

HAINESPORT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Regular Meeting  
 September 21, 2021  
 7:00 PM, Meeting

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Mrs. Kneringer

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. Executive Session  
 • None at this time

6. Return to Open Session

7. District Mission Statement

Mrs. Kneringer 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.

**8. PTO Report & Student Government Report**

- Mrs. Bryner updated the BoE on the PTO progress this year stating the annual membership drive has started and will run until October 1<sup>st</sup>; an Ice Cream social event will take place outside on September 24<sup>th</sup>; the 8th grade committee has met to begin the process of organizing a dinner dance; a fall fundraiser car wash event will be on September 25<sup>th</sup>; and planning has begun on a Halloween Event.

**9. Recognition/Presentation**

- Ms. Morgan Barnett presented the new Hainesport website and Hainesport School App which can be found on both apple and google.

**10. 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 |
|-----------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| Mr. Patel | Mr. Peacock | 7            | 0           |

Motion Carries       Motion Fails      Time: 7:06pm

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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. Scarpati | Mr. Cardonick | 7            | 0           |

Motion Carries       Motion Fails      Time: 7:07pm

**11. 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.   | 8/24/21      | Regular Meeting (Open Session) | M-1     |

Roll Call on Action Item #1:

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

Motion Carries       Motion Fails      Time: 7:08pm

**12. Superintendent’s Report**

Discussion Items – Mr. Joseph R. Corn, Superintendent

1. Mr. Corn reported that Mrs. Tricina Beebe was named NJASL’s 2021 President’s Award recipient.
2. Mr. Corn thanked Mrs. Rose Wenz for coordinating the school’s Strong assessment.
3. Mr. Corn thanked the PTO for the generous gift of the new sign in front of the school.

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.   | 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 |        |

Roll Call on Action Items #1-4:

| 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      |        | X   |    |         |        |
| Samir Patel         |        |        | X   |    |         |        |
| Keith Peacock       |        | X      | X   |    |         |        |
| Peter Scarpati      |        |        | X   |    |         |        |

Motion Carries       Motion Fails      Time: 7:11pm

**13. 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 Plans   | Att. |
|------|---|------|
| 1.   | Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Programs Plan | SS-1 |

*Out of District Placement*

| Item | Student | Placement                          | Tuition        | Term             |
|------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 2.   | H-0238  | Y.A.L.E.                           | \$118,315.80   | 7/6/21 - 6/30/22 |
| 3.   | H-0189  | Moorestown Township Public Schools | \$40,398.00    | 7/6/21 - 6/30/22 |
| 4.   | H-0189  | Moorestown Township Public Schools | \$3,800.00 ESY | 7/1/21 - 7/29/21 |
| 5.   | H-0237  | BCSSSD                             | \$45,887.00    | 9/8/21 - 6/30/22 |
| 6.   | H-0236  | BCSSSD                             | \$43,336.00    | 9/8/21 - 6/30/22 |

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      | X   |    |         |        |
| Kristin Jakubowski  | X      |        | X   |    |         |        |
| Samir Patel         |        |        | X   |    |         |        |

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|----------------|--|--|---|--|--|
| Keith Peacock  |  |  | X |  |  |
| Peter Scarpati |  |  | X |  |  |

Motion Carries       Motion Fails      Time: 7:13pm

**14. HUMAN RESOURCES RELATIONS:**

A. Human Resources Committee Report: Jason Cardonick, Chair

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

*Faculty*

| <i>Item</i> | <i>Description</i>   | <i>Attach.</i> |
|-------------|--|----------------|
| 1.          | Approve Tracey Huster as the Homeless Liaison for the 2021-22 school year.   |                |
| 2.          | Ratify and affirm paying Rose Wenz for 2.75 hours beyond her regular work day. Ms. Wenz will be paid at her current rate subject to negotiations.  |                |
| 3.          | Ratify and affirm paying Rose Wenz for 8 hours for additional summer work. Ms. Wenz will be paid at her current rate subject to negotiations.      |                |
| 4.          | Ratify and affirm paying Cyndi Hess for 6.75 hours for additional summer work. Ms. Hess will be paid at her current rate subject to negotiations.  |                |
| 5.          | Ratify and affirm paying Nicole Zerbo for 11 hours for additional summer work. Ms. Zerbo will be paid at her current rate subject to negotiations. |                |
| 6.          | Ratify and affirm paying Tracey Huster for 1 hour for additional summer work. Ms. Huster will be paid at her current rate subject to negotiations. |                |

