#### Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education

Pascack Hills High School – Pascack Hills Auditorium Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

# AGENDA Monday, January 17, 2022

#### Meeting Regulations

During this regular meeting, two opportunities are provided for citizens to ask questions and to make comments. During the first opportunity, early on the agenda, comments are invited. The second opportunity will occur just prior to adjournment, when residents may address general comments to the Board with time limits being at the discretion of the President.

Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise and state their name and address. The Board reserves the right to establish rules for the conduct of its meetings, including such matters as the time at which the public will be heard, if at all, who may speak, and for how long. All such rules shall be monitored by the President unless the majority of the Board present and voting, rule otherwise.

Comments and questions shall be limited to issues. If personal remarks or discourteous statements are made, the presiding officer shall require the speaker to sit down.

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#### I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mr. Joseph Blundo, President

Mrs. Gini Varghese, Vice President

Dr. Kelly Blundy

Mr. Pat Luisi

Mrs. Kristin Martin

Mr. James Stankus

Ms. Debra Stephans

Ms. Tammy Molinelli

Mr. Michael Weaver

Dr. Daniel Fishbein, Interim Superintendent

Mr. Yas Usami, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Student Representatives: Hilary Siegel – PHHS; Evan Scalia – PVHS

#### The Vision of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District:

To create a culture of innovation, inquiry, and individuality that promotes achievement and choice by cultivating the skills needed to compete and collaborate as ethical and responsible global citizens.

#### II. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### III. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by mailing copies of said notice to The Record, filing copies of said notice with the municipal clerks of Hillsdale, Montvale, River Vale, and Woodcliff Lake, and publishing said notice in The Record on May 18, 2021 and January 15, 2022.

#### IV. ROUTINE MATTERS

Monthly Reports

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Daniel Fishbein

Student Reports: Hilary Siegel – Pascack Hills High School

Evan Scalia – Pascack Valley High School

One Agenda Item

#### 1. Minutes

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the following Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education minutes:

January 3, 2022	Reorganization & Regular Meeting	7:30 p.m.
January 3, 2022	Executive Meeting	8:53p.m.

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#### V. PRESENTATION

**Start Strong Testing Results** – Dr. Barry Bachenheimer

**Board Training: Purchase Manual** – Mr. Yas Usami

#### VI. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Citizens are invited to make comments regarding agenda items and are limited to five minutes, according to the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education policy number 0167. Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise, sign in and state their name, town of residence, and which agenda item(s) they are referencing.

#### VII. POLICY

Consent Agenda for Items 1-2

#### 1. Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Executive Report

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, affirm the findings of the following harassment, intimidation and bullying incidents: 226499\_P\_12202021, 225958\_PHH\_12092021, 225895\_PHH\_12082021, and 225894\_PHH\_12082021.

#### 2. English Language Learner Plan

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the Pascack Valley Regional High School District English Language Learner Three Year Program Plan for 2021-2024.

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#### VIII. EDUCATION

Consent Agenda for Items 1-2

#### 1. Bedside/Home/Supplemental Instruction

a. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve bedside tutoring for student ID #809182 admitted to High Focus in Paramus, NJ on

January 5, 2022 through a date to be determined. Services are being provided by LearnWell billed at \$52 per hour of instruction and a preparation fee of 33%, for 10 hours per week.

b. RESOLVED that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve home instruction for student ID #811555, to be provided by board approved home instructors, beginning January 10, 2022 through a date to be determined. The student shall receive 10 hours of home instruction per week in the following subject areas:

Business	English	Mathematics	Science
Social Studies	Physical Education/Health	World Language	

c. **RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve three hours of supplemental instruction in mathematics for student ID #811564 starting January 6 – January 26, 2022.

