

HOPATCONG BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Hearing/Annual Appointments Approvals Minutes – High School Cafeteria
April 24, 2017

The Public Hearing/Annual Appointments and Approvals meeting of the Board of Education of the Hopatcong Borough School District was held on Monday, April 24, 2017 in the High School cafeteria, 2A Windsor Ave., Hopatcong, New Jersey.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.
Mr. Fasano, Board President, read the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act Statement:

2. **FLAG SALUTE**

3. **OPENING STATEMENT -**

In accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, this public body, the Hopatcong Board of Education hereby announces that The New Jersey Herald has been notified by mail that this Board of Education Public Hearing/Annual Appointments and Approval meeting will take place in the Board Meeting Room at the Administration Office of the Board of Education, Hopatcong, NJ, at 7:00 p.m. on April 24, 2017.

4. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Anthony Fasano, President
Mrs. Carol Trumppore, Vice President
Mr. Philip DiStefano
Mr. Warren Gallagher
Mr. Peter Karpiak
Mr. Alex McLean
Mr. Robert Nicholson – left meeting 11:15pm
Dr. Sarah Schindelar
Mrs. Candice Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Also Present: Dr. Joanne Mullane, Acting Superintendent, Ms. Kerri Wright, Legal Counsel

5. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
A motion was made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Trumppore to commence Executive Session.
The motion carried with all in favor. Time 5:35 p.m.

6. **RECONVENE**
A motion was made by Mrs. Trumppore, seconded by Mr. McLean to reconvene in Public Session.
The motion carried with all in favor. Time: 7:30 p.m.

7. **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. The following students were chosen as **Hopatcong High School's Students of the Month** for their outstanding performance in **March 2017**:

Rhiannon Bender, Senior	Scholastics (Creative Writing)
Veronica Carreras, Freshman	Scholastics (American Culture)
Tara Nixdorff, Junior	Specialty Area (Child Development 2)
Justin McCarthy, Junior	Specialty Area (Intro to CAD & Wood Sculpture)

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- b. The following Durban Avenue School 5th grade students for their winning posters entered in the 2017 Sussex County SCD Conservation Poster contest “Healthy Soils Are Full of Life:”
- Jayla Elias** – 1st Place (forwarded to the New Jersey Assoc. of Conservation District for judging of state winners to be announced on or about May 1, 2017)
Blake Brown – 2nd Place
Ryan Coats – 3rd Place
Samantha VanBeekum – Honorable Mention
Madison Danley – Honorable Mention
Janie Henderson – Honorable Mention
- c. **Hopatcong High School, Middle School and Durban Avenue Honor Roll Students** for the third marking period.

8. 2017/2018 BUDGET PRESENTATION – Anthony Fasano, Board President

- a. **OVERVIEW OF THE 2017/2018 BUDGET AND PUBLIC HEARING -**
 Budget Presentation by Acting Superintendent Dr. Joanne Mullane and Carolyn B. Joseph, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Comments/questions were made regarding HS field, roof, hilltop, 2017/2018 budget and tax levy, water fountains at HS, Camp Innovate, and staffing. Gentleman from Picatinny offered resources for STEAM program. Mo

★ **BOARD PRESIDENT, ANTHONY FASANO ADVISES THAT ITEMS NO. 10, 37a and 37b WERE TABLED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

9. APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM BOARD SECRETARY

Appointment of **Ms. Carolyn B. Joseph** as Interim Board Secretary through December 31, 2017.

Mr. McLean made a motion to approve item 9, was seconded by Mr. Karpiak

Philip DiStefano	Yes	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson	No	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Item No. 9 passed

10. APPPOINTMENT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL MONIES - TABLED BY BOARD

Appointment of **Mrs. Susan Dykstra** as Treasurer of School Monies effective May 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.

11. APPOINTMENT OF PURCHASING AGENT

Appointment of **Ms. Carolyn B. Joseph** as Purchasing Agent for the Hopatcong School District for the 2017/2018 school year and authorization for the Purchasing Agent to recommend contracts up to the bid threshold of \$36,000 or as per N.J.S.A. 18A-3, without the need for Public bidding. Ms. Joseph is a registered Qualified Purchasing Agent.

