

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

Pascack Valley Regional High School District

April 26, 2021

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday, April 26, 2021 at
6:00 p.m. in the Pascack Valley High School Cafeteria and Zoom Webinar –
<hyperlink to follow>

Special Note: N.J.S.A. 10:4-8b authorizes local units to conduct public hearings through the use of streaming services and other online meeting platforms in certain circumstances. Therefore, in light of the public health emergency, the board of education will hold its regular meeting in a hybrid manner. The district website contains information on public participation.

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.

Comments and questions shall be limited to issues. If personal remarks or discourteous statements are made, the presiding officer shall require the speaker to sit down.

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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

Ms. Tammy Molinelli, President
Mr. Joseph Blundo, Vice President
Dr. Kelly Blundy
Mr. Michael Fronte
Mrs. Kristin Martin
Mr. James Stankus
Mrs. Gini Varghese
Mr. Michael Weaver
Dr. P. Erik Gundersen, Superintendent
Mr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Student Representatives: Aria Chalileh– PHHS; Connor Flinn – PVHS arrived at 7:30 p.m.
Ms. Claudia Gibbs, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

II. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Molinelli led all those present in a salute to the flag.

III. OATH OF OFFICE

Administered to newly appointed Board Member by Mr. Yas Usami, Board Secretary
Debra Kradjian Stephans – Montvale
Ms. Debra Stephans is recognized as being in attendance.

IV. MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION ON APRIL 26, 2021 AT 6:12 PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Blundo to enter into an executive meeting at 6:12 p.m.
Mr. Fronte seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education will meet at 6:12 p.m. via an online streaming service, 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. Personnel matters.
3. The Board will return to the Regular Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
4. Official action may or may not be taken when the Board reconvenes to Public Session.

A motion was made by Mr. Blundo to reconvene into the public meeting at 7:33 p.m. Mrs. Martin seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

The public session resumed in the Pascack Valley High School cafeteria.

V. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER

Both adequate and electronic notice of this meeting has been provided, specifying the time, place, and manner in which such notice was provided and 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 29, 2020, October 23, 2020 and April 24, 2021.

There are two opportunities for the public to make comments, and when meetings are held in a hybrid or remote manner, there are two methods to comment:

1. Persons attending the public meeting, wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise, approach the podium and state their name and address.
2. Persons in attendance via the online streaming service, Zoom, may indicate their wish to speak when prompted by clicking the “Raise Hand” button on their screen, or if accessing by phone, by pushing *9. You will need to unmute yourself to speak by clicking the microphone button on the screen.

VI. ROUTINE MATTERS

Monthly Reports

Superintendent’s Report: Dr. P. Erik Gundersen - [Report](#)
 Student Reports: Aria Chalileh – Pascack Hills High School - [Report](#)
 Connor Flinn – 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 superintendent, approve the following Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education minutes:

April 12, 2021	Regular Minutes	7:00 p.m.
April 12, 2021	Executive Minutes	7:04 p.m.
April 19, 2021	Special Minutes	7:30 p.m.
April 19, 2021	Executive Minutes	9:12 p.m.

Moved by: Blundo Seconded by: Fronte

VOTE

Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
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"/>
Blundy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fronte	<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"/>					

VII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – BUDGET ITEMS ONLY

Citizens are invited to make comments regarding budget 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 and state their name and address.

Carolee Adams of Montvale congratulated Ms. Stephans. She asked if the budget could be tabled until the public could view detail numbers. She believed that tenured appointments should have the names, positions and salaries listed. She asked the Board to consider a lesser amount for the superintendent who may not be a long-term district employee thus result in a reduction in the budget. She asked if there is consideration of reducing the budget since FEMA announced full reimbursement for not only cost of equipment/tools involved with COVID-19, but for overtime work.

Dr. Gundersen indicated that the tenured staff approval is to indicate who will be coming back next year. He offered to speak with Ms. Adams during the week since this was not the appropriate forum.

Mr. Usami indicated that the superintendent's pay is unknown at this time. He mentioned that he was not aware of the new FEMA program. He indicated in the past it was 75% reimbursement until funds ran out. He indicated that the district has been reimbursed fully for PPE and disinfectant through other grants.

Mr. Blundo asked Mr. Usami to explain what happens with funds if the interim superintendent's salary is lower or the district receives unanticipated funds after the budget is approved.

Mr. Usami explained that it becomes excess surplus which may be deposited into reserve accounts such as capital reserve which funds construction projects and for future budgets to offset taxes. He mentioned the \$2.2 million of excess surplus which is supporting the 2021-2022 budget.