#### 2. Tuition Students Attending Park Academy - Region II

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, accept the following tuition students for the 2021-2022 school year:

Student ID	Sending District	Grade	Start Date
#812563	Closter Public Schools	5	January 10, 2022
#812564	River Vale Public Schools	6	January 10, 2022
#812565	Little Ferry Public Schools	4	TBD

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#### IX. HUMAN RESOURCES

WHEREAS, the interim superintendent, after considering the recommendation of his administrative staff which included consideration of experience, credentials, and references for the following candidates for employment in the school district, has

determined that the appointment of these individuals is appropriate and in the best interest of the school district,

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, appoint the following individuals to the positions indicated, as provided by the budget, in accord with terms of the employment specified:

Note: Appointment of new personnel to the district is provisional subject to:

- 1. Authorization from the State Department regarding a criminal background check and/or authorization from the Bergen County Superintendent's Office for emergent hiring; and
- 2. A medical examination including satisfactory results of the Mantoux tuberculin skin test; and
- 3. Valid certification appropriate for his/her employment or assignment in New Jersey; and
- 4. Disclosure and review of applicants' employment history within the statutory time period.

Consent Agenda for Items 1-4

#### 1. New Hire (Modified)

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, appoint the following individual to the position indicated:

Name	Position	Salary	<b>Effective Dates</b>
Robert Buccino	Special Education Teacher, short-term leave replacement, Pascack Hills High School	\$400 per diem, without benefits	November 9, 2021 – <b>January 28, 2022</b> , modified from November 15, 2021 resolution

### 2. Change of Position

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve Sanja Jackson, lead evening custodian, effective January 17, 2022, at her usual salary and stipends. Ms. Jackson has served as temporary lead evening custodian since March 23, 2021.

#### 3. Substitute Teacher

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the following substitute teachers for the district for the 2021-2022 school year:

Name	Type
Ryan Muska	Renew
Dilma Panarello Siempira*	New

<sup>\*</sup>pending certification as teacher of Spanish

# 4. Job Description

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve the new job description of Confidential Secretary – Technology, Communications, and Business.

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#### X. FINANCE

Consent Agenda for Items 1 - 14

#### 1. Approval of Bills

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve bills as follows:

Budget Expenditures as of January 17, 2022	\$1,831,115.47
Payroll as of December 23, 2021	\$1,692,999.61
Payroll as of January 15, 2022	\$1,635,732.86
TOTAL	\$5,159,847.94

#### 2. Secretary's and Treasurer's Financial Reports

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, accept the

Secretary's and Treasurer's unaudited 2021-22 financial reports, which are in agreement reflecting the district's financial activities for the period November 2021.

# 3. Ratification of Board Secretary's Monthly Certification – Budgetary Line Item Status

**RESOLVED** pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(c)3, the Board Secretary certifies that as of November 2021 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

**BE IT RESOLVED** pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2-11(c)4 that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education certifies that as of November 2021 after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial report, in the minutes of the Board each month that no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(b).4.

## 4. Approval of the Following Reports

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve the following reports:

a. Cafeteria Account	November 2021
b. e-Learning Account	November 2021
c. Capital Project Account	November 2021
d. Student Government Account – PH	November 2021
e. Student Government Account – PV	November 2021
f. Athletic Account – PH	November 2021
g. Athletic Account – PV	November 2021

#### 5. Transfers

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve transfers for the month of November.

#### 6. Travel Pre-Authorizations

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim superintendent, approve travel expense pre-authorizations for the following:

Robert Donahue	Daniel Fishbein
Alyssa Merritt	Amdi Ramani

# 7. Occupational and Physical Therapy Services Agreement Between Region II and Non-Member District

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve the

agreement between Region II and the Non-Member District of Englewood for Occupational and Physical Therapy services for the 2021 - 2022 school year.

#### 8. Amendment to the 2021-2022 ESEA

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent authorize the submission of the Amendment to the 2021-2022 ESEA to reflect the 2020-2021 carryover amounts to be allocated.

