

# HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2009

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Mary A. Wirth

## STUDENT LIAISON REPRESENTATIVE

Lena Street

**7:00 P.M.** Meeting Called to Order. The Board moves into Executive Session in the District Conference Room to discuss specific personnel matters.

**8:00 P.M.** Meeting Reconvenes in John J. Russell Lecture Room.

## A G E N D A

### I. CALL TO ORDER

### II. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

### III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

September	21	Building Leadership Team (BLT) Meetings HHS BLT – Hastings High School Conference Room FMS BLT – Farragut Middle School Conference Room Hillside BLT – Library Conference Room		3:45 p.m.
September	21	Hastings High School Liaison Meeting – Room 225		6:45 p.m.
<b>September</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Board of Education Meeting – John J. Russell Lecture Room</b>	<b>Executive Session</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
			<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>8:00 p.m.</b>
September	22	Grades 10 & 11 Parent Breakfast		7:30 a.m.
September	23	SAT Late Registration Deadline for October exam		
September	24	Grades K, 1 & 2 Back-to-School Night		7:00 p.m.
September	25	Student-Board of Education Liaison Meeting – Lloyd Library		7:30 a.m.
<b>September</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Yom Kippur – Schools Closed</b>		
<b>September</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>First full day of Kindergarten – Dismissal at 2:00 p.m.</b>		
September	30	Freshman Peer Leadership Retreat		
September	30	Community Leaders Group – John J. Russell Lecture Room		3:30 p.m.
October	1	SAT Registration Deadline for November Exam		
October	1	Hastings High School Back –to-School Night – HHS Auditorium		7:00 p.m.
October	2	ACT Late Registration Deadline		
October	5	Hillside Liaison Meeting – Hillside Café		6:45 p.m.
<b>October</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Board of Education Meeting – John J. Russell Lecture Room</b>	<b>Executive Session</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
			<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>8:00 p.m.</b>
October	7	Hillside Class Pictures		
October	10	SAT I & Subject Tests – Hastings High School Lobby for Classroom Assignments		7:45 a.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)**

<b>October</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Columbus Day – Schools Closed</b>		
October	14	Farragut Middle School Class Pictures		
October	15	SAT Late Registration Deadline for November Exam		
October	15	Farragut Middle School Back-to-School Night		7:00 p.m.
October	17	PSAT Exam – Hastings High School Lobby for Classroom Assignments		7:45 a.m.
October	17	HOMEcomings – Football Game vs. Haldane HS – Reynolds Field – Dance – Cochran Gym		1:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
October	19	Farragut Middle School Liaison Meeting – Lloyd Library		6:45 p.m.
<b>October</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Board of Education Meeting – John J. Russell Lecture Room</b>	<b>Executive Session</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
			<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>8:00 p.m.</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Early Release Day</b>		
October	23	Hastings High School Academic Field Day		
October	24	ACT Exam – at students’ schools of choice		
October	24	PTSA Fundraiser – The Harlem Wizards vs. Hastings Hotshots – Cochran Gym		7:00 p.m.

**IV. PUBLIC HEARING**

When speaking at Board meetings, please state your name and address. Any persons wishing to address the Board should confine their remarks to three minutes. Each speaker is allowed one comment on an issue until all others have been heard.

**V. MINUTES**

- M.1 Recommendation to accept the minutes of the August 17, 2009 Regular Board of Education meeting. These minutes appeared on the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of September 8, 2009. Lindsey Hicks moved to accept the minutes and Caryn Campbell seconded; the vote was tabled. (Bd. Enc.)
- M.2 Recommendation to accept the minutes of the September 8, 2009 Regular Board of Education meeting. (Bd. Enc.)

**VI. BUSINESS**

- B.1 Recommendation to approve the following Committee on Preschool Special Education recommendation for the 2009-2010 school year: (Bd. Enc.)  
# 7703
- B.2 Recommendation to approve a contract with The Learning Shop, Inc. to provide homebound instruction services for the 2009-2010 school year and to authorize the Superintendent to execute the contract. (Bd. Enc.)
- B.3 Recommendation to accept the bid from Landi Contracting Inc. for repairs to the concrete settee at the Farragut Complex in the amount of \$27,000 and to authorize the President of the Board to execute the contract. (Bd. Enc.)

- B.4 Recommendation to accept the amended contract with Metal Man Restoration from \$15,500 to \$19,500, due to the addition of a third exterior cast iron façade. (Original contract included two facades.) (Bd. Enc.)
- B.5 Recommendation to accept the proposal from HMM Site & Sports Design for architectural and engineering services for the athletic fields in the amount of \$9,500. (Bd. Enc.)
- B.6 Recommendation to accept the Revenue and Expenditure Reports for July 2009. (Bd. Enc.)
- B.7 Recommendation to accept the Treasurer’s Reports for June and July 2009. (Bd. Enc.)
- B.8 Recommendation to approve budget transfers for the 2009-2010 school year. (Bd. Enc.)
- B.9 Recommendation to accept a donation of textbooks from Jane Turkel to the school district and to bestow our gratitude upon the donor. (Bd. Enc.)
- B.10 Recommendation to accept the following Claims Auditor Warrant Reports: (Bd. Enc.)
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| Warrant #24 | Fund TE | Computer Checks for 6/1/09-6/30/09  |
| Warrant #29 | Fund F  | Computer Checks for 6/1/09-6/30/09  |
| Warrant #30 | Fund F  | Computer Checks for 6/1/09-6/30/09  |
| Warrant #1  | Fund TE | Computer Checks for 6/1/09-6/30/09  |
| Warrant #19 | Fund H  | Void Checks for 6/1/09-6/30/09      |
| Warrant #34 | Fund A  | Computer Checks for 6/25/09-6/30/09 |
| Warrant# 1  | Fund A  | Computer Checks for 7/1/09-7/31/09  |
| Warrant #1  | Fund TE | Computer Checks for 7/1/09-7/31/09  |
| Warrant #1  | Fund F  | Computer Checks for 8/1/09-8/31/09  |
| Warrant #1  | Fund H  | Computer Checks for 8/1/09-8/31/09  |
| Warrant #2  | Fund A  | Computer Checks for 8/1/09-8/31/09  |
| Warrant #1  | Fund C  | Computer Checks for 8/1/09-8/31/09  |
| Warrant #2  | Fund F  | Computer Checks for 8/1/09-8/31/09  |
| Warrant #2  | Fund H  | Computer Checks for 8/1/09-8/31/09  |
| Warrant #2  | Fund TE | Computer Checks for 8/1/09-8/31/09  |
| Warrant #3  | Fund TE | Computer Checks for 8/1/09-8/31/09  |
| Warrant #4  | Fund TE | Computer Checks for 8/1/09-8/31/09  |
| Warrant #3  | Fund A  | Computer Checks for 8/10/09-8/18/09 |

**VII. PERSONNEL**

- P.1 Recommendation to accept the resignation of **Ruth M. Lee**, effective September 4, 2009. (Bd. Enc.)
- P.2 WHEREAS, on September 21, 2009 it was determined that a vacancy exists for a substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, which will be integral to Hastings-on-Hudson’s operations in the 2009-2010 school year; and (Bd. Enc.)
- WHEREAS, the Board has identified **Beth C. Weiss** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to a substitute teacher position for the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, Beth C. Weiss has already submitted to a background check and obtained clearance from the State Education Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board has identified Beth C. Weiss as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to the position of substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, effective September 22, 2009.

- P.3 WHEREAS, on September 21, 2009 it was determined that a vacancy exists for a substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, which will be integral to Hastings-on-Hudson's operations in the 2009-2010 school year; and (Bd. Enc.)

WHEREAS, the Board has identified **Daniel J. Krieger** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to a substitute teacher position for the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, Daniel J. Krieger has already submitted to a background check and obtained clearance from the State Education Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board has identified Daniel J. Krieger as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to the position of substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, effective September 22, 2009.

- P.4 WHEREAS, on September 21, 2009 it was determined that a vacancy exists for a substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, which will be integral to Hastings-on-Hudson's operations in the 2009-2010 school year; and (Bd. Enc.)

WHEREAS, the Board has identified **William Indik** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to a substitute teacher position for the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, William Indik has already submitted to a background check and obtained clearance from the State Education Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board has identified William Indik as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to the position of substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, effective September 22, 2009.

- P.5 WHEREAS, on September 21, 2009 it was determined that a vacancy exists for a substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, which will be integral to Hastings-on-Hudson's operations in the 2009-2010 school year; and (Bd. Enc.)

WHEREAS, the Board has identified **Jennifer Kraus** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to a substitute teacher position for the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Kraus has already submitted to a background check and obtained clearance from the State Education Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board has identified Jennifer Kraus as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to the position of substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, effective September 22, 2009.

- P.6 WHEREAS, on September 21, 2009 it was determined that a vacancy exists for a substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, which will be integral to Hastings-on-Hudson's operations in the 2009-2010 school year; and (Bd. Enc.)

WHEREAS, the Board has identified **Thomas J. Lyons** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to a substitute teacher position for the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Lyons has already submitted to a background check and obtained clearance from the State Education Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board has identified Thomas J. Lyons a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to the position of substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, effective September 22, 2009.

- P.7 WHEREAS, on September 21, 2009 it was determined that a vacancy exists for a substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, which will be integral to Hastings-on-Hudson's operations in the 2009-2010 school year; and (Bd. Enc.)

WHEREAS, the Board has identified **Tamara Dilworth** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to a substitute teacher position for the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Dilworth has already submitted to a background check and obtained clearance from the State Education Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board has identified Tamara Dilworth as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to the position of substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, effective September 22, 2009.

- P.8 WHEREAS, on September 21, 2009 it was determined that a vacancy exists for a substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, which will be integral to Hastings-on-Hudson's operations in the 2009-2010 school year; and (Bd. Enc.)

WHEREAS, the Board has identified **James C. Salvatore** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to a substitute teacher position for the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, James C. Salvatore has already submitted to a background check and obtained clearance from the State Education Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board has identified James C. Salvatore as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to the position of substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, effective September 22, 2009.

P.9 WHEREAS, on September 21, 2009 it was determined that a vacancy exists (Bd. Enc.)  
for a substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, which will be integral  
to Hastings-on-Hudson's operations in the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board has identified **Sabrina Bondi** as a qualified candidate  
and wishes to appoint her to a substitute teacher position for the 2009-2010  
school year; and

WHEREAS, Sabrina Bondi has already submitted to a background check and  
obtained clearance from the State Education Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board has identified  
Sabrina Bondi as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to the  
position of substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, effective  
September 22, 2009.

P.10 Recommendation to amend the appointment of **Mary Beth Carlson** to read  
as follows:

Civil Service Area:	Office Assistant, Automated Systems
Salary Placement:	Column VI, Step I
Date of Commencement of Probationary Service:	September 1, 2009
Date of Expiration of Probationary Service:	August 31, 2010

P.11 WHEREAS, on July 8, 2009 it was determined that a vacancy exists for a (Bd. Enc.)  
Cleaner for the 2009-2010 school year, which will be integral to Hastings-on-  
Hudson's operations in the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board has identified **Kevin McCarthy** as a qualified  
candidate and wishes to appoint him to a probationary Cleaner position for  
the 2009-2010 school year, effective September 8, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Kevin McCarthy has already submitted to a background check  
and obtained clearance from the State Education Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board hereby has  
identified Kevin McCarthy, as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint  
him to the position of Cleaner, effective September 8, 2009.

Civil Service Area:	Cleaner
Salary Placement:	Column I, Step IA
Date of Commencement of Probationary Service:	September 8, 2009
Date of Expiration of Probationary Service:	September 7, 2010

P.12 Recommendation to appoint the following individuals to Schedule B  
positions for the 2009-2010 school year:

NAME	POSITION	STEP	STIPEND
Scott Shapiro	Grade 7 Team Coordinator	n/a	\$4000
Jeff Rosof	Instructional Technology Specialist	n/a	\$6000
Michael Rubino	Arts in Education Coordinator	n/a	\$2269
Gregory Stephens	Girls Modified Soccer Coach	1	\$2353
Marc Rosner	Technology Group Advisor	1	\$1202

**VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**IX. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND/OR SPECIAL DEPARTMENTS**

C&I.1 Board Communications Plan

C&I.2 District Web Site (Mary Lynn Collins-Callanan)

C&I.3 District Report Card

**X. OTHER BUSINESS**

**Old Business – Board of Education**

O.B.1 Board Meeting Topics (Bd. Enc.)

O.B.2 Board of Education Committee / Liaison Assignments (Bd. Enc.)

O.B.3 New York State School Boards Association (“NYSSBA”) – 2009 Annual Business Meeting (Bd. Enc.)

**Old Business – Audience to Board of Education**

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**XI. MEETING SUMMARY**

**ADJOURNMENT**