

HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
July 12, 2011
7:00 PM – HARDYSTON MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA

I Call to Order

This is to advise the general public and to instruct that it be recorded in the Minutes that in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Law 1975, entitled, "Open Public Meetings Act", Hardyston Township Board of Education posted a meeting notice setting forth the time, date, and location of this meeting at the Office of Hardyston Township Board of Education and on the district's web site and mailed to the New Jersey Herald and to the Office of the Municipal Clerk of Hardyston Township.

II Pledge of Allegiance

III Roll Call

Mr. Todd Anderson	present
Mrs. Dorothy Beltramine	present
Mr. Ed Blahut	present
Mr. Gregg Hoffmann	present
Ms. Cindy McVey	absent
Mr. Bill Repasy	absent
Mrs. Cheryl Whitehead	absent
Mr. Randy Roof	absent
Ms. Christine Clavin	present
Mr. Martin G. Sumpman	present
Mr. James Sekelsky	present

Quorum confirmed: Yes No

Special Guest(s) Present: Teresa Zinck - HTEA_____

Staff Members Present: John Brennan , Principal_____

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

IV Workshop

1. Update on any additions/revisions to draft of Agenda
2. Discussion of solar project
3. Discussion of elementary school front entrance improvement

V Public Comment (Board Policy #1200) – Agenda “Action” Items only

Teresa Zinck asked if any of the personnel motions were for maternity leave replacements. Superintendent answered “no”.

VI Old Business: none

VII New Business: none

COMMITTEE REPORTS & AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

FINANCE – Cheryl Whitehead, Chairperson

F-1 Motion to approve a new lease agreement with Municipal Capital in the monthly amount of \$1,449.00 for a 60-month term under New Jersey State Contract #A-51464 through Atlantic Tomorrow’s Office for the Hardyston Middle School for 2nd Floor Teachers’ room Savin Model 9060SP and the Middle School Conference Room Savin Model C9155SPF. Background: New lease will create a \$575.16 decrease in lease and maintenance costs per year. New machines have an 18.3% drop in overall per copy cost.

F-2 Motion to approve the following amendment to the Demand Response program with North American Power Partners LLC:

WHEREAS, Hardyston entered into the Agreement which has authorized NAPP to act on behalf of Hardyston in connection with the Demand Response programs offered by the RTO/ISO for Hardyston; and

WHEREAS, Hardyston has elected to participate in the PJM’s Economic/Energy program and receives revenues for participation in PJM’s Economic/Energy program;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, NAPP and Hardyston do hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. **COMPENSATION & PAYMENT TERMS.** NAPP shall remit to Customer 50% of the payments NAPP receives for Customer’s participation in the PJM Economic/Energy Program in accordance with NAPP’s Demand Response Program rules (“Energy Payments”). NAPP shall retain the remaining portion of the Energy payments as compensation for NAPP’s services.

2. **TERM & TERMINATION.** The amendment applies as of the date of the original Agreement. All other terms of the Agreement remain in full effect. Customer agrees to comply with the RTO/ISO rules governing program participation.

3. **CHOICE OF LAW.** This Amendment shall be governed and construed in

accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey, without regard to the conflict of law principles thereof.

4. REAFFIRMATION. Except as modified herein, the Parties hereto expressly reaffirm the terms and conditions of the Agreement, which remain in full force and effect. Where the terms of this Amendment conflict with the terms of the Agreement and prior amendments, this Amendment shall govern.

F-3 Motion to approve the following: Hardyston Township Board of Education agrees to renew its membership in the Fund for a period of three years beginning July 1, 2011, and ending July 1, 2014 at 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, and to be subject to the coverages, operating procedures, bylaws, and other organizational and operational documents of the Fund presently existing or as from time to time amended by the Fund and/or the Department of Banking and Insurance.

The Educational Facility's Business Official, James Sekelsky is hereby appointed as the Educational Facility's Fund Commissioner and is authorized to execute the renewal Indemnity and Trust Agreement and renewal of its membership.

BACKGROUND: This is our property & casualty liability, workers' compensation, board leaders' liability carrier (School Alliance Insurance Fund). Memberships in Joint Insurance Funds are recognized by the State of New Jersey as evidence of fiscal due diligence and potential savings to tax payers. The Hardyston Board of Education annually renews its membership and appoints the business administrator to act as the fund commissioner. The resolution ratifies the previously approved membership and highlights the three-year duration.

