# HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES** ANNUAL RETREAT

# **JUNE 22, 2015**

# 7:00 PM – Hardyston Township Middle School Library

#### T. Call to Order

Board President Dorothy Beltramine called the regular meeting of the Hardyston Board of Education to order on June 22, 2015 at 7:10 p.m. in the Library of the Hardyston Middle School, 183 Wheatsworth Road, Hamburg, NJ. President Dorothy Beltramine read the Open Public Meetings Act statement.

#### II. Pledge of Allegiance

#### III. Roll Call

Mr. Ed Blahut present Mrs. Dorothy Beltramine present Mrs. Donna Carey present

Mr. Nick Demsak absent excused

Mr. Philip Giordano present Mr. Ron Hoffman present Mr. Brian Kaminski present Mr. Martin O'Shea present Mr. David Van Ginneken present

Dr. Richard R. Corbett present Mr. James Sekelsky present

**Quorum confirmed:** [X] Yes [] No

**Special Guest(s) Present:** Robyn Meehan, NJSBA

**Staff Member(s) Present:** 5

**Community Member(s) Present:** n/a

Other: n/a

# MISSION STATEMENT

The Hardyston School District together with our parents, families and community is dedicated to preparing our students for the 21st Century by providing each student with a quality education, in a safe and caring environment, which allows all students to achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content

Standards and Common Core State Standards at all grade levels and includes the knowledge, confidence, and self-esteem to be successful life-long learners in a culturally diverse democracy.

# VI. Public Comment

Teresa Zinck, 100 Wheatsworth Road, Hamburg, NJ 07419 – in regard to P-4...why did her appointment get moved into two fiscal years, if the position is for the same leave teacher. Dr. Corbett stated the appointments are for each separate school year.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS & AGENDA ITEMS**

# **FINANCE**

# **F-1**

Motion to approve the following textbook purchase corresponding to motion C/P-1 on this addendum with an amount not to exceed \$62,000.00.

# <u>F-2</u> Motion to approve the tuition rate for student G.D. from the town of Newton for the 2013-2014 part-time preschool program as follows:

<u>Program</u>	Annual <u>Tuition</u>
Preschool Handicapped PT	\$19,417

<b>ACTION ITEM(S)</b>	): F-1 to	F-2			
Motion to adopt: D. Beltramine			Seconded By: D. Carey		
MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	
Blahut	_X		<del></del>		
Beltramine	_X				
Carey	_X				
Demsak			<del></del>	X	
Giordano	_X		<del></del>		
Hoffman	_X				
Kaminski	_X		<del></del>		
O'Shea	_X				
Van Ginneken	X				

# **PERSONNEL**

(All Personnel resolutions are based on the recommendation of the Superintendent)

# P-1

Motion to reappoint James R. Sekelsky as tenured School Business Administrator /Board Secretary, and Director of District Facilities from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 at an annual salary of \$117,877 and in coordination with the approval by the Executive County Superintendent.

# <u>P-2</u>

Motion to approve Michelle Newsome as Kindergarten teacher for the Kindergarten Remedial program June 29, 2015 through July 31, 2015 for 3 hours per day at her per diem rate per hour 100% Title I funded.

# P-3

Motion to approve the following individuals as substitute teachers or aides for the 2015 Summer Preschool Handicapped and Multiple Disability Programs beginning June 29, 2015 through July 31, 2015 at the current teacher and/or aide substitute rate, pro-rated:

Jennifer Fresella Isabella Pagan Megan Magner

# **P-4**

Motion to approve Jenna Williams as Long Term Substitute Teacher effective 9-1-2015 through 9-18-2015, at a rate of \$175.00 per day of service as per ratified 2014-2017 HTEA agreement.

## P-5

Motion to approve Kerry Donza as Elementary School Teacher – Leave Replacement (Scognamiglio-Grade 3) effective 9-1-2015 through 6-30-2016, at a rate of BA, Step 2, \$50,967, as per ratified 2014-2017 HTEA agreement.

