HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MEETINGS PUBLIC HEARING - 2018-2019 BUDGET APRIL 24, 2018

7:00 PM - Hardyston Township Middle School Media Center

I. Call to Order

Board President Ronald Hoffman called the Regular Meeting of the Hardyston Board of Education to order on April 24, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library of the Hardyston Middle School, 183 Wheatsworth Road, Hamburg, NJ 07419. President Ronald Hoffman read the Open Public Meetings Act statement.

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

Ms. Donna Carey (excused) absent Ms. Jen Cenatiempo present Mrs. Amie Ficacci present Mrs. Carla Kubrin present Mrs. Susan Lucarelli present Mrs. Susana Pohl present Mr. David Van Ginneken present Mr. Nick Demsak present Mr. Ron Hoffman present

Mr. Michael Ryder present Mr. James Sekelsky present

Quorum confirmed: [X] Yes [] No

Special Guest(s) Present: Brian Kaminski, Township Councilman

Jennifer Cimaglia, Elementary School Principal Robert Demeter, Middle School Vice Principal

Jennifer Rosen, HTEA President

Staff Member(s) Present: 8

Community Member(s) Present: 33

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

IV. Workshop

- 1. Updates to Agenda/Board Member mandated training (Jim Sekelsky)***
- 2. Recognition:

Student:

• *Student of the Month:*

Kindergarten: Aiden Juba Grade 1: Luca Cenatiempo

Grade 2: Gwen Silipena and Brody Incorvaia

Grade 3: Anthony Ramirez Grade 4: Krista Contrada

Grade 5: Carly Trovato

Grade 6: Sydney Vierzchalek Grade 7: Emily Thompson

Grade 8: Lukas Wilowski

Amy Naprstek, Gr. 7 - two First Place winner - classical guitar - Mid Atlantic Music Teacher Guild will represent Hardyston @ NJ State Teen Arts Festival on May 30 Sean Masino, Gr. 7 - representing Hardyston @ NJSTAF for Irish Step Dancing

- 3. Student Council Update
- 4. Committee Reports:

Curriculum, Programs, Educational Technology & Community Relations (Donna Carey) Finance, Facilities and Operations & Technology Infrastructure (David VanGinneken) Personnel, Negotiations, Grievance & Policy (Nick Demsak)

- Finance S. Pohl asked if the Board could subsidize the online fee for Pay School Central
- Policy Policy 5131 will be removed from the 1st readings listed in POL-1
- 5. Board President Update
- 6. Superintendent's Report
- 7. Kathy Helewa, NJSBA Guideline Update New CSA Evaluation noted that tonight's training met training requirement for QSAC
- 8. 2018-2019 Budget Public Hearing

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BUDGET 2018-2019

Presented by Michael Ryder, Chief School Administrator

For Review and/or approval: RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2018-2019 BUDGET

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Hardyston Township Board of Education to approve the 2018-2019 school district budget **This budget incorporates two decisions affecting the local tax levy: first**, it does NOT utilize the required cap permitted of 2.0 % on the adjusted 2017-2018 tax levy of \$9,777,592 -- we are only approving a 0.588% increase (just \$57,506); **and second**, an approval of the following Tax Relief measures -- to commit \$163,000 to Debt Service relief (\$99,763 from the MS Roof Legal Settlement; to

transfer and commit \$61,495 from Capital Reserve to Debt Service relief, and \$1,742 from Debt Service Fund Balance); to commit \$11,926 from the Emergency Reserve to support Security Improvements;, and to commit \$55,000 from our Maintenance Reserve to offset required maintenance, the maximum tax levy for 2018-2019 will not exceed \$9,835,098 and maximum General Fund expenditures totaling \$12,267,300:

	Budget	Tax Levy
General Fund	\$12,267,300	\$9,835,098
Special Revenue Fund	\$194,944	\$0.00
Debt Service Fund	\$902,956	\$686,036
Total Budget	\$13,365,200	\$10,521,134

Motion to adopt:	N. Demsak	Seconded By: R. Hoffman			
MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	
Carey				X	
Cenatiempo	X				
Demsak	X				
Ficacci	X				
Hoffman	X				
Kubrin	X				
Lucarelli	X				
Pohl	X				
Van Ginneken	X				

V. Public Comment (Board Policy #1200) – Proposed Budget Comments Only.

 Hardyston Township Councilman Brian Kaminski addressed the Board to advise that Hardyston Township passed a 0% budget increase.

Public Comment (Board Policy #1200)

 Lisa DeMarco – 61 Tamarack Trail, Stockholm, NJ 07460 – addressed the bullying environment in the 4th grade at the Elementary School; she had not seen improvement. Asks The Board to look at policies

VI. Executive Session

None

VII. Return to Public Session

VIII. Old Business

O/B-1

Meeting Dates for 2017- 2018:

- May 8 Regular Meeting
- May 22 Workshop Meeting
- June 12 Regular Meeting
- July 10 Regular Meeting and Board Retreat

IX. New Business

X. Agenda Items:

MEETING MINUTES

1. March 20, 2018 Regular Meeting and Budget Workshop

Motion of adopt: R. Hoffman Seconded By: N. Demsak

MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Carey				X
Cenatiempo			X	
Demsak	X			
Ficacci	X			
Hoffman	X			
Kubrin	X			
Lucarelli	X			
Pohl	X			
Van Ginneken	X			

HIB REPORT

Motion to approve the HIB report as presented by the chief school administrator on 3-20-18.

<u>Background</u>: HIB report for 4-24-18 is located in the Executive Session folder and will be voted on at the May 8, 2018 BOE meeting.

MOTION	ACCEPT	REJECT	MODIFY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Carey				X	
Cenatiempo					X
Demsak	X				
Ficacci	X				
Hoffman	X				
Kubrin	X				
Lucarelli	X				
Pohl	X				
Van Ginneken	X				·

FINANCE

F-1

Motion to approve \$80,508.13 in transfers for the month of March 2018.

F-2

Motion to approve the Bills List for the month of March 2018 in the amount of \$1,328,025.49.

F-3

Motion to approve the Treasurer of School Monies Comparison Report for February 2018.

F-4

Motion to approve the Board Secretary's Monthly Comparison Report for February 2018.

- WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Education regulation N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 require local school districts to file a monthly certification of budgetary line item status,
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education acknowledges that James R. Sekelsky, Board Secretary, certifies the following statement: Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, I, James R. Sekelsky, Board Secretary, certify that no budgetary line items accounts are over-appropriated nor over-expended for the period ending February 28, 2018.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4 the board of Education certifies that as of after review of the board secretary's and treasurer's monthly financial reports and upon consultation with the appropriate school district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

ACTION ITEM(S): F-1 to F-4

Motion to adopt:	D. Van Ginneke	n	Seconded By:	C. Kubrin
MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Carey				X
Cenatiempo	X			
Demsak	X			
Ficacci	X			
Hoffman	X			
Kubrin	X			
Lucarelli	X			
Pohl	X			
Van Ginneken	X			

PERSONNEL

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

<u>P-1</u>

Motion to approve the substitutes listed below to be placed on our substitute calling list for the 2017-2018 school year. Employment is on an emergent basis, if necessary, and contingent upon criminal history background clearance as required by P.O. 1986, C.116.

NAME	POSITION	CERTIFICATION
Julianna Verso	Teacher/Aide	Sub Cert. – Exp. 1/2/23
Saadia Elbakkal	Teacher/Aide	Sub Cert. – Exp. 1/2/23

P-2

Motion to approve Patricia Clipperton as full time custodian for the middle school, effective May 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018, Step 5, \$39,718, pro-rated.

Background: This position was vacated by Mr. Keith.

<u>P-3</u>

Motion to approve an extension of a leave of absence for Melissa Geaney, Kindergarten Teacher, from a return date of 9/1/18 to 9/1/19, as per Article XXI, C. 4, of the negotiated agreement.

P-4

Motion to approve Lisa Garofano as Long Term Substitute Teacher for Middle School LLD, at a rate of \$175.00 per day for the period April 25, 2018 through June 30, 2018.

Background: This position was vacated by Mrs. Bastin.

ACTION ITEM(S): $P-1-P-4$						
Motion to adopt:	N. Demsak	Seconded By: R. Hoffmam				
MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT		
Carey				X		
Cenatiempo	X					
Demsak	X					
Ficacci	X					
Hoffman	X					
Kubrin	X					
Lucarelli	X					
Pohl	X					
Van Ginneken	X					

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
Arts in Education Showcase, Madison	5/1/18	\$70/ea.	-0-	K. Kervatt E. Kempf
Angelbeat 2018, Morristown	3/26/18	-0-	\$22.32	D. Kornak
Tomorrow's Classroom Today 2018, Rider University, Lawrenceville	5/18/18	\$89	\$33.48	J. Cimaglia
Tomorrow's Classroom Today 2018, Rider University, Lawrenceville	5/18/18	\$89	-0-	M. Ryder
NJSBA GPS to Visionary Leadership Conference	4/20- 22/18	no charge	mileage to be determined	R. Hoffman

NJASBO	6/5-8/18	\$275	\$250 room. meals & mileage IAW state law	J. Sekelsky
			state law	

C/P-2

Motion to approve the following parent-paid class trip(s) for the 2017-2018 school year:

GRADE	DESTINATION	DATE	COST PER STUDENT
3	Heater's Pond, Ogdensburg	5/31/18	-0- Transportation cost covered
			through Student Activity fund.

C/P-3

Motion to approve the amended 2017/2018 school calendar for the remainder of this school year as follows:

•	Last day of school for students	Wednesday, June 27
•	Eighth Grade Graduation	Tuesday, June 26
•	Last day of school for teachers	Wednesday, June 27
•	Early dismissal days for all students	Friday, June 22 through Wednesday, June 27
•	Early dismissal days for teachers	Monday, June 25 through Wednesday, June 27

C/P-4

Motion to approve the middle school band members to travel to Wallkill Valley Regional High School for a District Band Festival on May 18, 2018 from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM. Transportation cost has been budgeted.

C/P-5

Motion to approve the following out of district student for the 2017-2018 school year (which includes the extended school year):

STUDENTS TUITION SCHOOL

For remainder of 17-18 SY

1 Rollings Hills School Vernon School District

\$17,500/10 mo. (pro-rated for 2017-18) + Transportation

\$ 85./per day (\$15,300, pro-rated) Aide

\$ 46./session (OT 2x/wk for 36 wks = \$3,312, pro-rated)

ESY estimated based on 17-18 SY; 18-19 rates not yet avail.

\$ 2,236.11/ESY \$ 1,435.20/ESY - Aide \$368/ESY OT - 8 sessions

ACTION ITEM(S): C/P-1 - C/P-5

Motion to adopt:	S. Lucarelli	Seconded By: N. Demsak			
MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	
Carey				X	
Cenatiempo	X				
Demsak	X				
Ficacci	X				
Hoffman	X				
Kubrin	X				
Lucarelli	X				

Pohl	X			
Van Ginneken	X			
POLICY POLICY				
POL-1				
Motion to approve a	first reading	of the followin	g policies:	
1250	Visitors			
3510	Operation and Maintenance of a Plant			
3516	Safety			
3541.33	Transportation Safety			
5131	Conduct and Discipline (removed during workshop)			
5131.1	Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying			
ACTION ITEM(S):	POL-1			
Motion to adopt: N.				
MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Carey				X
Cenatiempo	X			
Demsak	X			
Ficacci	X			
Hoffman	X			
Kubrin	X			

FACILITIES/OPERATIONS Nothing to Report

XI. Written Communication

None

Lucarelli Pohl

Van Ginneken

XII. Public Comment (Board Policy #1200) –

None

XIII. Executive Session

A motion was presented by R. Hoffman and seconded by A. Ficacci that the Hardyston Township Board of Education enters private session at 10: 40 p.m. to discuss CSA Evaluation (pre-conference) and, 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.

Mr. VanGinneken and Ms. Cenatiempo recuse themselves and depart at 10:40 pm

Voice Unanimous

XIV. Return to Public Session

Motion is presented by N. Densak and seconded by S. Lucarelli that the Hardyston Township Board of Education for the Board of Education will return to public session at 10:49 p.m.

Voice Unanimous

XV. Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

James R. Sekelsky

School Board Administrator/Board Secretary