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

Pascack Valley Regional High School District

October 8, 2018

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday, October 8, 2018 at 8:00 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 8:00 p.m. by Mr. Jeffrey Steinfeld, President.

Present

Mr. Jeffrey Steinfeld, President

Ms. Janet Bissinger, Vice President

Mr. Joseph Blundo

Mr. Brian Hallowell

Ms. Tammy Molinelli

Mr. Kenneth Ralph

Mr. Arnold Scher

Mr. James Stankus

Mr. David Steinberg

Also Present: Mr. P. Erik Gundersen, Superintendent

Ms. Pamela Baxley, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Student Representatives: Matthew Freidman - PHHS; Olivia Jones - PVHS

Ms. Claudia Gibbs, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

П. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Steinfeld 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.

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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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 June 12, 2018.

IV. ROUTINE MATTERS

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:

September 24, 2018	Regular Meeting	7:00 p.m.
September 24, 2018	Executive Meeting	7:02 p.m.

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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 1-3

1. Travel Pre-Authorization

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

Brett Conrad	Thomas DeMaio	Erica Franceski
Jenna Howard	Ross Koehler	Jamie Marootian Miller
Valerie Mattessich	Diana McKenna	Matthew Morone
Virena Rossi	Mark Russo (2)	Charleen Schwartzman
Debbie Squiccimarri		

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 incidents: 153109_PHH_09142018 and 153168 PVH 09182018.

3. Nursing Services Plan

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the 2018-2019 Nursing Services Plan for the Pascack Valley Regional High School District.

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VII. EDUCATION

Consent Agenda for Items 1-4

1. Overnight Trip (Revised)

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve district Spanish language students, teachers and if necessary, chaperones, for a trip to immerse in the Spanish language and meet with student peers in Toledo, Spain and nearby cities from **May 17-26**, 2019.

2. Bedside/Home Instruction

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve bedside tutoring for student ID #808010 admitted to Newark Renaissance House, Inc., Newark, NJ on September 12, 2018; services will be provided for two hours daily at the rate of \$40 per hour through a date to be determined.

3. ABA Services

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve two additional hours per month of ABA behavioral consultation for students ID #807889 and #807890 at their group home as per students' IEPs, at the rate of \$150 per hour provided by Educational Enterprises, Bergen County Special Services, from September 13, 2018 through June 28, 2019 for a total cost of \$3,000.

4. Additional Period Assignments

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following additional period assignments from October 9-19, 2018:

Name	Department	School	Additional Periods
Christina Rossi-Oosting	Mathematics	PVHS	5 add'l periods per week
Dana Corasaniti	Mathematics	PVHS	5 add'l periods per week
Patricia Hawkins	Mathematics	PVHS	5 add'l periods per week

Mr. Steinberg asked about the overnight trip.

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VIII. HUMAN RESOURCES – CERTIFICATED

Consent Agenda for Items 1-3

1. New Hire

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Michael DeKorte to teach physical/health education as a part-time consultant for the Park Academy at the hourly rate of \$60, 5.5 house per week, for the 2018-2019 school year, effective October 12, 2018, without health benefits.

2. Mentor

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Wendy McDonald, teacher at the Park Academy to mentor Michael DeKorte, part-time physical/health education consultant at the Park Academy, for the 2018-2019 school year.

3. Leave of Absence

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

Name	Position	Requests:
Michela	PVHS Science	Total Leave Period:
Piccoline	Teacher	January 21, 2019 – June 18, 2019
		Paid using 34 sick days, 4 personal days
		FMLA/NJFLA
		March 18 – June 14, 2019
		Leave of Absence
		June 17-18, 2019

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IX. HUMAN RESOURCES - NON-CERTIFICATED

Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 9

1. Substitute Custodian and Nurse Hourly Rates

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the hourly rate of \$20 for substitute custodians and the hourly rate of \$31 for substitute nurses.

2. New Hire

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Alexander Amar, leave replacement custodian for Tina Romanger, from October 29, 2018 – February 7, 2019, at the hourly rate of \$20, without health benefits.

3. Substitute Teachers and Home Instructors

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following substitute teacher and home instructor:

Name	Position	Туре
Joanne Afram	Substitute Teacher	New
Deborah Shapiro	Home Instructor	Returning

4. Athletic Resignation

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept the resignation of Shawn Buchanan as assistant coach for the Pascack Valley High School girls lacrosse team.

5. Athletic Appointments

- a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Lindsey Jachens</u> as assistant coach for the Pascack Hills High School girls basketball team for a stipend of \$3,692.50, ½ of step 3, for the 2018-2019 winter season.
- b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Anthony Judilla</u> as head coach for the Pascack Valley High School winter track team for a stipend of \$7,385, step 3, for the 2018-2019 winter season.
- c. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Matt Marini as assistant coach for the Pascack Hills High School boys basketball team for a stipend of \$3,692.50, ½ of step 3, for the 2018-2019 winter season.
- d. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>John Murtaugh</u> as assistant coach for the Pascack Valley High School winter track team for a stipend of \$5,825, step 3, for the 2018-2019 winter season.
- e. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Brianna Musco</u> as assistant coach for the Pascack Hills High School girls lacrosse team for a stipend of \$3,225, ½ of step 1, for the 2018-2019 spring season.
- f. RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Michael O'Brien as assistant coach for the Pascack Hills High School boys basketball team for a stipend of \$3,692.50, ½ of step 3, for the 2018-2019 winter season.

6. Volunteer

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Joseph Ciambrone</u> as a volunteer for the Pascack Hills High School wrestling team for the 2018-2019 winter season.

7. Independent CST Evaluator - Region II

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Brittany Silverman</u> as an independent school psychologist to provide CST evaluations for Region II for the 2018-2019 school year, at the rate of \$450 per evaluation.

8. ABA Behavior Consultant - Region II

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Lisa Berkowitz</u> as a part-time ABA Behavior Consultant for Region II for the 2018-2019 school year, at the rate of \$75 per hour.

9. ABA Instructional Assistant - Region II

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Marianne Illian</u> as a part-time ABA Instructional Assistant for Region II for the 2018-2019 school year, at the rate of \$30 per hour.

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X. FINANCE

Consent Agenda for Items 1-5

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 October 8, 2018	\$749,484.46
Payroll as of September 30, 2018	\$1,496,403.83
Total	\$2,245,888.29

2. Donation

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

Date	Donor	Donation	Club or Group
October 2018	TEEEM	\$20,000	PVHS Student Activities
	Total	\$20,000	

3. Accept ESEA (Elementary and Secondary Education Act) Grant-FY2019

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent accept the ESEA (Elementary and Secondary Education Act) Grant for the Fiscal Year 2019 for Pascack Valley Regional High School District and on behalf of St. Joseph Regional High School as follows:

	TOTAL	\$35,287		
	St. Joseph Regional High School share	\$2,616		
	Pascack Valley Regional High School District share	\$7,384		
Title IV	Student Support & Academic Enrichment Program			
	St. Joseph Regional High School share	\$6,615		
	Pascack Valley Regional High School District share	\$18,672		
Title II, Part A	Teacher & Principal Training & Recruiting	Φ10 (7 0		

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, resolves to decline the following ESEA Funds allocated for the Fiscal Year 2019.

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Title I, Part A				
	Educational Agencies (LEAs)			
Title III	English Language Acquisition & Language Enhancement			
	Pascack Valley Regional High School District share			
Title III	Immigrant Education Program			
2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	TOTAL	\$62,415		

4. Shared Services Agreement – Hillsdale SLEO IIIs

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the shared Service Agreement between the Borough of Hillsdale and Pascack Valley Regional High School District concerning the hiring and placement of special police officer SLEO IIIs at Pascack Valley High School for the 2018-2019 school year.

5. Reject Bids - Pascack Hills Breezeways Security Enclosure

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

WHEREAS, on October 2, 2018, the Board received bids for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by the purported low bidder, ZN Construction, LLC ("ZN Construction"), is materially defective insofar as the bidder did not submit a Division of Property Management and Construction ("DPMC") Notice of Classification and a DPMC 701 Form for its listed Fire Alarm subcontractor, which together, are non-waivable material defects; and

WHEREAS, the remaining bids are substantially in excess of the cost estimates for the Project and, as such, are not reasonable as to price on the basis of the cost estimates prepared on behalf of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the bids submitted in response to the advertisement for the Project are non-responsive or substantially exceed the cost estimates of the Project, and must be rejected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The bid submitted by ZN Construction is hereby rejected for being materially defective.
- 2. The remaining bids submitted are hereby rejected as they substantially exceed the cost estimates and, as such, are unreasonable as to price on the basis of the cost estimates prepared on behalf of the Board.
- 3. The Business Administration/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to re-advertise the Project for bids.

Moved by:	Bissin	nger			Seconded by:	Schei	•		
VOTE									
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Mr. Steinfeld read the donation under number 2 into the record.

Mr. Gundersen commented that the \$20,000 donation was to help provide communities in Africa with educational opportunities. The organization that donated came to us unsolicited.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Gundersen thanked Mr. Stankus and Ms. Bissinger for going to the school board's meeting last week. He was also excited to announce that Robert Donahue attended the ceremony in Atlantic City to receive the NJ EMS safety award. Barry Bachenheimer and John Puccio conducted a presentation at that conference regarding school safety staff training.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Gundersen commented that he had received positive feedback regarding the presentation for staff recognition of newly tenured teachers, new hires and service. Also, Jorge Ospino was recognized for 25 year service at that presentation and Mr. Gundersen remarked on his dedication to the district. The board members liked the new format of the recognition ceremony.

Ms. Molinelli commented that NJSBA released a report about the non-college bound learner which will help districts understand how to educate all their students. She will share the article. Mr. Gundersen has already included it on the Friday Facts.

XIII. 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.

XIV. MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION ON OCTOBER 8, 2018 AND ADJOURNMENT

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education will meet immediately following the regular meeting 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 HIB.
- 3. The Board will take no action, will not return to the Regular Board Meeting and will adjourn.

A motion was made by Ms. Molinelli to adjourn the public session and enter into an executive session at 8:15 p.m. Mr. Hallowell seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried. The Board will not return into the public session.

Respectfully,

Pamela Baxley

Business Administrator/ Board Secretary