Ms. Adams asked about categories within the budget. She added that she would like them on the website.

Dr. Gundersen indicated that the budget presentation is linked in the agenda on the website.

Ms. Molinelli said that the budget is always available to the public.

Mr. Usami indicated that the budget is advertised in the paper with the categories that Ms. Adams may be seeking.

VIII. BUDGET PRESENTATION BY SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR AND SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

IX. ADOPTION OF THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL BUDGET:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District approves the final 2021-2022 school year budget as follows:

General Fund	\$	60,275,049
Special Revenue Fund	\$	977,867
Debt Service	\$	2,017,325
Total	\$	63,270,241

The amount to be raised by taxation is:

General Fund	\$	51,580,482
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Ms. Molinelli thanked everyone in the district for their efforts. She recognized the three board members who are educators for their service.

Mr. Blundo said there is something special here. He recalled a story about his son's teacher who contacted his son at college to see how he was doing. On another occasion the teacher contacted his son to make sure he was alright in the aftermath of a hurricane. He added that his former teacher who teaches in the district reached out to him recently to see how he was faring in the midst of the recent issue the Board was facing. His former teacher may or may not have agreed with Mr. Blundo's position, however he still cared about him and told him he would look after him till the day he dies.

XII. EDUCATION

One Agenda Item

1. Bedside/Home/Supplemental Instruction

- a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve bedside instruction for student ID #809510 who was admitted to Summit Oaks Hospital, Summit, NJ on April 17, 2021 through a date to be determined. Onsite services will be provided by LearnWell billed at \$50 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 superintendent, approve bedside instruction for student ID #809510 who was admitted to Anxiety Institute, Greenwich, CT on March 31, 2021 through a date to be determined. Onsite services will be provided by Alliance Tutoring billed at \$140 per hour of instruction for 5 hours per week for the first two weeks and for 10 hours per week thereafter based on facility staff recommendation.
- c. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve bedside instruction for student ID #811571 who was admitted to Newark Beth Israel, Newark, NJ on April 19, 2021 through a date to be determined. Onsite services will be provided by LearnWell billed at \$50 per hour of instruction and a preparation fee of 33%, for 10 hours per week.
- d. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve supplemental instruction provided by a board approved home instructor for the following instruction, not to exceed 2 hours per week, for the 2020-2021 school year:

Student ID	Subjects	Effective Date
#810383	English, History, Physics, Spanish	04/01/2021

#809562	Executive Function	04/01/2021
#810863	English	01/03/2021
#811510	Algebra 1	12/04/2020
#811455	Algebra 1	04/01/2021

Moved by: Fronte Seconded by: Martin
VOTE

Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
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"/>
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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"/>					

XIII. HUMAN RESOURCES

Consent Agenda for Items 1 – 12

1. Resignations

- a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, accept with regret, the resignation of Dr. P. Erik Gundersen, Superintendent of Schools, for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2021.
- b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept with regret, the resignation of Jorge Ospino, custodian at Pascack Valley High School, for the purposes of retirement, effective April 30, 2021.

2. New Hire

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Rachel Maietta, leave replacement school psychologist for Elyse Elisano at Pascack Hills High School from August 30, 2021 – November 21, 2021, at the per diem rate of \$350, without health benefits.

3. Change of Assignment

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Compton Fisher, night full-time, Monday – Friday custodian for Pascack Valley High School, at the annual salary of \$62,323, plus night crew stipend of \$517, Black Seal stipend of

\$906, with health benefits, effective May 1, 2021. Mr. Fisher is currently a night full-time, Tuesday – Saturday custodian for Pascack Hills High School.

4. Tenured Administrator Appointments

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the appointment of tenured administrators for the 2021-2022 school year.

5. Tenured Supervisor Appointments

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the appointment of tenured supervisors for the 2021-2022 school year.

6. Tenured Teacher Appointments

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the appointment of tenured teachers for the 2021-2022 school year.

7. Tenured Support Staff Appointments

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the appointment of tenured support staff for the 2021-2022 school year.

8. Tenured Non-Bargaining Staff Appointments

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the appointment of tenured non-bargaining staff for the 2021-2022 school year.