*Retirements/Resignations/Leaves of Absence*

| <i>Item</i> | <i>ID#</i> | <i>Position</i>   | <i>Type of Leave</i> |
|-------------|------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| 7.          | 1346       | Special Education | Resignation          |
| 8.          | 2047       | Custodian         | Resignation          |

*New Hire*

| <i>Item</i> | <i>Name</i>    | <i>Position</i>    | <i>FTE</i> | <i>Compensation</i>                               | <i>Date</i> |
|-------------|----------------|--------------------|------------|---|-------------|
| 9.          | *Samantha Swal | Special Ed Teacher | 1          | BA Step1<br>\$50,615.00 (Subject to Negotiations) | 9-1-2021    |

\*Ratify and Affirm

*Professional Development*

| <i>Item</i> | <i>Program</i>        | <i>Location</i> | <i>Date(s)</i> | <i>Hour(s)</i> | <i>Cost</i> | <i>Attendee</i> |
|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 10.         | NJ Science Convention | Princeton       | 10/19/21       | 9              | \$180.00    | Mr. Stipa       |
| 11.         | NJ Science Convention | Princeton       | 10/20/21       | 9              | \$180.00    | Mr. Mecholsky   |
| 12.         | NJ Science Convention | Princeton       | Oct. 19 & 20   | 18             | \$300.00    | Ms. Rose-Murray |

*Extra-Curricular*

| <i>Item</i> | <i>Name</i>     | <i>Position</i>                       | <i>Rate</i>                           | <i>Effective Date</i> |
|-------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 13.         | Scott Stipa     | Boys Soccer Coach                     | \$1,768.00 (subject to negotiations)  | 9/1/21                |
| 14.         | TBA             | Boys Assistant Soccer Coach 2021-2022 | \$1, 657.00 (subject to negotiations) | ASAP                  |
| 15.         | Devin Kane      | Girls Soccer Coach                    | \$1,768.00 (subject to negotiations)  | 9/1/21                |
| 16.         | Kelly Moffett   | Girls Field Hockey                    | \$1,768.00 (subject to negotiations)  | 9/1/21                |
| 17.         | Andrea Cahill   | Safety Patrol                         | \$1,084.00 (subject to negotiations)  | 9/1/21                |
| 18.         | TBA             | National Junior Honor Society         | \$740.00 (subject to negotiations)    | 9/22/21               |
| 19.         | Tricina Beebe   | Girls Who Code                        | \$740.00 (subject to negotiations)    | 9/22/21               |
| 20.         | Olivia Liedtka  | Code Club Grades 3-5                  | \$740.00 (subject to negotiations)    | 9/22/21               |
| 21.         | Shannon Higgins | Code Club Grades 6-8                  | \$740.00 (subject to negotiations)    | 9/22/21               |
| 22.         | Tricina Beebe   | Multimedia                            | \$2,211.00 (subject to negotiations)  | 9/22/21               |

*Faculty*

| <i>Item</i> | <i>Description</i>  | <i>Attach.</i> |
|-------------|---|----------------|
| 23.         | Approve Linda Russ, as needed for the 2021-2022 school year, as the backup for student support services for student #12517. |                |

*Retirements/Resignations/Leaves of Absence*

| <i>Item</i> | <i>ID#</i> | <i>Position</i>   | <i>Type of Leave</i>                                    |
|-------------|------------|-------------------|---|
| 24.         | 1886       | Regular Education | Medical Leave 10/1/21 – 11/1/21 (sick and unpaid leave) |

Roll Call on Action Items #1-24:

| Board Member        | Motion | Second | Yes | No | Abstain     | Absent |
|---------------------|--------|--------|-----|----|-------------|--------|
| Michael Morelli     |        |        |     |    |             | X      |
| Mary-Jean Kneringer |        |        | X   |    |             |        |
| Jason Cardonick     |        |        | X   |    | Items 2 & 3 |        |
| Bianca Cuniglio     |        |        |     |    |             | X      |
| Jeffrey Duda        | X      |        | X   |    |             |        |
| Kristin Jakubowski  |        |        | X   |    |             |        |
| Samir Patel         |        |        | X   |    |             |        |
| Keith Peacock       |        |        | X   |    |             |        |
| Peter Scarpati      |        | X      | X   |    |             |        |

