

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

**Pascack Valley Regional High School District**

**Monday, May 23, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the  
Pascack Hills 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 compete 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 arrived during roll call  
Dr. Kelly Blundy  
Mr. Pat Luisi  
Mrs. Kristin Martin  
Ms. Tammy Molinelli  
Mr. James Stankus  
Mr. Michael Weaver  
Dr. Daniel Fishbein, Interim Superintendent  
Mrs. Cynthia Kirk, Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Student Representative: Evan Scalia – PVHS

Absent: Ms. Debra Stephans  
Mr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Student Representative: Hilary Siegel – PHHS

**II. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

After the flag salute, Mr. Blundo introduced Cindy Kirk, the Assistant Business Administrator, who was substituting for Mr. Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

**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. Fishbein presented the student report for PHHS in Hilary Siegel's absence. Dr. Fishbein did not have any additional information to report. Report

Student Reports:

Evan Scalia – Pascack Valley High School – Report

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:



Nicole Choi - PV      Riley Haworth - PH      Evelyn Higgins - PV

These students have been accepted based on their audition which included a rigorous process during which they had to perform a solo, a quintet, and scales. They will perform in two concerts, one at Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City on Friday, November 11, 2022, at 8:00 PM, and the other concert - at NJPAC in Newark, NJ, on Sunday, November 20, 2022 at 3:00pm.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, recognize and commend Nicole, Riley, and Evelyn for their outstanding achievement.

**4. Coccia Foundation Italian Studies Student Award**

**WHEREAS**, Peyton Gallo, a freshman at Pascack Valley High School, and Jake Hanau, a senior at Pascack Valley High School, are the recipients of this year's Coccia Foundation Italian Studies Student Award. The Joseph and Elda Coccia Institute at Montclair State University, recognizes students who demonstrate exemplary performance in their study of the Italian language. The student awards are made possible through a generous grant from The Paragano Family Foundation.

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

**5. New Jersey Council for Social Studies**

**WHEREAS**, the following students have been recognized by the New Jersey Council for Social Studies:

Trayee Jha, a junior at Pascack Hills High School, is recognized for her contributions to social studies education at Pascack Hills High School. She was awarded a certificate to commemorate her leadership, engagement, and excellent grades by the NJCSS. Trayee's name will be added to the NJCSS Hall of Fame.

Kareena Shah, a junior at Pascack Valley High School, was recognized for her contributions to social studied education in the areas of motivation, leadership, scholarship and her work to the Asian Culture Club at Pascack Valley High School.

The following students from Pascack Valley High School are also being recognized by the New Jersey Council for Social Studies for excellence in history:

Benjamin Carter, Brendan Noone, and Abigail Uhl, seniors at Pascack Valley High School, are recognized by the New Jersey Council for Social Studies for excellence in history. Benjamin, Brendan, and Abigail, are founding members and club officers of the Pascack Valley High School History Club.

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

## VI. 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.

Mr. Blundo first addressed the PVHS student and stated that the board would make an exception and allow her to make her announcement during the first public comment session so she did not have to wait until the end of the meeting. Kareena Shah approached the podium to address the board. Kareena is a junior at PVHS and president of the Asian Cultures Club at PVHS. She explained that she is a minority female who is a lifelong resident of Hillsdale and has been the victim of racism and discriminatory interactions with her peers and other residents of Hillsdale. She announced that there will be an Asian Cultures night hosted at Beechwood Park on June 2, 2022. She also stated that there will be various ethnic performances and that the goal of the event was to have the residents of Hillsdale leave as better educated global citizens and to make the community more inclusive and diverse. Mr. Blundo and Ms. Molinelli thanked the student for her announcement. There were no other members of the public wishing to speak so Mr. Blundo then closed the public speaking session.

## VII. POLICY

Consent Agenda for Items 1 – 2

### 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:  
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### 2. [District Three-Year Technology Plan](#)

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the Three-Year Technology plan for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

Moved by: Stankus Seconded by: Martin

**VOTE**

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

**VIII. EDUCATION**

Consent Agenda for Items 1 – 3

**1. Overnight Trips**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve Pascack Hills and Pascack Valley High School Spanish students, teachers, and if necessary, chaperones, for a trip to Spain and Portugal for an authentic learning experience to better understand Iberian culture from April 1 – April 9, 2023.

**2. Out-of-district Placements**

- a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve an out-of-district placement for student ID #811928 to Sage Alliance, Paramus, NJ for the 2021-2022 school year, starting on May 16, 2022, as per the student’s IEP, for the prorated tuition of \$13,095.
- b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve a 1:1 aide for student ID #811924, currently placed at Calais School, Whippany, NJ, from June 1 – 23, 2022 for a total cost of \$3,655.