9. Leaves of Absence

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

Name	Position	Requests:
Jessica Andersen	PVHS FCS Teacher	<u>Total Leave Period:</u> September 17, 2021 – February 4, 2022 Paid using 34 sick days <u>FMLA/NJFLA</u> November 8, 2021 – February 4, 2022 <u>Leave of Absence</u>

Name	Position	Requests:
		None
Lauren Bacsik	PHHS Special Education Teacher	<u>Total Leave Period:</u> August 30, 2021 – January 14, 2022 Paid using 21 sick days <u>FMLA/NJFMLA</u> October 4, 2021 – December 24, 2021 <u>Leave of Absence</u> December 27, 2021 – January 14, 2022
Elyse Elisano	PHHS Social Worker	<u>Total Leave Period:</u> August 30 – November 19, 2021 No sick days <u>used</u> <u>FMLA/NJFLA</u> None <u>Leave of Absence</u> August 30 – November 19, 2021
Dayna Lane	PVHS Special Education Teacher	<u>Total Leave Period:</u> August 30 – December 20, 2021 Paid using 18 sick days <u>FMLA/NJFLA</u> September 29 – December 20, 2021 <u>Leave of Absence</u> None

10. Leave of Absence (Modified)

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

Name	Position	Requests modified from/to:
Mary Petrovici	Park Academy Program Coordinator	<u>Total Leave Period:</u> From: March 22 – June 16, 2021 To: March 22 – June 16, 2021 Paid using 24 sick days <u>FMLA/NJFLA</u> From: April 12 – June 16, 2021 To: April 30 – June 16, 2021 <u>Leave of Absence</u> From: None To: None

11. Substitute Custodian

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Scott Keena, leave replacement custodian for Alexander Amar, from April 26, 2021 through a date to be determined, at the hourly rate of \$20, without health benefits.

12. Athletic Appointments

- a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the modification to the appointment of Steve Casamento as assistant coach for the baseball team at Pascack Hills High School for the full stipend of **\$7,110**, step 3 for the 2020-2021 spring season.
- b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Evan Lampert as head coach for the football team at Pascack Hills High School for the stipend of \$11,460, Step 3 for the 2021-2022 fall season.

Moved by: Blundo Seconded by: Stankus

VOTE

Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
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"/>
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Fronte	<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"/>					

Dr. Gundersen thanked Jorge Ospino for his 28 dedicated years of service. He recalled when he first started and worked after hours, Mr. Ospino would make him feel welcomed and safe. He mentioned that the custodial staff represents the building when other staff are not present. They assist students access their lockers and assist teachers carry equipment to and from the building.

Dr. Gundersen commented on his retirement. He recalled his mentors when he started in the district as a physics teacher and he mentioned his mentors when he was getting into administration. He thanked the Board and prior Boards for having the faith in him to lead the district. He hoped he made connections with the staff, community and students. He thanked Ms. Baxley and Mr. deMarrais for their kind words. He said the district is truly a special place. He mentioned the great times that were celebrated and the difficult times, but he always felt supported, welcomed and appreciated. He thanked his team, colleagues, staff, Pat, Dyane and Claudia for the support given to him.

Mr. Usami commented that Dr. Gundersen was born to be a superintendent. He acted like a veteran superintendent even in his first year. He mentioned that one of the main reasons why he returned was because of Dr. Gundersen. He thanked him for all things he accomplished and the support he received in his growth as a business administrator.

Mr. Blundo commented that Dr. Gundersen hired the best people and it shows. He said that the best attracts the best. He thanked Dr. Gundersen for what he has done for the district. He appreciated Dr. Gundersen's sense of loyalty and commitment to the district despite that he is leaving to another district.

Mr. Fronte said that in business he can buy talent, but he cannot buy character and enthusiasm. He thanked Dr. Gundersen.

Ms. Molinelli commented that there are many who can manage teams, but few who can lead them. She indicated that Dr. Gundersen cultivated leaders and they will deliver in the Fall. She thanked the entire administration and said that the Board is behind them 100%. She added that the Board has begun discussions about hiring an interim superintendent and a process to select a successor to Dr. Gundersen with NJ School Boards.

XIV. FINANCE

Consent Agenda Items 1 – 10

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 April 26, 2021	\$510,187.24
Payroll as of April 15, 2021	\$1,559,849.10
Total	\$2,070,036.34

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 2020/21 financial reports, which are in agreement reflecting the district’s financial activities for the period March 2021.

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 March 2021 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

BE IT RESOLVED pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2-11(c)4 that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education certifies that as of March 2021 after review of the Board Secretary’s and Treasurer’s monthly financial report, in the minutes of the Board each month that no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(b).4.

4. Approval of the Following Reports

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

a. Cafeteria Account	March 2021
b. e-Learning Account	March 2021
c. Capital Project Account	March 2021
d. Student Government Account – PH	March 2021
e. Student Government Account – PV	March 2021
f. Athletic Account – PH	March 2021
g. Athletic Account – PV	March 2021

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 March.

