# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

# Pascack Valley Regional High School District

May 15, 2017

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday, May 15, 2017 at 7:35 p.m. in the Pascack Hills High School Media Center.

# I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order in the Pascack Hills Media Center at 7:35 p.m. by Mr. Jeffrey Steinfeld, President.

Present:

Mr. Jeffrey Steinfeld, President

Mr. Joseph Blundo Mr. Brian Hallowell Ms. Tammy Molinelli Mr. Kenneth Ralph Mr. Arnold Scher Mr. James Stankus Mr. David Steinberg

Absent:

Ms. Janet Bissinger, Vice President

Also Present: Mr. P. Erik Gundersen, Superintendent

Ms. Pamela Baxley, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

#### II. 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.

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#### MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Scher to enter into an executive session at 7:37 p.m. Mr. Steinberg seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

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:
  - a. A possible HIB incident
  - b. Non-bargaining personnel
  - c. Review of suspended staff member
- 3. The Board will return to the Regular Board Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
- 4. Official action may or may not be taken when the Board reconvenes to Public Session.

A motion was made by Ms. Molinelli to return into the public meeting at 8:04 p.m. Mr. Scher seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

At this time the meeting resumed in the cafeteria.

Also present at that time were:

Student Representatives: Alexandra Gluck – PHHS; Kelly Petro – PVHS

Ms. Claudia Gibbs, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

#### 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 July 22, 2016 and May 13, 2017.

# IV. ROUTINE MATTERS

Monthly Reports

Superintendent's Report: Mr. P. Erik Gundersen

Good evening and a huge congratulation to our Pascack Pioneers – WORLD CHAMPIONS!!!! This team continues to impress us all by steadily improving upon themselves year, after year, after year! Amazing!

Thanks to our district's involvement with Digital Promise, I was selected to attend the ASU-GSV Summit in Salt Lake City. SLC is one of the new, up and coming tech hubs in the country and a great venue for highlighting the progress that ed tech entrepreneurs are making to provide more effective technologies that are meeting the needs of educators. A couple of the highlights included opportunities to interact with developers who are working with Stanford University's Human Interaction Labs on how Virtual Reality may transform teaching and learning in the classroom, representatives from a digital portfolio product for our world language program, and receive updates on a product called Math Space that we are currently piloting in some of our math classrooms. Finally, I had the opportunity to listen to the US Secretary of Education, Betsy DeVos.

The month ahead will be a busy one as we lead up to graduation. There will be concerts, art shows, awards celebrations, and sports championships. It is an exciting time to be in the Pascack Valley Regional High School District!

Thus concludes the Superintendent's Report for May 15, 2017.

Student Reports: Alexandra Gluck – Pascack Hills High School

This past Friday the girl's lacrosse team won their first division title in program history adding another victory to their 16-1 record. During the first two years of girl's lacrosse at Pascack Hills they had a total of one win. The program has come extremely far in seven short years. Congrats Cowgirls! Additionally, earlier today the boy's tennis team won their second round of states against Montville.

Not only has PHHS been excelling athletically, but academically as well. junior Sam Snedeker won 3rd place, internationally, at DECA Championships in Anaheim, CA in the financial consulting category. Simon Castiel and Katelyn DeSautels represented Hills at the ISWEEP competition in Houston, TX last week and won silver! Nuala Cleary was 1 of 6 actresses nominated for a Papermil Rising Star Award which has over 300 participants. And Senior Hannah Sarakin launched the sale of her senior project easy-peel mandala stickers that are ready

to color and customize. Lastly, congratulations to junior Gianna Lucido who was accepted to All-State Mixed Choir 2017 and will proudly represent PHHS. Congrats to these students and thank you to our teachers for making these endeavors possible.

Last Wednesday May 10th Pascack Hills hosted its first ever Wellness Fair! Various services were available ranging from therapy dogs to a stress ball making station. It was a great way for students to spend their Pascack Period.

Teens Against Cancer had another successful can drive. They are in full preparation for Relay for Life which is being held this upcoming weekend.

Last week students watched a presentation on distracted driving. This presentation is extremely relevant and was a good reminder to everybody.

On May 10th French Students visited uptown art in Westwood and dedicated the day to celebrating French culture. This Wednesday evening at 7:30 is the annual graduation concert featuring the Hills choir and orchestra. The concert will be the last one in the amazing 35 year career for Dr. Bill. It is sure to be a great show and an emotional night for Dr. Wilhjelm.

