

**HARRISON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
120 N. MAIN STREET
MULLICA HILL, NEW JERSEY**

**SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 7, 2025
7:30 PM**

Mrs. Stacey Muscarella, Board President, called the special meeting of the Harrison Township Board of Education to order in the music room at Pleasant Valley School at 7:30 p.m. It was announced that the Board might adjourn into Executive Session during the meeting to discuss personnel, student issues, property, or any other matter appropriate for this session, the results of which would be made public at a later date.

- I. Call to Order:** The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act of 1975 was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, Harrison Township Board of Education has caused notice of the meetings to be published by having the dates, time, and place thereof posted on the Harrison Township School District website, at the Harrison Township School Building, and mailed to the Township Municipal Clerk, the South Jersey Times, and the Courier Post.

II. Roll Call:

Mr. Todd Baron	Mrs. Janette Coslop
Mr. Tim Bast	Mrs. Colleen Kendrick
Mrs. Jennifer Bowen	Mrs. Stacey Muscarella
Mr. Walter Bright	Mrs. Shannon Williams
Mr. John Cavanaugh	

Others Present:

Dr. Missy Peretti, Superintendent of Schools and Mrs. Lisa Ridgway, Interim School Business Administrator /Board Secretary.

III. Flag Salute:

Led by Stacey Muscarella, Board President of the Harrison Township Board of Education.

IV. President's Welcome:

None

V. Audience Participation I:

None

VI. Committee Reports:

1. Standing Committees
 - a. Finance – Walter Bright (No report at this time.)
 - b. Curriculum – Stacey Muscarella (No report at this time.)
 - c. Personnel – Shannon Williams (No report at this time.)
 - d. Negotiations – Jennifer Bowen
Mrs. Bowen reported that there was a second meeting on March 22, 2025.
 - e. Board Development – Todd Baron (No report at this time.)
2. Ad Hoc Committees
 - f. Public Relations – Janette Coslop (No report at this time.)
 - g. School Safety – Shannon Williams (No report at this time.)
 - h. Shared Services – John Cavanaugh (No report at this time.)
 - i. Transportation – Tim Bast (No report at this time.)
3. Delegate/Representative Reports (No report at this time.)

VII. Business Administrator's Report:

A. Finance

Motion: For the Board of Education to approve the following action items:

1. Approval of the resolution authorizing the application to increase expenditures to be submitted. (*Attachment: Fin. #1*)

Dr. Peretti thanked the Board for attending tonight and proceeded to give an overview of the application process and what the district was applying for.
(*See Attachment A*)

The board members asked questions about the additional items to the budget.

Q. Mrs. Muscarella and Mr. Cavanaugh asked about the technology appropriations.

Q. Mr. Bast asked about the maintenance expenditures and if there would be a savings with having an in-house maintenance person.

- Mrs. Kendrick added that having someone in-house would help to protect the district's investments.

Motion: Mr. Bright

Second: Mr. Baron

Roll Call: (9-0)

Carried: Yes

VIII. New Business:

None

IX. Old Business:

None

X. Audience Participation II:

None

XI. Adjournment:

There was no further business. A motion was made to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Motion: Mrs. Williams
Roll Call: Voice

Second: Mrs. Coslop
Carried: Yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Ridgway
Interim Board Secretary