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12. **APPOINTMENT OF HIPPA COMPLIANCE OFFICE**
 Appointment of **Ms. Carolyn B. Joseph** as HIPPA Compliance Officer for the Hopatcong School District for the 2017/2018 school year.

13. **APPOINTMENT OF CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS**
 Appointment of **Ms. Carolyn B. Joseph** as the Custodian of the Public Records under the Open Public Meetings Act for the 2017/2018 school year.

14. **APPOINTMENT OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICER**
 Appointment of **Ms. Carolyn B. Joseph** as the Affirmative Action Officer for the 2017/2018 school year.

Mr. Nicholson made a motion to approve items 11-14, which was seconded by Mrs. Trumppore

Philip DiStefano	Yes	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson	No	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumppore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Items No. 11-14 passed

15. **APPOINTMENT OF LIABILITY, WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION BROKER OF RECORD**
 Appointment of **Arthur J Gallagher Risk Management Services Inc.** as our Liability, Workman's Compensation, etc., Broker of Record for the 2017/2018 school year.

16. **APPOINTMENT OF INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR**
 Appointment of **Neil Piro** as the **Integrated Pest Management Coordinator** for the Hopatcong School District for the 2017/2018 school year.

17. **APPOINTMENT OF ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT OFFICER, SAFETY AND HEALTH DESIGNEE, INDOOR AIR QUALITY DESIGNEE, RIGHT TO KNOW OFFICER AND CHEMICAL HYGIENE OFFICER**
 Appointment of **Neil Piro** as the Asbestos Management Officer, Safety & Health Designee, Indoor Air Quality Designee, Right to Know Officer and Chemical Hygiene Officer for the 2017/2018 school year.

18. **APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEYS**
 Appointment of **Porzio, Bromberg & Newman, P.C.** and any **other counsel** as deemed appropriate by the Administration, as attorneys for the Board of Education for the 2017/2018 school year.

19. **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITING FIRM**
 Appointment of the auditing firm of **Lerch, Vinci, Higgins, LLP** for the 2017/2018 school year with a budgeted amount of \$52,500.

Mrs. Trumppore made a motion to approve items 15-19, which was seconded by Mrs. Smith

Philip DiStefano	Yes	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumppore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Items No. 15-19 passed

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20. SCHOOL PHYSICIAN - TABLED BY BOARD - RFP

Appointment of **Dr. C. Robert Damico** as school physician for the 2017/2018 school year at a yearly stipend of \$12,000.

Mr. Nicholson makes a motion to go out for a RFP for a new physician which is seconded by Mrs. Smith Motion is withdrawn.

Mr. Nicholson makes another motion to table Item 20, go out for RFP and replace School Physician by July 1.

Philip DiStefano	No	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	No	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumppore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Motion to Table Item No. 20 and go out for RFP passed.

21. APPROVAL OF POLICIES

Approval of the **existing by-laws, policies and regulations** as listed in our current by-laws and policies book.

22. APPROVAL OF CURRICULUM

Approval of all existing **curricula and courses of study and textbooks** for the district schools.

23. APPOINTMENT OF NEWSPAPERS

Appointment of the ***New Jersey Herald***, the ***Daily Record*** and the ***Star Ledger*** as the official newspapers used by the Board of Education at the Board Secretary's discretion.

24. APPOINTMENT OF FINANCIAL DEPOSITORIES

Approval of **Fulton Bank of New Jersey, Santander, and Valley National Bank** as bank depositories for the Board of Education and authorization for the President to be the signator and have signature plates made.

25. APPOINTMENT OF TAX SHELTER ANNUITY COMPANIES

Approval of **Lincoln Investment, Lincoln Financial, Metropolitan Life and AXA Equitable** as Tax Shelter Annuity Companies for the Board of Education.