ACTION ITEM(S): F-1 – F-3
 Motion to adopt: Beltramine Seconded by: Clavin

MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Anderson	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Beltramine	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Blahut	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Hoffmann	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
McVey	_____	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
Repasy	_____	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
Whitehead	_____	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
Roof	_____	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
Clavin	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____

PERSONNEL

All Personnel resolutions are based on the recommendation of the Superintendent.

P-1

Motion to accept a request from Colleen Karcher, Elementary Teacher, for a Maternity/Disability Leave to commence on or about September 19, 2011, through **November 11, 2011** and apply accumulated 38 sick days during that time. Following that date, Mrs. Karcher would like to be placed on an unpaid leave of absence beginning November 14, 2011 through February 3, 2012. She will then continue with child rearing leave beginning February 6, 2012. Mrs. Karcher would like to return to her full time position September 1, 2012.

Background: This motion was approved at the June 28, 2011 meeting; however, an incorrect date of November 22, 2011 was listed instead of the actual date cited in Mrs. Karcher’s letter the date should have stated November 11, 2011.

P-2

Motion to appoint Dale Hubbard as full time elementary teacher for the 2011-2012 school year at a step and salary to be determined upon ratification of the HTEA contract.

Background: Mrs. Hubbard is currently a part time (.55) elementary teacher in the Resource Department.

P-3

Motion to appoint Kevin Castner as elementary SWEEP teacher and middle school technology teacher for the 2011-2012 school year at a step and salary to be determined upon ratification of the HTEA contract.

Background: Mr. Castner is currently the Reading Teacher at the elementary school.

ACTION ITEM(S): P-1 – P-3
Motion to adopt: Hoffmann Seconded by: Clavin

MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Anderson	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Beltramine	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Blahut	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Hoffmann	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
McVey	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
Repasy	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
Whitehead	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
Roof	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
Clavin	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

P-4

Motion to approve Whitney Dugan as Elementary Teacher for the 2011-2012 school

year at BA, Step 1, at a salary to be determined upon ratification of the HTEA contract.

P-5

Motion to approve Bryan Graham as Elementary LLD Teacher for the 2011-2012 school year at BA, Step 1, at a salary to be determined upon ratification of the HTEA contract.

ACTION ITEM(S): P-4 – P-5
 Motion to adopt: Hoffmann Seconded by: Anderson

MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Anderson	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Beltramine	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Blahut	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Hoffmann	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
McVey	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Repasy	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Whitehead	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Roof	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Clavin	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

CURRICULUM/PROGRAMS

C/P-1

Motion to approve the listed travel events in agreement with Chapter 53, Public Law 2007, Title 18A, and Board Policy 9250:

Event	Date	Registration Fee	Mileage & Other Expenses	Employee/ Board Member
NJASA/NJSBA Anti-Bullying Regional Training Session, Ridgewood	7/28/11	\$35.00/ea.	-0-	R. Demeter J. Brennan K. Tamke

ACTION ITEM(S): C/P-1
 Motion to adopt: Anderson Seconded by: Clavin

MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Anderson	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Beltramine	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Blahut	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Hoffmann	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
McVey	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Repasy	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Whitehead	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Roof	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Clavin	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was presented by Ms. Clavin_ and seconded by _Ms. Beltramine_ that the Hardyston Township Board of Education enters private session at 7:45 p.m. to discuss litigation (MS roof) which is exempt from public participation pursuant to New

Jersey Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, "Open 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.

ACTION ITEM(S): Executive
Motion to adopt: Seconded by:

MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Anderson	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Beltramine	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Blahut	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Hoffmann	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
McVey	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Repasy	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Whitehead	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Roof	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Clavin	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

Motion to the Board of Education will return to public session at 8:03 p.m.

ACTION ITEM(S): Re-Open Public
Motion to adopt: Ms. Clavin Seconded by: Blahut
All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Blahut departed at 8:05pm

BOARD ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION: none

ADJOURNMENT

President Christine Clavin adjourned the meeting due to lack of quorum at 8:06 p.m.