Lastly, this upcoming Thursday PHHS AP Spanish students will be taking a trip to Spain for the second part of our exchange student program.

# Kelly Petro – Pascack Valley High School

Italian 4 students enjoyed traveling throughout Italy over Spring Break and absorbing every aspect of its rich culture, as well as practicing the language! Thank you to the district for giving the Italian 4 students this opportunity.

The Choir is happy to announce the following student achievements. After a very rigorous audition process of over a thousand students in the state of New Jersey, Josh Moriello was accepted into the 2017 All State Mixed Chorus and Isabella Tjan and Katie Suarez were accepted into the 2017 All State Treble Chorus. This Month, PV Choirs will also perform their Spring Concert for the community on Thursday, May 18 at 7pm. PV Chamber Choir and the Bro Squad will also be performing at the Teen Arts Festival on Friday, May 19. PV Chamber will also be performing for the Relay for Life on Saturday, May 20.

From April 19 to 30, the PV community welcomed 16 students and three teachers from our French partner school, Lycée Amiral de Grasse, in southern France. The French students enjoyed touring New York City, the Hillsdale Carnival, attending classes at Valley and Hills, watching our school sports games, eating in an American cafeteria, and riding in a yellow school bus. The PV French classes would like to thank everyone involved in this exchange program, especially the host families, for their dedication and participation. A sincere thank you also to the Board of Education and administration for their continuous support of this program. The teachers from France would also like to extend their gratitude and appreciation of this wonderful exchange. Follow us on Twitter for updates on this visit and other news @PVHSFrench.

The Interact Club donated supplies to Eva's Village in Patterson to assist with making bagged lunches for the Homeless. Members of The Interact Club will be participating in the annual Relay for Life and have supported the canned goods donation at Pascack Valley.

The Pascack Valley Senior Projects Program allows students to engage in a self-directed learning experience for a full semester, during which time they are released from a related course so as to pursue their projects in full, including a journal and substantial research paper in addition to their project products. The projects culminate in students' final presentations of their work, which are evaluated by volunteer faculty committees from all subject areas during the first week in June.

The projects include the following:

Student	Project	Mentor
Daniel, Ben	Create, write, cast and stage an original music and donate profits to	Mr. Jon Rose
	Broadway Cares	11.0
Denbeaux, Luke	Study of the use of concentration camps in Europe pre-World War II	Mr. Connor Quinlan
	Film, edit, and produce a documentary (thirty minutes or longer) investigating a question: How does the math current students learn in high school apply to their life after high school?	Mr. Mike Sherman
Dronzek, James		
Kasper, Allison	Write, illustrate and publish children's books for various developmental stages, on the topic of learning manners.	Ms. Jess Anderson
Klarin, Lucia	Explore street photography as a genre; create original written pieces to accompany original street photographs; publish all online	Mrs. Diana McKenna
Ryu, Jamie	Extensively revise and send out for publication a previously-written original novel; learn about what it takes to be published today.	Mr. Matt Morone
Silverman, Rebecca	Create, cast, edit and advertise a feature-length original film.	Mr. Mike Sherman
Sumereau, Brian	Write, cast, direct and produce an original musical—perform it live.  Donate proceeds to charity.	Ms. Tina Marchiano
Toledo, Kaitlyn	Create a brand-new non-profit organization made to assist struggling arts programs in schools.	Mrs. Francesca Silvano
Urrea, Matthew	Design and build an original Go- Kart, working within in a specified budget.	Mr. Bill Koenig

	Create, edit and revise an original documentary film based on Brian	Mr. Brett Conrad
Veloso, Julia	Sumereau's project.	
	Writing and publishing an	Mr. Bill Rawson
	anthology of original poems and	
Zamlout,Nicole	essays.	

Student of Italian in Signora Borghi Honor 4 class will be traveling to Italy on May 19, for the outbound leg of the student exchange. The program is in its 7th year of implementation and will see our Pascack Valley students involved in two major academic events. On May 23, students will participate in hands-on, full-immersion activities while learning art history and Ovid's Metamorphosis literary works. On May 24, our students - together with the Students of Liceo Leonardo Da Vinci's - will be presenting their capstone project of their year-long collaboration to an audience of experts and community members. The presentation will be held at the Roncade Castle, one of the most unique examples of living Renaissance architecture in Northern Italy. We are proud and honored to be representing Pascack Valley and its commitment to a global education.

