HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

JULY 31, 2017

7:00 PM – Hardyston Township Middle School Media Center

I. Call to Order

Board President Dorothy Beltramine called the Special Meeting of the Hardyston Board of Education to order on July 31, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library of the Hardyston Middle School, 183 Wheatsworth Road, Hamburg, NJ 07419. President Dorothy Beltramine 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

Mr. Ed Blahut present Mrs. Donna Carey present Mrs. Jennifer Cenatiempo present Mr. Nick Demsak present Mr. Philip Giordano present Mrs. Susana Pohl absent Mr. David Van Ginneken present Mr. Ron Hoffman present Mrs. Dorothy Beltramine present

Mr. Michael Ryder present Mr. James Sekelsky present

Quorum confirmed: [X] Yes [] No

Special Guest(s) Present: n/a

Staff Member(s) Present: n/a

Community Member(s) Present: 1

Other: n/a

MISSION STATEMENT

The Hardyston School District together with our parents, families and community is dedicated to preparing our

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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.

IV. Workshop

1. Discussion on the Reduction of State Aid for the 2017-2018 budget

V. Public Comments

None

N/B-1

Motion to apply the fiscal year 2017 Extraordinary Aid toward the 2017 – 2018 Budget and to reduce account 11-000-100-566-000 Special Education Tuition Private by \$1.884.00 to specifically cover the loss of \$43,944.00.

Motion of adopt: E. Blahut Seconded By: D. Beltramine

MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Blahut	X			
Carey	X			
Cenatiempo	X			
Demsak	X			
Giordano	X			
Pohl				X
Van Ginneken	X			
Hoffman	X			
Beltramine	X			

VI. Executive Session if needed

Motion is presented by D. Beltramine and seconded by R. Hoffman that the Hardyston Township Board of Education enters private session at 7:36 p.m. to discuss legal settlement, 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.

Voice unanimous

VII. Return to Public Session –

Motion made by N. Demsack and seconded by D. Carey for the Board of Education to return to public session at 7:56 p.m.

Voice Unanimous

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VIII. Adjournment

With no further action or discussion required of the Hardyston Township Board of Education at this time, a motion was presented by N. Demsack, and seconded by D. VanGinneken, to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

James R. Sekelsky

School Board Administrator/Board Secretary