MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Pascack Valley Regional High School District

Monday, November 18, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. In the Pascack Valley High School Media Center

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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.

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I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

CALL TO OKDER AND ROLL CALLThe meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mrs. Varghese, PresidentPresent:Mrs. Gini Varghese, PresidentMs. Debra Stephans, Vice PresidentMs. Elizabeth CalderoneMrs. Stephanie HuangMs. Katie KellerMrs. Kristin MartinMr. James StankusMr. Michael WeaverDr. Sarah Bilotti, SuperintendentMr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board SecretaryStudent Representatives : Andrew Varian- PHHS, Ella Gokhale- PVHS

Absent: Mr. Pat Luisi

II. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Varghese led all those present in a salute to the flag.

III. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by mailing copies of said notice to The Record, filing copies of said notice with the municipal clerks of Hillsdale, Montvale, River Vale, and Woodcliff Lake, and publishing said notice in The Record on August 26, 2024.

IV. ROUTINE MATTERS

Monthly Reports

Superintendent's Report - Sarah Bilotti

I am thrilled to announce that our district has satisfied at least 80% of the weighted indicators in each of the five areas and has been designated as "high performing."

We received a congratulations from the county office and are awaiting formal certification from the Commissioner. This includes one of the highest Curriculum scores state-wide and only one lost point elsewhere. This score affirms the great work that we see from our teachers and admin teams.

That lost point is over attendance at our school safety meetings, we split our school safety meetings into SCIP, Climate, and Safety and also split the attendance, moving forward we will ensure we have all members attend all three meetings. I like that the background of this lost point is that we went above the requirements by also holding school level climate team meetings and multiple school level safety meetings in addition to the required 2 Safety Team meetings per year.

NJSBA Future Skills Panel

AI - Expansion

AI Kiker Learning for our staff; Organized NJASA 1-day seminar with over 100 attendees highlighting Noemi Rodriguez; last year highlighted Dr. Bachenheimer and Mr. Orlak, additionally Argine Safari has also worked with MLL supports and AI, we have created a really robust cadre of experts on AI.

Doreen can discuss the AI "Wedding" at workshop and subsequent visit to Weehawken re MTSS

PLC - 2024

We have had some questions about SEL/Mindfulness and whether encouraging Social Emotional Learning could negatively impact our students or teachers by creating unnaturally personal conversations, I wanted to share this activity from one of our first PLC sessions on staff mindfulness, it's a quick grounding exercise that can help reduce anxiety and clear your mind, we had a speaker address the group and give some tips on how to set priorities and goals and how to be more productive, the activity is easy, I'm going to walk everyone through it right now –

Rededication of Bart Dipaola Field

-OSAC Score (attached)

I was honored to meet Mrs. DiPaola and their children as Hills celebrated the rededication of the Bart DiPaola field. I learned that early in Hills history, Bart was instrumental in ensuring that Hills had robust athletic programs, as principal he encouraged athletics, coached teams, advocated for funding, and built the first real field for the school. Staff who worked with Mr. DiPaola shared their experiences working with him and talked about how he was so student-driven and student-focused.

-Update	
Governance Committee Meeting:	Gini Varghese (attached)
Facilities Committee Meeting:	Pat Luisi
NJSBA Workshop:	Stephanie Huang (attached)
PFA Liaison Report	Stephanie Huang (attached)
Curriculum Committee Meeting:	James Stankus (<u>attached</u>)
Student Reports:	Andrew Varian– Pascack Hills High School (attached)
	Ella Gokhale– Pascack Valley High School (attached)

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:

October 28, 2024	Regular Meeting	7:44 p.m.
October 28, 2024	Executive Meeting	8:03 p.m.

Moved by:	Stephans	•			Seconded by:	Calde	erone	•	
				<u> </u>	VOTE				-
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Calderone	Х				Stankus	Х			
Huang	х				Stephans	Х			
Keller	х				Weaver	х		x	
Luisi				х	Varghese	Х			
Martin	Х								

Mr. Weaver abstained to the Executive Meeting Minutes.

