

HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2009

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DISTRICT CLERK

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

October	1	Policy Committee Meeting		
October	5	Hillside Liaison Meeting – Hillside Café		6:45 p.m.
October	5	Board of Education Meeting – John J. Russell Lecture Room	Regular Meeting	8:00 p.m.
October	7	Hillside Class Pictures		
October	10	SAT I & Subject Tests – HHS Lobby for Classroom Assignments		7:45 a.m.
October	12	Columbus Day – Schools Closed		
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	HOME COMING 2009		
		– Varsity Boys Soccer vs. Dobbs Ferry High School – Burke Field		2:00 p.m.
		– Varsity Field Hockey vs. Edgemont High School – Dr. Thomas J. Fazio Memorial Field		2:00 p.m.
		– Varsity Football vs. Haldane High School – Reynolds Field		3:00 p.m.
		– “Hall of Excellence” Induction Dinner – The Riverview		6:00 p.m.
		– Homecoming Dance – Cochran Gym		7:00 p.m.
October	19	Farragut Middle School Liaison Meeting – Lloyd Library		6:45 p.m.
October	19	Board of Education Meeting – John J. Russell Lecture Room	Regular Meeting	8:00 p.m.
October	21	Early Release Day		
October	21	Hastings High School Academic Field Day		
October	23	Student / Board of Education Liaison Committee Meeting – Lloyd Library		7:30 a.m.
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.

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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 September 21, 2009 Regular Board of Education meeting. (Bd. Enc.)

VI. BUSINESS

- B.1 Presentation of the Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 by representatives of Bennett, Kielson, Storch, DeSantis, the Government Services Division of O'Connor, Davies, Munns & Dobbins, LLP. (Bd. Enc.)

Recommendation to accept the Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.

- B.2 Recommendation to approve the following Committee on Preschool Special Education recommendations for the 2009-2010 school year: (Bd. Enc.)

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- B.3 Recommendation to approve the following Committee on Special Education recommendations for the 2009-2010 school year: (Bd. Enc.)

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- B.4 The Board of Education hereby approves Robert I. Shaps, Superintendent, and Maureen Caraballo, District Treasurer:

- as Purchasing Agents for the Hastings-on-Hudson UFSD;
- as Authorized Representatives for all federal programs including E-Rate and Child Nutrition; and
- as Designated Custodians for the general fund, building fund, child nutrition fund, bond fund, activity fund, all federal programs including E-Rate, all state programs, and all other school programs and activities not listed for the 2009-2010 school year.

- B.5 Recommendation to accept the proposal from J.A. Engel Co. for the repair and upgrade of the audio visual system in the John J. Russell Lecture room and to authorize the President of the Board to execute the proposal. (Bd. Enc.)

- B.6 Recommendation to accept the proposal from Parkway Exterminating and to authorize the Superintendent to execute the contract. (Bd. Enc.)
- B.7 Recommendation to approve two (2) transportation contract extensions with Academy Bus Company for the 2009-2010 school year and to authorize the President of the Board and the Superintendent to execute the contracts. (Bd. Enc.)
- B.8 Recommendation to approve a transportation contract with Southern Westchester BOCES for the 2009-2010 school year and to authorize the President of the Board and the Superintendent to execute the contract. (Bd. Enc.)
- B.9 Recommendation to accept the Revenue and Expenditure Reports for August 2009. (Bd. Enc.)
- B.10 Recommendation to accept the following Claims Auditor Warrant Reports: (Bd. Enc.)
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| Warrant #4 | Fund F | Computer Checks for 8/1/09-8/31/09 |
| Warrant #5 | Fund F | Computer Checks for 8/1/09-8/31/09 |
| Warrant #4 | Fund A | Computer Checks for 8/24/09-8/31/09 |

VII. PERSONNEL

- P.1 WHEREAS, on October 5, 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 **Andrew Militscher** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to a substitute teacher position for the 2009-2010 school year; and
- WHEREAS, Andrew Militscher 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 Andrew Militscher as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to the position of substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, effective October 6, 2009.
- P.2 WHEREAS, on October 5, 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 **Vera Protano** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to a substitute teacher position for the 2009-2010 school year; and
- WHEREAS, Vera Protano 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 Vera Protano as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to the position of substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, effective October 6, 2009.