26. APPOINTMENT OF AUTHORIZED ACCOUNT SIGNATURES – 2017/2018 SCHOOL YEAR

a. School Activity Accounts:

High School	Lewis Benfatti	Dave Pierson	Donna Annett	Carolyn B. Joseph
Jr/Sr Athletic Fund	Lewis Benfatti	Chris Bugslovsky	Melissa Sant	Carolyn B. Joseph
Middle School	Emil Binotto	Deborah Gates	Carolyn B. Joseph	
Durban Ave.	Tracey Hensz	Annette Grieco	Carolyn B. Joseph	
Tulsa Trail	Brian Byrne	Maureen O' Hare	Carolyn B. Joseph	
Hudson Maxim	Katherine McFadden	Ana Marrazzo	Carolyn B. Joseph	

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b. District Accounts:

Regular Account	Carolyn B. Joseph	Anthony Fasano	
Cafeteria Fund	Carolyn B. Joseph	Anthony Fasano	
Payroll Account	Carolyn B. Joseph	Anthony Fasano	
Payroll Agency Acct.	Carolyn B. Joseph	Anthony Fasano	
Day Plus Acct.	Carolyn B. Joseph	Kathy Schwab	Kathleen Ward

27. Approval of the following staff as contact personnel for these programs and authorization to submit appropriate applications for the projects in accordance with the state and federal regulations and timelines for the 2017/2018 school year:

ESEA/NCLB	Jeffrey Hallenbeck
Title I, IIA	Jeffrey Hallenbeck
Part B-Basic Flow Through Funds & Pre-School Flow Through Funds	Tammy Miller
504 Committee Coordinator	Tammy Miller
Homeless Liaison	Tammy Miller
American Disabilities Act Officer	Tammy Miller
Anti-Bullying Coordinator	Jaime Walker

28. **APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION FOR INTERIM TRANSFERS**
 Approval of authorization for the Interim School Business Administrator/Interim Board Secretary to make interim **intra-account and intra-fund budgetary transfers** to offset credits and deficits between Board meetings when necessary.
29. **APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION FOR INTERIM PAYMENTS**
 Approval of authorization for the Interim School Business Administrator/Interim Board Secretary to make interim **payments to vendors between meetings** in cases where a cost savings would accrue to the Board or interference of the operations of the school program would occur in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:19-4.1. Approval of these payments would be presented to the Board for ratification at the next Regular Board Meeting.
30. **BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM FEES**
 Approval of the **fees for the Hopatcong Day Plus Before and After School Program** for the 2017/2018 school year, as follows:

AM Monthly Fee

- 2 Days per wk - \$119.00 per month
- 3 Days per wk - \$134.00 per month
- 4 Days per wk - \$155.00 per month
- 5 Days per wk - \$176.00 per month

PM Monthly Fee

- 2 Days per wk - \$140.00 per month
- 3 Days per wk - \$160.00 per month
- 4 Days per wk - \$181.00 per month
- 5 Days per wk - \$201.00 per month

AM & PM Monthly Fee

- 2 Days per wk - \$170.00 per month
- 3 Days per wk - \$191.00 per month
- 4 Days per wk - \$212.00 per month
- 5 Days per wk - \$232.00 per month

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31. APPROVAL OF MIDDLESEX REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

Approval of the continuation of the **Agreement for a Cooperative Pricing System** between the Hopatcong Board of Education and the Middlesex Regional Educational Services commission originally entered into and approved by the Hopatcong Board of Education on December 22, 2009.

32. ADOPTION OF CODE OF ETHICS

Approval of the adoption of the **Code of Ethics** for Board members as required by law, N.J.S.A. 18A:12-2.1 and N.J.S.A. 41:1-1 and 1-3, as attached.

Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve items 21 - 32, which was seconded by Dr. Schindelar

Philip DiStefano	Yes	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Items No. 21 - 32 passed

33. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of the following meetings, as reported by the Board Secretary and reviewed by the Board President and members of the Board:

- a. March 20, 2017 – Executive Session
- b. March 20, 2017 – Preliminary Budget Approval/Regular Meeting

Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve Item No.33, which was seconded by Mr. McLean

Philip DiStefano	Abstain	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Item No. 33 passed

34. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT AND HIB REPORT

- a. Superintendent’s Report – Dr. Joanne Mullane – Dr. Mullane reports that she has been in the district for 12 years; as a principal; supervised tech leaders; anti bullying coordinator; new staff orientation and NCLB coordinator. Moving forward to advance student performance
- b. A second reading and approval of the Superintendent’s HIB Report for March, 2017 as presented to the Board at the Regular Meeting on March 20, 2017. Approval of the HIB report for April, 2017 for first reading and review.

THERE WERE NO HIB INCIDENTS IN MARCH

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Mr. Nicholson made a motion to approve Items 34a, which was seconded by Mrs. Smith

Philip DiStefano	Abstain	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Item No. 34a passed

35. PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY – moved to between Item No. 8 and Item No. 9

36. FINANCE

Approval of the following finance items, **36a – 36i**, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools and the Finance Committee of the Board:

a. Adoption of the 2017/2018 Budget:

Approval of the following resolution for submission of the 2017/2018 school budget to the County Superintendent:

“WHEREAS, the Superintendent has presented to the Finance Committee and other members of the Hopatcong Board of Education a recommended 2017/2018 School District Budget in the total amount of \$38,018,366 as follows; and

WHEREAS, the Board approves a Local Tax Levy of \$24,147,386;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Hopatcong School District’s 2017-18 Budget is as follows:”

REVENUE

Fund 10 - General Fund.....	\$37,327,866	
Local Tax Levy.....	\$24,147,386	
State Aid.....	\$11,542,101	
Miscellaneous.....	\$ 408,373	
Fund Balance/Emergency Reserve.....	\$ 1,230,006	
Fund 20 – Special Revenue Fund.....		\$ <u>690,500</u>
State and Federal Grants.....	\$ 690,500	

Total Revenue.....\$38,018,366

APPROPRIATIONS

General Fund.....	\$37,327,866
Fund 10 - Charter School Tuition.....	\$ 540,059
Fund 11 – General Operating Fund.....	\$36,786,193
Fund 12 - Capital Outlay/Debt Serv. Assessment.....	\$ 1,614
Special Revenue.....	\$ <u>690,500</u>
Fund 20 – State and Federal Grants.....	\$ 690,500

Total Appropriations.....\$38,018,366

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- c. Approval to adjust the resignation date of **Kathleen Kane** as District Treasurer of School Monies from March 21, 2017 to April 30, 2017 at the prorated salary of \$10,000.
- d. Approval of the voluntary transfer of **Michelle Fischer** from the position of Secretary to the Facilities Supervisor at a salary of \$34,002 to the position of Confidential Secretary/Accounts Payable/Bookkeeper at a prorated salary of \$38,000, effective May 1, 2017.
- e. Approval of the request of **Traci Duffy** for a Leave of Absence from her position as a Special Education Teacher during the period of March 16, 2017 to April 30, 2017.
- f. Approval of the request of **Ruth Mayegayeg** for a Leave of Absence from her position as a Paraprofessional during the period of April 4, 2017 to June 5, 2017.
- g. Approval of the employment of **Lisa Schuffenhauer** as instructor for the Safety Town program at Hudson Maxim School, for 4.5 hours per day for 8 days, during the period of July 17-27, 2017, at a salary of \$25.00 per hour.
- h. Approval of the employment of **Dawn Forbes** as Arts Integration Grant Media Person at a grant funded stipend of \$728.
- i. Approval of the employment of **Annette Grieco** as Arts Integration Clerk at a grant funded stipend of \$500.
- j. Approval of the employment of **Jon Rischawy** as Arts Integration Art Teacher at a grant funded stipend of \$750.
- k. Approval of the employment of **Kenneth Doolittle** as Arts Integration Data Person at a grant funded stipend of \$28 per hour.
- l. Approval of the employment of **Lillian MacRae, Pamela Cavallo** and **Barbara Beere** to share the position of Arts Integration Nurse at a grant funded stipend of \$28 per hour.
- m. Approval of the following Arts Integration Grant Project Teachers at a grant funded stipend of \$28 per hour: **Ruth DeSalvia, Nancy Drury, Susan Hill, and Dorothea Stauffer**
- n. Approval of the following Arts Integration Grant ThinkTank Members at a grant funded stipend of \$28 per hour: **Ruth DeSalvia, Nancy Drury, Nicole Grieco, Susan Hill, Yvonne Mortello, Karen O’Ferrell, Jonathan Rischawy, Melanie Rowbotham, Dorothea Stauffer, and Norman Sutton.**
- o. Approval of the following 2016-2017 Advisors for the Hopatcong High School:

Name	Nature of Action	Position	Class	Level	Salary	Date Effective	Date Terminated
Barbara Fersch	Adjustment	Vocal Director	D	4	\$1782	1/1/2017	6/30/17

