

**HALEDON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
HALEDON, NJ**

**MINUTES**

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
MAY 13, 2014  
7:02 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mrs. Fischer.

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROUTE OF EGRESS**

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**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT**

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Haledon Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published in the North Jersey Herald News, the Board's Official Newspaper on April 24, 2014. Notices of this meeting, indicating date, time and place, were posted publicly on the door of the main entrance to the school and filed with the clerk in the municipality of Haledon.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Mr. Batelli, Mrs. Fischer, Ms. Fusco, Mr. McCloskey, Ms. Rolón, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Kaslander (*arrived 7:32 p.m.*)

**Also Present:** Dr. Ney, Superintendent; Mr. Serapiglia, Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Dr. Pillari, Principal

**CORRESPONDENCE**

MOTION by Mr. Batelli, seconded by Ms. Rolón that the Board of Education accepts the following correspondence:

Letter of Resignation – Domenico Fusco, Board Member

Letter of Resignation – Cynthia Fusco, Board Member/President

MOTION carried unanimously upon roll call vote, 6-0.

**PRESENTATION**

The Board of Education recognized the following students for their artwork chosen for the William Paterson University Professional Development School Art Exhibit:

Yohanny Rosario      Sabrina Ezmat      Alyssa Abreu

**APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES**

MOTION by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Ms. Rolón that the Board of Education approves the following minutes:

Regular Meeting	April 30, 2014
Executive Meeting	April 30, 2014

MOTION carried unanimously upon roll call vote, 6-0.

**HEARING OF CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Public is invited to address the Board with any questions, comments or concerns with respect to items listed on the agenda of this meeting.

MOTION by Mr. Batelli, seconded by Ms. Fusco to open the floor to the public, 7:06 p.m.

None.

MOTION by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Batelli to close the floor to the public, 7:06 p.m.

MOTION passed unanimously by voice vote, 6-0.

**REPORTS**

- President's Report – None.
- Superintendent's Report – Dr. Ney reported total school enrollment as of May 13, 2014 is 1,022. Grades 5-8 NJASK testing is concluded, with only a few make ups to finish up. Grades 3 and 4 are currently in the middle of their testing period and will be completed on Friday. All teacher pre-summative meetings are completed. Final reports are being generated using the data gathered from those meetings, and these evaluation summaries will be presented to each teacher by the end of May. TREPS Marketplace took place on May 9<sup>th</sup>. NJ Cap for 7<sup>th</sup> grade students was held on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Second Grade was supposed to take their field trip to the dinosaur Exhibit in Secaucus on May 13<sup>th</sup> but will be rescheduled. Kindergarten went on their field trip to The Land of Make Believe today, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Our seventh grade will take their trip to Boston this week May 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Business Administrator/Board Secretary Report – Mr. Serapiglia thanked Mr. and Mrs. Fusco for their years of service and advised that due to their move from the district, the two open seats are being advertised. Mr. Serapiglia informed the Board on the resolutions approving hours to align with Obamacare, ACES contract for gas supply, purchase of carts for next year and locking in two year rate on dental coverage; Mr. Serapiglia advised that the seamless summer option is to run along with summer camp (June 30-August 8);

Board seats open for this year include 3 three-year seats and 3 one-year seats. Construction projects update was given for bids out on boiler, roof and unit vent projects and we have not yet received approval from the State. McEntee Construction was lowest quote for the bell project.

- Personnel Report – Mrs. Smith, Chairperson; Mrs. Fischer, Ms. Fusco – Agenda items only.
- Finance Report – Mr. Batelli, Mr. Kaslander, Mr. McCloskey – Agenda items only.
- Curriculum Report – Mrs. Fischer, Chairperson; Mrs. Smith, Mr. McCloskey – Agenda items only.
- Policy Report – Ms. Rolón, Chairperson; Mr. Batelli, Mr. Kaslander – None.
- State and County Report – None.
- Board Attorney's Report – None.

**Personnel and Management Committee** – (Mrs. Smith, Chairperson; Mrs. Fischer, Ms. Fusco)

MOTION by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. McCloskey that the Board of Education approves items 1-7.

1. That the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

RESOLVED that the Haledon Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") hereby accepts the resignation of Cynthia Fusco as a member and the President of the Board since she is no longer a resident and domiciled in the Borough of Haledon; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby declares a vacancy on the Board and directs the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to advertise such vacancy forthwith.

2. That the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

RESOLVED that the Haledon Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") hereby accepts the resignation of Domenico Fusco as a member of the Board since he is no longer a resident and domiciled in the Borough of Haledon; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby declares a vacancy on the Board and directs the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to advertise such vacancy forthwith.

3. That the Board of Education approves the list of new substitutes through the Passaic County Educational Services Commission for the 2013-2014 school year as shown under Exhibit A.
4. That the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Haledon Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") has the authority to establish how many hours per week an employee must work in order to be considered a full-time employee for purposes of receiving health benefits under the Board's current medical insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to establish that all employees whose terms and conditions of employment are not covered by an existing collective negotiations agreement must work not less than an average of thirty (30) hours per week to be classified as a full-time employee for the purpose of receiving health benefits under the Board's current medical insurance coverage;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that all employees employed by the Board whose terms and conditions of employment are not covered by an existing collective negotiations agreement must work not less than an average of thirty (30) hours per week to be classified as a full-time employee for the purpose of receiving health benefits under the Board's current medical insurance coverage.

5. That the Board of Education appoints Aura Monasterio as Cafeteria/Playground Aide (replacing Tamika Chambliss) from May 14, 2014 through June 30, 2014, at Step 1, \$8.25 per hour, 2.5 hours per day.
6. That the Board of Education approves the personnel for the 2014 Summer School Program for Grade 8 funded by Account 20-250-100-100-00 as follows:

Name	Class	Days	Hrs./ Day	Hourly Rate	Total
Mary Watts	Mathematics	20	4	\$38	\$3,040
Lynn Naughton	Social Studies	20	4	\$38	\$3,040
Sandra Sorge	Science	20	4	\$38	\$3,040
Christina Sarkissian	Language Arts	20	4	\$38	\$3,040
Stacey Canova	BSI Data Disaggregation Team	5	7	\$38	\$1,330
Heather Miller	BSI Data Disaggregation Team	5	7	\$38	\$1,330
Jennifer Benson	Guidance/Scheduling	10	4	\$38	\$1,520
Colleen Dorn	Guidance/Scheduling	10	4	\$38	\$1,520

7. That the Board of Education approves English as a Second Language Summer Program to be paid from Title III Funds for ESL certified teachers as follows:

Name	# Days	Hrs./Day	Rate	Total
Noreen Karpowicz	15	4	\$38	\$2,280
Cheryl Cerna	15	4	\$38	\$2,280
Monika Lubera	15	4	\$38	\$2,280

MOTION carried upon roll call vote, 5-0-1 on Items 1-2 (Ms. Fusco abstained) and 6-0 on Items 3-7.

**Curriculum & Technology Committee** – (Ellen Fischer, Chairperson; Mrs. Smith, Mr. McCloskey)

MOTION by Mrs. Smith seconded by Ms. Fusco that the Board of Education approves Items 1-6.

1. That the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent on the following Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Cases:

Case Number
4-14-002
4-14-003
4-14-004

2. That the Board of Education approves the following class trip(s):

Grade	Trips
Pre-K	Fairfield Farms
Summer Camp	Garden Palace Bowling Lanes
Summer Camp	Bogota Golf Center (Miniature Golf & Bankshot Basketball)
Summer Camp	Ice Vault (Ice Skating)
Summer Camp	The Funplex Arcade & Amusement Park

3. That the Board of Education approves twenty (20) days for the Summer School Program as follows:

June 30, 2014  
 July 1 and July 2, 2014  
 July 7 through July 29, 2014

4. That the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the following employees are attending staff training, seminars and/or workshops; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at stated functions were previously approved by the Chief School Administrator as work related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the attendee; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the functions were approved as promoting delivery of instruction or furthering efficient operation of the school district and fiscally prudent,

NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the requests for attendance at professional workshops/conferences as listed:

NAME	WORKSHOP	Funded by	COST	DATE
Jennifer Benson	NY Executive Dysfunction: Strategies, & Interventions, Nanuet, NY	11-000-223-500-00	\$215.37	5/19/14

Wendy Fossett	Worksheets Don't Grow Dendrites, WPUNJ	N/A	None	5/20/14
Jacalyn Heemskerk	5 <sup>th</sup> Annual Schools Conference, WPUNJ	N/A	None	5/20/14
Debra Schraer	Worksheets Don't Grow Dendrites, WPUNJ	N/A	None	5/20/14
Jennifer Fredericks	Multiple Intelligences for Science, Jersey City, NJ	11-000-223-500-00	\$198.02	5/15/14
Miranda McLoughlin	How to Integrate Smart Technology, Parsippany, NJ	11-000-223-500-00	\$190.54	6/3/14
Sharon Kieffer	Successful Strategies for PDS, WPUNJ	N/A	None	5/20/14
Kerry Wittig	Successful Strategies for PDS, WPUNJ	N/A	None	5/20/14

5. That the Board of Education approves the 2014-2015 School Calendar as shown under Exhibit D.
6. That the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, D.F. and C.F. formerly resided in the Borough of Haledon with their granddaughter, K.H., until on or about May 2, 2014, when they established a new residency in the Borough of North Haledon; and

WHEREAS, K.H. is enrolled in the Haledon School District (hereinafter referred to as the "District") and attends the pre-kindergarten program; and

WHEREAS, D.F. and C.F. have requested that K.H. be permitted to continue her attendance in the pre-kindergarten program through the last day of the 2013-2014 school year without payment of tuition; and

WHEREAS, Board Policy 5111 "Eligibility of Resident/ Nonresident Pupils," provides that any child enrolled in the District whose residence or domicile is moved from the District on or after April 1 of any year may continue through the last day of the school year of that year without payment of tuition provided that his or her legal guardians submit a written request to the Superintendent, in which they agree to provide for any needed transportation to assure proper attendance and receives the Board's approval, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, for such continuance; and

WHEREAS, D.F. and C.F. submitted a written request to the Superintendent on or about May 2, 2014, requesting that K.H. be permitted to continue through the last day of the school year without payment of tuition and have agreed to provide transportation to assure her proper attendance; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has recommended that K.H. be permitted to attend the pre-kindergarten program through the last day of the 2013-2014 school year without payment of tuition provided D.F. and C.F. provide transportation to assure her proper attendance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Haledon Board of Education hereby approves the Superintendent's recommendation that K.H. be permitted to attend the pre-kindergarten program through the last day of the 2013-2014 school year without payment of tuition provided D.F. and C.F. provide transportation to assure her proper attendance.

MOTION carried unanimously upon roll call vote, 6-0 on Items 1-5; and 5-0-1 on Item 6 (Ms. Fusco abstained).

**Policy Committee** – (Crystal Rolón, Chairperson; Mr. Batelli, Mr. Kaslander)

**Finance & Physical Plant Committee** – (Domenico Fusco, Chairperson; Mr. Batelli, Mr. Kaslander)

MOTION by Mr. McCloskey, seconded by Ms. Fusco that the Board of Education approves items 1-7:

1. That the Board of Education, through its participation in the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES), approves the Gas Supply Service Agreement with South Jersey Energy Company as shown under Exhibit B.
2. That the Board of Education approves the purchase of three (3) Google Chrome Cart on wheels (90 Chrome Books in total) from CDW-G at a cost of \$32,364.06 under State Contract Number 65MCESCCPS 13/14-04, to be purchased out of the 2014-2015 School Budget.
3. That the Board of Education approves the Public Employer Trust Agreement for Dental Benefits (Exhibit C) with Horizon Healthcare Dental for the time period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016 at the following rates:

Single: \$ 42.27  
 H/W: \$125.85  
 P/C: \$125.85  
 Family \$125.85

4. That the Board of Education approves the Transportation Services Agreement with Passaic County Educational Services Commission for the 2013-2014 school year for out-of-district students #5985 and #5999 in the amount of \$1,624.48 (which has been budgeted for) as follows:

Route #	School	Contractor	# Students	Cost	Surcharge	Start Date
7135	Windsor Academy	A-1 Elegant Tours	2	\$1,562.00	\$62.48	9/4/13-6/14

5. That the Board of Education moves the bills for May 13, 2014 be approved as presented:

General Fund	\$274,064.71
Special Revenue Fund	\$1,059.45
Construction Project Fund	\$0
Debt Service Fund	\$0
Enterprise Fund	\$1,493.00
Payroll Fund – 4/11/14	\$436,754.53
Total for Approval	\$713,371.69

6. That the Board of Education approves the following Application for Use of Ball Fields and School Grounds:

Boys & Girls Club of Haledon	Softball/Baseball Practice Tues through Friday 6-7:30 p.m.	Ball Fields/Grounds
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7. That the Board of Education approves the operation of a Seamless Summer Option for Summer 2014.

MOTION carried upon roll call vote, 6-0 on Items 1-7; on Item 5 Mr. McCloskey abstained on Check #02091.

### **NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS**

Ms. Fusco asked about whether we heard back from town about not having elections here at school.

Dr. Ney replied we have not heard.

### **HEARING OF CITIZENS**

During this portion of the meeting, the residents are invited to address the Board with any questions, comments or concerns that may be in respect to the operation of their school.

MOTION by Mr. McCloskey, seconded by Ms. Fusco to open the floor to the public, 7:16 p.m.

Lynn Naughton, HEA President, stated that as of June 1, 2014, Ms. Naughton and Ms. Meletta will no longer be President and Vice President. Ms. Castaldo and Ms. Pulizzano will serve as Co-presidents and Ms. Volpe will be Vice President.

Ms. Naughton read a statement about Principal and stated the HEA supports Steve Wisniewski.

MOTION by Ms. Rolón, seconded by Mrs. Smith to close the floor to the public, 7:18 p.m.

MOTION passed unanimously by voice vote, 6-0.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION #1**

MOTION by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Ms. Fusco to go into Executive Session for personnel reasons at 7:18 p.m.

MOTION carried unanimously upon voice vote, 6-0.

The Board reconvened into regular meeting at 7:58 p.m.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION #2**

MOTION by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Smith to return to Executive Session at 7:59 p.m.

MOTION carried unanimously upon voice vote, 7-0.



The Board reconvened into regular meeting at 8:09 p.m.

**ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT**

MOTION by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Ms. Fusco, to nominate Mr. Kaslander.

MOTION carried unanimously upon roll call vote, 7-0.

**ELECTION OF BOARD VICE PRESIDENT**

MOTION by Ms. Fusco, seconded by Mr. Batelli, to nominate Ms. Rolón.

MOTION carried upon roll call vote, 4-3 (Mrs. Fischer, Mr. McCloskey and Mrs. Smith voted no).

MOTION BY Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Kaslander, to nominate Mrs. Smith.

MOTION failed upon roll call vote, 3-4 (Mr. Batelli, Ms. Fusco, Mr. Kaslander and Ms. Rolón voted no).

MOTION by Mr. Kaslander, seconded by Mrs. Fischer, to stay vote on Vice President.

MOTION carried unanimously upon roll call vote, 7-0.

**ADJOURN**

MOTION by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Ms. Fusco, to adjourn 8:20 p.m.

MOTION carried unanimously upon voice vote, 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

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John A. Serapiglia, Jr.  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary