

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

**Pascack Valley Regional High School District**

February 24, 2020

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday, February 24, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. in the Pascack Hills High School Auditorium.

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order in the auditorium at 7:30 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

Absent: Mr. David Steinberg

Also present: Dr. P. Erik Gundersen, Superintendent  
Ms. Pamela Baxley, Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
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.

**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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<http://www.pascack.org>*

### **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

It is with much excitement and happiness to announce our Pascack Valley music wing is now complete. I know this will be mentioned in our buildings and grounds committee report a little later on but the facility is absolutely gorgeous. The casework is all in and the students are back in today. We look forward to having a showcase evening to show off the investment that the board has made both into the vocal and instrumental music program at Pascack Valley.

The Pascack Valley girls' softball team is able to celebrate new dugouts for the beginning of the season. I want to thank the Hillsdale town council members who were instrumental in getting some things to move a little faster than they typically do so that we could actually place the prefabricated structures on a concrete pad.

It is with much excitement that we had a group of students from Taiwan here a few weeks ago with an exchange program with our Chinese program. They had a wonderful experience both in the schools and in touring sections of New York City. It is a nice partnership that we continue to foster with the school in Taiwan. At the same time, we had a number of students from Nigeria visiting the Robotics Team. It is nice to see our Robotics Team reaching out to other countries and interacting with students there to help build up their first robotics teams. Team 1676 really is a mentor to many districts both near and in this case very far.

I am pleased to report that we started our interviewing process for the new principals today. Our first round committee consist of teachers, counselors, parents, students and a few board members. We have three days of interviews, this is the first round, there will

be a second round as well, and then final decisions made after some significant vetting of the final candidates. I am very excited about the process and about the prospects for both Pascack Valley and Pascack Hills High Schools.

Thus concludes the Superintendent's Report for February 24, 2020.

**Student Reports:** Sean Sheikowitz – Pascack Hills High School

**Classroom Items**

**PHHS Takes on the Galapagos Islands!**

On Feb 15, 14 biology students traveled to the Galapagos Islands for an eight day adventure full of fun and education!!! Students traveled with Mr. Shields, a biology teacher from Hills and Ms. Schwartz, a history teacher from Valley, so students could fully immerse themselves in the great biodiversity and history the islands present, all while also enjoying the beautiful beaches and hikes!

**Recognition for our Yearbook Staff**

We would like to give a huge congratulation to the Hills yearbook staff who were recognized today by Herff Jones in volume 25 of Portfolio, a book used to give yearbook design inspiration to other High Schools! This is a first for the Wrangler, good job everyone!

**Co-Curricular Items**

**The FEA Hosts a Valentine's Day Story Hour!**

The Future Educators of America, or the FEA, hosted a Valentine's Day Themed Story Hour at the Montvale Library on February 11. They constructed paper monkeys with the kids, read them a few books, and wrote Valentine's Day cards! Everyone had so much fun!

**Fundraising for Disney World**

The music department held a fundraiser at Habit Burger in order to raise money for their 2020 trip to Disney World on February 12 in order to participate in a fun national competition later on in the year! They are super excited about it and are thankful for everyone who attended the fundraiser!

**The Visiting Robotics Team Travels to NYC**

The Pascack Hills Robotics team took their new friends from Nigeria who are part of the FRC/FTC robotics team back home to NYC on February 12. They visited things such as the 9/11 Memorial and Museum. The Robotics coach was excited to be a part of this, claiming, "Mentoring [the robotics teams] also means sharing personal stories with our next generation."

### **TAC Participates in Project Linus**

The Pascack Hills chapter of Teens Against Cancer had a very productive meeting on February 22nd as they participated in Project Linus by making homemade blankets for children suffering from cancer. We are so proud of all the participants!

### **Athletic Items**

#### **Girls Bowling Takes a Win**

Congrats, to the Girls Bowling Team for their 7-0 win over Ridgefield Park on February 6. Simmie Brisman had a team high game of 179 and a team high series of 493 to help lead to the win. Great job girls!!

#### **Soccer Awards**

Congratulations to Mimi Shomstein and Shannon Goodwin for winning All State Sectional Soccer Recognition awards on February 7. Everyone is so proud of all of your hard work!