VI. **PRESENTATION**

SCOIR - college and career network Keegan Woyurka (attached)

Mrs. Huang asked if there is historical information since this is the first year of SCOIR. Ms. Woyurka commented that any historical data that was shared by Naviance will give students access to that information. Students will be able to access scattergrams with historical data and see if the college is a reach or not.

Mrs. Huang asked if SCOIR is only for colleges.

Ms. Woyurka indicated that they do link to trade schools. They are working with trade schools to obtain more data. She mentioned that there are other resources available for those not pursuing a 4-year college.

Mrs. Varghese asked if GPA is linked to SCOIR since this is very important with test optional schools.

Ms. Woyurka said that the two high schools are updating that information and is linked to SCOIR.

Dr. Bilotti believed that Genesis and SCOIR are integrated, which was confirmed by Ms. Woyurka.

Ms. Stephans asked if standardized test scores are included.

Ms. Woyurka said it's not automatically linked and the guidance department would need to input. Ms. Stephans asked if a standardized test score can be removed by a counselor.

Ms. Woyurka indicated that counselors can override information.

Mrs. Huang said that once the student and counselor agree on which college(s) to send information, they decide together what should be sent.

Andrew Varian asked how accurate the data is when the program indicates a reach or target. He has seen conflicting results.

Ms. Woyurka indicated that this is their newest feature which was piloted by 100 schools. They are working on refining based on feedback from the schools. She said based on what colleges have indicated that this feature is fairly accurate.

Dr. Struncis via text indicated that this is used as a guide since there are other factors that are considered by college admissions.

Mrs. Varghese asked if the schools weighting of particular classes are reflected.

Ms. Woyurka mentioned that both schools have access to the school report template. This gives the ability to label courses as AP, Honors, etc.

Dr. Struncis confirmed GPAs from Genesis goes to SCOIR in real time.

Mr. Stankus asked if there is an indicator whether a school is for profit, private or public.

Ms. Woyurka commented that this is in the college profile. She said when students apply or matriculate that information is collected to provide more information for counselors and students. Mr. Stankus asked if data is being pulled from the college scorecard from the government statistics. He asked if the expected income after graduation is available.

Ms. Woyurka confirmed the data collection. She indicated that they have that information, but it's not visible to students at this time.

Technology and Canvas Update Tracy Leigh, Maria Hinrichsen, Scott Jones (<u>attached</u>) Ms. Leigh commented that Maria Hinrichsen and Kevin Killian piloted this program. Grades are recorded in Canvas and integrated into Genesis. She indicated that it has worked nicely. It saves time and eliminates errors transferring grades into Genesis.

Mrs. Martin indicated that Genesis is closed at 3:00 and she wanted to know if Canvas is closed as well.

Ms. Leigh said that it is not.

Mr. Jones mentioned that Genesis is the official gradebook and Canvas is not. Canvas is always open since there is activity throughout the day/night.

Mr. Jones commented that the "Observer" is linked to the student until the student leaves. The Observer is a 'Read-only". He mentioned that there is a dropdown feature if a parent has multiple students.

VII. 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.

Ettie Eggers of Montvale and Jesse Merker of River Vale who are students at Pascack Hills and Pascack Valley, respectively. They are company managers for Pascack Theater. They formally invited the Board to the upcoming play. They indicated that the Board would receive an email on how to get free tickets.

Dr. Bilotti asked them to share how the show was created since it's unique.

Ettie indicated that the show is "When This Is Over" and all members of the cast shared their stories with the director and was written into a script. A collection of stories about their lives and where they want to go in the future. When this is over refers to after high school, college and the pandemic.

Dr. Bilotti commented that this is the first year of joint production.

Ettie indicated that there are almost 100 cast and crew. She said it's been fun working with the sister school.