Congratulations to Mary-Kate Viceconte, Nicole Beckenmeyer, Olivia Wang, and Eva Rosini, who competed in the DECA International Competition in Anaheim California. Olivia Wang and Eva Rosini place top ten out of 200 international teams in the travel and tourism category. This was Pascack Valley's first time competing at the international level. Congratulations to all.

The Smoke Signal will hold its second Film Festival on Wednesday, June 7 at 7 p.m. in the PV auditorium. The event is a fundraiser for The Smoke Signal and will feature short films and Q & A from PV's student filmmakers. The headliner for the event will be "To Be Strong," an original documentary by River Vale native and 2007 PV graduate Kenny Spooner. Three Smoke Signal staffers recently recorded a Skyped Q & A session with Kenny Spooner, since he will unfortunately be out of town on the night of the event, and the festival will also feature a trailer for Mr. Spooner's upcoming documentary "Heroin H," which deals with the local heroin epidemic. The event will also be the first public appearance for next year's editorial board, which was announced last Wednesday. Leading the Smoke Signal into the 2017-18 school year will be editors in chief Lauren Cohen and Madison Gallo, managing editor Kayla Barry, photo editor CJ Guevarra, and sports editors Noah Schwartz and Josh DeLuca. Meanwhile, Smoke Signal adviser Bill Rawson was recently named to a two-year term as vice president of New Jersey's state scholastic press association, the GSSPA.

This coming Thursday, the ten students from Pascack Valley and Pascack Hills participating in the Spanish Exchange will travel to Spain. They will stay in the homes of students from our partner school, IES Infante Don Fadrique, located in Quintanar de la Orden, Province of Toledo. During their stay, students will attend classes and they will also visit impressive places such as the Museo el Prado in Madrid, which features one of the world's finest collections of European art dating from the 12th century to the early 20<sup>th</sup>. In addition, the students will visit The Royal Palace, the Roman Aqueduct and the Alcazar of Segovia, the beautiful Mosque of Córdoba (la Mezquita) which is regarded as one of the most accomplished monuments of Moorish architecture, and the majestic palace and fortress of the Alhambra in the region of Granada.

Lastly, the trip will conclude with a lively theatrical tour throughout El Toboso, a town famous for appearing in the novel *Don Quixote* by the Spanish writer Miguel de Cervantes, in which the fictional character Dulcinea lives. Teachers from the Spanish program are extremely excited for their students to have this great opportunity and abroad experience!

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 24, 2017	Regular Meeting/Budget Hearing	7:45 p.m.
April 24, 2017	Executive Meeting	7:47 p.m.
May 1, 2017	Regular Meeting	6:45 p.m.
May 1, 2017	Executive Meeting	6:47 p.m.

Moved by:	Molir	nelli			Seconded by:	Schei	r		
17				VC					
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
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Hallowell					Steinberg	$\square$			
Molinelli	$\square$				Steinfeld	abla			
Ralph									

#### V. STUDENT RECOGNITION

Pascack Pi-oneers – FIRST Robotics Team 1676

WHEREAS, the following students from Pascack Hills and Pascack Valley High Schools are the Pascack Pi-oneers – FIRST Robotics Team 1676 - the district's robotics team. FIRST stands for "For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology." The team won the following awards:

Southwest Virginia District Industrial Safety Award,
Southwest Virginia District Entrepreneurship Award,
Bridgewater-Raritan District Chairman's Award,
Montgomery District Engineering Inspiration Award,
FIRST Championship Daly-Archimedes Division Entrepreneurship Award,

FIRST Championship Daly Division Winner – Entrepreneurship Award, and FIRST St. Louis Championship Winner

Michael Alpert - PV	Andrew Antonacci - PH	Thomas Athanasenas - PV
Luke Barden - PV	Jessica Belden - PH	Angelica Betancourt - PH
Jonathan Bielan - PV	Andrea Bigos - PH	Victoria Bourghol - PH

Sara Bressler - PH	Brian Buckley - PV	Jack Burleson - PV			
Eric Buttikofer - PV	Michael Carbonaro - PV	Xavier Cattelona - PV			
Yee Ying Cheng - PV	Evan Choe - PH	Brian Diomede - PV			
Lily Drennan - PH	Hannah Epstein - PV	Jonathan Fan - PV			
Andrew Favorito - PV	Kevin Gray - PH	Jade Greenberg - PH			
Turner Halligan - PV	Owen Heller - PV	Ella Hofstetter - PH			
James Holland - PV	Anthony Izzo - PH	Olivia Izzo - PH			
Tyler Jacobson - PV	Shawn Jencsik - PV	Danielle Joukhadarian - PH			
Mireille Joukhadarian - PH	Beck Kerdman - PH	Matthew Killian - PV			
David Kim - PH	Rachel Kim - PV	Hanna Kimball - PH			
Matthew Kleman - PV	Riya Korah - PH	Hailey Kraft - PV			
Aidan LeBow - PV	Alex (Hangyul) Lee - PV	Anthony Lee - PV			
Cindy Lin - PH	Matthew Low - PV	Miranda Luo - PH			
Tyler MacEwen - PV	Colin McLearie - PV	Petar Micevski - PV			
Nicole Mofrad - PH	Emily Moore - PH	David Moralishvili - PV			
Steven Mormile - PH	Adam Moskowitz - PV	Nathan Mullanney - PV			
Skylar Mur- PHy - PV	Jieun Oh - PV	Suraj Pandya - PV			
Marcus Panozzo - PH	Cameron Piccirillo - PH	Carlie Rein - PV			
Kyle Rifkin - PV	Michael Ruberto - PH	Valerie Ruberto - PH			
Jack Saul - PV	Pauline Seagal - PV	Salvatore Sileo - PV			
Noah Sirkin - PV	Aslana Soobzokov - PH	Christa Stankus - PV			
Josiah Stankus - PV	Shannon Stemper - PH	Sara Takubo PV			
Colby Van Dyken - PV	Kayla Vincent - PH	Matthew Wang - PH			
Emily Wolf - PV	Alex Yakir - PV	Advisor Kevin Killian			
Advisor Lori Birdsall	Advisor James Whitfield	Advisor Adam Ostrowski			
Advisor Jack Teadore	Advisor Lisa Ruggieri	Mentor Joseph Pantalone			
Mentor Steven Mertz	Mentor Ilene Rein	Mentor Robert Levy			
Mentor DJ Solleder	Mentor Carl Keil	Mentor Frances Capodicasa			
Mentor Robert Nussbaum	Mentor Danielle Fischer	Mentor Ryan Hall			
Mentor Colleen Guyre	Mentor Michael Herman	Mentor Ben Williams			
Mentor Eric DelSanto	Mentor Thomas Gilbert	Mentor Ellen Drennan			
Mentor Marianna Maltsev	Mentor Matthew Remis	Mentor Chris Allermann			
Mentor Kevin Mercurio	Mentor Nick Mariani	4 6			

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, recognize and commend the Pascack Pi-oneers, their advisors, and mentors, for their outstanding achievement.

#### VI. 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.

#### VII. PRESENTATIONS

Professional Development Plan and Review of Assessment Schedule and Summer Reading Plan – Dr. Barry Bachenheimer

#### VIII. POLICY

Consent Agenda for Items 1 – 5

#### 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:

Lauren Johnson	Steven Myers
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# 2. 2017-2018 Board of Education 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 2017-2018 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 & District Facilities Manager

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

# 3. Cooperative Sports Program Agreement

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Pascack Hills High School and Pascack Valley High School to enter into Cooperative Sports Program agreements for the following sports, to maintain district teams:

Sport	Host School
Gymnastics	Pascack Hills High School
Ice Hockey	Pascack Valley High School
Swimming	Pascack Valley High School

# 4. NJSIAA Membership Renewal 2017 - 2018 School Year

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve membership in the NJSIAA and annual dues of \$2,150 per school for Pascack Hills High School and Pascack Valley High School for the 2017 – 2018 school year and agree to be governed by the constitution, bylaws and rules and regulations of the NJSIAA, including all rules governing student-athlete eligibility.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education adopt the rules and regulations of the Big North Conference, North Jersey Super Football Conference, and lacrosse and gymnastics leagues: NJILL, NJIGLL, and NNJIGL, for all approved scheduled events.