#### **Track Team Success**

Congratulations to Max Zuckerman for pole-vaulting 14 feet 6 inches at the Bergen County Championship for the win on February 12! We would also like to congratulate Kaia Paulsen and Allie Canciani on their 1st and 3rd place finishes on February 15 in the High Jump at the North 1 Group 2 State Sectional Meet! Kaia jumped 5 feet 2 inches and Allie cleared a personal best of 5 feet! Great job everyone!

#### **Wrestling Team Wraps Up the Season**

Congrats to the Cowboys wrestling team for wrapping up the league title with a 3-0 quad on February 15th, meaning that this team has officially broken the 2015 record for most wins in the program's history by going 24-4. It was also later determined on February 22 that Alex Kostanzas will be the district champ, Max Martinez and Pat Cahill took 2nd, and Matias Murillo and Nick DiMassimo took 3rd. Finally, Coach Bucco was selected as the District 3 Coach of the Year and the team finished fourth overall. Great season guys!

### **Academic Awards**

#### **Echoes Literary Magazine Wins Awards**

On February 21, the Echoes Literary Magazine of 2019 won the first-place awards in both the REALM and ASPA competitions. Congratulations to all Echoes staff, published writers, and artists!

### **Fun Fact**

Pascack Hills feels that it is never too early to plan for the summer! Hills announced on February 3 that this summer there would be a super cool STEM program with the group Summer Imagineering for local middle schoolers hosted at Hills!

### Joke of the Day

I figure this is apropos considering Pascack Hills Theatre is performing their play in two weeks...

Q: Why do people say, "Break a leg" when you go on stage? A: Because every play has a cast!

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

Kaila Saladino – Pascack Valley High School

### **Classroom Items**

AP Gov, Public Policy with Politics Club and US 1 History held our Constitutional Seminar with Jeff Steinfeld. What an amazing morning! As usual, he conducted this seminar similar to a college level class. The students were totally engaged and entertained. As Mr. Steinfeld commented afterward, 'These students were very prepared.' He covered the fourth Amendment, why a civic education is important, and impeachment proceedings. Thank you to Mr. Steinfeld for another enlightening seminar.

From January 30 to February 7 students from both schools successfully hosted 16 visiting students from Tiejay, Taiwan. One of the highlights was a Lunar New Year celebration in the Media Center that was a result of joint efforts from Chinese teachers, Media Center staff and the Family and Consumer Sciences Department. Chinese students are excited to make a trip to Taiwan next school year -- it will mark the 5th year of exchanges between Pascack Regional and Yang Ming HS students.

### **Co-Curricular Items**

The *Smoke Signal* received another accolade, as *Kayla's Korner*, Kayla Barry's weekly segment from last school year, was awarded fourth place in the blog category in the National Scholastic Press Association's Story of the Year contest. The NSPA's Story of the Year is arguably the most highly esteemed and competitive national award program. In other *Smoke Signal* news, seniors Rachel Cohen and Katie Mullaney have already had their names added to the large plaque in the hallway near the old gym, which lists editors in chief throughout the years, and the publication has started the process of determining next year's editors.

Last week Jim Kennedy and Danielle deQuintal were successful in starting Pascack Valley's first ever Technology Student Association or 'TSA' club. TSA enhances personal development, leadership, and career opportunities in STEM. Thank you to Mr. Puccio and the other administrators that helped make this possible for the students of

Pascack Valley High School. The TSA Club had 15 interested and motivated students that wanted to start this club and now it has already grown to 34. Our students will be competing in their first state competition on Saturday, May 2 on the campus of The College of New Jersey. The club would also like to thank Ms. Sherry Roses, TSA Chapter Mentor at Howell High School for her support and encouragement. She along with her students will serve as 'mentors' to our program as we become familiar with the rules and procedures for running a successful Chapter.

On Thursday, February 6, Pascack Valley competed in a STEM League Challenge at Tenafly High School. The event was an Architecture Challenge inspired by the AIA (The American Institute of Architects) and was titled AIA New Jersey Tower Challenge. Frances Cortuna, Kathleen Gifford, Katie Mullaney, Emily Rabinowitz, Maddie Rosenthal, Anna Urrea, Minche Kim, and Francesca Sanelli worked well together and captured the award for 'Best Seismic Structure' due to their design and shake-table results. New Providence High School will be hosting an event in the spring and the year-end event will once again be hosted by Northern Highlands on May 20. Good luck with the upcoming competitions.

