MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Pascack Valley Regional High School District

May 18, 2020

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday, May 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom,

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83202443773?pwd=cHdBeUo0K2FoUHZXNnhES1IyRWtKdz09

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Ms. Tammy Molinelli, Board President.

Present: Ms. Tammy Molinelli, President

Ms. Janet Bissinger, Vice President

Mr. Joseph Blundo Mr. Michael Fronte Mr. Brian Hallowell Mr. Kenneth Ralph Mr. Arnold Scher Mr. James Stankus

Mr. David Steinberg arrived at 6:10 p.m.

Also present: Dr. P. Erik Gundersen, Superintendent

Ms. Pamela Baxley, Business Administrator/Board Secretary Mark Russo, Barry Bachenheimer, Joe Orlak, Valerie Mattessich

Student Representatives: Sean Sheikowitz – PHHS; Kaila Saladino – PVHS

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.

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 entirely online via Zoom. 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.

To inspect or obtain a copy of any public record required to be made available under N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1, Examination and Copies of Public Records, please contact Ms. Pamela Baxley, 28 West Grand Avenue, Montvale, NJ 07645.

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MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education will meet at 6:00 p.m. via online streaming 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 Matter.
 - 2. Possible HIB.
 - 3. Safety and security.
- 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 Ms. Bissinger to reconvene into the public meeting at 7:28p.m. Mr. Scher seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

The public session resumed at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom.

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 21, 2019.

IV. ROUTINE MATTERS

Monthly Reports

Superintendent's Report: Dr. P. Erik Gundersen

Good evening. I would like to acknowledge and thank the members of our community who are serving on the front lines of this battle against COVID-19.

Our students and staff have been engaged in various efforts to support local front line workers by producing intubation boxes, sewing masks, fabricating ear protectors, organizing food collection, hosting blood drives, and raising funds to feed hospital workers.

This is the beginning of our ninth week of remote learning and we are finding that there are significant challenges to keeping students motivated and engaged from home. Although we are well-positioned to provide educational experiences remotely, we recognize that remote learning is not an ideal method of teaching and learning. That being said, our teachers and staff have been working tirelessly to ensure that our students are learning in an engaging and meaningful fashion.

Taking the lead on our shift to remote learning is our Regional Director of Curriculum, Dr. Barry Bachenheimer and he is here to provide us with some important updates regarding remote learning:

Barry:

Dr. Bachenheimer gave an update on remote learning.

Thank you Dr. Bachenheimer to you, the instructional supervisors and our building administrators for leading the way and supporting our teachers.

The work of the administrative team is currently shifting to the ever-changing situation surrounding graduation. This administration is planning for a variety of circumstances and issued a letter to parents, student and staff highlighting the following:

- A virtual graduation ceremony will take place no matter what. Students will be scheduled to come to PV & PH after Memorial Day so a videographer can record each student walk across a graduation podium, and have a graduation photo taken. The photograph and video will be used for the virtual graduation ceremony which will be published on June 16.

- Thanks to our mayors, a graduation parade will take place through the towns on June 16. Each graduate and their immediate family will be a part of a graduation parade that will conclude at the high school. When arriving at the high school, the student's name will be announced to symbolize that the student has officially graduated.
- We are also planning for a social-distanced graduation ceremony when the governor's regulations and local health officials allow for such a ceremony to take place. We do not have many details or a timeframe, but we hope to provide something close to a traditional ceremony for our graduates when conditions allow.

In addition to graduation, we are working on establishing protocols and procedures that would allow for a safe return to school at the end of the summer. Various committees are being structured to target specific aspects of school that will have to change in order to bring students back into our buildings in the Fall. More information will be forthcoming as we develop details.

Thus concludes the superintendent report for May 18, 2020.

Student Reports:

Sean Sheikowitz – Pascack Hills High School

Classroom Items

Everything Business as Usual For Classwork

Everything has been going business as usual as students begin to adjust to this new way of life! All of the students seem to be doing quite well in their classes and have made all the necessary changes to successfully do their work in a virtual setting.

AP Testing Has Begun

As of last week, many PHHS Juniors and Seniors have been involved with AP testing! We are so proud of our students for the hard work they have put into their AP courses throughout the year and continue to put into their exams.

Fashion Students Hard at Work!

Students from our district fashion and clothing construction programs have been hard at work from home! PH has made 152 headbands and 30 masks for the Headbands for Heroes project! Kudos to all of our students involved in leading this wonderful work for our healthcare heroes!

Co-Curricular Items

Lawn Signs for Seniors!