# 5. Summer Athletic Practice/Training

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve summer athletic practice/training for Pascack Hills High School and Pascack Valley High School during the NJSIAA summer recess period beginning June 11, 2017 through September 1, 2017. During this time period, board-approved coaches may instruct district student athletes that meet all NJSIAA eligibility requirements and have a valid physical. Also, as per NJSIAA guidelines, approve and permit the required pre-season heat acclimatization period to begin prior to the August 10, 2017 start date.

Moved by:	Molir	nelli			Seconded by:	Schei	•		alto.
		VOTE							50
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Naý	Abs.	N/P
Bissinger					Scher	$\square$			
Blundo					Stankus	$\square$			
Hallowell	$\square$				Steinberg				
Molinelli	$\square$				Steinfeld	$\square$			
Ralph	$\square$								

#### IX. EDUCATION

Consent Agenda for Items 1-3

# 1. Out-of-District Aide

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve a 1:1 aide, provided by Nova North, for student ID #809089, who attends Nova North, BCSS, Emerson High School at a per diem rate of \$200 for the next 35 days of school.

# 2. 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 # 809157 who was placed at Silvergate Prep, Bridgewater, NJ on May 10, 2017. Services are provided by Silvergate Prep at \$55 per hour for each day that instruction is provided though a date to be determined.

# 3. Summer School Nursing Services - Region II

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve collaborative nursing services for the summer school programs of Montvale Elementary School District and Region II, which will be provided by Vita Rotella at \$174 per diem from July 5 - 8, 2017, for a total cost to Region II of \$1,566.

Moved by:	Molir	nelli			Seconded by:	Schei	•		
				VC	TE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Bissinger				Ø	Scher	Ø			
Blundo					Stankus				
Hallowell					Steinberg				
Molinelli					Steinfeld				
Ralph									

Ms. Molinelli had a question on whether or not the nursing services with Region II were for 12 months. They are not.

# X. HUMAN RESOURCES - CERTIFICATED

Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 3

# 1. New Hires

- a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Kimberly Caminiti</u>, mathematics teacher for Pascack Hills High School, effective August 28, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year, at an annual salary of \$65,500, step 5, MA, with health benefits.
- b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Jenna Eilinger</u>, co-teacher/leave replacement mathematics teacher at Pascack Hills High School for Kimberly Caminiti, effective August 28, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year, at an annual salary of \$55,500, step 1, MA, with health benefits.
- c. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Danielle Jenkins</u>, special education teacher for Milestones @ PVR Program, effective August 28, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year, at an annual salary of \$68,000, step 5, MA+15, with health benefits.

- d. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Brooke Schwartzman</u>, special education teacher also certified in biology for Pascack Hills High School, effective August 28, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year, at an annual salary of \$55,500, step 1, MA, with health benefits.
- e. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Kimberly Simunovich</u>, leave replacement mathematics teacher at Pascack Valley High School for Patricia Hawkins, effective August 28, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year, at an annual salary of \$51,500, step 1, BA, with health benefits.

#### 2. Rescind - Leave of Absence

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, rescinds their approval of the leave of absence for Taylor Henzel previously approve on May 1, 2017.

#### 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 requests:

Name	Position	Requests modified from/to:
Taylor Henzel	PVHS	Total Leave Period:
	Guidance	From: April 17 – October 20, 2017
	Counselor	To: March 30 – November 3, 2017
		Paid using 19 sick, 3 personal days
		FMLA/NJFLA
		From: May 15 – October 20, 2017
		To: May 8 – October 6, 2017
		Leave of Absence
		From: None
		To: October 9 – November 3, 2017
<u>Patricia</u>	PVHS	Total Leave Period
<u>Hawkins</u>	mathematics	From: May 19, 2017 – June 30, 2018
	teacher	To: May 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018
		Paid using 34 sick days
		FMLA/NJFLA
		From: August 28 – November 17, 2017
		To: No change
		Leave of Absence
		From: November 20, 2017 – June 30, 2018
		To: No change

Moved by:	Molir	nelli			Seconded by:	Schei	Ĉ		
				VC	TE	3			
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Bissinger				$\square$	Scher				
Blundo					Stankus	abla			
Hallowell					Steinberg				
Molinelli					Steinfeld	$\square$			
Ralph									V

Mr. Blundo had questions about one of the new hires, Ms. Caminiti which Mr. Gundersen explained.