Jesse commented that it's been great to incorporate traditions from each of the schools and how it's been a 50/50 split from the company management perspective.

Dr. Bilotti said she is attending the matinee for the senior citizens and welcomed board members and the public to join her.

Ettie mentioned that the performances are on November 21, 22 and 23 at 7 pm with an additional Saturday matinee at 2 pm.

VIII. RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE ZACH LATTERI FOUNDATION, NATIVE GARDENS LANDSCAPE SERVICES, AND CLEATUS FARMS NURSERY

WHEREAS, Pascack Valley High School has recently completed a front sign beautification project, which included the construction of a decorative wall showcasing the school's original 1955 cornerstone; and

WHEREAS, this project has greatly enhanced the school's appearance and has been made possible through the generous contributions of The Zach Latteri Foundation, for generously donating the labor costs for the project; Native Gardens Landscape Services, for providing their expert services at a discounted rate; and Cleatus Farms Nursery, for their kind donation of beautiful shrubbery;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education expresses its sincere gratitude and appreciation to The Zach Latteri Foundation, Native Gardens Landscape Services, and Cleatus Farms Nursery for their generosity and support in making this beautification project a reality. Their contributions have significantly improved the aesthetics of Pascack Valley High School and created a welcoming environment for students, staff, and visitors.

IX. POLICY

Consent Agenda for Items 1-4

1. NJSIAA Membership Certification 2024-2025 School Year

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve membership in the NJSIAA for Pascack Hills High School and Pascack Valley High School for the 2024-2025 school year and agree to be governed by the constitution, bylaws, and rules and regulations of the NJSIAA, including all rules governing student-athlete eligibility.

2. Affirmative Statement for Membership in the Pascack Valley Council for Special Education for the 2025-2026 School Year (attached)

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, affirms its membership in the Pascack Valley Council for Special Education for the 2025-2026 school year and commits its full support and financial participation in the Council.

3. Harassment, Intimidation or 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 or Bullying incident:

- a. HIB # 271942 (attached)
- b. HIB # 270629 (attached)

4. Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying Reports

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education approve action taken pursuant to HIB Reports:

- a. HIB incident # 268886 (attached)
- b. HIB incident # 269330 (attached)
- c. HIB incident # 269718 (attached)
- d. HIB incident # 269830 (attached)

Moved by:	Stankus	•	Seconded by:		Kelle	Keller •			
				v	VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Calderone	Х				Stankus	х			
Huang	х				Stephans	х			
Keller	х				Weaver	х		x	
Luisi				Х	Varghese	Х			
Martin	x								

Mr. Weaver abstained to Items 3 and 4.

X. EDUCATION

Consent Agenda for Item 1

1. Hospital Tutoring

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve hospital tutoring by LearnWell for student ID# 813019, per student's IEP, October 16 - November 30, 2024. The tutoring service is \$62 per hour for 10 hours per week.

Moved by:	Stephans	•			Seconded by:	Stank	tus 🔹		
				<u> </u>	VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Calderone	Х				Stankus	Х			
Huang	х				Stephans	Х			
Keller	х				Weaver	х			
Luisi				Х	Varghese	х			
Martin	Х								

XI. 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 1-19

- 1. Resignation
 - a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept, with regret, the resignation (attached) of Karoline Scheck, Library Assistant for Pascack Hills High School, for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2024.