On May 4th, many PHHS administrators as well as volunteers worked throughout the night on a secret mission to deliver congratulatory lawn signs to the homes of Pascack Hills' senior class! We all loved the signs and thought it was such a thoughtful gesture.

NHS Contactless Food Drive Comes to An End

The National Honors Society's contactless food drive officially came to a close on May 3rd! We are so proud of all of our NHS members who participated in helping out this worthy cause, especially during these trying times. Overall, the food drive was a huge success!

Dismissal Video Singers!

On May 7th, Mr. deMarrais encouraged everyone to stop what they were doing at 2:53 p.m. in order to watch two very talented sisters, Ariellys and Shariany Then, perform on PHHS' weekly dismissal video. They did an absolutely amazing job and the Hills community is so proud of them!

Athletic Items

Honoring our Softball Seniors

On May 4th, we were scheduled to honor our seniors at the home vs. Mahwah game. While this season most certainly hasn't gone as scheduled, PHHS still aims to celebrate their incredible careers and impact on our softball program. We would like to give a special shout out to seniors Kristen and Alyssa Brown as well as Jadyn Sullivan for the hard work and amazing job they have done throughout high school on the PHHS softball team! Great job guys!

PHHS SAAC Honors Senior Athletes

Every day, the Pascack Hills Student Athlete Advisory Council has been doing their part to honor the 2020 senior student athletes who didn't get to have their spring season by posting a picture of each athlete playing their sport alongside their name and a quote from the senior about what their favorite memory on the team was. This is an absolutely amazing gesture and the senior athletes would love to thank the SAAC for their recognition!

Academic Awards

None.

Fun Fact

Ms. Schwartzman to be PHHS Assistant Principal!

At their virtual meeting Monday, the Board of Education approved PHHS math teacher Ms. Schwartzman, who the students refer to as "C-Schwa", as Pascack Hills' assistant principal for the 2020–21 school year. The students are absolutely thrilled as she deserves this position so much and has been an absolutely outstanding teacher at Pascack Hills!

Joke of the Day

Because I am an absolute Star Wars nerd, and May The 4th just passed, I decided to do a Star Wars themed joke.

Q: What do you call Chewbacca when he has chocolate stuck in his hair?

A: Chocolate Chip Wookiee.

Thus concludes my report to the Board of Education for May 2020.

Kaila Saladino – Pascack Valley High School

Classroom Items

Last night, the Pascack Valley High School Video Department hosted its first ever virtual trivia night. The game was open to all students, teachers and anyone in the Pascack Valley community. The contest was a great success, with two seniors placing in the top three and a former alumnus. The Pascack Valley Video Department, along with PVTV, have been doing weekly shows since the beginning of the schools being closed, keeping the community up to date with all the latest information, and hopefully a fun distraction during these strange times. We thank the Pascack Valley community for their continued support of PVTV and hope to plan more interactive events

in the future.

Both Pascack Valley and Pascack Hills will debut a Virtual Celebration of the Arts website on Thursday, May 28. Stay tuned for more information & links to view all of the students' incredible accomplishments from this past school year!

Co-Curricular Items

The Smoke Signal has announced Ellie Kim and Spencer Goldstein as editors in chief for the 2020-21 school year. Kim was managing editor this past year, while Goldstein was sports editor. Mimi Xhaferi, Izzy Zuluaga, Ava DeVincenzo, Abby Shapiro, Sarah Buttikofer, BJ McGrane, Noah Silver, Julia Chiola, Hailey Midgal, and Matt Austin will round out the editing staff. As editors in chief, Kim and Goldstein have huge shoes to fill as they step in for the graduating Rachel Cohen and Katie Mullaney, who guided *The Smoke Signal* through adversity and will be remembered as two of the finest leaders the publication has ever had. In the fall Cohen and Mullaney are moving on to NYU and the University of Delaware, respectively.

Athletic Items

Congratulations to the following student athletes who have committed to continue their athletic careers in college: Jake Lutz (Wagner - baseball), Craig Sodano (Marymount - baseball), Sofia Battista (NYU - basketball), James Della Pesca (Temple - football), AJ Menendez (Roger Williams - wrestling), Jake Williams (Ithaca College - football), Stephen Begen (TCNJ - football), Jake Ciocca (Union College - football), Kamiab Eshaghipour (Montclair State - football), Ryan Mastowski (DeSales - soccer), Evan Demarest (Florida Gulf Coast - tennis), Andrew Martinez (St. Joseph - track), and Craig Moorehead (Montclair State - track). Congratulations to all of the athletes, coaches, and families on this exceptional achievement.

Congratulations to Alex Belgiovine, member of the PV Boys Soccer team, for being named Pascack Valley's NJSIAA Scholar Athlete of the year. Congratulations to Alex and his entire family on this remarkable accomplishment.

Congratulations to Jake Ciocca of the PV Football and Boys Lacrosse teams for being selected for the 2019-2020 Brian Piccolo Award from the Westwood Chapter of UNICO National. This prestigious award honors the tremendous life and qualities of NFL player Brian Piccolo, who tragically died at a young age. Every year the Westwood Chapter of UNICO National honors Brian Piccolo's legacy while celebrating our local student-athletes. Congratulations to Jake Ciocca for being this year's recipient of the award.

Academic Awards

Academic Awards - All 1.

Fun Fact

Virtual Valley Cup Competitions continue throughout May. So far the Executive Council has hosted virtual competitions looking for the best Trick Shot and DIY Project. Students, Faculty Members, and all families can still submit entries for this week's competition, a 30 to 45 second video for a Virtual Talent Show. Thank you for all who have participated and voted in the Virtual Valley Cup Competitions. Good luck to this week's contestants.

Thus concludes my report to the Board of Education for May 2020

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:

May 4, 2020	Executive Meeting	6:30 p.m.
May 4, 2020	Regular Meeting	7:30 p.m.

Moved by:	Bissir	nger			Seconded by:	Scher	•		
				V	OTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Bissinger					Ralph				
Blundo	\square				Scher				
Fronte	$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$				Stankus	\checkmark			
Hallowell					Steinberg	$\overline{\checkmark}$			
Molinelli									

V. 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 and state their name and address.

VI. POLICY

Consent Agenda for Items 1-5

1. Health-Related School Closure Plan

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Health-Related School Closure Plan.

2. 2019-2020 School Calendar

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the updated 2019-2020 school calendar.

3. 2019-2020 Board Meeting Schedule

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

2019-2020 Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education board meeting schedule.

4. 2020-2021 Board Meeting Schedule

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, adopt the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education meeting schedule for the 2020-2021 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Administrator / Board Secretary distribute the meeting schedule to all locations as listed below:

The Record, Community Life, and Pascack Press

Board Members

Office of the Superintendent

Pascack Valley and Pascack Hills High Schools

Building & Grounds Coordinators & Direct of Facilities and Capital Improvement Cafeteria Managers

Hillsdale Board of Education and Municipal Clerk

Montvale Board of Education and Municipal Clerk

River Vale Board of Education and Municipal Clerk

Woodcliff Lake Board of Education and Municipal Clerk

5. PVREA Agreement

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, adopt the Agreement between the Pascack Valley Regional High School District and the Pascack Valley Regional Education Association for the period of July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2023.

Moved by:	Bissir	nger			Seconded by:	Blundo			
				V	OTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Bissinger					Ralph				
Blundo	\square				Scher				
Fronte	$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$				Stankus	\checkmark			
Hallowell	$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$				Steinberg	\checkmark			
Molinelli									

Mr. Blundo commented that he is happy that next year's board meetings will be held at Pascack Valley. While he supports the new calendar, some meetings start in the early afternoon and there is an issue that is of interest to the public, we do a dis-service to the public by having it at one of those meetings. Twice an issue of public interest came up at

one of those early meetings. We should consider tabling an issue to have the public available for those issues.

Mr. Steinberg asked if we can have a regular meeting and then go the executive session and return back into public session. Ms. Molinelli responded.

VII. EDUCATION

Consent Agenda for Items 1 – 4

1. Summer Reading List

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

Title	Author
Long Way Down	Jason Reynolds
The Poet X	Elizabeth Acevedo
Bull	David Elliott
Every Last Word	Tamara Ireland Stone
Goodbye Days	Jeff Zentner
Dear Edward	Ann Napolitano
<u>Dear Martin</u>	Nic Stone
The 57 Bus	Dashka Slater
Americanized	Sara Saedi
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	Christopher McDougall
Greatest Race the World Has Never Seen	
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

2. Curriculum - Pilot

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve a pilot course for Geometry for the 2020-2021 school year.

3. Financial Literacy Summer Online Course

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve a summer online course for Financial Literacy for four weeks requiring 60 teaching hours at the rate of \$55 per hour.

4. Translation Services

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve translation services for the following ESL students to be provided by teaching staff, at the rate of \$65 per hour as per the teacher contract:

Student ID	Native Language:	Support Hours:	Total:
#811316	Telugu	5 hours	\$325
#810773	Spanish	5 hours	\$325
#810774	Spanish	5 hours	\$325
#811335	Spanish	12 hours	\$780
#811359	Spanish	12 hours	\$780
#811934	Spanish	5 hours	\$325
#809174	Spanish	10 hours	\$650
#809224	Spanish	5 hours	\$325
#809794	Tagalog	5 hours	\$325
#811381	Spanish	12 hours	\$780
#810072	Arabic	5 hours	\$325
#810768	French	3 hours	\$195
#810767	French	5 hours	\$325
#811396	Persian-Farsi	12 hours	\$780

Moved by:	Bissir	nger			Seconded by:	Stank	us		
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Hallowell					Steinberg	$\overline{\checkmark}$			
Molinelli									

A brief summary from the supervisors about the initiatives was given by Dr. Bachenheimer, Dr. Russo, Ms. Mattessich and Mr. Orlak.

VIII. HUMAN RESOURCES

Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 3

1. Rescind Appointment

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, rescind the appointment of Melissa Szabo, previously approved on April 27, 2020, due to insufficient certification for the position of family and consumer science teacher.

2. Summer Teaching Hours

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Jonathan Rose to teach Online Financial Literacy during the summer of the 2020-2021 school year.

3. Summer Student Help

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

Name	Туре
Brian Buckley	Returning
Brent Gundersen	New
Matthew Harris	Returning
Nicholas Lang	Returning
Sabrina Low	Returning
Tanner Marshall	Returning
Nicole Sen	Returning

Moved by:	Bissir	nger			Seconded by:	Scher			
		VOTE							
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
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Molinelli	\checkmark								

IX. FINANCE

Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 12

1. Approval of Bills Bill Lists 1 Bill List 2

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 May 18, 2020	\$1,125,514.71
Payroll as of May 15, 2020	\$1,499,340.59
Total	\$2,624,855.30

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 2019/20 financial reports, which are in agreement reflecting the district's financial activities for the period February 2020.

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 February 2020 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 February 2020 after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial report, in the minutes of the Board each month that no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(b).4.

4. Approval of the Following Reports

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

a. Cafeteria Account	February 2020
b. e-Learning Account	February 2020
c. Capital Project Account	February 2020
d. Student Government Account – PH	February 2020
e. Student Government Account – PV	February 2020
f. Athletic Account – PH	February 2020
g. Athletic Account – PV	February 2020

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 February.

6. Agreement with Mackay Ice Rink

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the agreement with Mackay Ice Rink for the 2020-2021 school year at the rate of \$440 per hour.

7. IDEA Application Submission 2020 - 2021

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the submission of the Individual with Disabilities Education Act, Part B (IDEA-B) grant application for Fiscal Year 2021.

8. IDEA FY 2020 – 2021 Allocation Notice

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept the IDEA Part B FY 2021 funding in the amount of \$476,972.00 for the 2020-2021 school year, and

RESOLVED that a proportionate share of the grant in the amount of \$59,894.00 be set aside to provide services to students with disabilities parentally placed in non-public schools.

9. Resolution Opposing Senate Bill 2392/Assembly Bill 3969 Legislation Affecting Transmission of Property Tax Revenue to School Districts

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 2392 and Assembly Bill 3969, currently pending in the state Legislature, would authorize the Department of Community Affairs to permit municipalities to delay or alter the transmission of property tax revenue to school districts during gubernatorial-declared emergencies; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's public schools are highly dependent on property tax revenue to support education programs; and

WHEREAS, on average, local property taxes constitute close to 60% of public school revenue, with the percentage even greater in a significant number of districts; and

WHEREAS, delaying or altering the transmission of property tax revenue from municipalities would result in a financial crisis for school districts, seriously disrupting the educational process; and

WHEREAS, although public school buildings are closed during the current health emergency, the education of our students is taking place through remote instruction and, therefore, continued timely transmission of all property tax revenue due to the school district is critical for the educational process to continue without interruption; and

WHEREAS, under our state's current structure, municipalities are designated as the authorities to collect property taxes, but those taxes are levied for specific purposes—e.g., municipal, school, county, fire district—and these obligations must continue to be met; and

WHEREAS, municipal governing bodies are empowered under current law to borrow in order to ensure that full payments to school districts are made;

WHEREAS, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education recognizes the impact of the current public health emergency on the state and local governments, as well as local school districts, but believes that this legislation would only worsen the situation for our communities; and

WHEREAS, while S-2392/A-3969 would require a municipality to pay a percentage of the revenue due to a school district based on consultation between the state Departments of Community Affairs and Education, the amount of taxes collected at the time and the financial condition of the municipality and school district, it does not address subsequent payment to the school district to make up the full shortfall amount; and

WHEREAS, as currently written, S-2392/A-3969, which is designed to ease a financial burden on municipalities, would place a severe strain on school districts and the students and families that they serve.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education urges the State Legislature and Governor to oppose S-2392/A-3969; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be delivered to Governor Philip D. Murphy, State Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin, and the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Legislative District's representatives in the state Senate and General Assembly; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey School Boards Association.

10. Alyssa's Law Compliance Determination Application Submission

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the submission of the Alyssa's Law Compliance Determination Application.

11. Transportation Addendum between Pascack Valley Regional and Scholastic Bus Co.

WHEREAS, the Pascack Valley Regional High School Board of Education ("the Board") and Scholastic Bus Company ("the Contractor") are parties to a transportation services agreement for the 2019-2020 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides that the Contractor shall be paid for transportation services performed; and

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District ("the District") has remained closed as of March 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as a result, transportation services have discontinued; and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2020, the Board approved an addendum to the Agreement to pay the Contractor 90% of the remaining contract balance, for the remainder of the school year; and

WHEREAS, recent legislation has provided for the continuation of payments to contracted services providers during this health related school closure to meet the payroll and fixed costs obligations of the contracted service provider, excluding the costs of fuel and tolls; and

WHEREAS, the Board and the Contractor have renegotiated their contract for the remainder of the school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board has agreed to pay the Contractor 54% of the remaining contract balance (which excludes indirect costs, such as the cost of fuel and tolls) conditioned upon the Contractor certifying to the Board that it shall use the funds received from the Board to pay any fixed costs obligations specific and prorated for the Board's routes, and provide copies of any business interruption insurance policy that the Contractor may have to cover business losses, as well as acknowledge that the Contractor has not received a loan under the Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP"); and

WHEREAS, the parties have amended the terms of the Agreement to memorialize and clarify the respective responsibilities and obligations of the parties as set forth above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby rescinds the Addendum approved on April 14, 2020 and hereby approves the Addendum reflecting the parties' obligations above, which is attached hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute the attached Addendum to the Agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

12. Transportation Addendum between Pascack Valley Council for Special Education and Scholastic Bus Co.

WHEREAS, the Pascack Valley Council for Special Education ("the Board") and Scholastic Bus Company ("the Contractor") are parties to a transportation services agreement for the 2019-2020 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides that the Contractor shall be paid for transportation services performed; and

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19, the Pascack Valley Council for Special Education ("the District") has remained closed as of March 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as a result, transportation services have discontinued; and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2020, the Board approved an addendum to the Agreement to pay the Contractor 90% of the remaining contract balance, for the remainder of the school year; and

WHEREAS, recent legislation has provided for the continuation of payments to contracted services providers during this health related school closure to meet the payroll and fixed costs obligations of the contracted service provider, excluding the costs of fuel and tolls; and

WHEREAS, the Board and the Contractor have renegotiated their contract for the remainder of the school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board has agreed to pay the Contractor 54% of the remaining contract balance (which excludes indirect costs, such as the cost of fuel and tolls) conditioned upon the Contractor certifying to the Board that it shall use the funds received from the Board to pay any fixed costs obligations specific and prorated for the Board's routes, and provide copies of any business interruption insurance policy that the Contractor may have to cover business losses, as well as acknowledge that the Contractor has not received a loan under the Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP"); and

WHEREAS, the parties have amended the terms of the Agreement to memorialize and clarify the respective responsibilities and obligations of the parties as set forth above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby rescinds the Addendum approved on April 14, 2020 and hereby approves the Addendum reflecting the parties' obligations above, which is attached hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute the attached Addendum to the Agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Moved by:	Bissii	nger			Seconded by:	Scher			
				V	OTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Bissinger	$\overline{\checkmark}$				Ralph	\square			
Blundo					Scher				
Fronte			\checkmark		Stankus				
Hallowell					Steinberg				
Molinelli	$\overline{\checkmark}$								

Mr. Blundo questioned the agreement with the Mackay Ice Rink. Ms. Baxley responded. Mr. Ralph asked about the change in addendums for the bus companies. Mr. Steinberg asked about the bus companies' viability in the fall. Ms. Baxley responded.

X. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Stankus gave an overview of the curriculum and technology meeting.

Mr. Blundo gave an overview of the buildings and grounds report.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

XII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Citizens are invited to make comments 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.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Bissinger to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m. Mr. Hallowell seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

Respectfully,

Pamela Baxley
Business Administrator/ Board Secretary

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