# <u>P-6</u>

Motion to approve Kellie Haberstroh as Long Term Substitute Teacher at a rate of \$175.00 for the first 60 days of service, transitioning into Elementary School Teacher – Leave Replacement (Karcher - Kindergarten), at a rate of BA step 2, \$50,967, as per ratified 2014-2017 HTEA agreement.

# <u>P-7</u>

Motion to approve an adjustment of the percentage of salary for Karrie McNear, Family & Consumer Sciences Teacher, from .54 to .58, retroactive to 2014-2015 school year and to apply for the 2015-2016 school year.

<u>Background</u>: This percent increase is based on her actual part time hours as per her schedule.

# P-8

Motion to approve Kristen L. Alonso as an intern for the school social worker for the 2015-2016 school year.

<u>Background</u>: Ms. Alonso is a graduate student at Rutgers' MSW program and must complete 15 hours per week for the fall and spring semesters. She will be in district on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Ms. Alonso has provided criminal history clearance as required.

# P-9

Motion to approve the following individuals for summer 2015 custodial help commencing June 29 through on or about August 31, 2015, at an hourly rate of \$12.00:

Josh Bennett - no more than 40 hours per week Eric Sonnenwald - no more than 40 hours per week Samuel Hontz - no more than 40 hours per week Alexander Serra - no more than 29 hours per week

# P-10

Motion to approve the following individuals as substitute custodial help for summer 2015 commencing June 29 through on or about August 31, 2015, on an as needed basis at an hourly rate of \$12.00:

Penny Mackerley Patricia Clipperton Peter Manero Nick Serignese

## P-11

Giordano

Motion to approve Alyssa Indri as an aide for the Kindergarten Remedial program June 29, 2015 through July 31, 2015 for 2.5 hours per day, \$10.00 per hour, 100% Title 1 funded.

<u>Background:</u> Previously approved at the June 9, 2015 BOE meeting. This is to only include Title I funding

# ACTION ITEM(S): P-1 to P-11 Motion to adopt: R. Hoffman Seconded By: P. Giordano MOTION YES NO ABSTAIN ABSENT Blahut \_X\_ \_\_\_\_ Beltramine \_X\_ \_\_\_\_ Carey \_X\_ \_\_\_\_ Demsak X

Hoffman	_X				
Kaminski	_X				
O'Shea	_X				
Van Ginneken	_X				
<u>C/P-1</u>					
Motion to approve the purchase of K-8 Social Studies textbooks From Pearson.					
<u>Background</u> : There are 5 different series for the various grade levels:					

myWorld Social Studies (grades K, 1, 2, 3, 5) myWorld Social Studies Grade 4 - Northeast myWorld History (grade 6) American History (grade 8) Social Studies (grade 7)

**ACTION ITEM(S): C/P-1** 

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Motion to adopt: D.	Carey		Seconded By	y: D. Beltramine
MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Blahut	_X			
Beltramine	_X			
Carey				
Demsak				X
Giordano	_X			
Hoffman				
Kaminski	_X			
O'Shea	_X			
Van Ginneken	_X			

# **Public Comments – Non-Action or Non-Agenda Items**

None

# Workshop

- 1. Board Responsibilities (Agenda Calendar) Jim Sekelsky
- 2. Board Retreat Robyn Meehan, New Jersey School Boards Association

# **Executive Session**

Motion is presented by D. Beltramine and seconded by E. Blahut that the Hardyston Township Board of Education enters private session at 10:24 p.m. to discuss CSA evaluation, which is exempt from public participation pursuant to New Jersey Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, "Open

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Public Meetings Act." Any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public when appropriate. Minutes of the private session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists. The Board will reconvene in public session at the conclusion of the closed session.

# **Return to Public Session**

Motion to the Board of Education will return to public session at 10:49 p.m.

# **Roll Call**

Voice Unanimous

# Adjournment

With no further action or discussion required of the Hardyston Township Board of Education at this time, a motion was presented by D. Beltramine, and seconded by P. Giordano, to adjourn the meeting at 10:49 p.m.

All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

James R. Sekelsky

School Board Administrator/Board Secretary