

HAWORTH BOARD OF EDUCATION
HAWORTH, NEW JERSEY 07641
Minutes
January 6, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER – 7:46 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 8, 2025 advance written notice was emailed to **The Record and The Herald News**, 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:

Dr. Nicole Brennan - ABSENT
Mr. Charles Crowley
Dr. Danielle Insalaco-Egan
Mr. Drew Krasny
Mrs. Courtney Russell
Mrs. Jennifer Samples
Mrs. Jessica Spiegel
Mr. Paul Wolford, Superintendent
Mr. Kevin Lane, Business Administrator/MS Principal
Mrs. Stacey Cherry, Esq. Fogarty, Hara, LaPira & Cherry
Mrs. Kristi Giambona, Board Secretary

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY - 7:47 p.m.

The Board is interested in hearing your comments. In order to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to speak, we are asking that you speak once and limit your comments to three minutes. We further ask that all comments be directed to the Board. We recognize that everyone has the freedom to speak but advise you that anything said in public may have legal ramifications. There is no protection regarding statements made by the public. Please state your name, address and group affiliation (if any) before you begin.

VII. CLOSE THE PUBLIC PORTION - 7:47 p.m. NO PUBLIC COMMENT

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT’S/BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORTS

- a. 2024-2025 Audit Presentation & Approval - Mr. John Mooney, CAP, RMA, PSA, and Partner at Nisivoccia, LLP

The district had a very clean audit and there were no recommendations from the auditor. The audit is available for review by the public by making an appointment with the Business Office.

- b. Board of Education Ethics Presentation - Mrs. Stacey Cherry, Esq.
Presentation available for review in the Business Office.

c. 2026 BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEES:

It is hereby moved that the Haworth Board of Education accepts the 2026 Committees as appointed by the BOE President, per Policy 0155:

- Curriculum & Instruction:** Drew Krasny (chair), Nicole Brennan, Charles Crowley
- Finance & Facilities:** Courtney Russell (chair), Jessica Spiegel, Charles Crowley
- Negotiations:** Danielle Insalaco-Egan (chair), Jennifer Samples, Charles Crowley
- Public Relations:** Danielle Insalaco-Egan (chair), Courtney Russell, Charles Crowley
- Policy & Procedures:** Ad Hoc Committee
- Referendum & Expansion:** Ad Hoc Committee
- BCSBA/NJSBA Liaison:** Charles Crowley
- HHSA Liaison:** Jessica Spiegel
- NVRHS/NVEF Liaison:** Nicole Brennan
- Legislative Chairperson:** Drew Krasny
- Senior Citizens Liaison:** Jennifer Samples
- Town Council Liaison:** Charles Crowley

D. Egan Moved, D. Krasny Seconded
Roll Call: 6/0

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

ROLL CALL VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Dr. Brennan				✓
Mr. Crowley	✓			
Dr. Egan	✓			
Mr. Krasny	✓			
Mrs. Russell	✓			

Mrs. Samples	✓			
Mrs. Spiegel	✓			

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

The following resolutions are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be voted on by one vote. Any Board of Education member wishing to remove any items from the consent agenda and request an individual vote may do so.

- a. **Enrollment Report to Date - 531**
- b. **Emergency & Crisis Situations Drill Record: December**
 Fire Drill: December 11, 2025
 Security Drill: December 16, 2025
 Administrator in charge: Mr. Paul Wolford

MINUTES:

- c. Approval of meeting minutes from the December 17, 2025 Regular Business meeting.

SUBMISSIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS:

- d. School Safety Data System - Report Period 1
- e. Biannual Statement of Assurance Regarding the Use of Paraprofessional Staff
- f. Chapter 44

- g. **HIB Report for December, 2025:**
 Reported Cases: 0
 Number of Cases Open: 0
 Number of Cases Closed: 0

C. Russell Moved, D. Egan Seconded
 Roll Call: 6/0

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

ROLL CALL VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Dr. Brennan				✓
Mr. Crowley	✓			
Dr. Egan	✓			

Mr. Krasny	✓			
Mrs. Russell	✓			
Mrs. Samples	✓			
Mrs. Spiegel	✓			

X. CURRICULUM

NO RESOLUTIONS

XI. PERSONNEL

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the 2025 graduate level courses for the following staff members; reimbursement to be paid at the 2025-26 state college or university graduate level course rate, pursuant to Article VII of the Haworth Teachers Association Collective Bargaining Agreement.

