ on February 7, 2022 through a date to be determined. Services are provided by LearnWell billed at \$52 per hour of instruction and a preparation fee of 33%, for 10 hours per week.
- b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve supplemental instruction for the following Pascack Valley High School students

Student ID	Subject	Weekly Hours	Start Date	End Date
#810296	Mathematics	3	2/9/2022	TBD
#811473	Science	2	2/8/2022	TBD
#812203	Mathematics	2	2/23/2022	TBD

to be provided by a board approved home instructor, for the 2021-2022 school year:

c. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve supplemental instruction for Pascack Hills High School student ID #810966 to be provided by a board approved home instructor, as per their IEP, beginning February 23, 2022 for approximately three weeks, for the 2021-2022 school year:

Subject	Weekly Hours
English	2
Mathematics	2
Science	2
Social Studies	2

3. Out-of-district Placement

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve a partial out-of-district placement for student ID #811927 to Fusion Academy for the 2021-2022 school year, as per their IEP, for the subjects of Biology and US History, for the prorated tuition of \$9,270.

4. Tuition Student

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the following tuition paid student to attend the LLD program for the 2021-2022 school year:

Student ID	Sending District	Grade	Start Date
#813003	Saddle River School District	10	02/23/2022

Moved by: Seconded by: Weaver Stephans VOTE N/P Bd. Mbr. Bd. Mbr. Ave Nav Abs. Ave Nav Abs. N/P $\mathbf{\nabla}$ Blundy Stephans \checkmark \checkmark Varghese $\mathbf{\nabla}$ Luisi Martin $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ Weaver \checkmark $\mathbf{\nabla}$ Blundo $\mathbf{\nabla}$ Molinelli \mathbf{V} Stankus

Motion to vote on Item 1 separately.

Mr. Weaver said with what is going on in the world now he didn't know how he feels about the trip. He would like to hear how others feel.

Dr. Fishbein indicated that this is to move the date of the trip from February to June. He said he asked the principals to contact the companies to get what options are available considering the war in Europe.

Mr. Weaver was concerned about how many students will be graduates of the high school since the trip is at the end of June.

Dr. Fishbein commented that the attorney indicated that we may allow those students to participate and there is liability coverage. He indicated that the teachers are confident that all the students will behave. In the event, that someone misbehaves, the parent(s) will be asked to retrieve their child.

Mr. Blundo asked when the first trip is scheduled.

Dr. Fishbein believed it was during April break, but he did not have the list.

Mr. Blundo indicated that due to the war in Europe if the Board wanted to cancel the trip when would a decision need to be made.

Dr. Fishbein indicated that it would depend on the insurance taken by the parents since it's an agreement between the company and individuals. Some can get full refunds up to a week of canceling and others are farther out and can receive about 75%.

Mr. Weaver asked about the destinations and number of students traveling on other scheduled trips.

Dr. Fishbein indicated that he would provide that information to the Board.

Mrs. Varghese commented that the Board reserves the right to say "no" to the trip(s) depending on the situation in Europe.

Mr. Luisi indicated that he would like the students to go. He would like to see the Board obtain from security firms the level of safety in the region.

Mr. Blundo mentioned that the State Department has that type of information. He said he had a difficult time comprehending what they indicated abut Italy due to the verbiage the site used. He commented that the Board is not taking on canceling the trip tonight. He said that the Board is concerned about the war in Eastern Europe and

how that may affect the trips to Europe. He indicated that the Board may cancel the trips later depending on the situation of the war.

Mr. Weaver asked what the process will be for the Board not to support the trip(s). He asked if the Superintendent or the Board makes the decision and what would be the timeframe considering the Board meets twice a month.

Dr. Fishbein said he will have the information about the trips to the Board on Friday. If there were to be no board meeting, then he would make an administrative decision and take responsibility.

Ms. Stephans mentioned that the State Department site indicated that no travel to Greece or Italy due to COVID.

Mr. Blundo reiterated that the resolution is to move the trip back to late June.

Mr. Weaver said he will vote "yes" for that and he would like to see how many students are graduates versus students who will be back in high school.

Mr. Blundo said that Dr. Fishbein would provide that information along with the trips and dates.

Weaver

Blundo

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Vote on Item 1

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Moved by:	Weav	ver			Seconded by:	Stank	us		
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Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				\checkmark	Stephans	\checkmark			
Luisi	\checkmark				Varghese	\checkmark			

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Vote on Items 2-4

Martin

Molinelli

Stankus

Moved by:	Weav	ver			Seconded by:	Stank	us		
		VOTE							
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				\checkmark	Stephans	$\mathbf{\nabla}$			
Luisi	\checkmark				Varghese	\checkmark			
Martin				\checkmark	Weaver	\square			
Molinelli				\checkmark	Blundo	\square			
Stankus	\checkmark								

X. HUMAN RESOURCES

WHEREAS, the interim superintendent, after considering the recommendation of his 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 interim 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:

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

Consent Agenda for Items 1-9

1. New Hire

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

Name	Position	Salary	Effective Dates
Florian Caco	Night Custodian, M-F, Pascack Hills High School	\$64,118, night crew stipend \$532, Black Seal stipend of \$932, pro-rated	March 1, 2022
Scott Keena	Night Custodian, T-S, Pascack Hills High School	\$64,118, night crew stipend \$532, Saturday differential stipend \$532, pro-rated	March 1, 2022

2. Staff Assignment Change

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve a change of assignment for Sheba Buckley, instructional assistant, from Pascack Valley High School to Pascack Hills High School from February 28 - May 27, 2022.

3. Additional Period Assignments

a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve payment of an additional teaching assignment at Pascack Valley High School for the 2021-

2022 school year for Roni Silberstein, mathematics teacher, from March 8 – April 11, 2022.

- b. RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve payment of four additional teaching assignments at Pascack Valley High School for the 2021-2022 school year for Dr. Mark Russo, District Supervisor of Mathematics, from March 8 – April 11, 2022.
- **c. RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve payment of an additional teaching assignment at Pascack Hills High School for the 2021-2022 school year from March 2 March 23, 2022:

Kimberly Caminiti	Kevin Kirkby (2 classes)
Charleen Schwartzman	Tim Wieland

4. Additional Hours

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve 36 additional hours of bus duty for an instructional aide to assist a tuition student for the 2021-2022 school year, at their usual hourly rate.

5. Leaves of Absence

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

Name	Position	Request:
Ellen Doyle	Instructional aide, PHHS	Total Leave Period:
	гппз	February 28 – May 30, 2022
Patricia Hawkins	Mathematics Teacher, PVHS	Total LEAVE Period:
	1 115	March 2 – March 23, 2022

6. Athletic Resignation (Modified)

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, accept the resignation of Jennifer Bauer DelSordo, assistant coach for the Pascack Valley High School girls lacrosse team for the 2021-2022 spring season only.

7. Athletic Appointments

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

Name	Team	Position	Stipend/Step
Joseph Acuña	PVHS Spring Track	Assistant Coach	\$7,110 /Step 3
Natalie Burd	PVHS Softball	Assistant Coach	\$ 3,077.50/50% of Step 1
Stacie Gallo	PHHS Spring Track	Assistant Coach	\$7,110/Step 3
Jennifer Maione	PVHS Girls Lacrosse	Assistant Coach	\$7,110 /Step 3
James Uhl	PVHS Girls Lacrosse	Assistant Coach	\$ 3,077.50/50% of Step 1

8. Volunteers

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the following volunteers for the 2021-2022 school year:

Name	School	Activity
Scott Fischer	Pascack Hills	Baseball
Josh Garran	Pascack Hills	Baseball
Daniel Haag	Pascack Valley	Boys Lacrosse
Eric Torres	Pascack Valley	Boys Lacrosse

9. Intern Placement – Region II

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve an intern placement for Sydney Greenwald, a Seton Hall student, with a Region II occupational therapist for the 2021-2022 school year.

Moved by:	Steph	ans			Seconded by:	Varg	hese		
		VOTE							
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				\checkmark	Stephans	\checkmark			
Luisi	\checkmark				Varghese	\checkmark			
Martin				\checkmark	Weaver	\checkmark			
Molinelli				\checkmark	Blundo	\checkmark			
Stankus	\checkmark								

XI. FINANCE

Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 16

1. Approval of Bills

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

Budget Expenditures as of February 28, 2022	\$1,676,148.99
Payroll as of February 15, 2022	\$1,927,344.95
Payroll as of February 28, 2022	\$1,636,346.68
TOTAL	\$5,239,840.62

2. Travel Pre-Authorizations

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

Jordan Kapp	John Puccio	Mark Russo
Gary Beyer	David Bucco	
Kevin Moran	Steve Schneider	

3. Accept Donation

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

Date	Donor	Amount	Club or Group		
2/16/22	Wegmans	\$300.00	Model UN		

4. Reject Bids – Band Room HVAC Upgrade at Pascack Hills High School & Room 110 HVAC Replacement at Pascack Valley High School

WHEREAS, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education advertised for bids for the Band Room HVAC Upgrade at Pascack Hills High School and Room 110 HVAC Replacement at Pascack Valley High School Project

("Project");

WHEREAS, on February 10, 2022 the Board received bids for the Project;

WHEREAS, the bids exceeded the cost estimate and budget for the Project; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the Board reject all bids for the project pursuant to pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18:18A-22.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby rejects all bids received for the Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to re-advertise for the Project.

5. Reject Bids - Roof Replacement at Pascack Valley High School and Pascack Hills High School

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

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2022 the Board received bids for the Project;

WHEREAS, the bids exceeded the cost estimate and budget for the Project; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the Board reject all bids for the project pursuant to pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18:18A-22.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby rejects all bids received for the Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to re-advertise for the Project.

6. Reject Bids - HVAC Upgrade at Pascack Hills High School and Pascack Valley High School

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

WHEREAS, on February 15, 2022 the Board received two bids for the Project;

WHEREAS, the lowest bid submitted by Echelon Services, Inc. ("Echelon") contained material defects due to the failure to satisfy certain requirements contained in the specifications for the Project;

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by Pattman Plumbing Heating & A/C, Inc. ("Pattman") exceeded the cost estimate and budget for the Project; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the Board reject all bids for the Project for the foregoing reasons;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby rejects all bids received for the Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to re-advertise for the Project and have the engineer make appropriate revisions to the specifications for the Project.

7. Reject Bids - Site Beautification Upgrades at Pascack Valley High School

WHEREAS, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education advertised for bids for the Site Beautification Upgrades at Pascack Valley High School Project ("Project");

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2022 the Board received three bids for the Project;

WHEREAS, the lowest bid submitted by Turco Golf, Inc. ("Turco Golf") contained material defects due to the failure to satisfy certain requirements contained in the specifications for the Project;

WHEREAS, the remaining bids exceeded the cost estimate and budget for the Project; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the Board reject all bids for the Project for the foregoing reasons;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby rejects all bids received for the Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to re-advertise for the Project and have the engineer make appropriate revisions to the specifications for the Project.

8. Award C-Wing Toilet Renovations at Pascack Hills and Toilet Upgrades at Pascack Valley High Schools – Billing Contracting & Restoration, Inc.

WHEREAS, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education ("the Board") advertised for bids for the C-Wing Toilet Renovations at Pascack Hills and Toilet Upgrades at Pascack Valley High Schools Project ("Project");

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2022, the Board received six bids for the Project;

WHEREAS, Billy Contracting & Restoration, Inc. ("Billy Contracting") submitted the lowest bid with a base bid in the amount of \$278,000, alternate No. 1 bid in the amount of \$19,200 and alternate No. 2 bid in the amount of \$70,000 for a total bid in the amount of \$367,200;

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by Billy Contracting is responsive in all material respects; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to award the contract for the Project to Billy Contracting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby awards the contract for the Project to Billy Contracting for a total contract sum of \$367,200.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this award is expressly conditioned upon the contractor furnishing the requisite insurance certificate and labor and materials/performance bond as required in the Project specifications, together with an

AA201-Project Manning Report, and an executed AIA Agreement, as prepared by the Board Attorney, within ten (10) days of the date hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Attorney is hereby directed to draft the agreement with the successful bidder consistent with this Resolution and the terms contained in the bid documents and specifications for the Project. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute such agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

9. Approve Maintenance Reserve Withdrawal - C-Wing Toilet Renovations

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve a Maintenance Reserve withdrawal in the amount of \$367,200 to fund the C-Wing Toilet Renovations at Pascack Hills and Toilet Upgrades at Pascack Valley High Schools.

10. Approve Proposal by KSI Consulting Engineers, LLC for the HVAC Replacement Project – A-wing Airedales at Pascack Hills High School

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve the engineering services proposal submitted by KSI Consulting Engineers, LLC for the HVAC Replacement Project – A-wing Airedales at Pascack Hills High School for a 2022-2023 capital project in the amount of \$8,500.

11. Approve Capital Reserve Withdrawal - Engineering Services for the HVAC Replacement Project – A-wing Airedales.

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve a Capital Reserve withdrawal in the amount of \$8,500 to make payments for the engineering services for the HVAC Replacement Project – A-wing Airedales.

12. Approve Solutions Architecture

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve the proposal from Solutions Architecture to update the floor plans for Pascack Hills and Pascack Valley High Schools in the amount of \$9,950.

13. Approve MasterLibrary.com, LLC

WHEREAS, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education advertised for proposals for Facility Management Software ("Software");

WHEREAS, on January 26, 2022 the Board received two (2) proposals for the Software;

WHEREAS, a committee evaluated each of the Software; and

WHEREAS, the committee determined that MasterLibrary.com, LLC fulfilled all the criteria requested in the Request for Proposal;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, awards a contract to MasterLibrary.com, LLC in the amount of \$6,000 per annual subscription and a one-time implementation fee of \$1,500.

14. Approve Maintenance Reserve Withdrawal - Replace the Door Lock Cores and Keys at Pascack Valley High School.

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve a Maintenance Reserve withdrawal in the amount of \$29,347.41 to replace the door lock cores and keys at Pascack Valley High School.

15. Approve Proposal submitted by Edwards Engineering Group, Inc. - New Stairway and Railings at Pascack Hills High School

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve the engineering services proposal submitted by Edwards Engineering Group, Inc. for New Stairway and Railings at Pascack Hills High School in the amount of \$17,760.

16. Special Education Transportation – Region II

Region II – Parent Contracts

RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation contract to The Parent for route #GM2122 for the 2021-22 school year.

Route #	Route	Per Diem	Annual Cost
GM2122	SBJC, Lodi	75	6,600.00

Region II – Quotes

RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation Quote contract Q2137 to SUN Transport during the 2021-2022 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q2137	Washington	249.00	50.00	299.00	20,033.00
	Elementary				

*Includes cost of aide

RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation Quote contract Q2139 to We Care Transportation during the 2021-2022 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q2139	Valley-NVC	375.00	69.00	444.00	19,980.00

*Includes cost of aide

Moved by:	Weaver			Seconded by:	Stephans					
		VOTE								
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	
Blundy				\checkmark	Stephans	\checkmark				
Luisi	\checkmark				Varghese	\checkmark				
Martin				\checkmark	Weaver	\checkmark				
Molinelli				\checkmark	Blundo	\checkmark				
Stankus	\checkmark									

XII. OLD BUSINESS

Facilities Committee Report

Mr. Blundo mentioned that the committee received updates on projects same as the Board receives every Friday in the briefing. Mr. Blundo indicated that Mr. Donahue (Director of Facilities) mentioned that some of the projects may have supply chain issues, but it would not affect the budget since the projects have been budgeted and will carry over.

Mr. Usami confirmed the supply chain issue and added that some of the bids have come in much higher than anticipated. He said they are going out to rebid for some projects, but they may not have a choice except to accept higher than anticipated bids.

Mr. Blundo commented on the capacity at Pascack Valley High School which was mentioned in the demographic report. Dr. Fishbein ran a report on rooms and how classes are scheduled and it indicated there is room at both schools. He mentioned that teachers have been fortunate to be able to stay in their classrooms when they are not teaching. However, if need be, teachers could move out of their classroom for another class to be conducted.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

None

XIV. 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

XV. MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:51 p.m.

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education will meet in the Media Center at Pascack Hills High School, 225 West Grand Avenue, Montvale, 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:
 - 1. Superintendent search
 - 2. A personnel matter
 - 3. A possible HIB
- 3. The Board will not return to the Regular Board Meeting, will take no action, and will adjourn from executive session.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Stankus to adjourn the public meeting at 8:51 p.m. Mr. Weaver seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried. The Board will enter an executive session and take no action and will not return to the regular meeting.

Moved by:	Stankus				Seconded by:	Weav	ver		
		VOTE							
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy				\checkmark	Stephans	\checkmark			
Luisi	\checkmark				Varghese	\checkmark			
Martin				\checkmark	Weaver	\checkmark			
Molinelli				\checkmark	Blundo	\checkmark			
Stankus	\square								

Respectfully,

you Usami

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Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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