### **Athletic Items**

The Girls Basketball team participated in the closing ceremonies of long time women's Villanova basketball coach, Harry Perretta (retiring after coaching for 42 years). The team attended Coach Perretta's final regular season game (vs Depaul) and played against Delsea High School later in the day. Coach Jasper participated in the ceremony honoring Coach Perretta. Following the game on Sunday evening, the team stayed overnight and toured the campus Monday before returning to PV. We thank Shawn Buchanan, John Puccio, and Erik Gundersen for their support in making this happen.

The Wrestling team had a tremendous performance at Districts on February 22, which is the first round of individual States. PV became District 4 Champs and eight wrestlers advanced to next week's Regional round at West Milford. Three wrestlers took first place, two placed second, and three placed third. Congrats on becoming District Champs and good luck to the wrestlers who advanced to the next round at Regions.

Congratulations to Coach Tom Gallione on being named District 4 Coach of the Year on February 22. This remarkable award came a week after Coach Gallione led the Wrestling Team to his 200th career victory as the team beat Garfield High School on February 14. Congratulations to Coach Gallione on these remarkable accomplishments and well deserved honors.



**VI. POLICY**

Consent Agenda for Items 1 – 3

**1. Travel Pre-Authorizations**

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

|                            |                         |                      |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| <u>Frank Andrisani</u>     | <u>David Bucco</u>      | <u>James Freeman</u> |
| <u>Tom Gallione</u>        | <u>Aarti Mallya (2)</u> | <u>Kevin Moran</u>   |
| <u>Christine Pollinger</u> | <u>Elena Spathis</u>    | <u>Sean Struncis</u> |

**2. Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Executive Report**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, affirm the findings of the following harassment, intimidation and bullying incident: 207153\_PHHH\_01242020.

**3. Job Description**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the updated job description for Library Media Specialist.

Moved by: Bissinger

Seconded by: Hallowell

**VOTE**

| Bd. Mbr.  | Aye                                 | Nay                      | Abs.                     | N/P                      | Bd. Mbr.  | Aye                                 | Nay                      | Abs.                     | N/P                                 |
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| Bissinger | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Ralph     | <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"/> | Scher     | <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"/> | Stankus   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Hallowell | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Steinberg | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Molinelli | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |           |                                     |                          |                          |                                     |

**VII. EDUCATION**

One Agenda Item

**1. Overnight Trip**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Pascack Valley Regional High School robotics team members, advisors and if necessary, chaperones, to travel to Bethlehem, PA to compete in the Mid-Atlantic Regional event from April 2-4, 2020.



Moved by: Bissinger

Seconded by: Hallowell

**VOTE**

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

**VIII. HUMAN RESOURCES**

Consent Agenda for Items 1 – 8

**1. Resignation**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept, with regret, the resignation of Gale Mangold, Pascack Hills High School Student Assistance Counselor, for the purposes of retirement, effective June 30, 2020.

**2. New Hires**

- a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Helen DeCarlo, part-time art teacher for Family and Consumer Science classes for the district effective February 25 - June 8, 2020 for the 2019-2020 school year for the equivalent of 2 days per week, at the rate of \$270 per day, without health benefits.
- b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Jacqueline Venuti, leave replacement social worker at Pascack Hills High School for Brittany Punim from February 24 – May 29, 2020, at the rate of \$292.50 per day, without health benefits.

**3. 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 request:

| Name                          | Position             | Requests modified from/to:  |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| <u>Jamie Marootian-Miller</u> | PHHS English Teacher | <u>Total Leave Period:</u><br>From: February 19 – June 2, 2020<br>To: January 27 – May 20, 2020<br>Paid using 18 sick days<br><u>FMLA/NJFLA</u><br>From: March 25 – June 2, 2020<br>To: February 24 – May 20, 2020<br><u>Leave of Absence</u><br>From: None<br>To: None |

**4. Co-curricular Appointments**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following co-curricular appointments for the Pascack Hills High School spring theatre program:

| <b>Name</b>              | <b>Position</b>                 | <b>Stipend</b> | <b>Replacing</b> |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| <u>Allison Andresini</u> | Set Design & Construction (50%) | \$1,760        | John Sitar       |
| <u>Ryan Dore</u>         | Set Design & Construction (50%) | \$1,760        | Nate Mello       |
| <u>Meghan O'Beirne</u>   | Costume Designer                | \$3,520        | Open Position    |