Mr. Scher asked if the changes under item three were a result of changes in the new contract. Mr. Gundersen explained that the changes were related to adjusting the timing of leave of absences as a result of the date of childbirth.

#### XI. HUMAN RESOURCES – NON-CERTIFICATED

Consent Agenda Items 1 - 2

#### 1. Athletic Appointments

- a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Justin Balsano</u> as assistant coach of the Pascack Valley High School football team for the fall season of 2017-2018, step 3 on the salary guide, amount to be determined.
- b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Paul D'Errico</u> as head coach of the Pascack Hills High School basketball team for the winter season of 2017-2018, step 3 on the salary guide, amount to be determined.
- c. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve <u>Andrew Lewis</u> as assistant coach of the Pascack Valley High School volleyball team for the fall season of 2017-2018, step 3 on the salary guide, amount to be determined.
- d. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Leah Jerome as weight room supervisor for Pascack Valley High School for the 2016-2017 school year.

# 2. Suspension

a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the extension of suspension with pay of Vincent McJunkin, custodian at Pascack Valley High School, through June 30, 2017.

Moved by:	Hallo	Hallowell		Seconded by:	Scher				
		VOTE							
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	ye Nay Abs. N/P Bd. Mbr.		Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	
Bissinger				V	Scher				
Blundo			abla		Stankus	$\square$			
Hallowell					Steinberg	$\square$			
Molinelli					Steinfeld	$\square$			
Ralph									

Mr. Blundo abstained on item 1-b.

#### XII. FINANCE

Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 8

# 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 May 15, 2017	\$676,972.84
Payroll as of May 15, 2017	\$1,642,903.05
Total	\$2,319,875.89

# 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 2016/17 financial reports, which are in agreement reflecting the district's financial activities for the period March 2017.

# 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 2017 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 2017 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	March 2017
b. e-Learning Account	March 2017
c. Capital Project Account	March 2017
d. Student Government Account - PH	March 2017
e. Student Government Account - PV	March 2017

f. Athletic Account – PH	March 2017
g. Athletic Account – PV	March 2017
h. Compensating Balance	March 2017

# 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. Donations

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

Date		Amount	
5/9/17	John McLean	AT&T Employee Giving Program	\$1,000

#### 7. Voided Checks

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, void the following outstanding checks totaling \$10,603.56.

ACCOUNT NAME	CHECK #	AMOUNT
Payroll	101673	81.94
PH Athletics	5933	58.00
	5989	30.00
	6096	79.00
	6451	81.00
	6466	85.00
	6550	60.00
	6551	60.00
	6560	60.00
	6635	135.00
PV Athletics	5364	84.00
	5483	120.00
	5808	56.00
	5809	56.00
	6148	55.00
	6151	55.00
	6166	56.00
	6263	55.00
	6444	86.00
	7177	77.00
	7260	55.00
	7904	58.00
	8308	100.00
	8829	58.00
	8830	58.00

ACCOUNT NAME	CHECK #	AMOUNT
	9234	310.00
	9272	400.00
	9284	25.00
	9301	12.50
	9862	87.00
	10370	50.00
	10535	25.00
	10713	79.00
	11045	100.00
	11121	79.00
	11150	200.00
	11213	79.00
	11363	60.00
	11410	70.00
	11559	75.00
PH SGA	3752	100.00
	3768	50.00
	3776	500.00
	3804	230.00
PV SGA	3773	1000.00
	3874	80.00
	3876	26.46
	3878	9.22
	3883	11.94
	3884	8.63
	3897	2.75
	3903	29.61
	3908	21.58
	4077	150.00
	4093	38.00
General	050016	546.00
	050807	135.00
	051509	102.73
	051633	707.20
	051651	442.00
	051764	442.00
	052525	250.00
	052645	100.00
	052907	442.00
	052916	442.00
	052918	442.00
	052961	442.00
	053031	442.00

# 8. Special Education Transportation - Region II

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation contract Q1724 to Taher Transportation for the remainder of 2016-2017 school year.

