# RAMAPO INDIAN HILLS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT Oakland, New Jersey 07436

#### **REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

January 30, 2023 Ramapo High School Auditorium, 7:00 P.M. *Action to authorize Executive Session* Anticipated Public Session, 8:00 P.M.

#### Roll Call

Upon roll call at 7:00 P.M., the Board members responded as follows: Mmes. Ansh, Emmolo, King, Koulikourdis, Mariani, and Sullivan. Messrs. Bogdansky, and DeLaite. Dr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Thomas Lambe, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, were also present.

The meeting was called to order by the Board President at 8:23 P.M. Ms. Sullivan announced that adequate notice of the meeting has been posted and published as required by law.

A motion was made by Ms. Sullivan and seconded by Ms. Mariani unanimously carried into the Closed Executive Session for the purpose of discussing HIBs. Information from the Closed Executive Session will be made public at the discretion of the Board, as per Board Bylaw 0166, Executive Sessions, or as otherwise authorized by law. The closed Executive Session was adjourned at 8:12 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Board President at 8:23 P.M. Mr. Lambe announced that the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. He also announced that in accordance with the provisions of this act, the business administrator/ board secretary has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-8(b), and guidance from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services. He read a public statement advising the public to be aware that employees of the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District retain the right of privacy and shall retain all rights regarding defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey. Mr. Lambe further stated that the Board shall not be held liable for comments made by members of the public and, in order to protect the privacy rights of employees in the District, the Board shall not respond to statements made by the public of or about District employees.

## Roll Call- Regular Public Meeting

Upon roll call at 8:23 P.M., the Board members responded as follows: Mmes. King, Koulikourdis, Sullivan, Underfer. Messrs. Bogdansky, DeLaite, and Dr. Lorenz. Dr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Thomas Lambe, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and Student Board Representatives, Kinjal Patel and Sofia Wowkum, were also present.

Ms. Sullivan led the Pledge of Allegiance

## **BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

#### Student Board Representatives

Kinjal Patel- Indian Hills High School - Ms. Patel, IHHS Student Board Representative reported on the following: 1.) Sports - Track, Basketball, Cheerleading, Bowling, Swim, Fencing, and Wrestling. 2.) Guidance - scheduling, Career and Technical Education, Bergen County Department of Health (Mental health resources), Gap Year opportunities, and Glow Yoga. 3.) Student Government- Class of 2025, Class of 2024, and the Class of 2023. 4.) Extracurricular Activities- Interact Club (bake sale, Super Bowl "soup can", Valentine rose sale), and DECA (gertrude Hawk fundraiser).

Sofia Wowkun- Ramapo High School - Ms. Wowkun, RHS Student Board Representative reported on the following: 1.) Sports- Cheerleading, Boys' Basketball, Girls' Basketball, Bowling, Fencing, Winter Track, Ice Hockey, Wrestling, and Swimming. 2.) Clubs- Relay for Life, Class of 2026, Italian Club, Seniors yearbook, Computer Science, Photography, Serendipity Literary and Art Magazine, and Boys' Golf interest meeting. 3.) Guidance-Scheduling, Gap Year presentation, National School Counselors Week, RYLA, Wellness Week, and Career and Technical Education Month. 4.) Student Government- Mascot Week, and a fundraiser for seeing eye dogs.

Ms. Sullivan thanked the student representatives for their reports. Ms. Sullivan noted her support of the community. She also noted her support of Dr. Dionisio and all of his administration hires. Ms. Sullivan noted the change of the population of the committee changes.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Dionisio, as part of his Superintendent's Report he congratulated two staff members, Gary Galek and Laurie Kusma on the announcement of their retirements. Dr. Dionisio also noted that the District continues to make progress on Strategic Planning with our final Steering Committee meeting in February. Our administrative team continues to meet the requirements of the NJQSAC (New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum) review which is the audit conducted by the NJ Department of Education (Instruction & Program, Fiscal, Governance, Operations, Personnel). In conclusion of his report, Dr. Dionisio welcomed Ms. Fisher, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Articulation, to present the Start Strong Assessment Update.

Ms. Fisher provided an update on the Start Strong Assessment.

## **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Lambe reported on the following items:

Agenda Items:

Operations- OP2. IHHS Partial Roof Replacement. The contractor, JJD Urethane Co., has submitted a Change Order (001) notifying the District of a reduction in the amount of \$4,681.00. The total project cost remains below the original budget amount.

OP3. RHS Partial Roof Replacement. The contractor, Galia Construction Inc., has submitted a Change Order (001) in the amount \$8,871.60, which was approved by the project engineers from LAN Associates, and our internal facilities team. The total project cost remains below the original budget amount.

OP4. RHS Boiler Replacement Change Order. The contractor, C. Dougherty & Co., Inc., has submitted a Change Order (001) in the amount of \$131,900, which was approved by the project engineers from LAN Associates, and our internal facilities team. As discussed in previous Finance & Facilities Committee meetings, including January 19, this change order is necessary to replace a heating pipe that had been hidden under the roof at Ramapo High School. The total project cost remains below the original budget amount.

#### OP5. ACES CONSORTIUM FOR NATURAL GAS.

ACES is a consortium of school districts, sponsored by the New Jersey School Boards Association, to pool the bids for utility rates among hundreds of school districts for better pricing. The District participates in ACES for natural gas. This resolution is the renewal of the three year contract. The District does not participate in ACES for electric due to Indian Hills being served by Orange & Rockland Utilities, which is not affiliated with ACES.

OP6 and OP7. AMENDMENTS TO RESOLUTIONS FOR TOILET ROOM AND TENNIS COURT RENOVATIONS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AT THE 12/12/22 BOARD MEETING. The resolution for the Faculty Toilet Renovations at both schools, as well as the Tennis Courts Renovations at both schools, each approved in December 2022, are to be amended due to: additional locations being added to the toilet projects after another walkthrough subsequent to the December 12 Board meeting and updated information on the alternate for lighting for the tennis courts at Indian Hills and the need to submit an application to the Oakland Planning Board for the tennis lighting project.

Mr. Lambe noted that Each of these projects had been discussed during many Finance & Facilities Committees in the past, including the most recent committee meeting on January 19, 2023.

OP8. RETRO LED ATHLETIC FIELD LIGHTING. After the original agenda for the January 30 Board meeting had been released, we received proposals from our architect for the Athletic Field Lighting at both schools.

Mr. Lambe noted that these projects also had been discussed during several Finance & Facilities Committees in the past, including the most recent committee meeting on January 19, 2023.

OP9. WALK-IN BOX (REFRIGERATOR & FREEZER) REPLACEMENTS After the original agenda for the January 30 Board meeting had been released, we received proposals from our architect for the Walk-in Box (refrigerator and freezer) Replacements in the cafeteria kitchens at both schools. These projects also had been discussed during several Finance & Facilities Committees in the past, including the most recent committee meeting on January 19.

OP10. The above resolutions OP6 and OP8 affect the amount to be withdrawn from Capital Reserve for the Faculty Toilet Room Projects and Athletic Field Lighting projects.

OP11. The above resolutions OP4, OP7 and OP9 affect the amount of funding needed for the Boiler Replacement, the Tennis Courts and the Walk-in Box (refrigerator and freezer) projects. This resolution authorizes that Capital Reserve funds which are no longer needed for roofing in the 2022-23 budget, due to roofing upgrades to be covered by the ESIP, are to be reallocated toward these projects.

None of the above projects are new, with each having been discussed at several past meetings of the Finance & Facilities Committee, including the most recent meeting on January 19. Approval of each of these projects tonight will allow for the projects to move forward without delay.

#### **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Ms. Sullivan thanked the committees for getting off to a great start.

*Athletics, Arts, Extracurriculars & Communications* - Ms. Mariani reported that the committee met on January 24, 2023 . The items that they discussed were: Arts Center and the Art Show, Volunteer Clubs, IHHS Hockey Team update, Music- trip to California, Dive Team, and the RHS Competitive Dance Club.

Education & Personnel - Mr. Bogdansky reported that the committee met on January 23, 2023. He reported that the committee discussed the additions to the Program of Studies. Ms Fisher presented the Start Strong Assessment. Mr. Bogdansky thanked Dr. Dionisio and Dr. Mauriello in regard to the TOSD Certification program, which will address the special education staffing needs. He noted that Dr. Mauriello will have a presentation for 9th graders for the 2023-24 school year.

*Finance & Facilities* - Ms. Emmolo reported that the committee met on January 19th. They met with Mr. Chang to discuss possible alternative Board of Education meeting

locations that are more community friendly. They also discussed the current live stream and technology and challenges. They also discussed necessary purchases for change in locations. The committee discussed the following capital projects: Field lighting, tennis courts resurfacing, toilet room renovations, walk-in refrigerators, IHHS snack stand, Boiler and roofing projects, and the ESIP project and DCO timeline.

*Negotiations* - Ms. Emmolo reported that the committee met on January 26th and discussed the contract. The committee will gather data and partner with NJSBA. The first meeting will be held at the end of February or the beginning of March. She noted that the Board committee is looking forward to meeting with the RIHEA team.

**Policy** - Ms. Ansh reported that the committee met on January 24th and reviewed the Strauss Esmay audit. They discussed the following policies: P0155.1, P5111, and P0164.1.

*Ad hoc* (*Legal Services*)- Mr. Bogdansky reported that the committee met on January 11th to review the interview process and schedule.

Dr. Lorenz provided a point of information for Dr. Dionisio regarding violation of OPMA regarding legal counsel. Dr. Lorenz requested that it be noted that he protests the discussion of legal services through emails and that this is an open public meeting topic, excluding the public and other Board members. Dr. Lorenz asked Dr. Dionisio why he recommended to hire Mr. Fogarty. He noted that the Board President has blocked this request and that is why he is asking this in public. He is also asking for any interaction with Mr. Fogarty's Law firm.

Ms. Sullivan asked what section of Robert's Rules Dr. Lorenz is referring to and noted section 33.16, to which Dr. Lorenz noted NJ 18A:17.20

Discussion followed regarding the point of information.

Dr. Lorenz asked for further information from Dr. Dionisio regarding his recommendation to hire Fogarty & Hara's firm. Dr. Dionisio responded that his recommendation was based on the firm's knowledge in school law, policy, contract negotiations and everything related to educational law. He also noted the long-term relationship with the District. Dr. Dionisio also noted his experience with working with the firm and the confidence he had in the firm.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Moved by BOGDANSKY, Seconded by ANSH, unanimously carried to open the meeting to public comments, 9:24 PM.

A member of the public, Oakland, asked the board to revisit the proposal made at the prior meeting in regard to legal services and expressed concern for safety of the people in the building.

A member of the public, Wyckoff commented on E5 in regard to tutoring. They also inquired about future meetings being moved and the number of people and how they would fit.

A member of the public, Franklin Lakes, commented on the Start Strong Presentation.

A member of the public, Oakland, commented on E5, they also questioned how much ESSR funds is left, and requested more details about the IHHS ice hockey program.

A member of the public, Franklin Lakes, commented on the first reading of the policy regarding remote board members meeting remotely

A member of the public, Franklin Lakes, commented on the reversing of some of the Board actions from the January 5th Board meeting.

A member of the public, Franklin Lakes, made nominations regarding board members and played video of the prior board meeting.

A member of the public, Oakland, thanked Dr. Dionisio and Dr. Mauriello for moving the district forward with special education programs. They also questioned the change in committees, specifically negotiations. They also commented on social media posts and HIB's.

A member of the public, Wyckoff, commented on Special Education. They also had questions about the committees and disparity in numbers.

A member of the public, Franklin Lakes, commented on support for Dr. Dionisio. They also commented on Robert's Rules of Order violations. They also noted changed agenda items.

A member of the public, Wyckoff, thanked the Board members for their service and noted that they would only come to speak if it affects his children.

A member of the public, Oakland, commented on Board counsel and why being replaced. They also commented on ethics training, as well as the Superintendent and Business Administrator having access to Board counsel.

A member of the public, Oakland, thanked board members for changing the public session to include any items.

A member of the public Franklin Lakes, commented on the student representatives and their attendance at the meetings. They also commented on police presence in school. They also commented on the public session.

A member of the public, Franklin Lakes, commented on reconsidering Fogarty and Hara. They also commented on PO2, policy 0164.1.

A member of the public, Wyckoff, commented on ethics training and code of conduct. They also commented on notes from prior ethics training. They also commented on social media and respect.

Ms. Sullivan responded in regard to the board committee and noted that she cannot force Board members to be on committees. Ms. Sullivan thanked Board members. She also noted that the ethics training will occur on February 13, 2023. and the CSA evaluation will occur on April 3, 2023.

Dr. Dionisio responded to the question E5 and tutoring. He noted that this is for an agreement for a special education student and certification for Orton Gillingham. This will service the needs of a student during the day when the staff is unavailable to assist.

Moved by BOGDANSKY and seconded by ANSH, and unanimously carried, to close the Public comment session and to re-enter the Regular Public Meeting, 10:01 PM.

#### **OPEN BOARD DISCUSSION**

Mr. Bogdansky thanked Dr. Dionisio and the Administration for providing all the documents on the ESIP project and noted that he has read them. He had many questions that were answered thoroughly and promptly. He noted his support for the project.

King provided a question in regard to a statement about Fogarty and Hara point of information. She questioned if speaking and consulting with the firm would put the Board in violation of their own policy with Fogarty having be 30 days to close out his files, without consulting him on new information.

Ms. Sullivan noted the rules of professional conduct (1.6) for attorneys. Ms. Sullivan noted that the District does have counsel Ms. Sullivan requested that the narrative surrounding board counsel stop.

Ms. Mariani thanked Dr Dionisio for rescheduling the training sessions.

Ms. Koulikourdis provided a question in regard to the calendar and capacity of the rooms.

A motion made by Koulikourdis, seconded by King, that we put the original calendar back on that was recommended by the superintendent.

Emmolo noted that she made the recommendation to change the location for the following reasons: difficulty hearing, seeing, temperature, auditorium large. Ms. Emmolo noted that they will discuss this at the next committee meeting.

Ms. Sullivan asked that Ms. Koulikourdis withdraw her motion, to which Ms. Koulikourdis responded that she would not like to take her motion off the table.

Board discussion followed.

\*=YES

RC): Bogdansky DeLaite\* Emmolo King\* Koulikourdis\* Lorenz\* Mariani Ansh Sullivan

Dr. Lorenz- had a comment regarding Mr. Fogarty and accepting new business, asked where in writing can you provide to the entire board that the BP has the authority to usurp the decision of the majority of the board.

Ms. Sullivan noted the rules of professional conduct 1.6 - regarding an attorney who has resigned representing the Board until counsel is obtained.

Mr. DeLaite questioned Board approval of the RFQ individual Board members acting on their own.

Ms. Sullivan asked that the Board move on and support the decisions that were made. Board discussion followed regarding the RFQ for legal counsel.

King questioned who wrote the policy 0164.1 and how will we ensure that the executive session remains private. Ms. Sullivan responded tha Mr. Fogarty wrote the policy. Ms. King requested that any correspondence regarding this be shared with the Board.

Emmolo noted that the committee will address locations but in the meantime they need to approve a location for the next meeting.

Motion made by Emmol, seconded by Bogdansky to hold the next meeting at the RHS auditorium 2/13/23, unanimously approved.