**3. Summer Reading List**

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

Title	Author
Long Way Down	Jason Reynolds
The Poet X	Elizabeth Acevedo
Bull	David Elliott
Every Last Word	Tamara Ireland Stone
In the Wild Light	Jeff Zentner
Dear Edward	Ann Napolitano

<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>
The Boys in the Boat	Daniel James Brown
Dear Martin	Nic Stone
The 57 Bus	Dashka Slater
Funny in Farsi	Firoozeh Dumas
The Making of a Navy Seal	Brandon Webb
Maid	Stephanie Land
Born a Crime	Trevor Noah
No Excuses	Kyle Maynard
Born to Run: A Hidden Tribe, Superathletes, and the Greatest Race the World Has Never Seen	Christopher McDougall
Good to Go	Christie Aschwanden
Song of Achilles	Madeline Miller
The Red Tent	Anita Diamant
Origin	Dan Brown
All But My Life	Gerda Klein
The Nightingale	Kristin Hannah
Mark it with a Stone	Joseph Horn

Ms. Molinelli asked for more information as to how the summer reading list was selected. Dr. Fishbein responded that students have options by grade level. Mrs. Martin contributed that each grade level is based on a theme. Dr. Fishbein mentioned that a brief background of each book was provided to the board. Ms. Molinelli asked why these books were chosen, and why the list was so long. Dr. Fishbein explained that the list was long so that the students have options based on their different interests. Mrs. Martin commented that she was very happy that the students have selections now because that was not always the case. Mr. Weaver asked what was the expectation for the assignment. Mrs. Martin said that it varied by teacher and that each student has to be at least prepared to speak about the book. She said it depends on the grade level and the course, but she has seen with her children Socratic seminars as well as assignments that were a little simpler. Mr. Weaver asked if the assignments are graded. Mrs. Martin responded that they have been [graded]. Mr. Blundo said his children were not graded but every teacher is different. He then asked Evan Scalia, the PVHS student representative, if he had anything to contribute. Evan said that this year he had four different books to choose from and that the assignment depended on how many kids read the book. He said that if you were the only kid that read the book, you may have to write a paragraph about the book, but if eight or nine kids read the book, then you would have a Socratic seminar. He said the assignment was graded. Mrs. Martin stated that there is some kind of grade but the weight value definitely differs.

Moved by: Martin Seconded by: Stankus

**VOTE**

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

**IX. 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:

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 – 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
Nicole Alpern	PVHS Family and Consumer Science Teacher	\$93,745, BA, Step 16, with health benefits, tenure	August 29, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year



<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Salary</b>	<b>Effective Dates</b>
		track as per PVREA contract	
Frank Cherichello	PVHS Guidance Counselor, leave replacement (for emp #2468)	\$400 per diem, without benefits	September 15, 2022 through January 23, 2023
Lena Leacock	District Media Specialist	\$66,475, MA, Step 4, with health benefits, tenure track as per PVREA contract, pending certification	August 29, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year
Joseph Spafford	PVHS Supervisor of Athletics and Physical Education	\$145,580, Step 4, with health benefits, tenure track as per PVRSA contract	July 1, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year

## 2. Changes of Position

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

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Salary</b>	<b>Effective Dates</b>
Lori Birdsall	From: District Executive Secretary for the Director of Facilities To: PHHS Executive Secretary for the Director of Special Services Department	\$68,497.80, plus \$900 longevity, with health benefits, tenure track as per PVRSSA contract	July 1, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year
Patricia Uszenski	From: PVHS General Secretary for the Guidance Department To: PVHS Executive Secretary for the	\$68,497.80, plus \$3,000 longevity, with health benefits, tenure track as per PVRSSA contract	July 1, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year

Name	Position	Salary	Effective Dates
	Guidance Department		

### 3. Move on Academic Salary Guide

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve movement on the academic salary guide for the following certificated staff for the 2022-2023 school year:

Name	From	To
Dana Amato	BA, Step 3	MA, Step 4
William Crispino	BA, Step 11	MA, Step 12
Stephanie DiGiacopo	MA+30, Step 12	MA+45, Step 13
Corin Gamgort	MA+30, Step 13	MA+45, Step 14
Jonathan Moran	BA, Step 8	MA, Step 9

### 4. Resignations

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, accept, with regret, the resignation of Nari Dabis, special education/English teacher at Pascack Valley High School, effective June 30, 2022.

### 5. Support Staff Member Termination

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the termination of staff member ID #1637, effective May 31, 2022.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education authorizes the suspension, with pay, for staff member #1637 from May 16, 2022 through May 31, 2022.

### 6. Leave of Absence

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

Name	Position	Requests:
Jamie Marootian-Miller	PHHS English Teacher	<u>Total Leave Period:</u> August 29, 2022 – January 5, 2023 Paid using 24 sick days <u>FMLA/NJFLA</u> October 6 –January 5, 2023 <u>Leave of Absence</u> None

**7. Intern Placements**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the following intern placements for the 2022-2023 school year:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Requesting Institution</b>	<b>Placement Location</b>
Tanina Habib	Montclair State University	Pascack Valley High School
Emily Shovlin	Montclair State University	Pascack Valley High School
Taylor Van Orden	Montclair State University	Pascack Valley High School
Xavier Villavicencio	Montclair State University	Pascack Hills High School

**8. Summer Student Help**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the following students for summer employment in the technology department for the district:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Type</b>
Ethan Ferrer	New
Aaron Ng	Returning
Ming-Lang Qin	New
Benjamin Topolosky	New
Daniel Wolosiuk	Returning

**9. Athletic Resignations**

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

<b>Name</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Position</b>
Abigail Lee	PVHS Volleyball	Assistant Coach
Katlyn Rivera	PVHS Volleyball	Head Coach for the 2022 fall season only



<b>Date</b>	<b>Donor</b>	<b>Donation</b>	<b>Club or Group</b>
2/8/22	Robert Buccino	\$1,000	PH LaRezza Scholarship
2/15/22	Al Taliaferro	\$500	PH Warren Lazelle Scholarship
2/18/22	LaRezza Family	\$1,000	PH LaRezza Scholarship
5/3/22	Coccia Foundation	\$250	PH Coccia Scholarship
5/5/22	John Ho	\$500	PH Follow Your Heart to Your Cancer Scholarship
5/5/22	Gene Haas Foundation	\$2,500	PH Robotics
5/13/22	Anonymous	\$350	PH Wrestling Team Donation for Senior Awards Scholarships
5/16/22	Mr. & Mrs. Smith River Vale	\$25	PV Tennis
5/16/22	Erica Franceski	\$500	PH Connor Donahue Scholarship
5/16/22	Directors of Guidance	\$500	PH Director of Guidance Award Scholarship

**3. Agreement with J and B Therapy, LLC**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent approve the agreement with J and B Therapy, LLC of Augusta, New Jersey to provide services at the following rates:

<b>Service</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Occupational, and/or Speech Therapy	\$92.00/hour
Physical Therapy	\$92.00/hour
Educational Support Services (LDTC)	\$92.00/hour
Psychologist Services	\$92.00/hour
Evaluations*	\$405.00/evaluation
Bilingual Evaluations	\$750.00/evaluation
Behavioral Support Services as provided by BCBA/Behavioral Supervisor	\$93.00/hour (3 hours/week minimum)
Behavioral Plans & Functional Behavior Assessments	\$93.00/hour
Behavioral Support Services as provided by a Behaviorist	\$93.00/hour
Reading Specialist	\$82.50/hour
Home Instruction	\$65.00/hour

<b>Service</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Social Work Services	\$82.50/hour
*ABA Paraprofessional Services	\$35.00/hour
*Paraprofessional Services	\$28.00/hour
Teacher of the Deaf Services	\$135.00/hour

**4. Approve Student Accident Insurance - Bob McCloskey Insurance**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the district student accident insurance premium through Bob McCloskey Insurance from August 1, 2022 to August 1, 2023 in the amount of \$106,899.

**5. Correction Item - Capital Reserve Withdrawal - Roof Replacements of the 200 Wing at Pascack Valley High School and C-Wing 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 correction to Finance item #26 on the March 28, 2022 agenda to read A-Wing instead of C-Wing.