Title	Public	Non-public	Total Carryover
Title II-A	\$5,092	\$1,138	\$6,230
Title III	\$502	\$0	\$502
Title IV-A	\$1,728	\$386	\$2,114

#### 9. Submission of the ARP Safe Return Plan

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve the submission of the ARP Safe Return Plan which was updated as required to do so every six months and board approved on November 29, 2021.

#### 10. Approve Use of IDEA ARP Funds

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent approve the use of IDEA ARP Funds as follows:

Name	Sessions #	Rate/Session
Kate Overgaard	1 Session per Week	\$55.00
Ken Sarajian	1 Session per Week	\$55.00
Debbie Yao	1 Session per Week	\$55.00
Christine Back	1 Session per Week	\$55.00
Kevin Kibala	1 Session per Week	\$55.00
Dana Corasaniti	1 Session per Week	\$55.00

### 11. Approve AHERA Consultants

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education at the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve AHERA Consultants' proposal for design, bid specifications, oversight, sampling, and reports for asbestos abatement related to the toilet room renovations, robotics room and kitchen boiler room at Pascack Hills and Pascack Valley High Schools in the amount of \$66,340.

# 12. Transportation – Aid-in-Lieu Reimbursement for the 1<sup>st</sup> Semester 2021-2022 School Year for Non-Profit Private School Parents

**RESOLVED** that the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education, at the recommendation of the interim Superintendent, and pursuant to NJ State Administrative Code 6A:27-2.3, approve the first semester (September 2021 – January 2022) pupil transportation aid-in-lieu reimbursement to non-profit private school district parents in the amount for \$110,538.85 of which \$72,038.85 is for high school district parents.

Pursuant to 18A:39-11, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District, on behalf of the Hillsdale, Montvale, River Vale, & Woodcliff Lake Boards of Education, shall provide transportation bids through a (CSTA) Coordinated Transportation Service Agency, invoice the districts, and make payments on their behalf to parents of elementary students attending non-profit private schools in the amount of \$38,500.00.

### 13. Special Education Transportation - Region II - Quote Revision

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation Quote contract Q2135 to We Care Transportation during the 2021-2022 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q2135	Woodside	338	68	406.00*	19,984.00*
	Elementary				

<sup>\*</sup>includes cost of aide

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education award special education transportation Quote contract Q2136 to Sunny Transportation during the 2021-2022 school year.

Route #	Route	Base	Aide	Per Diem	Annual Cost
Q2136	SBJC, Lodi	219	40	259.00*	19,943.00*

<sup>\*</sup>includes cost of aide

#### 14. Special Educational Transportation - Region II - Addenda

**RESOLVED**, that the Pascack Valley Regional Board of Education as LEA for Pascack Valley Region II, Special Education accept the following special education transportation contract addenda for the 2021-2022 school year.

Transporter	Contract	Rte	Route	Per Diem	Adjusted
		#		Increase/	Per Diem
				Decrease	Cost
American First	071	2021	YCS Sawtelle,	269.00	593.72
Choice			Montclair		
American First	071	2021	YCS Sawtelle,	-269.00	324.72
Choice			Montclair		
4 Diamond	058	1911	New Bridges 1:1	40.00	264.88