Ms. Koulikourdis noted that P1 was back on the agenda and asked what change, to Ms. Sullivan responded that it was a lame duck board that made the decision and the new committee didn't have adequate time to review it before the last meeting.

Ms. King noted her disagreement with the response

## **ACTION ITEMS**

Move to approve Closed and Regular Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2022

Moved by SULLIVAN

RC): Bogdansky - ABSTAIN DeLaite\* Emmolo ABSTAIN King\*
Koulikourdis\* Lorenz\* Mariani-ABSTAIN Ansh - ABSTAIN
Sullivan\*

Move to approve Closed and Regular Public Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2023

Moved by BOGDANSKY Seconded ANSH

RC): Bogdansky - NO DeLaite\* Emmolo NO King \*Koulikourdis\* Lorenz\* Mariani- NO Ansh-NO Sullivan- NO

#### **PERSONNEL**

P1. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools;

WHEREAS, the Board and Association are Parties to a Collective Negotiations Agreement governing the terms and conditions of employment for High School Principals and Assistant Principals, for the period beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2025 ("CNA"); and

WHEREAS, the Board is engaged in the development of a Strategic Plan to communicate the organization's goals, the priorities needed to achieve those goals, and metrics used to measure progress on those goals for both the academic and operational aspects of the school district.; and

WHEREAS, High School Assistant Principals Daniel Guido and Mariette Ng have assumed the responsibilities of Chairpersons for the Strategic Planning Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to recognize the role and leadership these administrators have made as Chairpersons of the Strategic Planning Committee by awarding them a Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) non-pensionable stipend for their additional responsibilities until the Strategic Plan is complete; and

WHEREAS, the Board and the Association have agreed to the stipends being awarded to these administrators for their additional responsibilities as Chairpersons for the Strategic Planning Steering Committee.

NOW, WHEREFORE, based on the foregoing premises and the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1. The Board shall award Assistant Principals Daniel Guido and Mariette Ng each a one-time lump sum non-pensionable stipend of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) for the additional responsibilities they are assuming as Chairpersons of the Strategic Planning Committee until the Strategic Plan is complete.
- 2. This Sidebar Agreement shall not be used as precedent with respect to any past, present, or future actions or constitute a basis upon which a past practice is alleged to exist and shall be without prejudice to either parties' rights under the CNA.
- 3. All the remaining terms and conditions in the CNA not specifically addressed herein shall remain in full force and effect.
- P2. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the salary adjustments for achieving a higher degree level for District staff as follows:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
a.	Meghan Weiss	BA+15 to MA	\$60,222 to \$61,863	February 1, 2023
a.	Cari Laughman	MA+15 to MA+30	\$67,232 to \$68,821	February 1, 2023
b.	Christina Berens	BA+15 to MA	\$66,147 to \$68,568	February 1, 2023
c.	Timothy Walkowich	MA+15 to MA+30	\$67,232 to \$68,821	February 1, 2023

- P3. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the request for an unpaid Leave of Absence for Tiffany Mendez, IHHS, Special Education from January 19, 2023 February 2, 2023, and further move to approve an unpaid Intermittent Family Leave of Absence, two days per week (Tuesdays & Thursdays), pursuant to The Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), effective on February 3, 2023 February 19, 2023.
- P4. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the appointment of a Special School Advisors, subject to all federal, state, county, and local regulations, governing said employment, effective Jeffective for the 2022-23 School Year; and move to approve applicant's attestation that he has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 18A:6-7.1 et seq., *N.J.S.A.* 18A:39-17 et seq., or *N.J.S.A.* 18A:6-4.13 et seq., as follows:

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<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
a. Olivia de Diego	Amnesty International	2	\$1,473
b. Susan Weiner	Model UN	2	\$2,138
c. Kimberly Batti Valovino	Movie Club	4	\$1,606
d. Steven Palmieri	Intramural	4	\$1,606
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<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
e. Megan Casey	Newspaper Online	Flat \$ Amount	\$1,615
f. Scott Dempster	Yearbook Editorial	4	\$3,057*
g. Danielle Migliacci	Business School Newspaper	4	\$3,056
h. Danielle Migliacci	Stock Market Club	4	\$1,606*
i. Kaitlin Schutte	Assistant Editorial School Newspaper	4	\$3,057
*Prorated			

Moved by	Seconde	ed	_	
RC): Bogdansky	DeLaite	Emmolo	King	Koulikourdis
Lorenz	Mariani	Ansh	Sullivan	

P5. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the appointment of an athletic coach, subject to all federal, state, county and local regulations, governing said employment; effective for the 2022-23 School Year; and move to approve applicant's attestation that she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq., and N.J.S.A. 18A:12-1 et seq. as follows:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
a. Justin Giaccobe	Assistant Spring Track	Substitute	1	\$4,320
b. Meghan Weiss	Assistant Girls' Golf	Standard	4	\$2,821
c. Neal Hirsh	Assistant Softball	Substitute	4	\$5,871
d. Sean O'Connor	Head Coach Boys' Lacrosse	Substitute	4	\$8,437
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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	Cautification	Class	
		<u>Certification</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
e. Sean Maldonato	Head Coach Flag Football	Standard	Flat \$ Amount	<u>Stipend</u> \$3,000
e. Sean Maldonato  f. Cole Cherenson	Head Coach Flag	,	Flat \$	,

P6. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the appointment of Volunteer Coaches, effective for the 2022-23 School Year. Authorization for employment is based on prior verification of background check pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et seq.*, *N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq.*, *N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq.*, and *N.J.S.A. 18A:12-1 et seq.*, as follows:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
a.	Christopher Caban	Wrestling/IHHS
b.	Thomas Jaeger	Boys' Lacrosse/RHS

P7. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the appointment of Janet Sheikhan, Long term Substitute Nurse, RHS, \$413.91/per diem effective January 31, 2023 - June 30, 2023 or until the position is filled.

- P8. Move to rescind, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the appointment of Jessica Dwyer, RHS, Full-time, Long Term Substitute Teacher, not accruing tenure in the position, MA, Step 1 \$57,293, effective on or about January 9, 2023 June 30, 2023.
- P9. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, two transition days for Christina Behnan during the weeks January 23, 2023 February 3, 2023.
- P10. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the following staff to serve as proctors for Saturday ACT and SAT testing for the 2022-2023 school, at the rate of \$59.75 per hour as per contract, Appendix B. The District will pay the difference between the honorarium paid by either ACT or SAT and the amount due according to \$59.75 per hour, not to exceed \$59.75 per hour.

#### Heather Seeback

P11. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the appointment of the following individuals listed below as substitute teachers for the 2022-23 School Year; and move to approve applicants' attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et seq.*, *N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq.*, or *N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq.*, as applicable:

#### Jack Landel/District

P12. Move to amend that, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the following persons be approved as Special School Advisors, subject to all federal, state, county, and local regulations, governing said employment, effective for the 2021-22 School Year; and move to approve applicants' attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq., or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq., as follows:

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<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
a. Danielle Ferrara	From Co-Sophomore Advisor to Head Sophomore Advisor	2	\$2,802*

<sup>\*</sup>Prorated on or about February 13, 2023 (replacing Lauren Smalley)

P13. Move to rescind, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the following persons be approved as athletic coaches, subject to all federal, state, county and local regulations, governing said employment; effective for the 2022-23 School Year; and move to approve applicants' attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 18A:6-7.1 et seq., *N.J.S.A.* 18A:39-17 et seq., *N.J.S.A.* 18A:6-4.13 et seq., and *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-1 et seq. as follows:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
p.) David Chen	Co-Asst. Ice Hockey	Substitute	4	\$2,207.50
q.) Mark Yonadi	Co-Asst. Ice Hockey	Substitute	4	\$2,207.50

