

**HAWORTH BOARD OF EDUCATION
HAWORTH, NEW JERSEY 07641
AGENDA
FEBRUARY 13, 2018**

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 meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Haworth. On January 9, 2018 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. Mary Anne Doran
Mrs. Judy Eig
Mrs. Karen Leddy
Mr. Michael Rodino
Mrs. Stacey Wunsch
Mr. Paul Wolford, Business Administrator
Mr. Bert Ammerman, Interim Superintendent
Mrs. Stacey Cherry, esq., Fogarty & Hara
Mrs. Kristi Giambona, Board Secretary

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY -

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 -

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT’S/BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORTS

- a. Kids with Character Award Presentation – criteria for the month of February is Cooperation. For February the following children have been awarded:

Kindergarten: Claire Natale, Theodore Giannotti and Nina Chang
Grade 1: Emily Lim and John Higgason
Grade 2: Victoria Barbarini, Chloe Guevarra and Max Davis
Grade 3: Nicholas Bevilacqua, Samantha Wertz and David Rodino
Grade 4: Antonio Scarpato, Helen Diggle and Maya Dearing
Grade 5: Nathan Rosenblit, Taddeo Wang and Christian Marchisio
Grade 6: Syrena Sayid and Taylor Miller
Grade 7: Paris Escobar and Kevin Lee
Grade 8: Adam Senzon and Grace Hamlin

- b. Presentations:

- K-5 Go Math Workshop – Mrs. Erin Burns & Mrs. Rebecca Hall
- See Saw Technology – Mrs. Nicole Chamberlain

IX. ROUTINE RESOLUTIONS

- a. Enrollment Report to Date – 416 total K-8 students
- b. Emergency & Crisis Situations Drill Record:
Fire Drill: January 2, 2018
Security Drill: January 23, 2018
- c. HIB Report for January 2018:
Reported Cases: 0
Number of Cases open: 0
Number of Cases closed: 0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Haworth Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) hereby affirms the Superintendent’s decision in the four separate HIB Investigation’s reported on January 9, 2018, and identified as 002-2017, 003-2017, 004-2017, 005-2017, each found not to be HIB violations for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent’s decision, and hereby directs the Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Board’s decision to the affected parties forthwith.

_____ Moved, _____ Seconded
Roll Call:

X. MINUTES

- a. Approval of meeting minutes from the January 7, 2018 Re-Organization Meeting.
- b. Approval of meeting minutes from the January 9, 2018 Public Business Meeting.
- c. Approval of the meeting minutes from the January 3, 2018 Executive Meeting session.
- d. Approval of the meeting minutes from the January 7, 2018 Executive Meeting session.
- e. Approval of the meeting minutes from the January 9, 2018 Executive Meeting session.

_____ Moved, _____ Seconded

Roll Call:

XI. PROGRAM AND PERSONNEL

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the following 3 credit graduate level course at The College of New Jersey for Arlene Domalewski; no reimbursement.
 - EDIN 566 Teaching Writing and Thinking Across the Curriculum
- b. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves home schooling for Student SID# 9059869027.
- c. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves Catherine Stokesbury to utilize 51 days of her accumulated sick days due to injury within the period of April 6, 2018 through June 26, 2018, with an anticipated return to work date of September 4, 2018.
- d. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves Paul Wolford and Derick Talty to attend the Pearson Regional Training for the PARCC Assessment at the Birchwood Manor in Whippany, NJ on March 1, 2018 at no cost for registration, plus travel expenses.
- e. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves Jose Cordero (Northern Valley Tech Services) to attend the Pearson Regional Training for the PARCC Assessment at the Birchwood Manor in Whippany, NJ on February 28, 2018 at no cost for registration, plus travel expenses.
- f. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the 2018-2019 district school calendar.
- g. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the Grade 8 walking trip to the Haworth Swim Club on June 15, 2018 for the annual Graduation Swim Club Party at no cost to students. Trip Coordinators: Alicia Kosakowski, Kerry-Ann Ross and Lauren Wolstein.

- h. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the Grade 1 field trip to the Tenafly Nature Center in Tenafly, NJ on April 18, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$16 per student, plus cost of bus. Trip coordinators: Nicole Chamberlain and Angelica Formica.
- i. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the Grades 7 & 8 Science Olympiad field trip to Middlesex Community College in Edison, NJ on March 13, 2018 (snow date: March 15, 2018) at no per student, plus cost of bus. Trip coordinators: Lauren Wolstein, Laura Bionde & Julianne Barclay.
- j. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves Eli Nowak to attend the Cultivating Wellness & Respect Online, In School and at Home workshop at Bergen Community College in Paramus, NJ on March 2, 2018. Registration cost of \$75.00, plus travel expenses.
- k. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education accepts, with regret, the retirement of Ronald Cuneo effective June 30, 2018. The district is very appreciative of Mr. Cuneo's dedicated service to his students and the Haworth Public School over the last 13 years.
- l. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation of Carrieann DeVito, Supervisor of Special Education effective March 19, 2018.
- m. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves Melanie DiSalvo as a substitute teacher for the 2017-2018 school year, not benefit eligible.
- n. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the staff chaperone list for the 7th grade Frost Valley overnight trip on June 6, 7 and 8, 2018, with a stipend of \$100 per night, per chaperone (2 nights each):
 - Adriana Bonasorte
 - Arlene Domalewski
 - Ashley Lignos
 - Suzanne Schmalder
 - John Smatla
- o. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the 2018-2019 12 month administration and support staff calendar.
- p. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the summer school program from July 9, 2018 through July 26, 2018 (4 days per week for 3 weeks total), from 9:00 a.m. to 12:10 p.m., for the 2018 session, at a stipend of \$2,500.00 per teacher.
- q. 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

2018 session at a rate of \$2,500.00.