Transporter	_		Route	Per Diem	Adjusted		
		#		Increase/	Per Diem		
				Decrease	Cost		
Galaxia	041	1210	The Children's	30.00	268.85		
			Institute HS -				
			Livingston				
Galaxia	041	1210	The Children's	30.00	298.85		
			Institute HS -				
			Livingston				
Galaxia	082	2106	Sage Day, R.P.	65.00	206.34		
Lenoir's	043	1209	Sage Day	60.00	239.49		
Lenoir's	043	1209	Sage Day	65.00	304.49		
Lenoir's	043	1209	Sage Day	-30.00	274.49		
Lenoir's	1901	1901	Windsor Prep, HS	30.00	166.38		
Lenoir's	1901	1901	Windsor Prep, HS	60.00	226.38		
N&Y	067	2005	Forum to Perform	105	213.58		
NT 0 N7	0.67	2005	Care	40.00	252.50		
N&Y	067	2005	Forum to Perform Care	40.00	253.58		
Pro Trans	2008	2008	New Beginnings	220.00	447.52		
Pro Trans	2008	2008	New Beginnings	-220.00	227.52		
Rinaldi	4503	5011	Roberge AM	120.00	220.92		
Rinaldi	4503	5011	Roberge AM	-120.00	100.92		
Rinaldi	1803	1803	Meadowbrook LLD	131.56	304.16		
Scholastic	P404	0455	New	42.00	350.12		
			Bridges/Wash				
			North, Rockleigh				
Scholastic	P404	0455	New	278.00	628.12		
			Bridges/Wash				
			North, Rockleigh				
Shaddai	070	2013	AB Smith PM	90.00	183.08		
			Home Only				
Shaddai	070	2013	AB Smith PM	-90.00	93.08		
			Home Only				
Shaddai	070	2011	Calais, Whippany	30.00	216.15		
Shaddai	070	2011	Calais, Whippany	180.00	396.15		
Shaddai	085	2211	BOCES	240.00	485.00		
Shaddai	085	2211	BOCES	240.00	725.00		
Star	053	1621	Community School, Upper	85.00	265.51		
Star	2007	2007	Phoenix Center	165.00	422.51		
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Transporter	Contract	Rte	Route	Per Diem	Adjusted
		#		Increase/	Per Diem
				Decrease	Cost
Star	072	2017	Woodridge	225.00	457.69
			Transition Ctr. &		
			SBJC, Lodi		
Star	072	2017	Woodridge	45.00	502.69
			Transition Ctr. &		
			SBJC, Lodi		
Sunny	2101	2101	Jessie George	100.00	271.86
Sunny	2101	2101	Jessie George	-100.00	171.86
Sunny	Q2121	Q21	Cresskill MS –	35.00	295.00
_		21	Step by Step		
Valley	1504	1504	Fieldstone MS,	141.25	337.83
			Montvale		
Valley	1504	1504	Fieldstone MS,	70.63	408.46
			Montvale		
Valley	031	9113	Valley-OLV	131.00	326.46
We Care	086	2205	SBJC – Maywood	65.00	445.00
We Care	Q2127	Q21	Woodside	27.86	397.86
		27	Elementary		
We Care	1607	1607	Children's	75.00	416.82
			Therapy Center,		
			Oakland		
We Care	1607	1607	Children's	75.00	491.82
			Therapy Center,		
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# XI. OLD BUSINESS

#### XII. NEW BUSINESS

#### XIII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Citizens are invited to make comments and are limited to five minutes, according to the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education policy number 0167. Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise, sign in and state their name and town of residence.

#### XIV. MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education will meet in the Media Center at Pascack Hills High School, 225 West Grand Avenue, Montvale, NJ, for the purpose of recessing to a closed Executive Meeting.

**WHEREAS**, the Pascack Valley Regional High School District Board of Education has been formed pursuant to applicable New Jersey Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Board is charged with the responsibility of performing all acts and doing all things, consistent with law and the rules of the State Board of Education, necessary for the lawful and proper conduct, equipment and maintenance of the public schools and public school property of the Pascack Valley Regional High School District; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 7 of the Opening Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10-4-12) permits the exclusion of the public ("Executive Session") from a meeting of the Board in certain circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that circumstances exist for such an Executive Session; and

WHEREAS, the Board has found the action described below to be necessary and proper;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board on the date indicated above that:

- 1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action on the Executive Session herein set forth.
- 2. The subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
  - 1. Discussion with superintendent search firm
  - 2. A possible HIB
  - 3. A personnel matter
- 3. The Board will not return to the Regular Board Meeting, will take no action, and will adjourn from executive session.

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# XV. ADJOURNMENT

Notice: With advance notice we can provide personal assistance for the disabled. Please contact 201-358-7005.

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