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept, with regret, the resignation of Lydia Mekjian, ABA Instructional Assistant for Region II, effective September 24, 2024

2. New Hire

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

Name	Position	Account	Salary	Effective Date
Laura Brucella	Part-time Region II Speech Language Pathologist	72-200-219-104 -78-000	\$100 per hour without benefits \$475 bilingual evaluation rate \$450 evaluation rate	On or about 22, 2024
Marsha Del Donna	Part-time Region II ABA Teacher Resource Specialist	72-200-210-106 -74-000	\$55 per hour without benefits	On or about November 30, 2024

3. Leave of Absence - Modified

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following modifications to the Federal/NJ family leave request:

Employee ID#	Position	Request
2468	PVHS Guidance Counselor	Erom: Total Leave Period: January 2, 2025 - May 7, 2025 Using 30 sick days <u>FMLA:</u> February 13, 2025 - May 7, 2025 <u>Leave of Absence:</u> None To: Total Leave Period: October 30, 2024 - March 26, 2025 Using 33 sick days <u>FMLA:</u> January 2, 2025 - March 26, 2025 <u>Leave of Absence:</u> None

4. Leave Replacement

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following individuals as leave replacement:

Name	Position	Account Number	Salary	Effective Date
Brenda Lyons (for employee ID# 2468)	Leave Replacement PVHS School Counselor	11-000-218-104 -06-000	\$368.82 per diem, MA step 5, without benefits	On or about November 19, 2024 - TBD

5. Leave Replacement - Adjustment

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following adjustment to the October 28, 2024, board-approved leave replacement assignment. Jennifer Donovan will cover employee ID # 2789, PVHS Main Office General Secretary, instead of the previously stated employee ID# 1604.

6. Job Description

- a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the revised job description for Paraprofessional (attached).
- b. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the revised job description for Director of Technology (attached).
- c. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the revised job description for Bus Driver (attached).

7. Rescind Additional Period

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, rescind the following October 28, 2024 board approved additional sixth period assignment for the 2024-2025 school year:

Name	Subject	Additional Period	Amount
Kim Caminiti	Algebra II	October 28, 2024- June 17, 2025 (2 days, 11 weeks, and S2)	\$8,655

8. Additional Period

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following additional period for the 2024-2025 school year:

Name	Subject	Additional Period	Amount
Mark Russo	Algebra II	November 11, 2024 - January 24, 2025	\$2,605

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	(2 days, 9 weeks)	

9. Home Instruction - Revision

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the revision to previously board approved home instruction for students ID# 813328. Home instruction is not to exceed 10 hours per week.

Instructor	Subject	Frequency	Dates
Alexandra Pfleging	English 2	Approx. 2 hours per week	10/16/24-on or before 12/13/24
Deborah Horn	US History 1	Approx. 2 hours per week	10/16/24-on or before 12/13/24
James Soltmann	Chemistry	Approx. 2 hours per week	10/16/24-on or before 12/13/24
Kimberly Caminiti	Algebra 2 w Trig.	Approx. 2 hours per week	10/16/24-on or before 12/13/24
Axelle Sandt	French	Approx. 2 hours per week	10/16/24-on or before 12/13/24
Lorrie Sandhage	PE/Drivers Education	Approx. 1 hour per week	10/28/24-on or before 12/13/24

10. Co-Curricular - Resignation

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept the following co-curricular resignation:

Name	Activity	Position
Dana Corasanti	Italian Honor Society	Advisor

11. Athletic Appointment - Correction

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following corrections to the previously board approved athletic appointments for the 2024-2025 school year:

Name	Team	Position	Stipend/Step
Judy Lucia	PVHS Bowling	Co-Head Coach	From: \$3,883 (equal split head and assistant) To: \$6,948/Step 3 (equal split head and assistant)
Matt Will	PVHS Bowling	Co-Head Coach	From: \$3,883 (equal split head and assistant)

	To: \$6,948/Step 3 (equal split head and assistant)

12. Athletic Appointment

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following athletic appointments for the 2024-2025 school year:

Name	Team	Position	Stipend/Step
Paul Henry	NA	PHHS Fall Season Site Manager	\$6,791/Step 2
Allison Mende	PHHS Softball	Head Coach	\$9,742/Step 3

13. Volunteer

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

Name	School	Activity
Michael Finamore	District	Ice Hockey

14. Testing Support

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following staff members to provide support for the SAT test on November 2, 2024 at PHHS:

Name	Name Assignment Payment	
Steve Casamento	Testing Help	\$200
Scott Jones	Technician	\$500*

*\$150 will be paid directly from the College Board. The remaining \$350 will be paid by the district.

