# HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

# 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 September 8, 2020 at 7:05 p.m., virtually, from 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

Mrs. Donna Carey	present
Mrs. Jen Cenatiempo	absent
Mr. Nick Demsak	present
Mr. Brian Drelick	arrived at 7:17 p.m.
Mrs. Amie Ficacci	present

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Mr. Ronald Hoffman present
Mrs. Susan Lucarelli present
Mrs. Michele Van Allen present
Mr. David Van Ginneken present

Mr. Michael Ryder present Mr. Richard Rennie present

Quorum confirmed: [X] Yes [] No

Special Guest(s) Present: None

Staff Member(s) Present: n/a

Community Member(s) Present: 20 participants via Zoom

Other: none

### MISSION STATEMENT

The Hardyston School District together with our parents, families and community is dedicated to preparing our students for the 21<sup>st</sup> 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. Updates to Agenda (Rich Rennie)
- 2. Committee Reports:

Curriculum, Programs, Educational Technology & Community Relations (Donna Carey) Finance, Facilities and Operations & Technology Infrastructure (David Van Ginneken) Personnel, Negotiations, Grievance & Policy A. Ficacci & R. Rennie motion to approve discussion of P-2 in Executive session

Ad Hoc Services Committee (Dave Van Ginneken)-No report

- 3. Board President Update
- 4. Superintendent's Report

## V. Public Comment (Board Policy #1200) (please limit to agenda items only)

None

#### VI. Executive Session

Motion is presented by R. Hoffman and seconded by S. Lucarelli that the Hardyston Township Board of Education enters private session at 7:26 p.m. to discuss personnel matters, 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.

### VII. Return to Public Session

Motion to the Board of Education will return to public session at 8:22 p.m.

## **Roll Call**

Mrs. Donna Carey	X
Mrs. Jennifer Cenatiempo	
Mr. Nick Demsak	X
Mr. Brian Drelick	X
Mrs. Amie Ficacci	X
Mr. Ronald Hoffman	X
Mrs. Susan Lucarelli	X
Mrs. Michele Van Allen	X
Mr. David Van Ginneken	X

### VIII. Old Business

### O/B-1

Meeting Dates for 2020-2021:

- October 13 Regular Meeting
- November 10 Regular Meeting
- December 8 Regular Meeting
- January 5 Annual Reorganization Meeting
- January 12 Regular Meeting
- January 26 Budget Workshop

### IX. New Business

# X. Agenda Items:

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Motion of adopt: R. Hoffman

1.August 11, 2020 - Regular Meeting

ABSTAIN MOTION YES NO **ABSENT** Carey Cenatiempo Demsak X Drelick \_X\_\_\_ Ficacci Hoffman Lucarelli  $X_{\underline{}}$ Van Allen X Van Ginneken

**HIB REPORT** All policies and procedures have been followed and met; report is based on the recommendation of the CSA. \* Nothing to Report.

Seconded By: D. Van Ginneken

### **FINANCE**

#### <u>F-1</u>

Motion to approve \$23,377.09 in transfers for the month of August 2020.

#### F-2

Motion to approve the Bills List for the month of August 2020 in the amount of \$564,794.91.

### F-3

Motion to approve the Treasurer of School Monies Comparison Report for July 2020.

# <u>F-4</u>

## Motion to approve the Board Secretary's Monthly Comparison Report for July 2020.

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 Richard Rennie, Board Secretary, certifies the following statement: Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, I, Richard Rennie, Board Secretary, certify that no budgetary line items accounts are over-appropriated nor over-expended for the period ending July 31, 2020.

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.

### <u>F-5</u>

Motion to approve the following resolution to approve the sale of technology equipment no longer in use:

- Whereas, the Hardyston School District has older technology equipment that is no longer needed to meet the business or education requirements of the school district, and Whereas, it is in the best interest of the District to dispose of such property through trade in, negotiated sale, donation, public auction or in refuse (destruction).
- Now, THEREFORE BE IT AGREED AND RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Hardyston Public School District, the equipment listed on the attached asset tags (23 computers and monitors), shall be sold 'as is' at auction to the highest bidder on GovDeals.com. (list of items attached)

Background: Link to

list: https://www.govdeals.com/index.cfm?fa=Main.Item&itemid=8&acctid=9043

#### <u>F-6</u>

Motion to approve the following resolution:

Whereas, the Hardyston School District has equipment that is no longer needed to meet the operational requirements of the school district, and Whereas, it is in the best interest of the District to dispose of such property through trade in, negotiated sale, donation, public auction or in refuse (destruction).

Now, THEREFORE BE IT AGREED AND RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Hardyston Public School District, the equipment listed below:

2008 Ford F250 truck (non-operable)

shall be sold 'as is' at auction to the highest bidder on GovDeals.com.

Motion to adopt: D. Van Ginneken			Seconded By: R. Hoffman			
<u>MOTION</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>		<u>ABSTAIN</u>	ABSENT	
Carey	X					
Cenatiempo					X	

Demsak	X	 	
Drelick	X	 	
Ficacci	X	 	
Hoffman	X	 	
Lucarelli	X	 	
Van Allen	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 2020-2021 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
Arielle Stampone	Teacher/Aide	Sub Cert - Exp. 1/2/2024
Karen Cizon	Teacher/Aide	Sub Cert pending

### P-2

Motion tabled

**Note:** As discussed in the Executive Session.

### <u>P-3</u>

Resolved that the Hardyston Board of Education approve the payment for Michael Ryder, for the completion of merit goals for the 2019-2020 school year in the amount of \$8,188.47, non-pensionable, pending approval of the Executive County Superintendent of Schools. Full credit of 3.33% was earned for quantitative goal #3 and full credit of 2.5% was earned for qualitative goal #5.

#### P-4

Motion to approve movement on salary guide to BA+15 for Gabrielle Pretot as per Article XXXIII of the negotiated HTEA contract, upon submission of completion of course work and submission of official transcripts to the School Business Administrator effective September 1, 2021.

# <u>P-5</u>

Motion to approve Teresa Zinck as leave replacement teacher – Grade 8 Math/Algebra, for the period September 1, 2020 through December 1, 2020, BA, Step 1, \$53,952, prorated, as per negotiated agreement.

## **P-6**

Motion to approve Rebecca Tooker as Elementary School Teacher, BA, Step 1, \$53,952, for the period September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, as per negotiated agreement.

## P-7

Motion to approve Stacey Blasdell as Behavior Disabilities Teacher, MA, Step 11, \$66,677, for the period September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, as per negotiated agreement.

## **P-8**

Motion to approve Emilee Segreaves as Long Term Substitute – Special Education at the middle school, at a rate of \$175/day, for the period September 1, 2020 through December 14, 2020, as per the negotiated agreement.

### P-9

Motion to accept, with regret, the letter of resignation from Ensle Guy, Jr., paraprofessional at the elementary school, effective 9/1/2020.

## P-10

Motion to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Victoria Braga, paraprofessional at the elementary school, for the period September 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. Mrs. Braga is seeking a leave due to childcare needs during the COVID-19 pandemic.

### P-11

Motion to approve Michelle Kretschmer for leave pursuant to the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, for the period of September 1 through October 13, subject to revision as necessary. Once Ms. Kretschmer's 10-day allotment of emergency paid sick leave is exhausted, the leave will be paid using accrued sick leave.

## P-12

Motion to approve Nicole Anzovino as Long Term Substitute – School Psychologist, at a rate of \$175/day, for the period September 1, 2020 through February 1, 2021, as per the negotiated agreement.

### P-13

Motion to accept, with regret, the letter of resignation from Doreen Binns, paraprofessional at the elementary school, effective 9/1/2020.

### P-14

Motion to approve one additional day during the summer of 2020 at a per diem rate, per 6 hour work day for Larissa Potosnak for the purpose of preparing for the 2020-2021 school year. Any

additional days needed may only be granted upon subsequent request and CSA and BOE approval.

## P-15

Motion to employ Ewa Bressler as special education aide for the 2020-2021 school year at a rate of \$14.27 per hour, hours not to exceed 29.50 per week, in accordance with the needs of the classified students and in conjunction with the ratified HTEA and with the condition that employment is terminated when the need for assigned services no longer exists.

# <u>P-16</u>

Motion to employ Keri Demeter as special education aide for the 2020-2021 school year at a rate of \$13.77 per hour, hours not to exceed 29.50 per week, in accordance with the needs of the classified students and in conjunction with the ratified HTEA and with the condition that employment is terminated when the need for assigned services no longer exists.

ACTION ITEM(S):	P-1 - P-16 **	* P-2 Tabled			
Motion to adopt: A. Ficacci		Seconded By			
<u>MOTION</u>	<u>YES</u>	NO	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	
Carey	X				
Cenatiempo				X	
Demsak	X				
Drelick	X				
Ficacci	X				
Hoffman	X				
Lucarelli					
Van Allen	X				
Van Ginneken	X		P-3 & P-16		
CURRICULUM/PROGRAMS Nothing to Report  POLICY  POL-1  Motion to approve a second reading and adopt the following policy:					
Remote Learning					
ACTION ITEM(S): POL-1 Motion of adopt: A. Ficacci Seconded By: R. Hoffman					
<u>MOTION</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	
Carey	X				
Cenatiempo				X	
Demsak	X				
Drelick	X				
Ficacci	X				

Hoffman Lucarelli Van Allen Van Ginneken	X X X X				
FACILITIES/OPERATIONS Nothing to Report					
XI. Written Com	munication	J	-		
None					
XII. Public Comr	nent (Board	Policy #12	200)		
None					
XIII. Executive S	ession				
None					

# XIV. Return to Public Session

None

# XV. Adjournment

With no further action or discussion required of the Hardyston Township Board of Education at this time, a motion was presented by R. Hoffman, and seconded by B. Drelick, to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m.