6. Award the Contract to Fox Fence Enterprises, Inc. under ESCNJ Purchasing Cooperative Network for Fence Installation at St. Joseph's Regional High School Using 2020-2021 Nonpublic Security Aid

WHEREAS, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education hereby authorized membership in the ESCNJ Purchasing Cooperative on January 4, 2021 and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education believes that Fox Fence Enterprises, Inc. will meet its needs with the required equipment and services at a reduced cost to the Board,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Pascack Valley Regional High School Board of Education awards the contract for the Nonpublic Security Aid Fence Installation Project at St. Joseph's Regional High School to Fox Fence Enterprises, Inc. under the ESCNJ Purchasing Cooperative, Contract #65MCESCCPS for a cost of \$69,969.

7. Use of Title I-A Funds under ESEA

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following teachers to provide supplemental instruction to targeted students using Title I-A funds under ESEA at a rate of \$55 per hour:

Borislav Bilash	Kenneth Sarajian	Daniel Phillips
Matthew Morone	Heather Ocampo (board approved instructor)	

8. Establishment of the Pascack Hills High School Football Program Scholarship

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent accept a donation in the amount of \$17,800 from Nora Singleton, President of the Jr. Cowboys Football Booster Club to establish the Pascack Hills High School Football Program Scholarship.

9. Renewal of Lease Agreement with United Business Systems –Copiers

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the third-year renewal of a five-year lease agreement with United Business Systems.

10. Occupational and Physical Therapy Services 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 Englewood Board of Education for Occupational and Physical Therapy services for the 2020 – 2021 school year.

Motion to Table Item #8 Establishment of the Pascack Hills High School Football Program Scholarship

Moved by: Blundo Seconded by: Stankus

VOTE

Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
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"/>
Blundy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Molinelli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

Mr. Weaver indicated that he will abstain due to his relationship with the organization and athletic league.

Items 1-7 and 9-10

Moved by: Blundo Seconded by: Fronte

VOTE

Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
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"/>
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Molinelli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

XV. OLD BUSINESS

Negotiations Committee Reports

Dr. Gundersen indicated that they are engaging in negotiations with administrators’ and supervisors’ bargaining groups. He said the Board will be updated on the process.

XVI. NEW BUSINESS

None

XVII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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Carolee Adams of Montvale asked if detailed cost from this year’s budget for the mascot change will be in writing and shared with the public.

Mr. Blundo indicated that the Finance Committee will be recommending three options that range approximately between \$100,000 to \$300,000 with details including cost. The amount has not changed and this will be discussed with the Board at the next meeting.

Mr. Fronte as chair of the committee confirmed that the Finance Committee has the details and will present it to the Board.

Mr. Blundo indicated that the committee will decide how the information will be shared. He did not want to commit that it will be shared before the meeting.

Christine Pollinger of Oradell and assistant principal of Pascack Valley High School thanked Dr. Gundersen for his contributions to the district. She thanked him for welcoming her to the district and genuinely supporting her by encouraging her and challenging her.

Eli Moallem of River Vale was not sure why maintenance funds could be used to replace the end zone at Hills. He also asked that if there are savings for any reason throughout the year if it gets back to the benefit of the taxpayers or does it become the discretion of the Board on how to spend it.

Mr. Usami indicated that the maintenance reserve funds may be used for the end zone which was confirmed by the auditor. He mentioned that savings go into reserve accounts like capital and maintenance and into excess to be used in a future budget. Those are the ways to utilize savings.

Mr. Moallem asked about the logos and wanted assurances that there will be no issues like the mascot.

Mr. Zeller said there was an initial meeting with the consultant and the committee (students, teachers and administrators) and discussed all the things involved with a logo. A survey was sent today to the entire student body on every single aspect that goes into a logo. The information will be codified by the committee and sent to the designer who will send back several different images. The committee will review and send comments and then it will be sent to the student body for a vote.

Mr. Blundo asked if the consultant is aware of our concerns.

Mr. Zeller said the consultant is aware and the student survey asks what they are looking for in the logo.

Mr. Moallem asked if parents or taxpayers will be on the committee and how long the process will take.

Ms. Molinelli indicated that board members are part of the committee.

Dr. Gundersen said they are hoping to have images selected and approved by the end of the school year.

Ms. Adams asked if the student survey could be shared.

Ms. Molinelli responded to contact Dr. Gundersen.

XVIII. MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education will meet via online streaming service, 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. Legal matter
3. The Board will not return to the Regular Board Meeting, will take no action, and will adjourn from executive session.

The executive session was canceled since the board attorney could not attend.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Stephans to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 p.m. Mr. Fronte seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

Respectfully,



Yas Usami
Business Administrator/Board Secretary