#	NAME	COURSE	COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY
1.	Abigail Ronberg	ED 6814-81 Structured Literacy Students w/Reading Disabilities	Fairleigh Dickinson University

D. Krasny Moved, J. Samples Seconded
Roll Call: 6/0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Haworth Board of Education approves Item XI. a.

ROLL CALL VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Dr. Brennan				✓
Mr. Crowley	✓			
Dr. Egan	✓			
Mr. Krasny	✓			
Mrs. Russell	✓			

Mrs. Samples	✓			
Mrs. Spiegel	✓			

XII. FINANCE & FACILITIES

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the bills for the period of December 1, 2025 to December 30, 2025 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:

<u><i>Bills Description</i></u>	<u><i>Dated</i></u>	<u><i>Amount</i></u>
Payroll - Operating	12/15/2025	\$367,997.28
Board Share - FICA	12/15/2025	\$6,872.59
State Share - FICA	12/15/2025	\$19,073.73
	TOTAL:	\$393,943.60

<u><i>Bills Description</i></u>	<u><i>Dated</i></u>	<u><i>Amount</i></u>
Payroll - Operating	12/23/2025	\$337,439.88
Board Share - FICA	12/23/2025	\$4,820.06
State Share - FICA	12/23/2025	\$18,868.07

	TOTAL:	\$361,128.01
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- b. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the Bills and Claims for the month of January, 2026.
- c. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the Report of the Board Secretary, Report of the Treasurer, and the Report of Monthly Transfers for the month of November, 2025.
- d. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the All In for Inclusive Education 2025-26 Professional Services Agreement, for a total of five (5) days, not to exceed \$9,000.00.

D. Egan Moved, D. Krasny Seconded
Roll Call: 6/0

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

ROLL CALL VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Dr. Brennan				✓
Mr. Crowley	✓			
Dr. Egan	✓			
Mr. Krasny	✓			
Mrs. Russell	✓			
Mrs. Samples	✓			
Mrs. Spiegel	✓			

XIII. NEGOTIATIONS

NO RESOLUTIONS

XIV. POLICY

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Haworth Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of the following new/revised district policies and regulations:

Policy or Regulation	Title	New/Revised /Abolished	Designation	1st Reading	2nd Reading
P 2530	Resource Materials	Revised	Recommended	December 17, 2025	January 6, 2026
R 2530	Resource Materials	Revised	Recommended	December 17, 2025	January 6, 2026
P 2535	Library Material	New	Mandated	December 17, 2025	January 6, 2026
R 2535	Library Material	New	Mandated	December 17, 2025	January 6, 2026
P 9130	Public Complaints	Revised	Recommended	December 17, 2025	January 6, 2026
R 9130	Public Complaints	Revised	Recommended	December 17, 2025	January 6, 2026

J. Samples Moved, D. Krasny Seconded
Roll Call: 6/0

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

ROLL CALL VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Dr. Brennan				✓
Mr. Crowley	✓			
Dr. Egan	✓			
Mr. Krasny	✓			
Mrs. Russell	✓			
Mrs. Samples	✓			
Mrs. Spiegel	✓			

XV. EDUCATION

NO RESOLUTIONS

XVI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance & Facilities
Curriculum & Instruction
Negotiations
Public Relations
BCSBA/NJSBA
Haworth Home & School Association
Northern Valley Regional High School & NV Educational Foundation
Legislative Chairperson
Senior Citizens Liaison
Town Council Liaison
Ad-Hoc Committee Reports

Ad-Hoc Committee volunteers for the next Policy Committee: C. Crowley, D. Egan, D. Krasny

XVII. OLD BUSINESS

XVIII. NEW BUSINESS

XIX. Open to the Public on any item – 8:41 p.m.

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Close the Public portion: 8:41 p.m. NO PUBLIC COMMENT

XX. MOTION TO ADJOURN

D. Egan Moved, D. Krasny Seconded
All in favor

ADJOURNMENT: 8:42 p.m.

Charles Crowley, President
Haworth Board of Education

Kristi Giambona
Board Secretary