

# **Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education**

Pascack Valley High School – Pascack Valley Auditorium

Reorganization and Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

## **AGENDA January 4, 2023**

### **Meeting Regulations**

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Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise and state their name and town of residence. Comments 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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- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER**

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The Vision of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District:

To create a culture of innovation, inquiry, and individuality that promotes achievement and choice by cultivating the skills needed to complete and collaborate as ethical and responsible global citizens.

ORGANIZATION OF BOARD

**IV. OATH OF OFFICE AND APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS AND SERVICES**

**1. Certification of Election Results for Annual School Board – November 8, 2022**

Mr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**Board of Education** (Three-Year Term)

Elizabeth Calderone - Woodcliff Lake - 1,449 votes

James Stankus - River Vale - 1,899 votes

**2. Oath of Office:** Administered to newly elected Board Members by Mr. Yas Usami, Board Secretary:

Elizabeth Calderone - Woodcliff Lake

James Stankus - River Vale

**3. ROLL CALL**

Mr. Joseph Blundo

Dr. Kelly Blundy

Ms. Elizabeth Calderone

Mr. Pat Luisi

Mrs. Kristin Martin

Mr. James Stankus

Ms. Debra Stephans

Mrs. Gini Varghese

Mr. Michael Weaver

Ms. Sarah Bilotti, Superintendent

Mr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Student Representatives: Olivia Ge – PHHS; Isabella Velez – PVHS

**4. Nomination and Election of President**

The Board Secretary will request nominations for the office of President of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, according to board policy code number 0152.

a. A motion is made to nominate candidate(s) for President of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education,

Moved By: \_\_\_\_\_

b. A motion is made to nominate candidate(s) for President of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education,

Moved By: \_\_\_\_\_

If there are no further nominations, may I have a motion that nominations be closed.

Moved by: Choose an item ▾      Seconded by: Choose an item ▾

VOTE									
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Calderone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Varghese	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Luisi	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Weaver	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

Nominations have been closed. I will call for a vote.

All in favor of candidate A.

Moved by: Choose an item ▾      Seconded by: Choose an item ▾

VOTE									
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Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

All in favor of candidate B.

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VOTE

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**THE NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT WILL OCCUPY THE CHAIR**

**5. Nomination and Election of Vice President**

The President will request nominations for the office of Vice President of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, according to board policy code number 0152.

a. A motion is made to nominate candidate(s) for Vice President of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education.

Moved By: \_\_\_\_\_

b. A motion is made to nominate candidate(s) for Vice President of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education.

Moved By: \_\_\_\_\_

If there are no further nominations, may I have a motion that nominations be closed.

Moved by: Choose an item ▾      Seconded by: Choose an item ▾

VOTE

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Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

Nominations have been closed. I will call for a vote.

All in favor of candidate A.

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VOTE

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Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

All in favor of candidate B.

Moved by: Choose an item ▾      Seconded by: Choose an item ▾

VOTE

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**6. N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24.1 Code of Ethics for School Board Members**

The President will read aloud the following code of ethics which applies to all School Board Members:

School Board Members shall abide by the following Code of Ethics for School Board Members:

I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.

I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and

will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex, or social Standing.

I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.

I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.

I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the board.

I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.

I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.

I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.

I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.

I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

**Consent Agenda for Items 7 – 22**

**7. Appointment of Professional Services**

**WHEREAS**, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education requires the professional services and

**WHEREAS**, the nature of the services to be performed meet the definition of “professional services” set forth in the Public School Contract Law, and

**WHEREAS**, funds are available to obtain such professional services, and

**WHEREAS**, the Public School Contract Law N.J.S.A. 18A: 18A-5 authorizes the awarding of contracts for professional services by resolution of the Board of Education without publicly advertised competitive bids.