Motion Carries       Motion Fails      Time: 7:18pm

**15. 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>Att.</i> |
|-------------|---|-------------|
| 1.          | Board Secretary’s Report for August 2021  | FI-1        |
| 2.          | Treasurer’s Report for August 2021  | FI-2        |
| 3.          | Appropriation Adjustment Journal for August 2021  | FI-3        |
| 4.          | Board of Education Monthly Certification of Funds for August 2021   |             |
| 5.          | Cash Flow Report for August 2021  | FI-4        |
| 6.          | Payment of bills for the month of August 2021   | FI-5        |
| 7.          | EFT Activity Report for August 2021   | FI-6        |
| 8.          | Student Activity Account for August 2021  | FI-7        |
| 9.          | Renew contract with Waste Management for the 2021-2022 school year. This contract reflects zero increase. | FI-8        |
| 10.         | Oncourse contract for the 2021-22 school year. Increase is \$1,307 (3% increase on same services).        | FI-9        |

*Use of Facilities 2021-2022 School Year\**

| <i>Item</i> | <i>Activity</i>              | <i>Contact</i>     |
|-------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| 11.         | CCD- Our Lady Queen of Peace | Deacon<br>Leo Zito |
| 12.         | Halloween Social - Cafeteria | PTO                |
| 13.         | BINGO Night - Cafeteria      | PTO                |
| 14.         | Book Fair - Media Center     | PTO                |
| 15.         | Monthly Meeting              | PTO                |

*\*All approval of use of facilities is contingent upon district receipt of proper documentation including proof of insurance & availability of area with respect to previously approved request.*

**Field Trips**

| <i>Item</i> | <i>Date</i> | <i>Time</i>        | <i>Grade/Group</i> | <i>Destination</i> | <i>Cost</i> | <i>Coordinator</i> |
|-------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| 16.         | 11/19/21    | 9:30 am - 12:30 pm | 8 (Band & Choir)   | RVRHS              | 1 Buses     | Ms. Cahill         |

Roll Call on Action Items #1-16:

| <b>Board Member</b> | <b>Motion</b> | <b>Second</b> | <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b> | <b>Abstain</b> | <b>Absent</b> |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| 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          |           |                |               |
| Peter Scarpati      |               |               | X          |           |                |               |

Motion Carries       Motion Fails      Time: 7:20pm

**16. TECHNOLOGY:**

A. Technology Committee Report: Keith Peacock, Chair

B. Motion to approve the following Technology action items:

- Mrs. Jakubowski spoke in place of Mr. Peacock and stated that the schools order of 20 new Smartboards would be arriving the next day.

**17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

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| Motion      | Second    | All in Favor | All Opposed |
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| Mr. Peacock | Mr. Patel | 7            | 0           |

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- Ms. Karen Kinter (school faculty) president of the teacher’s union stated that all of the union members were present for the meeting either in person or virtual through the zoom meeting as a sign of solidarity. She stated how much the teachers care for the wellbeing of all the students.
- Mr Cardonick responded that the board appreciates all of the teachers and stated that the board will work with the teachers to come to a fair agreement.

**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. Duda | Mr. Patel | 7            | 0           |

Motion Carries       Motion Fails      Time: 7:26pm

**18. NEW BUSINESS:**

- None at this time

**19. INFORMATION & FUTURE PLANNING ITEMS:**

- None at this time

**20. DATES TO REMEMBER:**

October 11, 2021      In-service Day – Teachers Only

**21. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- Not needed at this time

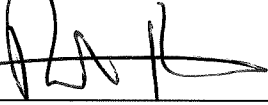
22. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

23. ADJOURNMENT

| Motion   | Second    | All in Favor | All Opposed |
|----------|-----------|--------------|-------------|
| Mr. Duda | Mr. Patel | 7            | 0           |

Motion Carries       Motion Fails      Time: 7:27pm

Respectfully submitted,



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Robert Kraft  
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary