

**HAWORTH BOARD OF EDUCATION
HAWORTH, NEW JERSEY 07641
MINUTES
January 2, 2019**

I. CALL TO ORDER – 7:40 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 October 13, 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
Dr. Peter Hughes, Superintendent
Mrs. Stacey Cherry, Esq., Fogarty & Hara
Mrs. Kristi Giambona, Board Secretary

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY - 7:40 p.m.

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VII. CLOSE THE PUBLIC PORTION - 7:40 p.m. NO PUBLIC COMMENT

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT’S/BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORTS

- Presentation on mental health and the proposal of a “wellness room” - Dr. Peter Hughes

IX. ROUTINE RESOLUTIONS

- a. Enrollment Report to Date – 406 total K-8 students.
- b. Emergency & Crisis Situations Drill Record:
 - Fire Drill: December 18, 2018
 - Security Drill: December 6, 2018
- c. HIB Report for December 2018:
 - Reported Cases: 1
 - Number of Cases open: 1
 - Number of Cases closed: 0

S. Wunsch Moved, J. Eig Seconded
Roll Call: 7/0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Haworth Board of Education approves Items IX.a. through IX.c.

ROLL CALL VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Ashkenase	✓			
Mrs. Brennan	✓			
Mrs. Doran	✓			
Mrs. Eig	✓			
Mrs. Leddy	✓			
Mr. Rodino	✓			
Mrs. Wunsch	✓			

X. MINUTES

- a. Approval of meeting minutes from the December 18, 2018 Public Business Meeting.
- b. Approval of the meeting minutes from the December 18, 2018 Executive Session.

J. Eig Moved, S. Wunsch Seconded
Roll Call: 5/0/2

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Haworth Board of Education approves Items X.a. and X.b.

ROLL CALL VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Ashkenase	✓			

Mrs. Brennan	✓			
Mrs. Doran	✓			
Mrs. Eig	✓			
Mrs Leddy				✓
Mr. Rodino				✓
Mrs. Wunsch	✓			

XI. CURRICULUM

NO RESOLUTIONS

XII. PERSONNEL

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves Alexis Yotka as a leave replacement (.6) Social Worker, 3 days per week, from approximately February 18, 2019 through May 28, 2019, at a pro-rated annual salary of \$32,634.00 (MA, Step 1), not benefit eligible.
- b. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the creation of a (.2) Character Education Coordinator for the remainder of the 2018-19 school year.
- c. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves Laurie Roncati to be the acting Library Liaison for the remainder of the 2018-19 school year, at a rate of \$30.00 per hour.

M. Doran Moved, J. Eig Seconded
 Roll Call: 7/0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Haworth Board of Education approves Items XII.a. through XII.c.

ROLL CALL VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Ashkenase	✓			
Mrs. Brennan	✓			
Mrs. Doran	✓			
Mrs. Eig	✓			
Mrs Leddy	✓			
Mr. Rodino	✓			
Mrs. Wunsch	✓			

XIII. FINANCE & FACILITIES

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the bills for the period of December 1, 2018 to December 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	12/15/18	\$280,516.44
State Share – FICA	12/15/18	\$14,873.30
Board Share- FICA	12/15/18	\$5,404.83
	TOTAL:	\$300,794.57

Bills Description	Dated	Amount
Payroll – Operating	12/21/18	\$247,568.26
State Share – FICA	12/21/18	\$14,148.07
Board Share – FICA	12/21/18	\$3,432.06
	TOTAL:	\$265,148.39

J. Ashkenase Moved, J. Eig Seconded
 Roll Call: 7/0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Haworth Board of Education approves Items XIII.a.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mr. Ashkenase	✓			
Mrs. Brennan	✓			
Mrs. Doran	✓			
Mrs. Eig	✓			
Mrs. Leddy	✓			
Mr. Rodino	✓			
Mrs. Wunsch	✓			

XIV. NEGOTIATIONS

NO RESOLUTIONS

XV. POLICY

NO RESOLUTIONS

XVI. SUBMISSIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

NO RESOLUTIONS

XVII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

XVIII. Open to the Public on any item – 8:16 p.m.

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N. Brennan: Sent congratulations to the new Mayor, Mr. Ference, on behalf of the Board of Education.

Meredith Griffin: Questioned how far along the Demographic study is?

Mr. Wolford: Replied that he has reached out to a few companies for information and pricing.

S. Wunsch: Commented on the district calendar for upcoming year. Would like to line up the teacher start date to be the same as the high school.

J. Eig: Suggested changing the half day parent/teacher conference days to not be during the week of teacher convention.

Close the Public portion: 8:22 p.m.

XIX. OLD BUSINESS

XX. NEW BUSINESS

XXI. MOTION TO ADJOURN.

M. Doran Moved, K. Leddy Seconded
All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT 8:22 p.m.

Nicole Brennan, President
Haworth Board of Education

Kristi Giambona
Board Secretary