

HAINESPORT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Regular Meeting

January 26, 2021

7:00 PM, Virtual Meeting

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm by Board President Morelli

2. Flag Salute/National Anthem

3. Statement of Open Public Meeting Compliance

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, public notices of this meeting have been given by the Business Administrator in the following manners:

- A. Posted written notice on the official bulletin board at the Municipal Building on Jan. 6, 2021.
- B. Mailed written notice to the Burlington County Times and to the Courier Post on Jan. 6, 2021.
- C. Filed written notice with the Clerk of Hainesport Township on Jan. 6, 2021.
- D. Filed written notice with the members of this body.
- E. Mailed written notice to each person who has requested copies of the regular meeting schedule and who has prepaid any charges fixed for such service.

4. Roll Call

Board Member	Present	Absent	Late Arrival
Michael Morelli, President	X		
Mary-Jean Kneringer, Vice President	X		
Jason Cardonick	X		
Bianca Cuniglio	X		
Jeffrey Duda	X		
Kristin Jakubowski	X		
Samir Patel	X		
Keith Peacock	X		
Peter Scarpati	X		

- ☒ Joseph R. Corn, Chief School Administrator
- ☒ Robert Kraft, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

5. Resolution #19-17:

Approve resolution at outset of each meeting suspending the relevant by-laws and authorizing the meeting to proceed virtually.

Roll Call on Resolution #19-17

Board Member	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Michael Morelli			X			
Mary-Jean Kneringer		X	X			
Jason Cardonick			X			
Bianca Cuniglio			X			
Jeffrey Duda			X			
Kristin Jakubowski			X			

Samir Patel			X			
Keith Peacock			X			
Peter Scarpati	X		X			

☒ Motion Carries☐ Motion FailsTime: 7:05pm**6. Executive Session**

Not necessary

7. Return to Open Session**8. District Mission Statement**

Board President Morelli read the district mission statement:

The Mission of Hainesport Township School District is to provide a safe, supportive, and challenging educational environment in an atmosphere that enables each child to develop intellectually, emotionally, physically, and socially in a fiscally responsible manner.

9. PTO Report & Student Government Report

- Sherlsy Dessources provided an update on the student government and its recent activities.
- Mr. Morelli thanked Sherlsy for the update.

10. Recognition/Presentation

- Trooper Sarro provided an update on Hainesport Township District's LEAD Program (Law Enforcement Against Drugs). She will begin teaching the LEAD program starting January 27th and the program will run for 9 weeks. She has been helping Mr. Simonet pick up donated ford from Paulsboro and help going to deliver it to local Hainesport families in need. She has also been assisting in fire drills and was able to get the bomb unit out to the school to help give the administrators assistance and insight. After speaking with her command, Trooper Sarro was able to get more trooper presence around the school in the morning and after school.
- Mr. Morelli thanked Trooper Sarro on behalf of the entire board of education for being such a positive impact and taking care of our school district.

11. Public Participation (Action Items Only)

The Public is reminded that they should attempt to resolve problems and/or complaints through initial contact with the appropriate staff member, followed by building level administration, and then the Superintendent of Schools PRIOR to petitioning the Board of Education. Complaints should only be brought to the Board after the appropriate school staff has had a reasonable opportunity to resolve the problem at the employee level.

Each individual will have one opportunity to speak and be given a maximum of three minutes.

A. Motion to Open Meeting for Public Comment

RECOMMEND that the Board of Education open the meeting to receive comment from the public present.

Motion	Second	All in Favor	All Opposed
Mrs. Jakubowski	Mr. Peacock	9	0

☒ Motion Carries☐ Motion FailsTime: 7:10pm

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This meeting will now be open to the public, however, if your questions or comments pertain to litigation, students, personnel, or negotiations, the Board requests that you see the Superintendent after the meeting since those items cannot be discussed in public.

***No public participation at this time.**

B. Motion to Close Meeting from Public Comment

RECOMMEND that the Board of Education close the meeting for public comment and return to session.

Motion	Second	All in Favor	All Opposed
Mr. Peacock	Mr. Patel	9	0

☒ Motion Carries ☐ Motion Fails Time: 7:11pm

12. Approval of Minutes

Motion for the Hainesport Township Board of Education to Approve the minutes of the following meeting(s):

Item	Meeting Date	Type	Attach.
1.	12/20/20	Regular Meeting (Open Session)	M-1
2.	12/20/20	Regular Meeting (Closed Session)	M-2
3.	1/5/21	Reorganization Meeting	M-3

Roll Call on Action Item #1-2:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Michael Morelli			X			
Mary-Jean Kneringer		X	X			
Jason Cardonick			X			
Bianca Cuniglio			X			
Jeffrey Duda			X			
Kristin Jakubowski			X			
Samir Patel			X			
Keith Peacock			X			
Peter Scarpatti	X		X			

☒ Motion Carries ☐ Motion Fails Time: 7:12pm

13. Superintendent's Report

Discussion Items – Mr. Joseph R. Corn, Superintendent

- The school district will have a revised calendar due to changes in RVRHS changing their calendar for graduation. Since the last meeting the administration met with the county superintendent and his team. Were able to meet exclusively rather than in a group with other administration. There was quality dialogue for close to 45 minutes. Some noted items: Our pupil cost is very efficient, admin costs are extremely lean, current instruction model looks great and very pleased with how many opted for in-person instruction, very pleased with bi-monthly draw down on grants, very pleased with updated science curriculum and adding new standards.

Action Items – Motion to approve the Superintendent's Report:

Reports

Item	Report	Attach
1.	Affirm, Reject, or Modify the monthly HIB Report	SR-1
2.	Code of Conduct	SR-2
3.	Enrollment Report	SR-3
4.	Nurse's Report for December 2020	SR-4
5.	If necessary, the Board authorizes the Superintendent of School to hire personnel to directly replace a staff vacancy occurring between Board of Education meeting dates. Employment is contingent upon criminal history review clearance and issuance of appropriate certification	
6.	Revised School Calendar due to graduation date change	SR-5

Roll Call on Action Items #1-6:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Michael Morelli			X			
Mary-Jean Kneringer			X			
Jason Cardonick			X			
Bianca Cuniglio			X			
Jeffrey Duda			X			
Kristin Jakubowski			X			
Samir Patel		X	X			
Keith Peacock	X		X			
Peter Scarpati			X			

☒ Motion Carries☐ Motion FailsTime: 7:16pm**14. STUDENT SERVICES, TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNITY RELATIONS:**

A. Student Services Committee Report: Kristin Jakubowski, Chair

B. Motion to approve the following Student Services, Technology and Community Relations action items:

Student Services

Item	Student Services
1.	Approve Hainesport's first ever virtual Talent Show for March 26, 2021 via Youtube.

Curriculum (NJSLS)

Item	Curriculum	Attach
2.	Approve Kindergarten Media/Library Sciences & Computer Science and Design Thinking	SS-1

3.	Approve 1st Grade Media/Library Sciences & Computer Science and Design Thinking	SS-2
4.	Approve 2nd Grade Media/Library Sciences & Computer Science and Design Thinking	SS-3
5.	Approve Mark Mecholsky to do Grade 3 Science curriculum writing for up to 5 hours at the current CBA rate.	

Roll Call on Action Items #1-5:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Michael Morelli			X			
Mary-Jean Kneringer		X	X			
Jason Cardonick			X			
Bianca Cuniglio			X			
Jeffrey Duda			X			
Kristin Jakubowski	X		X			
Samir Patel			X			
Keith Peacock			X			
Peter Scarpati			X			

☒ Motion Carries☐ Motion FailsTime: 7:20pm**15. HUMAN RESOURCES RELATIONS:**

A. Human Resources Committee Report: Jason Cardonick, Chair

B. Motion to approve the following Human Resources action items:

Retirements/Resignations/Leaves of Absence

Item	ID#	Position	Type of Leave
1.	Staff #1796	Elementary School	Maternity Leave Paid LOA 3/29/21 - 5/28/21 Unpaid Leave of Absence 5/29/21-6/30/21 FMLA/NJFLA 9/1/21 - 11/30/21 Unpaid Leave of Absence 12/1/21- 9/1/22 Return to work
2.	1890	Special Education Teacher	Maternity Leave Extended -Return Date 3/1/21

Roll Call on Action Items #1-2:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Michael Morelli			X			
Mary-Jean Kneringer			X			
Jason Cardonick	X		X			

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Bianca Cuniglio			X			
Jeffrey Duda			X			
Kristin Jakubowski			X			
Samir Patel			X			
Keith Peacock		X	X			
Peter Scarpati			X			

☒ Motion Carries

☐ Motion Fails

 Time: 7:22pm
16. FACILITIES & FINANCE RELATIONS:

A. Finance Committee Report: Pete Scarpati, Chair

B. Motion to approve the following Finance action items:

Reports

<i>Item</i>	<i>Report Type</i>	<i>Attach</i>
1.	Board Secretary's Report for December 2020	FI-1
2.	Treasurer's Report for December 2020	FI-2
3.	Appropriation Adjustment Journal for December 2020	FI-3
4.	Board of Education Monthly Certification of Funds for December 2020	
5.	Cash Flow Report for December 2020	FI-4
6.	Payment of bills for the month of January 2021	FI-5
6a.	EFT Activity Report for December 2020	FI-5a
7.	Student Activity Account for December 2020	FI-6
8.	Cafeteria Report for December 2020	FI-7

***Ratify and Affirm**
Plans

<i>Item</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Attach</i>
9.	Written Hazardous Communication Standard Plan for 2020-21	FI-8
10.	Hearing Protection Exposure Control Plan for 2020-21	FI-9
11.	Silica Exposure Control Plan for 2020-21	FI-10

Resolution

<i>Item</i>	<i>Description</i>
12.	Resolution #20-10: Accept the 2019-2020 School Year Audit Report

Roll Call on Action Items #1-11:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Michael Morelli			X			
Mary-Jean Kneringer			X			
Jason Cardonick			X			
Bianca Cuniglio			X			
Jeffrey Duda			X			
Kristin Jakubowski			X			
Samir Patel			X			
Keith Peacock		X	X			
Peter Scarpati	X		X			

☒ Motion Carries ☐ Motion Fails Time: 7:26pm

Roll Call on Resolution #20-10:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Michael Morelli			X			
Mary-Jean Kneringer			X			
Jason Cardonick			X			
Bianca Cuniglio			X			
Jeffrey Duda			X			
Kristin Jakubowski			X			
Samir Patel			X			
Keith Peacock		X	X			
Peter Scarpati	X		X			

☒ Motion Carries ☐ Motion Fails Time: 7:27pm

17. TECHNOLOGY:

A. Technology Committee Report: Keith Peacock, Chair

B. Motion to approve the following Technology action items:

- No actions to approve at this time. Mr. Peacock explained that the committee met last week and started the process to update the technology plan for the next 5 years. Making it a point for technological contingencies. Committee is looking to get smart boards for the coming year and will be looking to get quotes again with the idea of using budget savings from previous years. The plan will be brought to the board in the near future.

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- Lissa Myers (2210 Creek Rd) commented that she wanted to say thank you to the board, teachers and school staff for the job they are performing during these times

B. Motion to Close Meeting from Public Comment

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Motion	Second	All in Favor	All Opposed
Mr. Scarpati	Mr. Patel	9	0

☒ Motion Carries ☐ Motion Fails Time: 7:31pm

19. NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Morelli thanked administration and staff as they continue to work in the COVID environment and commented on how great a job everyone is performing. Also, he thanked Rob O'Brien for his work as business administrator and wished him well in his new school district.

20. INFORMATION & FUTURE PLANNING ITEMS:

- None at this time

21. DATES TO REMEMBER:

Feb. 1-5 Student Picture Days

Feb. 15 School Closed – President's Day

22. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Hainesport Township School District Board of Education desires to hold a closed Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. prevailing time, for approximately 60 minutes as follows: Item Discussion Item(s)* (Agenda to extent known) defined as excluded from requirements of Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, further it is anticipated that such discussions may be disclosed upon resolution

- ☒ Negotiations
☐ Personnel
☐ Legal
☐ Individual Privacy

- ☐ Security
☐ Investment/Property Acquisition
☐ Litigation

Motion for the Hainesport Township Board of Education to enter into closed session:

Motion	Second	All in Favor	All Opposed
Mrs. Kneringer	Mrs. Jakubowski	9	0

☒ Motion Carries ☐ Motion Fails Time: 7:33pm

Discussion Item(s)* (Agenda to extent known) defined as excluded from requirements of Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, further it is anticipated that such discussions may be disclosed upon resolution.

**Pursuant to the list of exceptions set forth in the Open Public Meetings Act 10:4-12*

***The board left the virtual meeting for public meeting session and entered a separate virtual meeting for executive session.**

23. Return to Open Session

Motion for the Hainesport Township Board of Education to return to open session:

Motion	Second	All in Favor	All Opposed
Mrs. Kneringer	Mr. Patel	9	0

☒ Motion Carries ☐ Motion Fails Time: 7:44pm

***The board left separate virtual meeting for executive session and reentered the virtual meeting for public session.**

24. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

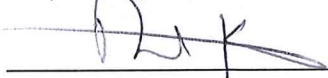
- Mr. Morelli reconvened the meeting at 7:45pm

25. ADJOURNMENT

Motion	Second	All in Favor	All Opposed
Mr. Peacock	Mr. Patel	9	0

☒ Motion Carries ☐ Motion Fails Time: 7:46pm

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Kraft
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

