

**NORTHERN HIGHLANDS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Regular Meeting**

**November 18, 2024**

**AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** The Board President will call the meeting to order.

**2. FLAG SALUTE and PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT:**

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies, at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Secretary has transmitted notice of this meeting by having the date, time and place published in The Record and The Ridgewood News on January 12, 2024, sent to the Boroughs of Allendale and Upper Saddle River and posted in the Board of Education Office at Northern Highlands Regional High School. Our agenda allows two opportunities for public comments; at the beginning of the meeting for agenda items only and at the conclusion of our meeting for general comments. We ask members of the public to state their name and address and limit their comments to a five-minute time period.

**3. ROLL CALL**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Mrs. Christine Ferrarie		
Mrs. Lisa Halperin		
Mrs. Jennifer Lenkowsky		
Mrs. Maggie Liljegren		
Ms. Jennifer Mario		
Mrs. Lynn McCarthy		
Mrs. Rachel Milston		
Mr. James Mulvey		
Dr. Andrew Prince		
Mrs. Suzanne Warzala		
Mrs. Evelyn Nissirios (Saddle River Liaison)		
Dr. Scot Beckerman, Superintendent		
Ms. Sue Anne Mather, Business Admin/Board Secretary		
Autumn Chiu, Student Representative		
Jack O'Connor, Student Representative		

**4. SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

**5. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

**6. COMMITTEE & LIAISON REPORTS**

**7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**8. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS****9. ACTION ITEMS FOR Business Agenda for November 18, 2024, BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING:**

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves/accepts the following business item(s) **B-1** through **B-6** in accordance with NJSA 18A and NJAC Title 6, et. sec., including NJAC 6A:23-2.11 reporting no over-expenditure of funds and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Business Administrator:

- B-1.** Approval of current bills list (check register) from November 4, 2024 through November 15, 2024, per attachment.
- B-2.** Approval of Minutes for the November 4, 2024, Board of Education meeting, per attachment.
- B-3.** Approval of the Board Secretary, Treasurer and Transfer Reports for the period ending October, 2024.
- B-4.** Approval of the following staff travel (accommodations note room rate only; occupancy taxes & fees associated therein and other costs on trips presently unknown, meals for overnight trips and mileage, tolls, parking will be reimbursed in accordance with policy and law).

Name	Workshop/Conference	Date(s)	Detail	Cost
Darrel Norrell	“QUAD ELA: Vocabulary Committee,” QUAD Curriculum, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ	11/19/24	Sub Cost	\$150
Jenn Lederman	“NJ Open Library Tour Fall 2024,” sponsored by NJASL, Rutgers and NJLA, Montvale, NJ	11/20/24	Sub Cost	\$150
Sara Magretto	“NJ Open Library Tour Fall 2024,” sponsored by NJASL, Rutgers and NJLA, Montvale, NJ	11/20/24	Sub Cost	\$150
Erkan Gumustekin	“Ethics and the BA,” sponsored by NJASBO, Whippany, NJ	12/10/24	Registration	\$145
Jenn Lederman	“AI in Education Summit,” sponsored by Eduscape, NJIT and NJDOE, West Windsor, NJ	12/11/24	Registration Mileage Sub Cost	\$149 \$36.19 \$150
Sara Magretto	“AI in Education Summit,” sponsored by Eduscape, NJIT and NJDOE, West Windsor, NJ	12/11/24	Registration Mileage Sub Cost	\$149 \$6.72 \$150
Kyle Wengerter	“Indigenous History & American History Textbook Project,” sponsored by Ramapo College	12/11/24	Sub Cost	\$150
Kimberly Hayes	“NJCECA Working Meeting,” sponsored by NJCECA, Bloomfield, NJ	1/16/25	Mileage	\$18.75
Enza Sardella	“FLENJ Annual Conference 2025,” sponsored by the Foreign Language Educators of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ	3/19/25	Registration Mileage Tolls Sub Cost	\$140 \$51.51 \$11 \$150

**B-5.** Approve the following facilities use requests for the 2024-2025 school year as indicated below:

Organization Name	Activity/Location(s)	Date(s)	Time(s)
Bergen County Coaches Association	Bergen County Baseball Tournament; Varsity Baseball Field	5/10/25-5/11/25	10 AM – 5 PM

**B-6.** Approval of the following student placements/services for the 2024-2025 school year, per attachment(s).

Item	Student ID	Provider	Type	Duration	Cost
a.	25133	Fusion Academy, Englewood, NJ	Tuition	11/18/24-6/30/25	\$39,790

Roll Call:

**10. ACTION ITEMS FOR the Education Agenda for November 18, 2024 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING:**

\_\_\_\_\_ moved and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approve/accept the following Education items, **E-1** through **E-10**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, effective immediately following the completion of required certification and documentation:

- E-1.** Accept and affirm the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Investigation report, per attachment.
- E-2.** Accept and affirm the Monthly Student Suspension report, per attachment.
- E-3.** Accept and affirm the Title I Performance Report, for the 2023-2024 school year, to be submitted and certified no later than December 20, 2024, as per NJDOE guidelines.
- E-4.** Accept and affirm the Evaluation Information System Report, for the 2023-2024 school year, which was submitted and certified on November 15, 2024, as per NJDOE guidelines.
- E-5.** Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with The University of Delaware, to participate in the Horn Entrepreneurship (“UD Horn”) Experience Lab, for a collaborative arrangement to offer dual credit, for the academic year 2025-2026, per attachment.
- E-6.** Approve LAURA AZEVEDO, Teacher of Spanish, for a change in FTE from full time to .8 with a salary adjustment from \$85,036 (full-time) to \$68,029 prorated (.8), (MA, Step 14), for the 2024-2025 school year, effective January 2, 2025 to June 30, 2025.
- E-7.** Approve one additional assignment for Teacher of Spanish, with the following faculty member: MARILUZ RUIZ-NORENA at a rate of \$68.18 per day, for the 2024-2025 school year, effective January 2, 2025 to end of day June 23, 2025.

- E-8.** Approve the following field trips for the 2024-2025 school year.
1. Student Council: Tomorrows Children’s Fund
    - Delivery of gift donations to Hackensack, NJ: 12/2/24
  2. Debate Team: Competition
    - Pascack Valley High School, Hillsdale, NJ: 12/5/24
    - Indian Hills High School, Oakland, NJ: 1/7/25
    - NHRHS Media Center: 1/30/25
    - Ramsey High School, Ramsey, NJ: 2/11/25
    - NHRHS Media Center: 2/25/25
  3. TEEEM: Leadership Symposium
    - French American Academy, Jersey City, NJ 12/17/24
  4. Highlands Heroes: Outreach Program
    - Brookside Middle School, Allendale, NJ: 12/19/24
  5. French Classes: French culture and history
    - Accommodations/Activities on travel itinerary, France: 4/10/25- 4/19/25 (Overnight trip)

- E-9.** Approve the following list of advisors/chaperones/school nurse, as listed below.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>DATE(S)</b>	<b>AMOUNT TO BE PAID</b>
TOM WITKOWSKI	Student Council	12/2/24	No substitute cost
VICTORIA ADE	Debate Team	12/5/24, 1/7/25, 1/30/25, 2/11/25, 2/25/25	Substitute cost for 1 day
ALEXANDRA NICOLAOU	Debate Team	12/5/24, 1/7/25, 1/30/25, 2/11/25, 2/25/25	Substitute cost for 1 day
SIDONIE KING	TEEEM	12/17/24	Substitute cost
AMY PIERRET	TEEEM	12/17/24	No substitute cost
MICHELE ZUNGOLI	TEEEM	12/17/24	No substitute cost
KIMBERLY HAYES	TEEEM	12/17/24	No substitute cost
JENNIFER FERENTZ	Highlands Heroes	12/19/24	No substitute cost
ROBIN BURTON	Highlands Heroes	12/19/24	No substitute cost
ALLISON ROCCA	Highlands Heroes	12/19/24	No substitute cost
SIDONIE KING	French Classes	4/10/25- 4/19/25	Substitute cost for 1 day Chaperone cost not to exceed \$2,500 each M&IE not to exceed \$834 each
JEAN RICE	French Classes	4/10/25- 4/19/25	Substitute cost for 1day Chaperone cost not to exceed \$2,500 each M&IE not to exceed \$834 each
REYA CORTEZ	French Classes	4/10/25- 4/19/25	Substitute cost for 1 day Chaperone cost not to exceed \$2,500 each M&IE not to exceed \$834 each

CHRISTINE WEGERT	French Classes	4/10/25- 4/19/25	No substitute cost Chaperone cost not to exceed \$2,500 each M&IE not to exceed \$834 each
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**E-10.** Approve AUSTIN SIDITO as participating William Paterson University Clinical Practice Intern placement for Music, for the 2024-2025 school year, per attachment.

Roll Call:

- 11. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT**
- 12. OLD BUSINESS**
- 13. NEW BUSINESS**
- 14. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**
- 15. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Northern Highlands Regional High School Board of Education shall go into executive session to discuss the following matters:

- **No Executive Session Scheduled**

The minutes of this executive session will be released when the need for confidentiality no longer exists. There are some topics (such as student matters) for which the need for confidentiality may never cease to exist.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded that the Board move into executive session.

TIME: All in Favor: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded that the Board moves into public session.

TIME: All in Favor: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

TIME: All in Favor: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_