P.3 WHEREAS, on October 5, 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 **Noah A. Berger** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to a substitute teacher position for the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, Noah A. Berger 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 Noah A. Berger as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint him to the position of substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, effective October 6, 2009.

P.4 WHEREAS, on October 5, 2009 it was determined that a vacancy exists for a part time teacher aide 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 **Antoinette DeSouza** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to a part time teacher aide position for the 2009-2010 school year, effective October 6, 2009; and

Antoinette DeSouza 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 Antoinette DeSouza, as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to the part time position of teacher aide, effective October 6, 2009.

Civil Service Area:	Part-Time Teacher Aide
Salary Placement:	Column III, Step 1
Hours:	Three (3) hours per day

P.5 WHEREAS, on October 5, 2009 it was determined that a vacancy exists for a part time teacher aide 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 **Lisa Adipietro** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to a part time teacher aide position for the 2009-2010 school year, effective September 29, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Adipietro 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 Lisa Adipietro, as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to the part time position of teacher aide, effective September 29, 2009.

Civil Service Area:	Part-Time Teacher Aide
Salary Placement:	Column III, Step 1
Hours:	Three (3) hours per day

- P.6 WHEREAS, on October 5, 2009, it was determined that a vacancy exists for a teacher aide substitute 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 **Joya Anzano** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to a teacher aide substitute position for the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, Joya Anzano 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 Joya Anzano as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to the position of teacher aide substitute for the 2009-2010 school year, effective October 6, 2009.

- P.7 WHEREAS, on October 5, 2009, it was determined that a vacancy exists for a clerical substitute 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 **Joya Anzano** as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to a clerical substitute position for the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, Joya Anzano 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 Joya Anzano as a qualified candidate and wishes to appoint her to the position of clerical substitute for the 2009-2010 school year, effective October 6, 2009.

- P.8 Recommendation to appoint the following individual to Schedule B positions for the 2009-2010 school year: (Bd. Enc.)

NAME	POSITION	STEP	STIPEND
Jennifer S. Lee	Technical Director Winter HS Play	1	\$989
Jennifer S. Lee	Technical Director Spring HS Play	1	\$989
Jennifer S. Lee	Technical Director 5/6 Musical	1	\$989
Jennifer S. Lee	Technical Director 7/8 Play	1	\$989

- P.9 Recommendation to grant a parental leave of absence without pay to **Kim Smith** from October 6, 2009 through February 1, 2010. (Bd. Enc.)
- P.10 Recommendation to extend the probationary period of **Darin Harrell** through October 5, 2010. (Bd. Enc.)

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- C.1 Finance Committee (Eileen Baecher / Donna Laing / Gabrielle Lesser)
- C.2 Audit Committee (Eileen Baecher / Caryn Campbell / Gabrielle Lesser)
- C.3 Student/Board of Education Liaison Committee (Caryn Campbell / Gabrielle Lesser / Jodie Meyer)
- C.4 Facilities Committee (Eileen Baecher / Caryn Campbell / Wendy Naidich)
- C.5 Technology Committee (Eileen Baecher / Donna Laing)
- C.6 Community Leaders Group (Jodie Meyer / Donna Laing)
- C.7 Board Operations Committee (Lindsey Hicks / Gabrielle Lesser / Jodie Meyer)
- C.8 Policy Committee (Eileen Baecher / Donna Laing / Gabrielle Lesser)

IX. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND/OR SPECIAL DEPARTMENTS

- C&I.1 2010-2011 Budget Planning

X. OTHER BUSINESS

Old Business – Board of Education

Old Business – Audience to Board of Education

New Business – Board of Education

- N.B.1 Comprehensive Plan Subcommittees – Board Liaison
- N.B.2 PTSA/SEPTA – Board Liaison
- N.B.3 November 2nd Community Forum
- N.B.4 2009-2010 Board of Education Goals (Bd. Enc.)

New Business – Audience to Board of Education

XI. MEETING SUMMARY

ADJOURNMENT