

**HAWORTH BOARD OF EDUCATION
HAWORTH, NEW JERSEY 07641
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
July 10, 2014**

I. CALL TO ORDER – 7:30 P.M.

II. FLAG SALUTE

III. SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

All requirements of the Open Public Business Meetings Law have been met for this special meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Haworth. On July 3, 2014 advance written notice was emailed to **The Suburbanite and The Record**, filed with the Borough Clerk, posted on the school website and forwarded to the Presidents of the Home and School Association and Teachers Association, and all persons requesting such notice.

IV. MISSION STATEMENT

The Haworth Public School District, a safe and nurturing small school environment, in partnership with our community, is dedicated to providing every student with educational excellence through a comprehensive, innovative and rigorous curriculum that fosters productive and responsible life-long learners in a global society. Adopted—May 28, 2013.

V. ROLL CALL:

- Mr. Jeff Ashkenase
- Mrs. Nicole Brennan
- Mrs. Michele DiIorgi
- Mr. Matthew Gilbert
- Mrs. Anna Reduce, Vice President
- Mr. Warren Sutnick, President

Ms. Jennifer Montesano, Superintendent/Board Secretary

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY – 7:31 PM

The Board is interested in hearing your comments. In order to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to speak, we are asking that you speak once and limit your comments to three minutes. We further ask that all comments be directed to the Board. We recognize that everyone has the freedom to speak but advise you that anything said in public may have legal ramifications. There is no protection regarding statements made by the public. Please state your name before you begin.

VII. CLOSE THE PUBLIC PORTION – 7:31 PM

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S/BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORTS

- a. Motion to appoint Mary Anne Doran to the Haworth Board of Education effective July 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

- Superintendent of Schools to Administer Oath of Office effective 7/10/14 through 12/31/14.

Mrs. Reduce Moved, and Mrs. Brennan Seconded.

Roll Call: 6/0

- Mr. Sutnick: Congratulations, Mrs. Doran. I am sure you will enjoy it. Pleased to have Ms. Montesano here – this is the first Board meeting I have been at – we are very pleased and excited to have you here.
- b. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the 2014-2015 District Goals (attachment).
- Mr. Hummell asked about definitions of SGO/SGP.
 - Ms. Brennan - #3 is beautifully worded because it puts attention on the courses – not just teachers.
- c. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the 2014-2015 Superintendent Goals (attachment).
- Mrs. Brennan Moved, and Mrs. Reduce Seconded.
- Roll Call: 7/0
- d. Motion to approve the 2014-2015 Mentoring Plan for Superintendent, Jennifer Montesano (attachment).
- Mrs. Reduce moved, and Mrs. Brennan seconded.
- Roll Call: 7/0

IV. PROGRAM AND PERSONNEL

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves Terry Leeshock as a substitute teacher for Summer School, at a rate of \$90 per day.
- b. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves Kristen Giambona as a substitute Administrative Assistant for Board of Education meetings, at a rate of \$75 per meeting.
- c. **Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves Nancy Polifroni as summer school nurse for 12 days of the Summer School 2014 session at a rate of \$2,500.00 per session.**
- d. **Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the “Go Math” series for use by kindergarten through 5th grade students during the 2014-2020 school years at a cost not to exceed \$39,000.00 total (attachment).**
- Mrs. Reduce Moved and Mrs. Brennan Seconded
- Roll Call: 7/0
- Mrs. Reduce – K-5 math program – the whole Valley is adopting this. Built from the ground up around the common core standards. A lot of hands-on activities, websites, lessons as videos, etc.

- Ms. Montesano – Texts and supplemental programs will be online so students can practice skills. Will also provide teachers with data on what areas they may have issues with regarding common core.
- Discussion ensued.
- Mrs. DiIorgi: Why not 6-8?
- Ms. Montesano: Money was earmarked already – it is a fairly large product – we will start with K-5 and then 6-8 later. There will be professional development around this.
- Mr. Ashkenase: Benefit of this program over the programs we were using is the online texts and hard copy were developed together as opposed to things being patch-worked together.
- Mr. Sutnick: We should do programs for the parents very early in the year.
- Ms. Montesano: We talked about doing Family Math Nights. They are actually a lot of fun. Parents get involved too.
- Mrs. DiIorgi: Will there be a master calendar for scheduling?
- Ms. Montesano: Yes, that is one of the pieces we would like to put on the website.
- Discussion ensued.

V. New Business:

- Matt Gilbert –finance now
- Michele DiIorgi – head of facilities.
- Maryanne Doran – program and personnel and NVRHS.
- August 5 Board of Education meeting at 6:30 PM

VI. Open to the Public on any item – 8:02 P.M.

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VII. ADJOURNMENT 8:02 P.M.

Mrs. DiIorgi Moved and Mr. Gilbert Seconded
Roll Call: 7/0

Warren Sutnick, President
Haworth Board of Education

Jennifer Montesano
Superintendent/Board Secretary