MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Pascack Valley Regional High School District

Wednesday, April 2, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. In the Pascack Valley High School Media Center

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education members, district administration, and staff will treat parents/guardians and other members of the public with respect and expect the same consideration in return. The district is committed to maintaining orderly processes for keeping school and district events free from disruption. The Board reserves the right to establish rules for the conduct of its meetings, including such matters as the time at which the public will be heard, if at all, who may speak, and for how long. All such rules shall be monitored by the President unless the majority of the Board present and voting, rule otherwise.

During this special meeting, two opportunities are provided for citizens to make comments. In order for a citizen to make a comment, they must be physically present at the meeting. During the first opportunity, early on the agenda, comments regarding agenda items are invited. The second opportunity will occur just prior to adjournment, when residents may address general comments to the Board.

Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise and state their name and town of residence. Comments shall be limited to issues. If personal remarks or discourteous statements are made, the presiding officer shall require the speaker to sit down.

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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.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mrs. Varghese, President

Present: Mrs. Gini Varghese, President

Ms. Elizabeth Calderone

Ms. Gia Guzman Mrs. Stephanie Huang Ms. Katie Keller Mr. James Stankus

Dr. Sarah Bilotti, Superintendent

Mr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Absent: Ms. Debra Stephans, Vice President

Mrs. Kristin Martin Mr. Michael Weaver

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 and on the Pascack Valley District website.

IV. 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.

Tim Wieland, Principal of Pascack Hills, commented that the adults made an error by not having the overnight trip approved at the prior board meeting. On behalf of the students and parents of the team, he gave his sincerest gratitude to the Board for taking the time to approve this at this special meeting.

Jack Teadore, head coach of the Robotics Team, thanked the Board as well for taking the time to come out. He said it would have been extremely difficult to drive back and forth for the three days for such a high level competition.

The Board wished them well in the competition.

V. EDUCATION

Consent Agenda for Item 1

1. Overnight Trip

RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the Robotics team members and chaperones James Whitfield, Kevin Killian, and Jack Teadore to compete at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania (attached), from April 3-5, 2025.

Moved by:	Stankus •	Seconded by:	Guzman •		
		VOTE	-		

Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Calderone	X				Stankus	X			
Guzman	X				Stephans				X
Huang	X				Weaver				X
Keller	x				Varghese	X			
Martin				X					

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VII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Stankus to adjourn the public meeting at 6:34 p.m. Ms. Guzman seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

Moved by:	Stankus -			Seconded by:	Guzman •				
					VOTE				
Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P	Bd. Mbr.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	N/P
Calderone	Х				Stankus	Х			
Guzman	X				Stephans				X
Huang	X				Weaver				X
Keller	X				Varghese	X			
Martin				X					

Respectfully,

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Business Administrator/Board Secretary