P14. Move that, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the following persons be approved as athletic coaches, subject to all federal, state, county and local regulations, governing said employment; effective for the 2022-23 School Year; and move to approve applicants' attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 18A:6-7.1 et seq., *N.J.S.A.* 18A:39-17 et seq., *N.J.S.A.* 18A:6-4.13 et seq., and *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-1 et seq. as follows:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Ryan Lynch	Assistant Football Coach	Standard	4	\$7,304
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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
a.) Mark Yonadi	Co-Asst. Ice Hockey	Substitute	4	\$4,415

P15. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the appointment of District staff to serve as a mentor for the 2022-23 School Year in accordance with the Agreement between the RIHEA and the Board of Education, stipend to be prorated up to \$450 for the full term of the mentorship, as follows:

Staff Member/Department

Mentor

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a. Jordana Tarlowe/Social Studies Maryann Kopp

b. Christina Behnan/Art Lauren Gibson

- P16. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the request for a unpaid Paternity Leave of Absence for Christopher Mayer, District, Social Studies, effective April 17, 2023 June 19, 2023.
- P17. Move to approve , as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the request for a unpaid Paternity Leave of Absence for Michael Ivanov, District, Social Studies, effective May 22, 2023 June 19, 2023.
- P18. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the change in assignment for Heather Seebeck, RHS, Instructional Aide \$32,121; to RHS 0.8 Instructional Aide \$25,696.80 and 0.2 MA, Step 7 Special Education, \$12,372.60; effective January 31, 2023 June 30, 2023.
- P19. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the change in assignment for Richard Sawyer, from RHS .542 MA, Step 7 Supplemental Teacher, \$33,530 and a 0.2 MA, Step 7 Social Studies Teacher; to a RHS, 0.271 MA, Step 7 Supplemental \$16,765 and a 0.6 Applied Technology Teacher; effective January 31, 2023.
- P20. Move to accept, with regret, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the resignation of Robert Jaeger, IHHS, Security Aide, effective March 31, 2023.
- P21. Move to amend, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the request for a paid Maternity Leave of Absence (Presumptive Period of Disability), utilizing unused sick leave as allowed by law, for Laura Dondero, RHS, Guidance, from effective January 3, 2023 February 24, 2023 to effective January 3, 2023 February 8, 2023; and further move to approve an unpaid Family Leave of Absence pursuant to The Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), From effective February 27, 2023 May 26, 2023 to effective February 9, 2023, and further move to approve an unpaid Child Rearing Leave of Absence (CRLOA) from effective May 29, 2023 June 30, 2023 to effective May 17, 2023 June 30, 2023.
- P22. Move to amend , as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the request for a paid Maternity Leave of Absence (Presumptive Period of Disability) utilizing unused sick leave as allowed by law for Julie Buccino, IHHS, Health & Physical Education, from effective January 4, 2023- February 9, 2023 to effective January 4, 2023 February 17, 2023, and move to approve an unpaid FMLA (Family Medical

Leave Act), from effective February 10, 2023 - May 18, 2023 to effective February 27, 2023 - May 26, 2023.

P23. Move to amend, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the additional 6th period assignment, at the contractual stipend of \$9,530, prorated, for the following staff members, effective January 4, 2023 - From May 18, 2023 to May 26, 2023.

<u>Class</u>	Period/Staff Member being covered	<u>Staff Member</u>	<u>School</u>
Health & Physical Education	1/ Julie Buccino	Mark Aramburu	IHHS
Health & Physical Education	2/ Julie Buccino	Richard Ohren	IHHS
Health & Physical Education	5/ Julie Buccino	George Hill	IHHS
Health & Physical Education	7/ Julie Buccino	Dominic Mulieri	IHHS
Health & Physical Education	8/ Julie Buccino	Jill Fackelman	IHHS

<sup>\*</sup> Coverage until Julie Buccino returns.

P24. Move to accept retirement, with regret, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, effective June 30, 2023, as follows:

WHEREAS, Gary Galek has dedicated himself to the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District for 44 years as a Custodian/Maintenance Employee; displaying an unselfish commitment to our children; exemplifying the ideals of professionalism and the standard of excellence, and

WHEREAS, the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education, together with its citizens, wishes to acknowledge exemplary service that Gary Galek has provided our children,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education does hereby extend its appreciation and gratitude to Gary Galek in recognition of his exemplary service to our school district.

P25. Move to accept retirement, with regret, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, effective June 30, 2023, as follows:

WHEREAS, Laurie Kusma has dedicated herself to the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District for 14 years as an Family and Consumer Science Teacher displaying an unselfish commitment to our children; exemplifying the ideals of professionalism and the standard of excellence, and

WHEREAS, the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education, together with its citizens, wishes to acknowledge exemplary service that Laurie Kusma has provided our children,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education does hereby extend its appreciation and gratitude to Laurie Kusma in recognition of her exemplary service to our school district.

P26. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools;

WHEREAS, the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") previously appointed Joseph Amatuzzi as Treasurer of School Moneys for the Board; and

WHEREAS, the position of a Treasurer of School Moneys is optional and no longer required to be filled by the Board; and

WHEREAS, for reasons of efficiency, the Board has determined to abolish the position of Treasurer of School Moneys and delegate the powers, duties, and responsibilities of the Treasurer of School Moneys to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Lambe, as Business Administrator/Board Secretary, has agreed to assume the duties and responsibilities of the Treasurer of School Moneys in addition to his responsibilities and duties as Business Administrator/Board Secretary; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9 requires the Chief School Administrator or Board designee other than the Board Secretary to prepare the monthly reconciliation of bank account statements and in conjunction with the Board Secretary, take any steps necessary to bring the cash record balance and reconciled bank balance into agreement prior to completion of the Board Secretary's monthly reports; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined to appoint Bernice Parrella, the Assistant Business Administrator, to prepare the monthly reconciliation of bank account statements and, in conjunction with the Board Secretary, take any steps necessary to bring the cash record balance and reconciled bank balance into agreement prior to the completion of the Board Secretary's monthly reports, with a pensionable stipend in the amount of \$5,877, prorated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby abolishes the position of the Treasurer of School Moneys, effective January 30, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Thomas Lambe, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the Treasurer of School Moneys, effective January 30, 2023, in addition to his responsibilities and duties as Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby appoints Bernice Parrella, the Assistant Business Administrator, to prepare the monthly reconciliation of bank account statements and, in conjunction with the Board Secretary, take any steps necessary to bring the cash record balance and reconciled bank balance into agreement prior to completion of the Board Secretary's monthly reports, effective January 30, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that by way of this resolution, any and all previous resolutions pertaining to the signing of warrants that reference the Treasurer of School Moneys shall be amended to replace "Treasurer of School Moneys" with "Business Administrator/Board Secretary" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:19-1 et seq.

- P27. Move to approve , as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the request for a paid Maternity Leave of Absence (Presumptive Period of Disability) utilizing unused sick leave as allowed by law for Samatha Janiszak, IHHS, Special Services, effective April 6, 2023- June 8, 2023, and move to approve an unpaid FMLA (Family Medical Leave Act), from effective June 9, 2023 November 2, 2023.
- P28. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Black Seal License stipend; \$500, for Ralph Keseheimer, RHS, Building Foreman, retroactive from October 24, 2022.