**ACCORDINGLY**, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education authorizes the award of the following professional services appointments and contracts:

- a. That the firm of Fogarty & Hara, Counselors at Law, Fair Lawn, NJ, be appointed Board of Education attorneys to provide legal services until the next reorganization meeting, at fees negotiated for each individual project, and as per the following hourly rates: \$175 for a partner and \$155 for an associate. There is no increase in the hourly rates.
- b. That the firm of Nisivoccia LLP, Mt. Arlington, NJ, be appointed Board of Education auditors and accountants to provide auditing and accounting services until the next reorganization meeting, The fee for the audit is \$50,000.
- c. That the firm of AHERA Consultants, Inc., Oceanville, NJ be appointed Board of Education asbestos consulting service until the next reorganization meeting, at fees negotiated for each individual project, at the following hourly rates: \$70 for asbestos inspector and \$100 for project designer.
- d. That the firm of KSI Consulting Engineers, LLC, Farmingdale, NJ, be appointed Board of Education engineers until the next reorganization meeting, at fees negotiated for each individual project, at the following hourly rates: \$220 for principal consultant and \$165 project manager/senior engineer.

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e. That the firm of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Woodbridge, NJ, be appointed Board of Education bond counsel until the next reorganization meeting, at fees negotiated for each individual project, at the following hourly rates: \$170 for attorney time.

f. That Dr. Michelle Mayer, Woodcliff Lake, NJ be appointed Board of Education school physician until the next reorganization meeting, at the yearly fee of \$10,000.

g. That Dr. Shawn Trokhan, Closter, NJ be appointed Board of Education school athletic physician at PVHS until the next reorganization meeting, at the yearly fee of \$3,000.

h. That Dr. Oscar Vazquez, Hoboken, NJ be appointed Board of Education school athletic physician at PHHS until the next reorganization meeting, at the yearly fee of \$3,000.

These professional services contracts are made and awarded without competitive bidding as the services will be rendered by persons experienced in the practice of a process requiring specialized knowledge and resources.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a brief notice of this action shall be printed once in *The Record* as required by law, within ten (10) days of its passage, stating its nature, duration, service, and amount and that the resolution and contract are on file in the office of the Board of Education in the following form:

This resolution and contracts are on file and available for public inspection at the Board of Education's office, located at 28 West Grand Avenue, Suite 2, Montvale, NJ.

## 8. **Appointments and Contracts**

**RESOLVED**, that the following be appointed to continue in the position listed until the next reorganization meeting of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District:

Insurance Agency	Burton Agency, Inc.
Student Accident Insurance	Robert McCloskey Insurance
Flexible Spending Account	Wex (Discovery Benefits)
Tax Shelter Plans	The Omni Group
Continuing Disclosure Agent & Municipal Advisors	Phoenix Advisors, LLC
Broker of Record	Brown & Brown Benefit Advisors
Supplemental Insurance	Aflac



Nursing Services to Non-Public Students	Catapult Learning
One to One Nursing Services	Bayada Home Health Care Inc.
One to One Nursing Services and School Nurse Staffing Agreement	Preferred Home Health Care & Nursing Services, Inc.
Business Administrator/Board Secretary	Yas Usami
Custodian of Records	Yas Usami
Public Agency Compliance Officer	Yas Usami
Assistant Business Administrator/ Assistant Board Secretary	Cynthia Kirk
Data Coordinator	Maria Valentino
District 504 Officer/ Title II ADA	Sean Struncis
Bridge Year Liaison	Sean Struncis
Anti-Bullying Coordinator	Sean Struncis
Title IX Civil Rights Coordinator	Sean Struncis
Title IX Student Athlete Issues	Steven Papa, PHHS Joseph Spafford, PVHS
Title IX Student Curricular	Eva Merk
Title IX Employee Disability	Dyane Guardino
McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Coordinator	Eva Merk
Substance Awareness	Jennifer Zimmermann, PHHS Christie Rossig, PVHS Steven Papa, PHHS Joseph Spafford, PVHS
Anti-Bullying Specialists	Jennifer Zimmermann, PHHS
Anti-Bullying Specialists	Christie Rossig, PVHS
Anti-Bullying Specialists	Mary Petrovici, Park Academy

Attendance Officers	Lillian Murray, PHHS Janet Murray, PVHS
American Disabilities Act Coordinator	Barry Bachenheimer
Affirmative Action Officer	Barry Bachenheimer
School Safety Specialist	Barry Bachenheimer
Toxic Hazard Preparedness Officer	Robert Donahue
Health and Safety Officer Indoor Air Quality Integrated Pest Management Right to Know	Robert Donahue
Alternate Architect of Record	Robert Donahue
Qualified Purchasing Agent	Yas Usami
Treasurer of School Moneys	Kathryn Brancato
Legal Newspapers	The Record & Community Life
Bidding Services	Educational Data Services

9. **Legal Depositories – Bank for Deposits/Withdrawals/Safe Deposit Box**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, authorize the Business Administrator to invest school district funds within statutory limitations.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education designate Valley Bank as the bank for deposits and withdrawals for the following accounts: Payroll, Agency, Unemployment, General Fund, Cafeteria, eLearning, Petty Cash, Capital Projects, Student Activities, and Athletics until the next reorganization meeting.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education approve the following designated signatures on the above accounts; business administrator, board president, school treasurer, Pascack Valley High School principal and Pascack Hills High School principal.

10. **District Organization Chart**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, adopt the district organization chart for the 2023-2024 school year.

11. **Adoption of Existing Curriculum**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, adopt the existing curricula contained in the 2023-2024 Pascack Valley Regional Program of Studies for the 2023-2024 school year.

12. **Adoption of Existing Textbooks**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, adopt the existing textbooks referenced in the 2023-2024 curricula for the 2023-2024 school year.

13. **Annual Approval of Board Expenses for NJSBAC and BCSBA**

**WHEREAS**, the NJ School Boards Association Conference (hereinafter referred to as “NJSBAC”) will be held in October and Bergen County School Boards Association (Hereinafter referred to as “BCSBA”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) has determined that Board member participation in the NJSBAC and BCSBA is both educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that Board member participation in the NJSBAC and BCSBA promotes the delivery of instruction and furthers the efficient operation of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District; and

**WHEREAS**, the travel and related expenses particular to the NJSBAC and BCSBA is expected to exceed the state travel guidelines established by the Department of Treasury in the NJ Office of Management and Budget (NJOMB) circular letter 06-02.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board finds any travel and related expenses related to Board member attendance at the NJSBAC and BCSBA in October and for the 2023-2024 school year, as well as reimbursement for same; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board finds any travel and related expenses particular to the NJSBAC and BCSBA which exceed the State travel guidelines established by the Department of Treasury in NJOMB circular letter 06-02 to be necessary and unavoidable; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board finds any such necessary and unavoidable expenses related to attendance at the NJSBAC and BCSBA to be justified and therefore reimbursable.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the aforementioned district employees will be reimbursed for travel related expenses at the designated 2023-2024 payment periods, in compliance with state statutory and federal regulatory requirements.

#### 14. **Approval of Purchases Utilizing State Contracts**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, authorize the procurement of goods and services through state agency for the 2023-2024 school year.

**WHEREAS**, Title 18A:18A-10 provides that the Board of Education without advertising for bids, or after having rejected all bids obtained pursuant to advertising therefore, by resolution may purchase any goods or services pursuant to a contract or contracts for such goods or services entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property, and

**WHEREAS**, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education has the need, on a timely basis, to purchase goods and services utilizing the following state contracts:

Bergen County Purchasing Cooperative/New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance  
Camden County Educational Services Commission  
Educational Services Commission of New Jersey  
Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission  
New Jersey State Contracts/NJSTART  
NJ EDGE  
NJSBA Cooperative Pricing System

**WHEREAS**, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education desires to authorize its purchasing agent until the next reorganization meeting as follows:

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education does, hereby authorize the district purchasing agent to make purchases of goods and services entered into on behalf of the State of the Division of Purchase and Property utilizing various vendors.

**15. Purchases Exceeding Bid Threshold of \$44,000**

**RESOLVED** by the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, that pursuant to State Law N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5 all purchases and contracts exceeding the bid threshold of \$44,000, shall be awarded by board resolution at a public meeting including all State Contract purchases that exceed \$44,000; therefore, the Board hereby authorized purchases in excess of \$44,000 via State Contract with the vendors.

**16. Annual Review & Adoption of Bylaws, Policies and Regulations**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the annual review and adoption of all electronic bylaws, policies, and regulations found on the district website for the 2023-2024 school year.

**17. Approval of Maximum Travel and Related Expenditures**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12, in each pre-budget year, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education is required to establish a maximum travel expenditure amount for the budget year which may not be exceeded; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has determined that the maximum travel expenditure amount includes all travel that is supported by state and local funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education had previously established a maximum amount for the pre-budget year 2023-2024 as \$180,000.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has expended \$37,382.66 of the maximum amount for the pre-budget year to date; and

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education hereby establish the maximum travel expenditure amount for the 2023-2024 school year as \$180,000.

18. **Annual Travel Pre-Authorization**

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

Teachers who travel between schools as required by their job description will be reimbursed for their mileage at the end of the term at the NJOMB Circular established rate;

Teachers who travel to free conferences and workshops sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Education, or educational associations, will be reimbursed for their mileage at the NJ OMB Circular established rate;

Supervisors who travel to meetings and other events as required by their job description will be reimbursed for their mileage at the NJOMB Circular established rate;

Administrators who travel to meetings and other events as required by their job description will be reimbursed for their mileage at the NJOMB Circular established rate;

Child Study Team members who travel to meetings and other events as required by their job description will be reimbursed for their mileage at the NJOMB Circular established rate;

Technology Department employees who travel to meetings and other events as required by their job description will be reimbursed for their mileage at the NJOMB Circular established rate;

Region II employees who travel to meetings and other events as required by their job description will be reimbursed for their mileage at the NJOMB Circular established rate;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the aforementioned district employees will be reimbursed for travel related expenses at the designated 2023-2024 payment periods, in compliance with state statutory and federal regulatory requirements, not to exceed \$1,500 per employee for regular business travel.

19. **Tax Shelters**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following companies to provide Tax Shelter Annuity salary reduction agreements for the 2023-2024 school year.

AXA Equitable	Legends	MetLife
Oldham	Valic	Vanguard
Security Benefit	Lincoln Investment Planning	National Life Group

20. **Authorize Participation in the New Jersey State Health Benefits Program**

A **RESOLUTION** to authorize participation in the State Health Benefits Program and/or School Employees' Health Benefits Program of the State of New Jersey.

**BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. The Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education hereby elects to participate in the Health Program provided by the New Jersey State Health Benefits Act of the State of New Jersey (N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.26 and N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.46.2) and to authorize coverage for all the employees and their dependents thereunder in accordance with the statute and regulations adopted by the State Health Benefits Commission and/or School Employees' Health Benefits Commission.

2. We elect to participate in the Employee Prescription Drug Plan defined by N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.25 et seq. and authorize coverage for all employees and their dependents in accordance with the statute and regulations adopted by the State Health Benefits Commission and/or School Employees' Health Benefits Commission.

3. We elect 30 hours per week (average) as the minimum requirement for full-time status in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:9-4.6.

4. As a participating employer we will remit to the State Treasury all charges due on account of employee and dependent coverage and periodic charges in accordance with the requirements of the statute and the rules and regulations duly promulgated thereunder.

5. We hereby appoint Yas Usami, Business Administrator to act as Certifying Officer in the administration of this program.

6. This resolution shall take effect immediately and coverage shall be effective as soon thereafter as it may be effectuated pursuant to the statutes and regulations (can be no less than 75 or 90 days pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 17:9-1.4).

**21. Approval of Maximum Public Relations and Professional Services Expenditures**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-5.2 (a), 1 the Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for public relations and each type of professional service for 2023-2024 school year.

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education hereby establish the maximum expenditure amounts for the 2023-2024 school year as follows: Public relations at the sum of \$50,000, legal services at the sum of \$150,000, audit services at the sum of \$75,000, architectural/engineering services at the sum of \$600,000.

**22. Standing Obligations**

It is recommended by the superintendent, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education accept, ratify, and adopt all commitments, rules, and bylaws.

Moved by: Choose an item ▾      Seconded by: Choose an item ▾

VOTE									
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**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**V. 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:



December 12, 2022	Regular Meeting	7:30 p.m.
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Moved by: Choose an item ▾      Seconded by: Choose an it... ▾

VOTE

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VI. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Citizens are invited to make comments regarding agenda items and are limited to three 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, sign in and state their name, town of residence, and which agenda item(s) they are referencing.

VII. **POLICY**

Consent Agenda for Items 1-2

1. **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: # 238304 PVH

2. **2023-2024 School Calendar**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the 2023-2024 school calendar.

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VOTE

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**VIII. EDUCATION**

Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 3

**1. Out-of-district Placement**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve an out-of-district placement for student ID #813110 to Fusion Academy for the 2022-2023 school year, starting on January 9 2023 as per the student’s IEP, for the prorated tuition of \$57,120.

**2. Additional Courses for Out-of-district Student**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the addition of two courses for student ID # 811927 who attends Fusion Academy, as per student’s IEP for the 2022-2023 school year:

Course	Sessions	Cost
English 10 semester 1	25	\$4,405
English 10 semester 2	25	\$4,405

**3. Overnight Trips**

a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the Pascack Hills High School baseball team and chaperones Nick Evans, Steve Casamento, and AJ Aliprantis to participate at the Ripken Experience in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina from March 23-26, 2023.

b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the Pascack Hills High School softball team and chaperones Lauren Brown

and Jerry Mercandante to participate at the Ripken Experience in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina from March 23-26, 2023.

- c. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the Pascack Hills High School golf and tennis teams and chaperones Eric Ganz and Ed Sandt to train at Amelia Island, Florida from March 23-26, 2023.
- d. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the Pascack Hills High School music program and chaperones Mr. Dore, Ms. Elkin, Mrs. Plechner, and Mrs. Ferrer to participate at the Worldstrides Music Festival in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from April 28-30, 2023.

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**IX. HUMAN RESOURCES**

**WHEREAS**, the superintendent, after considering the recommendation of her administrative staff which included consideration of experience, credentials, and references for the following candidates for employment in the school district, has determined that the appointment of these individuals is appropriate and in the best interest of the school district,

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, appoint the following individuals to the positions indicated, as provided by the budget, in accord with terms of the employment specified:

Note: Appointment of new personnel to the district is provisional subject to:

1. Authorization from the State Department regarding a criminal background check and/or authorization from the Bergen County Superintendent’s Office for emergent hiring; and

2. A medical examination including satisfactory results of the Mantoux tuberculin skin test; and
3. Valid certification appropriate for his/her employment or assignment in New Jersey; and
4. Disclosure and review of applicants' employment history within the statutory time period.

### Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 7

#### 1. New Hire

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, appoint the following individual to the position indicated:

Name	Position	Account Number	Salary	Effective Date
Catherine Tocci	Assistant Payroll	11-000-251-100-02-000	\$63,500 prorated with benefits	January 5, 2023
Brianna Musco	Teacher of Music, PVHS, full time leave replacement, non-tenure track	NA	\$54,775 prorated, \$273.88 per diem, BA Step 1 without benefits	January 5 - 17, 2023
Edinson Santana	PHHS full time Night Custodian	11-000-262-100-07-000	\$65,964, plus night stipend prorated with benefits as per PVRSSA	January 9, 2023

#### 2. Change of Position

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

Name	Position	Salary	Effective Date
Chris Tocci	From: PHHS full time Night	\$65,964 prorated with benefits as	January 1, 2023

	Custodian To: PHHS full time Daytime Custodian	per PVRSSA	
Bogumila Tomczyk	From: PVHS full time Night Lead Custodian To: PVHS part time Daytime Custodian	\$34,361.50 prorated without benefits as per PVRSSA	February 1, 2023
Seta Varteresian	From: PVHS full time Night Custodian To: PVHS full time Night Lead Custodian	\$65, 964 plus \$600 longevity, night crew, lead night and black seal stipends, with benefits as per PVRSSA	February 1, 2023

3. **Resignation**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accepts with regret the retirement of James Devaney, Custodian for Pascack Hills High School. Effective January 1, 2023.

4. **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 requests:

Name	Position	Requests
Elyse Elisano	PVHS Social Worker	<u>Total Leave Period:</u> March 23, 2023 - May 31, 2023 Using 24 sick days <u>FMLA</u> May 4, 2023 - May 31, 2023 <u>Leave of Absence:</u> None
Stephen Comanto	PHHS Science Teacher	<u>Total FMLA/NJFLA</u> <u>Leave Period</u> February 13-17, 2023

		and every Wednesday from February 22, 2023 - May 24, 2023
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5. **Supplemental Instruction**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve supplemental instruction for student ID# 813106 for 3 hours of supplemental instruction to remediate academics after a prolonged absence. Adam Ballard will provide instruction which will begin on December 19, 2022 and continue through January 23, 2023.

6. **Activity Appointment**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following activity appointment for the 2022 Marching Band season.

Name	Activity	Position	Amount
James Fox	PHHS Marching Band	Percussion Services	\$2,800

7. **Athletic Appointment**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following athletic appointment for the 2022-2023 school year:

Name	Team	Position	Amount
Matthew Winchell	PVHS Boys Lacrosse	Assistant Coach	\$7,110

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**X. FINANCE**

## Consent Agenda for Items 1 – 11

**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 January 4, 2023	\$1,473,993.72
Payroll as of December 15, 2022	\$1,659,403.35
Payroll as of December 23, 2022	\$1,716,446.56
Total	\$4,849,843.63

**2. Travel Pre-Authorizations**

a. **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:

Yas Usami	Sarah Bilotti
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b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve as per the auditor's recommendation that the superintendent stay at the Emily Morgan Hotel for the AASA National Conference on Education in San Antonio Texas on February 16-18, 2023 which exceeds the GSA rate, however is \$10 less per night than the conference sponsored hotel discounted daily rate and \$110 less per night than the conference headquarter hotel.

**3. Donation**

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

Donor	Donation	Club or Group
Macy's Great American Marching Band	\$800	PH Band
Inserra Supermarkets, Inc.	\$5,000	PH Robotics

The donation from Macy's Great American Marching Band was for the use of the district's musical instruments during the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

4. **Renewal of Agreement - Interstate Waste Services of New Jersey, Inc.**  
**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the last renewal with Interstate Waste Services of New Jersey, Inc. for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.
5. **Approve Change Order #002 Pattman Plumbing**  
**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve change order 002 submitted by Pattman Plumbing of Midland Park, New Jersey for the Band Room HVAC Upgrades at Pascack Hills High School. This change order is a decrease in the amount of \$3,622.40 for unused project allowance. Furthermore, this change order has been reviewed and approved by KSI Consulting Engineers.

Original Contract Amount	\$146,750.00
Previously Authorized Change Order	\$1,377.60
Subtotal	\$146,750.00
Change Order 002 Decrease	\$3,622.40
Revised Contract Amount	\$143,127.60
\$5,000 Project Allowance Balance	\$0.00

6. **Approve Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) - Natural Gas**  
 A RESOLUTION BINDING THE PASCACK VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PURCHASE NATURAL GAS SERVICES THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES (“ACES”) Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS

**WHEREAS**, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as “ACES”), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as “NJSBA”), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from natural gas suppliers for retail natural gas supply services including interstate transportation to the local natural gas distribution utility company (Natural Gas Supply Services) through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the “Public School Contracts Law”, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.*, and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 *et seq.* (“EDECA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and



**WHEREAS**, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain natural gas services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to natural gas suppliers following said bids for natural gas services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2028, hereinafter referred to as “Effective Period”) issue one or more Requests for Bids for natural gas services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

**WHEREAS**, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale natural gas market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Natural Gas Supply Service in each service territory to one or more natural gas suppliers that submits bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous natural gas usage and utility provided Basic Gas Supply Service rates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said Natural Gas Supply Services to natural gas suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic gas supply service; and

**WHEREAS**, the District agrees to purchase all Natural Gas Supply Services for its own use during the Effective Period through any natural gas supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs’ Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for natural gas supply services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all natural gas supply services needed for its own use during the Effective Period from the natural gas supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for natural Gas supply services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase natural gas at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned

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in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the districts relative to the price charged for basic gas supply service by the natural gas public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain natural gas services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2028 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

7. **Approve Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) - ElectricA RESOLUTION BINDING THE PASCACK VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PURCHASE ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICES THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES (“ACES”) Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS**

**WHEREAS**, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as “ACES”), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as “NJSBA”), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from electric power suppliers for electric generation services through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the “Public School Contracts Law”, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.*, and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 *et seq.* (“EDECA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pascaack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain electric generation services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to electric power suppliers following said bids for electric generation services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2028 hereinafter referred to as “Effective

Period”) issue one or more Requests for Bids for electric generation services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

**WHEREAS**, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale electric market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Electric Generation Service in each service territory to one or more electric power suppliers that submit bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous electric usage and utility provided Basic Generation Service rates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said electric generation services to electric power suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic generation service; and

**WHEREAS**, the District agrees to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period through any electric power supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law;

**WHEREAS**, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs’ Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for electric generation services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

**RESOLVED** that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period from the electric power supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for electric generation services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase electricity at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the Districts relative to the price charged for basic generation service by the electric public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain electric generation services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market

conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2028 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission or expiration of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

**8. Approve Purchase of Lighting at Pascack Valley High School**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the purchase of lighting for the corridors and storage closets at Pascack Valley High School in the amount of \$51,524.30 and bollard lights for the pathway to the field and track at Pascack Hills High School in the amount of \$22,664.00 from Cooper Electric, Bergenfield, NJ through the Ed-Data contract # 10425.

**9. Equipment Disposal**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the disposal, donation, sale or recycling of the following equipment.

Husqvarna ST5-23 snowblower - ID# 1327

Husqvarna ST5-23 snowblower - ID# 1326

NSG370 transmission - no ID

2009 Ford F-350 VIN 1FTWF31556EB19193 - 9,240 Miles

Line striping machine - ID#1143

**10. Independent Child Study Team Therapy Evaluations and/or Services - Joint Agreement Between Region II and Non-Member District**

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the agreement between Region II and the Non-Member District, Northern Highlands High School for Independent Child Study Team Therapy Evaluations and/or Services for the 2022 – 2023 school year.

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

**Region II - Bids**

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for

January 4, 2023

Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation contract 098 to American First Choice for 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
2353	Children's Therapy Center, Oakland	359	59	418.00*	46,398.00*
2354	Washington Elementary	439	59	498.00*	56,274.00*
2360	BOCES	213	94	213.00	24,069.00

\*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 099 to Excel Transportation, LLC for the 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
2355	Calais School	348	60	348.00	42,108.00
2361	Valley-HPPS	280	65	345.00*	38,295.00

\*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 100 to NJ Preferred LLC for the 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
2356	Colonial Rd School	299	2.50	301.50*	33,165.00*
2357	Shepard Prep HS	381	2.50	383.50*	42,568.50*
2358	Bleshman	402	2.50	404.50*	45,708.50*

\*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 2359 to Galaxia Express LLC for the 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
2359	Community School, Upper	260	0	260.00	30,940.00

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation contract 2362 to Baraka Transit, LLC. for the 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
2362	SBJC, Maywood	300	50	350.00*	32,200.00*

\*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 2363 to N&Y Transportation for the 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
2363	Fusion Ac., Montclair	250	10	250.00	25,750.00

### Region II - Quotes

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation Quote contract Q2312 to Horizon Transportation during the 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q2312	SBJC, Maywood	249	40	289.00*	19,941.00*

\*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 Q2313 to SUN Transportation during the 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q2313	Colonial Rd	289	55	344.00*	5,848.00*

\*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 Q2314 to NJ Preferred LLC during the 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q2314	Shepard Prep	386	40	426.00*	10,650.00*

\*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 Q2315 to NJ Preferred LLC during the 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q2315	Bleshman	402	45	447.00*	7,599.00*

\*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 Q2316 to SUN Transportation during the 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q2316	Washington Elem.	289	50	339.00*	5,763.00*

\*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 Q2318 to Ombali Transportation during the 2022-2023 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q2318	Suffern HS-BOCES	298	80	298.00	19,966.00

Moved by: Choose an item ▾      Seconded by: Choose an item ▾

**VOTE**

Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Calderone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Varghese	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Luisi	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Weaver	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blundo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stankus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

**XI. OLD BUSINESS**

**XII. NEW BUSINESS**

**XIII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Citizens are invited to make comments and are limited to three 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, sign in and state their name and town of residence.

**XIV. MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education will meet in the Media Center at Pascack Valley High School, 200 Piermont Avenue, Hillsdale, 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: Possible HIB
  3. If needed, the subject of executive session will be stated in the verbal motion
  4. The Board will not return to the Regular Board Meeting, will take no action, and will adjourn from executive session.
- OR
5. Official action may or may not be taken when the board reconvenes to Public Session

Moved by: Choose an item ▾      Seconded by: Choose an item ▾

VOTE

Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Calderone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Varghese	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Luisi	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Weaver	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blundo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stankus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					



XV. **ADJOURNMENT**

Notice: With advance notice, we can provide personal assistance for the disabled. Please contact 201-358-7005.

Moved by: Choose an item ▾      Seconded by: Choose an item ▾

VOTE

Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Blundy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Calderone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Varghese	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Luisi	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Weaver	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blundo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stankus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					