Route #	Route # Route		Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q1724	ECLC 1:1	135	35	170.00*	9,690.00*

<sup>\*</sup>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 Q1725 to Gentle Ride Medical Transport for the remainder of 2016-2017 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q1725	Cornerstone Day School	185	20	185.00	9,250.00

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation contract Q1726 to We Care School Transportation for the remainder of 2016-2017 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q1726	Windsor Learning Center 1:1	149	45	194.00*	7,178.00*

<sup>\*</sup>includes aide cost

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education accept the following special education transportation contract addenda for the 2016-2017 school year.

Transporter	Contract	Rte #	Route	Per Diem Increase/ Decrease	Adjusted Per Diem Cost
Taher	1502	048	Venture, Hackensack	-89.50	174.99
Valley	1608	051	Forum	65	143.25

Moved by:	Hallowell		Seconded by:	Scher					
				VC	TE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Bissinger					Scher	$\square$			
Blundo	$\square$				Stankus	$\square$			
Hallowell					Steinberg	$\square$			
Molinelli	$\square$				Steinfeld				
Ralph	Ø								

Mr. Steinfeld read the donation into the record.

# XIII. OLD BUSINESS

Committee Reports: Curriculum Committee Meeting: There was nothing additional to report.

Building & Grounds Committee Meeting:

Mr. Hallowell reported on today's building and grounds meeting where the committee reviewed completed projects and spoke about the status of four current projects. He reported that the new storage shed should be completed within the next two weeks and also reviewed the timeline for the athletic fields and the status of the budget for that project. On Monday May 22nd, there will be a groundbreaking ceremony at the site if board members would like to attend at 11:45. The status of remaining games that may be impacted by the construction was discussed.

Mr. Hallowell reported on the HVAC project bid status for the PV science wing, and two additional budgeted projects for next year.

#### XIV. NEW BUSINESS

David Steinberg asked about the status of a senior service pilot test. Mr. Gundersen replied that it was a good topic for discussion at the summer retreat. Mr. Scher asked if the containers at the bottom of the football field at Pascack Hills were temporary or permanent. Mr. Gundersen replied that they were there for temporary storage until the construction was complete. He also asked if the board was actively going to neighbors to inquire if they are going to move so that the district might purchase their property. Mr. Gundersen told him that we had selectively approached one or two.

#### XV. 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.

Ms. Barile, a neighbor who lives on Akers Ave off of Grand Avenue addressed the Board. She asked the public to please park at the school when they come to a game. They currently park on Akers Avenue which is a residential street not a parking lot. The neighbors have no place for family, friends or guests to park. It is also a safety concern.

She went on to state that she had a conversation with Mr. Gundersen a year ago expressing her concerns and giving him suggestions to ease the problem. He had informed her of the lawsuit from the Office of Civil Rights which had mandated that the school place signage directing people to handicapped parking at the top of the hill.

Ms. Barile felt that Mr. Gundersen gave away the rights of the residents in deference to the lawsuit. She said that the Montvale Police chief commented that he was never consulted before Mr. Gundersen put on the school website directions to park on Akers Avenue. Now everyone parks there, not just handicapped. She has written speeches and presented to the mayor and counsel. She will not go away. She gave a list of suggestions from the neighbors to correct this problem. A year has passed and things are no better.

Now with the addition of a softball field and more tennis courts the school has effectively rezoned Akers Ave from a residential street to a parking lot.

Mr. Gundersen agreed that he met with Ms. Barile and had conversations with the mayor and police chief. They told him that people are legally allowed to park on Akers Ave. The website directs teams to be in the parking lots. The Office of Rights complaint mandated that the district have handicapped signage advising directions up to the hill. The athletic director has been dissuading busses from going to Akers Avenue. Parking is permitted on the street. The district has done what it can do.

Mr. Steinfeld reminded Ms. Barile about the five-minute time limit.

Mr. Hallowell commented that he understood her frustration as he lives 4 blocks away and that the parking has been like this since 2000. As a board member he has had discussions about the parking problem. The town must put up signage not the school. They must make an ordinance change or post someone there to redirect traffic.

Laura Fusco and Alyssa DiPalma representing the Pascack Hills Arts Committee invited the Board to attend the arts festival which has a NY urban theme this year. They should come to see the student art work and enjoy the event.

#### XVI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Hallowell to adjourn at 10:00 p.m. Ms. Molinelli seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

Respectfully,

Pamela Baxley

Business Administrator/ Board Secretary

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