**6. Award Food Service Management Company**

**WHEREAS**, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) had previously authorized the use of competitive contracting pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:34-9.1 et seq. for food service management program (hereinafter referred to as the “Program”) provided by a Food Service Management Company (hereinafter referred to as the “FSMC”); and

**WHEREAS**, on May 3, 2022, the Board received one (1) proposal for the program; and

**WHEREAS**, the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary has evaluated the proposal and prepared a report in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.3(d) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-4.5, which report was made available to the public at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to this award and is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is desirous of accepting the recommendation of the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator to award the contract to Pomptonian of Fairfield, New Jersey for the following reasons:

1. the firm possesses the technical experience and qualifications;
2. the FSMC has a strong knowledge of the district’s needs;
3. the stable management/administrative fee charged of \$69,495.96; and
4. the projected profit of \$11,604.55 and a guaranteed breakeven.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, hereby awards the contract for the Program to

Pomptonian for the 2022-2023 school year. The Board reserves the right to extend the contract in its sole discretion for four (4) additional one-year renewals, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this award is expressly conditioned upon the FMSC furnishing the requisite insurance certificate and an executed contract, within ten (10) days of the date hereof.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute such contract and any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution. The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall cause a Notice of Award, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.3(g) to be published in the official newspaper of the Board summarizing the award and indicating that the resolution and contract are on file in the Business Office and available for public inspection.

**7. Agreement with City of Englewood/Mackay Ice Rink**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the agreement with the City of Englewood/ Mackay Ice Rink for the 2022-2023 school year at the rate of \$480 per hour.

**8. Approve Chapter 192/193 Service Agreement with Bergen County Special Services for 2022-2023**

**WHEREAS**, the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education, referred to as “the LEA” is a body corporate organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 10-1.

**WHEREAS**, the Bergen County Special Services School District, referred to as the “BCSSSD” is a body corporate organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:46-29.

**WHEREAS**, the LEA is required by law to provide remedial and auxiliary services to eligible students attending non-public schools within the public school district served by the LEA. N.J.S.A.18A:46-19.1, et seq. (Laws of 1977, Chapter 193); N.J.S.A. 18A:46A-1, et seq. (Laws of 1977, Chapter 192).

**WHEREAS**, the LEA is empowered by law to contract with another agency to provide the remedial and auxiliary services required under Chapters 192 and 193 of the Laws of 1977 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:46-9.7 and N.J.S.A.18A:46A-7.

**WHEREAS**, the BCSSSD is empowered by law to contract with the LEA to provide the remedial and auxiliary services herein referenced pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:46-19.7 and N.J.S.A.18A:46A-7.

**WHEREAS**, the LEA and the BCSSSD hereby agree that the BCSSSD will provide those remedial and auxiliary services set forth in N.J.S.A. 18A:46-9.1 et seq., and N.J.S.A. 18A:46A-1, et seq., which services shall be limited to examination, classification, annual review services, speech correction, as well as the instruction,

evaluation, and the necessary equipment, supplies, administration and supervision inherent in providing English as a second language instruction, supplemental instruction, home instruction, and compensatory education instruction, as appropriate, to eligible New Jersey resident students attending non-public schools within the public school district for which the LEA is responsible.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the service agreement with Bergen County Special Services School District to provide remedial and auxiliary services for the 2022-2023 school year.

**9. Approve Professional Services Proposal from Solutions Architecture**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the professional services proposal from Solutions Architecture for the evaluation and conceptual planning of the Pascack Hills High School boys and girls locker rooms in the amount not to exceed \$4,500.00 plus reimbursables estimated at \$500.00.

**10. Approve Shared Services Agreement - Borough of Hillsdale SLEO IIIs**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the Shared Services Agreement between the Borough of Hillsdale and the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education concerning the hiring and placement of special police officer SLEO IIIs at Pascack Hills High School for the 2022-2023 school year at a rate of \$54,629 per year per officer.

**11. Approve Use of ESSER II Funding**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the use of the ESSER II Funding as follows:

Name	Rate/session	ESSER II
Tracy Ralph	\$55	30

**12. Decline ARP-HCY Grant**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, decline the ARP-HCY grant in the amount of \$1,012 to provide comprehensive wrap-around services for homeless students due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**13. Agreement with Valley Medical Group**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the agreement with Valley Medical Group to provide alcohol and drug testing specifically for employees who transport students for the 2022-2023 school year.



**14. Home to School and Athletic/Extra-Curricular Awarded Student Transportation Contracts**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:39-3 and in meeting the requirements for free, open and complete bidding, had held a Student Transportation Bid Opening on May 6, 2022.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the following transportation companies were awarded the Student Transportation Contracts for the 2022-2023 school year:

<b>Bus Company</b>	<b>Route #</b>	<b>Destination (To/From)</b>	<b>Cost Per Diem</b>	<b>Adjustment</b>
Scholastic Bus Company 18-02 River Road PO Box 1130 Fair Lawn, NJ 07410		<b>(Home to School)</b>		
	PH-1	Pascack Hills HS, Montvale	420.00	2.00
	PH-1A	Pascack Hills HS, Montvale	435.00	2.00
	PH-2	Pascack Hills HS, Montvale	449.00	2.00
	PH-3	Pascack Hills HS, Montvale	449.00	2.00
	PH-4	Pascack Hills HS, Montvale	435.00	2.00
Scholastic Bus Company 18-02 River Road PO Box 1130 Fair Lawn, NJ 07410		<b>(Home to School)</b>		
	PV-9	Pascack Valley HS, Hillsdale	420.00	2.00
	PV-10	Pascack Valley HS, Hillsdale	435.00	2.00
	PV-11	Pascack Valley HS, Hillsdale	420.00	2.00
	PV-12	Pascack Valley HS, Hillsdale	420.00	2.00
Scholastic Bus Company 18-02 River Road PO Box 1130 Fair Lawn, NJ 07410		<b>(Home to School)</b>		
	BA-18	Bergen Academies, Hackensack	197.00	2.00
	BA-19	Bergen Academies, Hackensack	197.00	2.00
	BA-20	Bergen Academies, Hackensack	197.00	2.00
Scholastic Bus Company 18-02 River Road PO Box 1130 Fair Lawn, NJ 07410	V-45	<b>(Athletic/Extra-Curricular)</b> Pascack Valley HS, Hillsdale	<b>1<sup>st</sup> 4 hrs.</b> 598.00	<b>Add'l ¼ hr.</b> 40.00

Bus Company	Route #	Destination (To/From)	Cost Per Diem	Adjustment
Valley Transportation 28 Jay Street Norwood, NJ 07648	H-54	(Athletic/Extra-Curricular) Pascack Hills HS, Montvale	1 <sup>st</sup> 4 hrs. 407.00	Add'l ¼ hr. 46.72

Dr. Blundy mentioned that there were a lot of donations and Mr. Blundo said he would read them aloud. He stated that a lot of the donations were for the end of year scholarships.

Moved by: Blundy                      Seconded by: Molinelli

**VOTE**

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

Ms. Molinelli abstained for item #8 and Mrs. Varghese abstained for item #13.

**XI. OLD BUSINESS**

Curriculum and Technology Committee Report presented by Mr. Stankus.

Mr. Stankus went over items from the small group meeting on 5/4/22. They went over the curriculum plan, which goes through a 5-year cycle. The business department is adding new classes in accounting and finance and the Art and ELA departments are aligning standards. The curriculum is under revision for the Elements of Financial Literacy course and the district is adding a new course, American Pop Music, which used to be a half year course called “Rock”, but they wanted to include more types of music so the course was expanded. There will also be a new honor’s course called Spanish Heritage Speakers and a new AP Seminar program is being added. This course is about independent research and it is basically a master’s level thesis that the students work on. Mr. Stankus said that he is very proud that the school is going forward with this [the AP seminar]. He said that the computer science integration with math, ELA, engineering, and media is also taking place. AAPI is also being included into the curriculum. Also discussed at the meeting was testing, the NJSLA, departmental metric assessments, summer courses being offered, including SAT Prep and College Essay Bootcamp, Common App Bootcamp, Introduction to Canvas, online Financial Literacy, and an ELL Summer Garden Program. In the meeting they also discussed the summer reading list

and integrating social skills into the curriculum. Mr. Stankus stated that several board members in the meeting brought up the topic of social skills and what covid has done. Mr. Stankus commented that he as an educator, and the district itself, do foster social skills as teachers and vary projects so students are cooperating. He said that it is very interesting to see and that the pandemic seemed to delay some of the social skills but they are coming back. He continued that the committee discussed the technology plan that was under review and that this year there is a laptop refresh where old laptops are out and new laptops are in. He acknowledged that there are supply side delays going on and Apple is a little behind on backorders, but rest assured that we [the district] will not get rid of the old ones until we receive the new ones. Mr. Stankus concluded that the report is available for anyone to review as well as the minutes from the larger meeting and asked if anyone had questions or comments. Ms. Molinelli commented that the district is lucky to have so much talent within our technology and curriculum departments. Mr. Stankus added that the technology department is working on 45 projects over the summer, including the firewall and iPad rollout, and stated that we are always ahead of the curve. He also stated that at the larger meeting each supervisor gave an evaluation report on the curriculum. Mr. Blundo asked what is being done with iPads. Dr. Fishbein responded that they are being distributed to teachers as a second teaching tool so they can move around the room and work with students while projecting work. Mr. Stankus said that he has been working with one and it is really great because you can move around and work with students.

**XII. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**XIII. 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

**XIV. MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:11 PM**

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



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