#### **EDUCATION**

E1.	Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, District
	student field trips and transportation costs for the 2022-23 School Year as follows:

Location	Group	Date(s)	Cost
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Bergen Community College	Transitions	02/16/2023	\$345.00
Harrah's Atlantic City	DECA	02/27/2023- 03/01/2023	0
Bergen Community College	Transitions	03/02/2023	\$345.00
Museum Moving Images	Art	04/26/2023	0
Bergen Academies	Model UN	02/02/2023	\$390.00
Bergen Academies	Model UN	02/03/2023	\$390.00
Skylands Ice World	Varsity Ice Hockey	02/07/2023	\$685.00
Westwood High School	Academic Decathlon	03/04/2023	\$390.00
Newark Airport	Girls' Softball Team	03/24/2023	0
From Newark Airport	Girls' Softball Team	03/28/2023	0

E2. Move that, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, home instruction for District students, at the approved hourly rate, be approved as follows, effective for the 2022-23 School Year:

<u>Student No.</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Grade</u>
426335	RHS	9
425203	RHS	10
425063	RHS	10
425260	IHHS	10
423552	IHHS	12

E3. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the resolution as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") that the terms, stipulations, and conditions as established in the Settlement Agreement and Release (hereinafter referred to as "Agreement") between the Board and the Parents of student 425667 and which Agreement is located in the Student's file, are hereby adopted and approved by the Board. The Board President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Settlement Agreement and Release, and any other documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

- E4. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Agreement between Derek Berberian, M.D./North Jersey Health and Wellness and the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education to provide Psychiatric Evaluations at \$600 per and Medical or Psychiatric Clearances at \$300 per. Effective January 31, 2023 June 30, 2023.
- E5. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Agreement for tutoring and college counseling between Expert Tutoring and College Counseling and the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education for Orton Gillingham, Specialist, at \$92 per hour. Effective January 31, 2023 June 30, 2023.
- E6. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Agreement for behavior and related professional services between The Stepping Stones Group and the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education. Effective January 31, 2023 June 30, 2023.
- E7. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Agreement for professional and related services between Burlington County Special Services School District/Educational Services and the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education. Effective for the 2022-23 School Year.
- E8. Move to approve in accordance with Chapter 46, Title 18A, New Jersey Statutes, and on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, District Director of Special Education, and District Child Study Team that tuition and/or related services be paid for the students listed below to attend the schools indicated and at the tuition costs indicated for the 2022-23 School Year as follows:

Student No.	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
424556	Sage Day	\$36, 363.15 <sup>1</sup>
424061	Paradigm Therapeutic	\$42,319.00 <sup>2</sup>

#### Day School

<sup>1</sup>Prorated at 95 days at \$382.77 per day <sup>2</sup>Prorated at 101 days at \$419.00 per day

E9. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Harassment, Intimidation, & Bullying student remediation including disciplinary consequences, educational intervention, and counseling supports imposed during the 2022-23 School Year as a result of HIB Investigation for the following HIB investigations:

#### RHS 008

E10. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the resolution as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") that the terms, stipulations and conditions as established in the Settlement Agreement and Release (hereinafter referred to as "Agreement") between the Board and the Parents of Student No. 422623 and which Agreement is located in the student's file, are hereby adopted and approved by the Board. The Board President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement, and any other documents necessary to effectuate the Agreement.

#### **OPERATIONS**

OP1. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the use of the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District facilities for the date(s indicated in accordance with the rules and regulations governing said use as follows:

#### <u>Indian Hills High School</u>

Oakland Recreation Boys Basketball Camp; Gymnasium; July 10 - 14,

2023; 1 - 4 P.M.

Oakland Recreation Softball Camp; Athletic Fields & Gymnasium;

June 26 - 30, 2023; 8 A.M. - 11 A.M.

Oakland Recreation Girls Basketball Camp; Gymnasium; June 26 -

June 30, 2023; 9 A.M. - 12 P.M.

Oakland Recreation Football Camp; Athletic Fields; July 10 - 13,

2023; 9 A.M. - 12 P.M.

Bergen's Best Soccer Soccer Camp; Athletic Fields; July 17 - 20, 2023; Camp, Inc.

Rain Date: July 21, 2023; 8:30 A.M. - 2:30 A.M.

#### Ramapo High School

Nick Vier Basketball Basketball Camp; Gymnasium & Cafeteria; June

26 - 30 & July 24 - 28, 2023; 9:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M. Camp

Mike DeFazio Football Camp/Youth Grades 3-8; Athletic Field

Football (Grass); June 26 - 30, 2023; 8 A.M. - 12 P.M.

Sandy Gordon's All Basketball Camp; Gymnasiums & Cafeteria; July

Girls Basketball 10 - 14, 2023; 9 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Camp

Bergen's Best Soccer Soccer Camp; Athletic Fields; July 17 - 20, 2023; Camp, Inc. Rain Date: July 21, 2023; 8:30 A.M. - 2:30 A.M.

David Van Hook Volleyball Camp; Gymnasiums & Girls Locker DBA Set & Spike Rooms/Bathrooms; July 17 - 21, 2023; 8:45 A.M.

Volleyball Camp - 12 P.M.

David Van Hook Volleyball Camp; Gymnasiums & Girls Locker DBA Set & Spike Rooms/Bathrooms; August 14 - 18, 2023; 8:45

Volleyball Camp A.M. - 12 P.M.

OP2. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, Change Order 001 dated October 11, 2022 from JJD Urethane Co., Souderton, PA, for the Contract #110 - Partial Roof Replacement Project at Indian Hills High School.

<u>Change Order No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001	To provide grating at the top of the newly installed ladder.	-\$4,681.00

The Original Contract Sum is \$472,000. The Net Change by previously authorized Change Orders is \$0. The Contract Sum prior to this Change Order is \$472,000. The amount of the Contract Sum will (-) decrease by this Change Order by \$4,681.00. The New Contract Sum, including this Change Order is: \$467,319.

OP3. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, Change Order No. 001 dated October 17, 2022 from Galia Construction, Inc., Totowa, NJ, for Contract #109, Partial Roof Replacement Project at Ramapo High School.

Change Order No.	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001	Installation of 5%" fire rated plywood that is required to close the gap between the roof and the top of parapets at the perimeter of Roof '18'. Also for extra time needed to demolish the existing roof system due to the presence of the heating supply and return lines that were within the existing roof system on the deck.	\$8,871.60

The Original Contract Sum is \$283,090. The Net Change by previously authorized Change Orders is \$0. The Contract Sum prior to this Change Order is \$283,000. The amount of the Contract Sum will increase by this Change Order by \$8,871.60. The New Contract Sum, including this Change Order is \$291,961.60

OP4. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, Change Order No. 001 dated October 17, 2022 from C. Dougherty & Co., Inc., Paterson, NJ, for Contract #107, Boiler Replacement Project at Ramapo High School.

<u>Change Order No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001	Replace and raise 5" heating piping (send and return) with insulation and supports. This work is required because roofing work uncovered these non-compliant lines hidden within the roof.	\$131,900

The Original Contract Sum is \$1,368,000. The Net Change by previously authorized Change Orders is \$0. The Contract Sum prior to this Change Order is \$1,368,000. The amount of the Contract Sum will be increased by this Change Order by \$131,900. The New Contract Sum, including this Change Order is \$1,499,900.

OP5. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools the resolution as follows:

WHEREAS, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as "ACES"), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as "NJSBA"), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from natural gas suppliers for retail natural gas supply services including interstate transportation to the local natural gas distribution utility company (Natural Gas Supply Services) through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801- ACESCPS in accordance with the "Public School Contracts Law", N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq., and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 et seq. ("EDECA") and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain natural gas services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to natural gas suppliers following said bids for natural gas services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2028, hereinafter referred to as "Effective Period") issue one or more Requests for Bids for natural gas services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale natural gas market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Natural Gas Supply Service in each service territory to one or more natural gas suppliers that submits bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous natural gas usage and utility provided Basic Gas Supply Service rates; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said Natural Gas Supply Services to natural gas suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility provided basic gas supply service; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all Natural Gas Supply Services for its own use during the Effective Period through any natural gas supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for natural gas supply services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

NOW, therefore, be it RESOLVED that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all natural gas supply services needed for its own use during the Effective Period from the natural gas supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for natural Gas supply services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase natural gas at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the districts relative to the price charged for basic gas supply service by the natural gas public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain natural gas services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2028 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

OP6.Move to amend, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, resolution OP2 approved at the December 12, 2022, Board of Education public meeting as follows:

WHEREAS, The Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education (the "Board") has determined a need to undertake the following Projects:

Faculty Toilet Room Renovations at Indian Hills High School and Faculty Toilet Room Renovations at Ramapo High School (the "Toilet Projects") and;

WHEREAS, the District is desirous of moving forward with a Proposal for Architectural and Engineering Services for this Project, and;

WHEREAS, the Board desires to retain DiCara Rubino Architects ("Architect") to provide Architectural and Engineering Services in connection with the Toilet Projects, and authorizes the Architect to submit a project application and schematic plans to the State for this Project, and;

WHEREAS, the school administration and such other officers and agents of the Board have received a proposal for these Toilet Projects from the Architect in the amount of \$150,000 for Architectural and Engineering Services; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that the proposal from DiCara Rubino Architects best meets the needs of the District; and

WHEREAS, the agreement with DiCara Rubino Architects may be awarded without public bidding as a contract for professional services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1), and;

WHEREAS, the Board authorizes applications to the NJ DOE Office of School Facilities for approval of the projects and LRFP amendments, if necessary, for the Toilet Renovation Projects at Indian Hills High School and Ramapo High School (hereinafter referred to as the "Toilet Projects"); and

WHEREAS, the Board intends to finance the cost of up to \$2,250,000 for this project through the use of capital reserve as part of the District's Long-Range Facilities Plan ("LRFP"), and;

WHEREAS, the school administration and such other officers and agents of the Board as are necessary, including the Board attorney and architect, are hereby authorized to perform such other acts, to execute such other documents and to do such other things as are necessary to implement the determinations of the Board set forth in this Resolution, including the submission of information to the New Jersey Department of Education.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education that the Board President and Board Secretary/Business Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to enter into an Agreement with DiCara Rubino Architect and to execute any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a brief notice of this action shall be printed once in the Board's official newspaper stating its nature, service, and amount, and that the resolution and contract shall be on file and available for public inspection in the Board Office in the following form:

#### LEGAL NOTICE

RAMAPO INDIAN HILLS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY NOTICE OF AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education took action at its January 30, 2023, Regular Public Meeting to appoint DiCara Rubino Architects with offices at 30 Galesi Drive, Wayne, New Jersey, to provide Architectural and Engineering Services for the following project: Faculty Toilet Rooms Renovations at Indian Hills and Ramapo High Schools. This agreement in the amount of \$150,000 is being entered into and approved as a professional service. This resolution and contract information are on file and available for public inspection at the Board of Education Office located at 131 Yawpo Avenue, Oakland, New Jersey.

OP7. Move to amend, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, resolution OP2 approved at the December 12, 2022, Board of Education public meeting as follows:

WHEREAS, The Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education (the "Board") has determined a need to undertake the following Projects:

Tennis Courts Renovations at Indian Hills High School Tennis Courts Renovations at Ramapo High School (the "Projects") and;

WHEREAS, the District is desirous of moving forward with a Proposal for Architectural and Engineering Services for this Project, and;

WHEREAS, the Board desires to retain DiCara Rubino Architects ("Architect") to provide Architectural and Engineering Services in connection with the Projects, and authorizes the Architect to submit a project application and schematic plans

to the State and to the Municipal Planning Board1 for this Project. This project is designated "Other Capital" and the Board is not seeking state funding, and;

WHEREAS, the school administration and such other officers and agents of the Board have received a proposal for the Projects from the Architect in the amount of \$130,500 for Architectural and Engineering Services; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that the proposal from DiCara Rubino Architects best meets the needs of the District; and

WHEREAS, the agreement with DiCara Rubino Architects may be awarded without public bidding as a contract for professional services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1), and;

WHEREAS, the Board authorizes applications to the NJ DOE Office of School Facilities for approval of the Projects and LRFP amendments, if necessary, for the Tennis Court Renovations at Indian Hills High School and Ramapo High School; and

WHEREAS, the Board intends to finance the cost of up to \$1,680,500 for this Project through the use of capital reserve as part of the District's Long-Range Facilities Plan ("LRFP"), and;

WHEREAS, the school administration and such other officers and agents of the Board as are necessary, including the Board attorney and architect, are hereby authorized to perform such other acts, to execute such other documents and to do such other things as are necessary to implement the determinations of the Board set forth in this Resolution, including the submission of information to the New Jersey Department of Education.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education that the Board President and Board Secretary/Business Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to enter into an Agreement with DiCara Rubino Architect and to execute any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a brief notice of this action shall be printed once in the Board's official newspaper stating its nature, service, and amount, and that the resolution and contract shall be on file and available for public inspection in the Board Office in the following form:

LEGAL NOTICE
RAMAPO INDIAN HILLS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

#### NOTICE OF AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education took action at its January 30, 2023, Regular Public Meeting to appoint DiCara Rubino Architects with offices at 30 Galesi Drive, Wayne, New Jersey, to provide Architectural and Engineering Services for the following project: Tennis Courts Renovations at Indian Hills and Ramapo High Schools. This agreement in the amount of \$130,500 is being entered into and approved as a professional service. This resolution and contract information are on file and available for public inspection at the Board of Education Office located at 131 Yawpo Avenue, Oakland, New Jersey.

OP8. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the resolution meeting as follows:

WHEREAS, The Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education (the "Board") has determined a need to undertake the following Projects:

Retrofit LED Athletic Field Lighting at Indian Hills High School Retrofit LED Athletic Field Lighting at Ramapo High School (the "Projects") and;

WHEREAS, the District is desirous of moving forward with a Proposal for Architectural and Engineering Services for this Project, and;

WHEREAS, the Board desires to retain DiCara Rubino Architects ("Architect") to provide Architectural and Engineering Services in connection with the Projects, and authorizes the Architect to submit a project application and schematic plans to the State and to the Municipal Planning Board for this Project. This project is designated "Other Capital" and the Board is not seeking state funding, and;

WHEREAS, the school administration and such other officers and agents of the Board have received a proposal for the Projects from the Architect in the amount of \$50,500 for Architectural and Engineering Services; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that the proposal from DiCara Rubino Architects best meets the needs of the District; and

WHEREAS, the agreement with DiCara Rubino Architects may be awarded without public bidding as a contract for professional services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1), and;

WHEREAS, the Board authorizes applications to the NJ DOE Office of School Facilities for approval of the Projects and LRFP amendments, if necessary, for the

Retrofit LED Field Lighting at Indian Hills High School and Ramapo High School; and

WHEREAS, the Board intends to finance the cost of up to \$725,500 for this Project through the use of capital reserve as part of the District's Long-Range Facilities Plan ("LRFP"), and;

WHEREAS, the school administration and such other officers and agents of the Board as are necessary, including the Board attorney and architect, are hereby authorized to perform such other acts, to execute such other documents and to do such other things as are necessary to implement the determinations of the Board set forth in this Resolution, including the submission of information to the New Jersey Department of Education.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education that the Board President and Board Secretary/Business Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to enter into an Agreement with DiCara Rubino Architect and to execute any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a brief notice of this action shall be printed once in the Board's official newspaper stating its nature, service, and amount, and that the resolution and contract shall be on file and available for public inspection in the Board Office in the following form:

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education took action at its January 30, 2023, Regular Public Meeting to appoint DiCara Rubino Architects with offices at 30 Galesi Drive, Wayne, New Jersey, to provide Architectural and Engineering Services for the following project: Retrofit LED Athletic Field Lighting at Indian Hills and Ramapo High Schools. This agreement in the amount of \$50,500 is being entered into and approved as a professional service. This resolution and contract information are on file and available for public inspection at the Board of Education Office located at 131 Yawpo Avenue, Oakland, New Jersey.

OP9. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the resolution meeting as follows:

WHEREAS, The Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education (the "Board") has determined a need to undertake the following Projects:

Walk-in Box (Refrigerator and Freezer) Replacement at Indian Hills High School Walk-in Box (Refrigerator and Freezer) Replacement at Ramapo High School (the "Projects") and;

WHEREAS, the District is desirous of moving forward with a Proposal for Architectural and Engineering Services for this Project, and;

WHEREAS, the Board desires to retain DiCara Rubino Architects ("Architect") to provide Architectural and Engineering Services in connection with the Projects, and authorizes the Architect to submit a project application and schematic plans to the State for this Project. This project is designated "Other Capital" and the Board is not seeking state funding, and;

WHEREAS, the school administration and such other officers and agents of the Board have received a proposal for the Projects from the Architect in the amount of \$36,000 for Architectural and Engineering Services; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that the proposal from DiCara Rubino Architects best meets the needs of the District; and

WHEREAS, the agreement with DiCara Rubino Architects may be awarded without public bidding as a contract for professional services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1), and;

WHEREAS, the Board authorizes applications to the NJ DOE Office of School Facilities for approval of the Projects and LRFP amendments, if necessary, for the Walk-in Box (Refrigerator and Freezer) Replacements at Indian Hills High School and Ramapo High School; and

WHEREAS, the Board intends to finance the cost of up to \$436,000 for this Project through the use of capital reserve as part of the District's Long-Range Facilities Plan ("LRFP"), and;

WHEREAS, the school administration and such other officers and agents of the Board as are necessary, including the Board attorney and architect, are hereby authorized to perform such other acts, to execute such other documents and to do such other things as are necessary to implement the determinations of the Board set forth in this Resolution, including the submission of information to the New Jersey Department of Education.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education that the Board President and Board Secretary/Business Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to enter into an Agreement with DiCara Rubino Architect and to execute any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a brief notice of this action shall be printed once in the Board's official newspaper stating its nature, service, and amount, and that the resolution and contract shall be on file and available for public inspection in the Board Office in the following form:

#### LEGAL NOTICE

RAMAPO INDIAN HILLS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY NOTICE OF AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education took action at its January 30, 2023, Regular Public Meeting to appoint DiCara Rubino Architects with offices at 30 Galesi Drive, Wayne, New Jersey, to provide Architectural and Engineering Services for the following project: Walk-in Box (Refrigerator and Freezer) Replacement at Indian Hills and Ramapo High Schools. This agreement in the amount of \$36,000 is being entered into and approved as a professional service. This resolution and contract information are on file and available for public inspection at the Board of Education Office located at 131 Yawpo Avenue, Oakland, New Jersey.

OP10.Move to amend, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, resolution OP3 approved at the December 12, 2022, Board of Education public meeting as follows:

WHEREAS, the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") has established a capital reserve account pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:21-2 and N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-31 in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles;

WHEREAS, the Board may use the capital reserve account to implement a capital project in the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District's Long Range Facility Plan (hereinafter referred to as "LRFP") as required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-4(a) and N.J.A.C. 6A:26-2; ; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.1, the Board may, by resolution, transfer funds from the capital reserve account to the line items in the capital outlay major account/fund to fund the total costs, less any excess costs, of an

"other capital project," which would otherwise be eligible for State support, as determined in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:26-3;

WHEREAS, the Board intends to transfer \$2,975,500 from its capital reserve account to its capital outlay/major account to fund the total costs of the capital improvements necessary as follows:

- \$2,250,000 Toilet Projects
- \$725,500 Retrofit LED Athletic Field Lighting Projects

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

- 1. The Board of Education hereby authorizes the use of capital reserve to fund the Toilet Projects and the Retrofit LED Athletic Field Lighting Projects.
- 2. The Board hereby approves the total transfer of \$2,975,500 from the capital reserve account to fund the total costs, less any excess costs, of the Toilet Projects and the Retrofit LED Athletic Field Lighting Projects.
- 3. The Board hereby authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to generate account transfers to effectuate the terms of this Resolution. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.
- OP11. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the resolution as follows:

The reallocation of \$1,078,400 in funds, previously withdrawn from Capital Reserve as part of the 2022-2023 Capital Outlay Budget for roofing projects, to be transferred to other Capital Projects, in the amount of:

- \$760,500 for Tennis Court Renovations at both schools
- \$131,900 for Change Order No. 001 for Contract #107, Boiler Replacement Project at Ramapo High School.
- \$186,000 for Walk-in Box (Refrigerators and Freezers) Replacement at Indian Hills High School and Ramapo High School
- OP12. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the resolution as follows:

Authorization for the Superintendent of Schools, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and other District Staff to proceed with the Energy Savings Improvement Program ("ESIP") previously approved on November 28, 2022 and subsequently paused on January 5, 2023.

## **FINANCE**

- F1. Move that, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the financial reports of the Business Administrator and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of December 2022, including a cash report for that period, be approved and ordered filed.
- F2. Move to authorize approval, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, of the Committed Purchase Order Status Report for the months of December 2022 having been audited by the Business Administrator be approved by the Board.
- F3. Move that, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the December 15 and December 23, 2022 Payrolls in the amount of \$3,573,655.36 having been audited by the Business Administrator, be ratified by the Board. (Amount was not available for the December 12, 2022 Regular Public Meeting.)
- Move that, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the additional bills paid in December 2022 and drawn on the current account in the total amount of \$570,321.28 for materials received and/or services rendered, having been audited by the Business Administrator, be ratified by the Board. (Amount was not available for the December 12, 2022 Regular Public Meeting.)
- F5. Move that, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the bills drawn on the current account in the total amount of \$3,708,809.51, including the January 15, 2023 Payroll, for materials received and/or services rendered, having been audited by the Business Administrator, be approved by the Board.
- Move that, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, bills in the District Cafeteria Fund in the total amount of \$160,595.21 having been audited and approved by the Business Administrator, be approved by the Board as follows:

**ARAMARK** \$158,595.96 November Operations

RIH District Cafeteria Fund \$1,999.25 November Student

Lunches

- F7. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, transfers and to authorize the Superintendent and Business Administrator/Board Secretary to make additional transfers that would be ratified at the next Board meeting as necessary to comply with State requirements in accordance with Policy 6422 as per the attached Expense Account Adjustment Analysis for the month of December 2022.
- Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the 10% Transfer Report that represents transfers made during the period July 1 –

December 31, 2022.

- F9. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the reimbursement to the Current Account from the District Cafeteria Fund for repairs and maintenance expenditures in the amount of \$36,162.67.
- F10. Move that pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, we certify that as of December 31, 2022, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate District officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of *N.J.A.C.* 6:23A-16.10(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- F11. Move to adopt the resolution as follows:

#### Receipt of Certification from Board Secretary

Pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 6*A*:23*A*-16.10(*c*)4, I, Thomas Lambe, certify that as of December 31, 2022, no budgetary line item account has obligations or payments (contractual orders) which in total exceeds the amount appropriated by the District Board of Education pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 18*A*:22-8 and *N.J.S.A.* 18*A*:22-8.1.