**5. Athletics Appointments**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following athletic appointments for the 2019-2020 spring season:

| <b>Name</b>              | <b>School</b> | <b>Team</b> | <b>Position</b>       | <b>Stipend</b> |
|--------------------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| <u>Dana Amato</u>        | PVHS          | Softball    | Assistant Coach       | \$6,580.00     |
| <u>Steve Casamento</u>   | PHHS          | Baseball    | Assistant Coach (50%) | 3,077.50       |
| <u>Michael Curatola</u>  | PHHS          | Softball    | Assistant Coach (50%) | 3,077.50       |
| <u>Conor Kimball</u>     | PVHS          | Lacrosse    | Assistant Coach (50%) | 3,077.50       |
| <u>Brendan Morrissey</u> | PVHS          | Lacrosse    | Assistant Coach       | 3,077.50       |

**6. Volunteers**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following volunteers for the following activities for the 2019-2020 school year:

| <b>Name</b>           | <b>School</b> | <b>Activity</b> |
|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <u>Ronald Villone</u> | PVHS          | Baseball        |
| <u>Tyler Walther</u>  | PHHS          | Baseball        |

**7. Independent Speech Therapist – Region II**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Dana Siletski as a speech therapist for Region II providing evaluations at the rate of \$450 per evaluation, and speech services at the hourly rates of \$75 per individual and \$85 per group session for the 2019-2020 school year.

**8. ABA Staff – Region II**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following ABA staff for the 2019-2020 school year:



**3. Extraordinary Aid**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent appropriate \$673,707.00 (Extraordinary Aid) to increase the following:

| Account               | Description                          | Amount       |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| 11.000.100.563.05.000 | Tuition Bergen Co Voc Tech & Academy | \$336,853.50 |
| 11.000.100.566.05.000 | Tuition Private in State             | \$336,853.50 |

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(d), the appropriation of these extraordinary aid amounts does not require approval from the Commissioner of Education.

**4. Independent Child Study Team Evaluations Joint Agreement Between Region II and Non-Member Districts**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the agreement between Region II and the Non-Member Districts for Independent Child Study Team evaluations for the 2019 – 2020 school year.

|                    |                |                    |                  |
|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Allendale          | Cliffside Park | Cresskill          | Demarest         |
| Dumont             | Englewood      | Franklin Lakes     | Glen Rock        |
| Mahwah             | Midland Park   | Oakland            | Ramsey           |
| Ridgewood          | River Edge     | Saddle River       | South Hackensack |
| Teaneck            | Tenafly        | Upper Saddle River | Waldwick         |
| Wall Township      | West Milford   | Woodcliff Lake     | Wyckoff          |
| Northern Highlands |                | Northern Valley    |                  |

**5. Special Education Transportation -Region II**

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education renew special education transportation contract 065 to ACE Transportation for the 2019-2020 school.

| Route # | Route           | Base   | Aide | Per Diem | Annual Cost |
|---------|-----------------|--------|------|----------|-------------|
| 1912    | Shepard Prep HS | 186.52 | 60   | 246.52   | 49,304.00   |

\*includes aide cost

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education renew special education transportation contract 063 to Gentle Ride Medical Transport for the 2019-2020 school.

| Route # | Route    | Base   | Aide | Per Diem | Annual Cost |
|---------|----------|--------|------|----------|-------------|
| 1910    | Paradigm | 168.66 | 35   | 168.66   | 33,732.00   |

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education renew special education transportation contract 1905 to We Care Transportation for the 2019-2020 school.

| Route # | Route       | Base   | Aide | Per Diem | Annual Cost |
|---------|-------------|--------|------|----------|-------------|
| 1905    | New Bridges | 221.85 | 48   | 269.85   | 56,668.50   |

\*includes aide cost

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation contract SQ19202 to Valley Transportation during the 2019-2020 extended school year.

| Route # | Route                    | Base   | Aide  | Per Diem | Annual Cost |
|---------|--------------------------|--------|-------|----------|-------------|
| SQ19202 | Park Ridge Pre-Voc BRAVE | 127.50 | 42.50 | 170.00*  | 3,060.00*   |

\*includes cost of aide

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education renew special education transportation contract 4505 Valley Transportation for the 2019-2020 school year.

| Route # | Route        | Base   | Aide | Per Diem | Annual Cost |
|---------|--------------|--------|------|----------|-------------|
| 5006    | Park Academy | 115.94 | 30   | 145.94*  | 29,188.00*  |

\*Includes cost of aide

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation Quote contract Q19202 to ABC Bus Co. during the 2019-2020 school year.

| Route # | Route          | Base  | Aide | Per Diem | Annual Cost |
|---------|----------------|-------|------|----------|-------------|
| Q19202  | SCHI, Lakewood | 88.88 | 20   | 108.88*  | 2,177.60*   |

\*includes aide cost

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation contract 069 to ACE Transportation for the 2019-2020 school.

| Route # | Route                       | Base | Aide | Negotiated decrease | Negotiated Per Diem | Annual Cost |
|---------|-----------------------------|------|------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| 2010    | Benway School, Wayne;OneWay | 153  | 70   | -76.50              | 76.50               | 13,770.00   |

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation contract 071 to American First Choice Transport for 2019-2020 school year.

| Route # | Route                  | Base | Aide | Per Diem | Annual Cost |
|---------|------------------------|------|------|----------|-------------|
| 2015    | Cornerstone Day School | 354  | 59   | 354.00   | 30,444.00   |
| 2018    | Academy 360 Upper      | 254  | 45   | 299.00*  | 15,548.00*  |
| 2019    | Fusion Academy         | 245  | 10   | 245.00   | 11,760.00   |
| 2021    | YCS, Sawtelle Lrn Ctr. | 269  | 45   | 314.00*  | 25,434.00*  |

\*Includes cost of aide

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation contract 072 to Star Transportation LLC for 2019-2020 school year.

| Route # | Route                     | Base | Aide | Per Diem | Annual Cost |
|---------|---------------------------|------|------|----------|-------------|
| 2016    | Community Lower           | 194  | 45   | 239.00*  | 18,403.00*  |
| 2017    | Woodridge Transition Ctr. | 180  | 45   | 225.00*  | 19,125.00*  |
| 2020    | Winsor Lrn Ctr 1:1        | 180  | 45   | 225.00*  | 17,550.00*  |

\*Includes cost of aide

Moved by: Hallowell

Seconded by: Bissinger

**VOTE**

| Bd. Mbr.  | Aye                                 | Nay                      | Abs.                     | N/P                      | Bd. Mbr.  | Aye                                 | Nay                      | Abs.                     | N/P                                 |
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| Bissinger | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Ralph     | <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"/> | Scher     | <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"/> |           |                                     |                          |                          |                                     |

**X. OLD BUSINESS**

Board Committee Reports: Negotiations, Buildings and Grounds

Ms. Bissinger gave a brief synopsis of the negotiations committee.

Mr. Hallowell reviewed the current and pending projects that were discussed in the buildings and grounds committee meeting. He also went over the future projects that are in the varying stages of planning and bidding.

Ms. Bissinger gave an update on the robotics team.

**XI. NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Blundo sent a video of the Iceland trip to the board. The students got to see the northern lights twice while there.

Mr. Stankus asked if the district has a plan for the coronavirus. Dr. Gundersen said we have no formal plan but are prepared for virtual learning should it become necessary.

**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. MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education will meet in the Media Center at Pascack Hills High School, 225 W. Grand Avenue, Montvale, NJ, for the purpose of recessing to a closed Executive Meeting.

**WHEREAS**, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education has been formed pursuant to applicable New Jersey Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is charged with the responsibility of performing all acts and doing all things, consistent with law and the rules of the State Board of Education, necessary for the lawful and proper conduct, equipment and maintenance of the public schools and public school property of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 7 of the Opening Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10-4-12) permits the exclusion of the public ("Executive Session") from a meeting of the Board in certain circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that circumstances exist for such an Executive Session; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has found the action described below to be necessary and proper;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board on the date indicated above that:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action on the Executive Session herein set forth.
2. The subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
  1. Possible HIBs
  2. Personnel matter
3. The Board will not return to the Regular Board Meeting, will take no action, and will adjourn from executive session.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Blundo to adjourn into an executive meeting at 7:57 p.m. Mr. Hollowell seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried

Respectfully,



Pamela Baxley

Business Administrator/ Board Secretary

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