

**HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 19, 2019**

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 March 19, 2019 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

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| Ms. Donna Carey | present | |
| Ms. Jen Cenatiempo | absent | arrived at 7:10 p.m. |
| Mrs. Amie Ficacci | present | |
| Mrs. Carla Kubrin | present | |
| Mrs. Susan Lucarelli | absent | |
| Mrs. Susana Pohl | absent | |
| Mr. David Van Ginneken | present | |
| Mr. Nick Demsak | present | |
| Mr. Ron Hoffman | present | |
| Mr. Michael Ryder | present | |
| Mr. James Sekelsky | present | |

Quorum confirmed: Yes No

Special Guest(s) Present: Jennifer Cimaglia, Elementary School Principal
Jodi Reinstein, Child Study Team Director

Staff Member(s) Present: 15

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.

IV. Workshop

- 1. Budget Overview and Discussion: 2019-2020 Budget

V. Public Comment

Sharalyn Guarino, 1 Bergen Trail, Hopatcong, NJ 07843, asked:

- a. what specifically is being cut amongst the \$77,000.00 of administrative reductions and
- b. which classes will be reduced due to not replacing 2 teaching positions

The Business Administrator said these will be addressed at the Budget Hearing.

VI. Executive Session

None

VII. Return to Public Session

n/a

Motion to approve, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the tentative 2019-2020 school budget for submission and approval to the County Superintendent as follows:

The Hardyston Township Board of Education has proposed programs and services in this budget in addition to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards adopted by the State Board of Education. The Hardyston Township Board of Education’s approves this “tentative” budget to be presented to the Sussex Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval prior to advertising in the New Jersey Herald and on the district’s web site. The budget will be approved by the County Superintendent prior to the public meeting. The budget will be revised, if necessary, at the public hearing on April 30, 2019 (reschedule date is May 7, 2019).

The motion further provides authorization to the CSA and SBA to modify the budget shown below, if necessary, based on the final preparation of this budget for approval.

| <u>Fund</u> | <u>Revenues</u> | <u>Appropriations</u> | <u>Tax Levy</u> |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund | \$12,188,295 | \$12,188,295 | \$ 10,031,800 |
| Special Revenue Fund | \$ 191,800 | \$ 191,800 | \$ 0 |
| Debt Repayment | \$ 909,331 | \$ 909,331 | \$ 698,989 |