15. Chaperone - Date Change

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve date adjustment from previously board approved chaperone for after school choir and band auditions and rehearsals. The chaperone will be paid \$80 for two hours and additional time will be prorated.

Name	Event	School	Date	Timeframe
Margarita Elkin	Bergen County Choir Auditions	PHHS	From: September 29, 2024 To: October 29, 2024	3:30pm-9:30pm

16. Chaperone

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following staff member to chaperone the PVHS Chorus Concert at the rate of \$83 per event.

Date	Name
December 18, 2024	Craig Yaremko

17. Substitute

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following substitutes for the district for the 2024-2025 school year:

Name	Position	Туре
Alex Menendez	Classroom Substitute Teacher	new
Shane Flanagan	Classroom Substitute Teacher	new

18. ABA Parent Training - Region II

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Cynthia Cook as a Board Certified Behavior Analyst for Region II at the hourly rate of \$100 for the 2024-2025 school year for ABA Parent Training Services.

19. Additional Period - Temporary Coverage

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the additional period assignment for the following teacher while employee ID# 0535 is on leave: Name Subject School Additional Period Amount Stephanie DiGiacopo AP 2D Art & Design Honors Advanced Photography (7) PVHS 11/18/2024 - TBD \$65 per day

Moved by:	Stankus	•			Seconded by:	Calde	erone		
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Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Calderone	Х				Stankus	Х			
Huang	Х				Stephans	Х			
Keller	Х				Weaver	Х			
Luisi				х	Varghese	Х			
Martin	х								

XII. FINANCE

Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 13

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 November 18, 2024	\$2,551,159.44
Payroll as of October 31, 2024	\$2,284,512.00
Payroll as of November 15, 2024	\$1,801,870.92
Total	\$6,637,542.36

2. Secretary's and Treasurer's Financial Reports

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, accept the Secretary's and Treasurer's unaudited 2024-25 financial reports, which are in agreement reflecting the district's financial activities for the period September 2024.

3. Ratification of Board Secretary's Monthly Certification – Budgetary Line Item Status RESOLVED pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(c)3, the Board Secretary certifies that as of September 2024, no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

BE IT RESOLVED pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2-11(c)4 that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education certifies that as of September 2024 after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial report, in the minutes of the Board each month that no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(b).4.

4. Approval of the Following Reports

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

a. Cafeteria Account	September 2024
b. e-Learning Account	September 2024
c. Capital Project Account	September 2024
d. Student Government Account – PH	September 2024
e. Student Government_Account – PV	September 2024
f. Athletic Account – PH	September 2024
g. Athletic Account – PV	September 2024

5. Transfers

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve transfers for the month of September 2024.

6. Travel Pre-Authorizations

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the pre-authorization travel expenses for professional development or school trips (attached):

Name	Professional Development or School Trip
Jordan Kapp	Ithaca University, Cornell University, SUNY Binghamton Campus Tours
Dilma Panarello Siempira	2025 Northeast Conference
Steven Papa	National Director of Athletics Convention

7. IDEA FY 2024-2025 Amendment

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the submission of the IDEA, Part B grant amendment for 2024-2025 to include 2023-2024 carryover funds of \$43,932 to be set aside for non-public schools.

8. Approve Use of ESEA Title II, Part A and Title IV Grant for ESEA Administration Stipend

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve Luanne McGlone, Executive Assistant to the Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment for a stipend of \$1,191 that will be used for ESEA grant administration responsibilities as follows:

Title	Public	Nonpublic	Total
Title II-A	\$859	\$228	\$1,087
Title IV	0	\$104	\$104
Total	\$859	\$332	\$1,191

9. Apply for Artificial Intelligence Innovation in Education - Competitive Grant RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, apply for the Artificial Intelligence Innovation in Education-Competitive Grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Education for \$75,000 to "support the development of innovative AI literacy curricula and applied learning experiences to build student understanding and hands-on skills with generative AI in K-12". The grant period if received would start February 1, 2025, and end on January 31, 2026.

10. Donation

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

Date	Donor	Amount	Club or Group
11/12/24	Mr. & Mrs. Calderone	Step & Repeat Banner value \$175	PH Boys Soccer
11/12/24	Mr. & Mrs. Calderone	Step & Repeat Stand value \$65.33	PH Boys Soccer

11. Disposal of Obsolete Equipment

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 items.

Item	Number
Vending Machine at PV	SL2D04288044

12. Parent Transportation Contract

RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve transportation contract to the parent of student CL for transportation to ECLC for ESY and the 2024-25 school year at a route cost of .67/mile, not to exceed \$2,000

13. Special Education Transportation - Region II - Parent Contracts

RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation contract to The Parent for route #IKS2425 for the 2024-25 school year.

Route #	Route	Per Diem	Annual Cost
IKS2425	George Washington, Hackensack	75.00	10,800.00

RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation contract to The Parent for route #DD2425 for the 2024-25 school year.

Route #	Route	Per Diem	Annual Cost
DD2425	Reed Academy	85.00	12,920.00

Moved by:	Keller •				Seconded by:	Calde	erone	-	
				<u> </u>	VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Calderone	х		х		Stankus	Х			
Huang	х				Stephans	х			
Keller	х				Weaver	х			
Luisi				х	Varghese	х			
Martin	Х								

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

Monthly Suspension Report (attached) None

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Huang said she contacted Dr. Natash Crandall who has a PhD in Education about speaking on social emotional learning. She said perhaps the Board would be interested in bringing her in to educate the Board. She will send the contact information to Dr. Bilotti.

XV. 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. None

XVI. 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:
 - a. HIB # 271942 (attached)
 - b. HIB # 270629 (attached)
 - c. Contract/Grievance (Side Bar)

If needed, the subject of executive session will be stated in the verbal motion 3. Official action may be taken when the board reconvenes to Public Session

Mr. Weaver left at 9:37 since he is an administrator in another district and is conflicted.

A motion was made by Mr. Stankus to enter into an executive session at 9:37 p.m. Ms. Calderone seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

Moved by:	Stankus	•			Seconded by:	Calde	Calderone •		
				<u> </u>	VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Calderone	Х				Stankus	Х			
Huang	Х				Stephans	х			
Keller	Х				Weaver				x
Luisi				х	Varghese	х			
Martin	Х								

A motion was made by Ms. Calderone to reconvene into the public meeting at 9:52 p.m. Ms. Keller seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

Moved by:	Calderone -				Seconded by:	Keller •			
					/OTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Calderone	Х				Stankus	Х			
Huang	Х				Stephans	Х			
Keller	Х				Weaver				x
Luisi				х	Varghese	х			
Martin	х								

XVII. SIDE BAR WITH PVRAA

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the side bar agreement between the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education and the Pascack Valley Regional Administrators Association (attached).

Moved by:	Stephans	-			Seconded by:	Kelle	r•		
				<u> </u>	VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Calderone	Х				Stankus	Х			
Huang	Х				Stephans	Х			
Keller	Х				Weaver	٢			x
Luisi				Х	Varghese	х			
Martin	Х								

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Stephans to adjourn the public meeting at 9:56 p.m. Ms. Keller seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

Moved by:	Stephans	•			Seconded by:	Kelle	r•		
				<u> </u>	VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Calderone	Х				Stankus	х			
Huang	х				Stephans	х			
Keller	х				Weaver				x
Luisi				Х	Varghese	X			
Martin	х								

Respectfully,

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Yas Usami Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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