_____ Moved, _____ Seconded
Roll Call:

XII. FINANCE

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the bills for the period of January 1, 2018 to January 31, 2018 which has previously been approved by the various committees and payment made through the Valley National Bank from funds in the appropriate accounts as follows:

Bills Description	Dated	Amount
Payroll – Operating	1/15/18	\$257619.69
State Share – FICA	1/15/18	\$14219.09
Board Share- FICA	1/15/18	\$4495.55
	TOTAL:	\$276,334.33

Bills Description	Dated	Amount
Payroll – Operating	1/30/18	\$251,929.57
State Share – FICA	1/30/18	\$14,210.96
Board Share – FICA	1/30/18	\$4,054.66
	TOTAL:	\$270,195.19

- b. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the Report of the Board Secretary, Report of the Treasurer, and the Report of Monthly Transfers for the months of August, September, October, and November 2017. (Attachment)
- c. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the Bills and Claims for the month of January 2018.
- d. Be it resolved that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator approves the following resolution:

Whereas, NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district’s participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2018-19, and

Whereas, the Haworth Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that participation in SEMI would not provide a cost benefit to the district based on the projection of the district’s available SEMI reimbursement for the 2018-19 budget year.

Now therefore, be it resolved, that the Haworth Board of Education hereby authorizes the Business Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Bergen an appropriate waiver of the requirements of NJAC 6A23A-5.3 for the 2018-19 school year.

_____ Moved, _____ Seconded
Roll Call:

XIII. FACILITY

- a. Approval of Affirmation of Declaration of Emergency – Haworth Public School:

WHEREAS, on or about January 1 through January 2, 2018, due to the inclement weather, the district experienced an emergency;

WHEREAS, Haworth Public School: On the evening of January 1, 2018: Boiler #3 shut down due to an ignition failure causing the pipes for the fire system in the library to freeze. On January 2, 2018 the boiler was reignited and the warming process caused sprinkler heads in the fire system to separate from the piping system. The breaks caused significant damage to one Kindergarten classroom, an ELL classroom, the Reading support classroom, library, one storage closet, the rear library stairwell, PD room, and the basement hallway;

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to immediately proceed with the repairs of the damages; WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 18A:18A-7 allows for the official in charge to declare an emergency and is then authorized to proceed to award a contract to satisfy the emergent need;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Business Administrator hereby declares an emergency at the Haworth Public School with the respect to the need for immediate action to address the health and safety of the occupants, and has notified the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for Bergen County, New Jersey of this emergency and actions taken; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the Business Administrator to negotiate and approve the award of a contract(s) for the repair and/or replacement of the damages to the lowest responsive quote or through a purchasing cooperative in which the district participates. NOTE: The claim has been filed with the district’s insurance company.

_____ Moved, _____ Seconded
Roll Call:

XIV. SUBMISSIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the certification and submission of the following NJDOE reports:
- School Safety Data System System (mid-year submission)
 - Paraprofessional Statement of Assurance (mid-year submission)

_____ Moved, _____ Seconded
Roll Call:

XV. POLICY

NO RESOLUTIONS

XVI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance
Facilities
Policy
Program/Personnel
BCSBA/NJSBA
Joint Boards
Public Relations
Haworth Home & School Association
Northern Valley Regional HS/
NV Educational Foundation
Legislative Chairperson
Senior Citizens Liaison
Town Council Liaison
Negotiations

XVII. Open to the Public on any item – _____ p.m.

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Close the Public portion: _____

XVIII. OLD BUSINESS

XIX. NEW BUSINESS

XX. CLOSED SESSION _____ p.m.

_____ Moved, _____ Seconded
Roll Call:

WHEREAS the following subject is not appropriate to be discussed in a public meeting and is within the exemptions which may be discussed and acted upon and,

WHEREAS only the following subject shall be discussed in private recess by the Board and the minutes made available to the public as soon as the reason for exemption no longer exists, it is therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED at the Public Meeting of the Borough of Haworth Board of Education on this day Tuesday, February 13, 2018 pursuant to Sections 7 & 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, the following subject shall be discussed in a session of the Board closed to the public: Please be advised that the Board will be going into executive session for approximately _____hour for the purpose of discussing personnel, HIB, negotiations or litigations. Action will be taken in public after the executive session.

XXI. MOTION TO RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION at _____ p.m.

_____ Moved, _____ Seconded
Roll Call:

XXII. MOTION TO ADJOURN.

_____ Moved, _____ Seconded
Roll Call:

ADJOURNMENT _____ p.m.

Nicole Brennan, President
Haworth Board of Education

Kristi Giambona
Board Secretary