F12. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the resolution as follows:

WHEREAS, District employees have submitted requests for reimbursement for work-related travel that is directly related to and within the scope of the employees' current work responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Board has previously authorized such work-related travel, and the District's school business administrator or designee has reviewed the documentation submitted by the employee and found same to be in compliance with the Board's policy provisions and approval requirements; and

WHEREAS, the travel requests listed below specifies for each item of reimbursement the specific promotion of delivery of instruction or furtherance of the efficient operation of the school district, and the amount of each listed reimbursement does not exceed State travel reimbursement guidelines;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the provisions of Board Policy and *N.J.A.C.* 6A:23B-1.1 et seq., that the Board of Education hereby approves work-related travel reimbursement to its employees as set forth below:

<u>Reg. No.</u> <u>Employee</u> <u>Conference</u> <u>Date</u> <u>Expenses</u>

a. IH23-71	Jill Fackelman	SHAPE NJ 2023 Annual Convention	02/27/23- 02/28/23	\$39.48
b. IH23-72	Edith LaChac	DECA State Conference	02/27/23- 03/01/23	\$343.00
c. IH23-73	Owen Ross	DECA State Conference	02/27/23- 03/01/23	\$548.67
d. IH23-74	Gale Fanale	DECA State Competition	02/27/23- 03/01/23	\$905.56
e. R23-69	Erin Wiese	Aviation Round Table	03/24/23	\$23.50
f. R23-70	Jasmen Mantashian	ASAP NJ Conference	03/09/23	\$250.00
g. R23-71	Livio Mancino	DAANJ Annual Conference	03/14/23- 03/17/23	\$1,245.00

## **POLICY**

PO1. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the first and final reading of revised District Policy as follows:

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.2, the Board of Education adopts this Policy and its strategies to ensure the use of legal services by employees and the Board of Education members and the tracking of the use of legal services.

The Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of School, Superintendent of Schools' designee, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary or designee, and/or Board President as designated contact persons to request services or advice from contracted legal counsel.

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall be responsible to review all legal bills and confer with designated contact persons in reviewing such legal bills.

In accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.2(a)2, the Board designates the administrative staff member to review all legal bills and designates contact persons to ensure the prudent use of legal services.

School districts with legal costs that exceed one hundred thirty percent of the Statewide average per student amount should establish the procedures outlined in 1., 2., 3., and 4. below and, if not established, provide evidence such procedures would not result in a reduction of costs.

- 1. The designated contact person(s) shall ensure that contracted legal counsel is not contacted unnecessarily for management decisions or readily available information contained in District materials such as Board policies, administrative regulations, or guidance available through professional source materials.
- 2. All requests for legal advice shall be made to the designated contact person(s) in writing and shall be maintained on file in the District offices. The designated contact person shall determine whether the request warrants legal advice or if legal advice is necessary.
- 3. The designated contact person(s) shall maintain a log of all legal counsel contact including the name of the legal counsel contacted, date of the contact, issue discussed, and length of contact.
- 4. All written requests for legal advice and logs of legal counsel contacts shall be forwarded to the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, who shall be responsible to review all legal bills and compare all legal bills to the contact logs and to investigate and resolve any variances.

Any professional services contract(s) for legal services shall prohibit advance payments. Services to be provided shall be described in detail in the contract and invoices for payment shall itemize the services provided for the billing period. Payments to legal counsel(s) shall only be for services actually provided.

School districts and vocational school districts are prohibited from contracting with legal counsel or using in-house legal counsel to pursue any affirmative claim or cause of action on behalf of district administrators and/or any individual Board members or pursuing any claim or cause of action for which the damages to be awarded would benefit an individual rather than the school District as a whole.

The Board of Education will annually establish prior to budget preparation, a maximum dollar limit for each type of professional service, including legal services. In the event it becomes necessary to exceed the established maximum dollar limit for the professional service, the Superintendent of Schools shall recommend to the Board of Education an increase in the maximum dollar amount. Any increase in the maximum dollar amount shall require formal Board action.

Contracts for legal services will be issued by the Board in a deliberative and efficient manner that ensures the District receives the highest quality services at a

fair and competitive price or through a shared service arrangement. This may include, but is not limited to, issuance of such contracts through a Request for Proposals (RFP) based on cost and other specified factors or other comparable processes. Contracts for legal services shall be limited to non-recurring or specialized work for which the District does not possess adequate in-house resources or in-house expertise to conduct. N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.2

Policy Title Policy No.

Legal Services 0174

PO2. Move to approve, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the first reading of new District Policies as follows:

Policy Title

Remote Attendance By Board Members

for In-Person Board Meetings

Ol64.1

## P1-P28, E1-E10, OP1-OP12, F1-F12, PO1-PO2

Moved by BOGDANSKY, Seconded by EMMOLO

RC) \*=Yes:

RC): Bogdansky\* DeLaite \*, NO PO2 Emmolo\*, NO E9 King \*, NO PO2 Koulikourdis\*, NO PO2 Lorenz\*, NO PO2 Mariani \*, NO E9 Ansh\*, NO E9 Sullivan \*, NO E9

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Moved by ANSH, Seconded by BOGDANSKY, unanimously carried to open the meeting to public comments, 10:56 PM.

A member of the public, Franklin Lakes commented on policy and first and second reads. They also commented on board counsel. They also questioned why the minutes were not approved.

A member of the public, Franklin Lakes, commented on the following: P0131, ethics training, RFQ for the architect, Board member recusal, and the policy for remote access.

A member of the public, Franklin Lakes, read a letter commenting on the agenda and public participation before voting and Board member relations.

A member of the public, Wyckoff commented on spending time focusing on kids instead of attaching each other.

A member of the public, Oakland, commented on committee members and the negotiation committee.

A member of the public, Franklin Lakes noted that the Board needs to work together. They also commented on the Start Strong Presentation as well as the tennis lights being installed.

A member of the public, Franklin Lakes, commented on policy 0131. They also commented on the strategic plan and the tabled resolution.

A member of the public, Wyckoff, commented on the vote to table on a stipend and the message that is sent to the community and students.

A member of the public, Oakland, commented on relationship with Fogarty. More concerning the way Mr. Fogarty is promoted.

A member of the public Wyckoff, commented directly to a Board member.

Moved by BOGDANSKY and seconded by MARIANI, and unanimously carried, to close the Public comment session and to re-enter the Regular Public Meeting, 11:17 PM.

#### **BOARD COMMENTS**

Ms. King asked Ms. Sullivan to clarify that some Board members were only given one committee, to which Ms. Sullivan responded that Ms. King could have more. Ms. King wanted it noted that she was only given one committee.

Ms. Emmolo commented that last year one person on the board only had one committee because we only have five committees. Ms. Emmolo also noted that she is the NJSBA liaison and there is the NJSBA 2023 school finance conference March 1, 2023 Ms. Ansh thanked Ms. Fisher for her presentation as well as commented on Dr. Dionisio's Morning Brew and the highlights.

Mr. Delaite noted that he was happy to see the Board bring back some of the walk-in motions from January 5th. He noted that he would like the Board to consider changing the motion in regard to the 5-day deadline, venue changes and the non-recusal from the vote on Fogarty's firm.

Ms. King noted that she appreciates that we were able to speak, be heard and ask questions. She noted Robert's Rules. The lower schools that funnel into our district use fogarty. Ms. King also commented on voting and recusal.

Ms. Mariani commented on voting and the majority.

Ms. Koulikourdis commented on walk-in motions and transparency.

Mr. Bogdansky requested a recess.

Motion by Ansh, Seconded by Emmolo to hold a recess, 11:32 PM.

RC): Bogdansky- Absent DeLaite\* Emmolo\* King\* Koulikourdis\* Lorenz\* Mariani\* Ansh\* Sullivan\*

Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Koulikourdis to reopen, 11:33 PM

RC): Bogdansky\* DeLaite\* Emmolo\* King\* Koulikourdis\*

Lorenz\* Mariani\* Ansh\* Sullivan\*

Ms. Emmolo commented on the following items: training, agenda and board packets, P1. Ms. Emmolo noted that she didn't agree with many things the majority voted on and after the vote she respected the vote. She also noted that she was elected to dot her "i's" and cross her "t's".

Dr. Lorenz noted that he gives as much time to the Board that he could. He also commented on form and substance.

## ANTICIPATED FUTURE MEETING DATES

Monday, February 13, 2023 Regular Public Meeting, Ramapo High School Auditorium.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Koulikourdis, Seconded by Bogdansky, unanimously carried to adjourn at 11:40 P.M.

 Judith Sullivan	Thomas Lambe
Board President	Business Administrator/Board Secretary