- p. Approval of the employment of the following **Day Plus** employees for the 2016/2017 school year:

Name	Nature of Action	Position	Rate
Jessica Alvarez	Appoint	Instructor	\$8.44/hr
Paige Switzer	Appoint	Instructor	\$8.44/hr
Hayley Velez	Appoint	Instructor	\$8.44/hr

- q. Approval of **substitute teachers, aides, custodians and van driver lists.**

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Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve Items 37c-37q, which was seconded by Dr. Schindelar

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Alex McLean	Abstain	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Item No. 37c-37q passed

38. STUDENTS & SERVICES

- a. Approval for home instruction services for **Student No. 11616**, a ninth grade student, under the care of Dr. Trevor DeSouza, MD. Instruction will be provided by Hopatcong teachers at the rate of \$35 per hour for a maximum of five hours per week. The effective date was March 27, 2017.
- b. Approval for educational instruction services for **Student No. 11693**, a third grade student, under medical supervision at The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. The student will receive educational instruction throughout inpatient treatment at CHOP at a rate of \$53.43 per hour for a maximum of five hours per week. The effective date was March 15, 2017.
- c. Approval for educational instruction services for **Student No. 11309**, an eighth grade student under medical supervision at Saint Clare’s Hospital, Boonton, NJ. Tutoring services are arranged through Saint Clare’s Hospital at the rate of \$55 per hour for a maximum of five hours per week. The effective date was April 4, 2017.
- d. Approval for educational instruction services for **Student No. 11414**, a ninth grade student under medical Hospital at the rate of \$55 per hour for a maximum of five hours per week. The effective date was April 10, 2017.
- e. Approval for the application for a Group Size Waiver for 2 Preschool Disabled Classes at the Hudson Maxim School. Ms. Wiczorek’s PM class is anticipated to have 13 students and Ms. Monro’s PM class is anticipated to have 14 students. According to N.J.A.C. 6A: 14. this type of program may only have up to 12 students unless a Group Size Waiver is requested of the New Jersey Department of Education – Sussex County Office. This waiver will apply to the remainder of the 2016/2017 school year.
- f. Approval of the attached field trip requests, as required by the New Jersey Department of Education.

Item g. added by Board President Anthony Fasano during meeting:

- g. Resolution to approve long term suspension of Student No. 11309.

Motion to approve items 38a – 38g made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Trumpore

Philip DiStefano	Yes	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Motion carried.

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39. CURRICULUM

Approval of item **39a-39b**, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools and the Curriculum Committee of the Board:

- a. Approval of the appointment of Kellie Kontozoglus to the Title II A Class Size Reduction Act position for the remainder of the 2016/2017 school year retroactive to January 3, 2017. \$18,114 of Mrs. Kontozoglus’s salary will be charged back to the grant in accordance with NJDOE grant guidelines.
- b. Approval to accept the admission of the Hopatcong Borough Schools to the New Jersey Tiered System of Support – Early Reading grant beginning in May of 2017 and extending until the conclusion of the 2019/2020 school year. This opportunity is a joint partnership between the NJDOE and the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology at Rutgers University which will provide coaching for staff members and administrators on best practices for a Response to Intervention model. This will come at no cost to the district and will provide materials and resources associated with the program and professional development from Rutgers and the NJDOE. Funding will also be made available to cover the cost of substitutes necessary when teachers are required to attend training.

**Motion to approve Curriculum 39a-39b:
 Motion made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Nicholson**

Philip DiStefano	Yes	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Abstain	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Motion carried.

40. TRAVEL

Resolved, that the Hopatcong Board of Education approve travel costs as related in this resolution and attached, which are educationally necessary and fiscally prudent and are related to and within the scope of the employee’s current responsibilities and promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district. The reimbursements listed in this resolution are in compliance with the state travel reimbursement guidelines as established by the Department of the Treasury and Board of Education policy in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1. seq.

**Motion to approve Travel for the cost of \$7,849.16:
 Motion made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Trumpore**

Philip DiStefano	Yes	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

41. POLICIES & REGULATIONS

- a. Approval of modifications and additions to the policies and regulations of the Hopatcong Board of Education in accordance with statutory and regulatory changes for approval, as revised, for **FIRST READING**:

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<u>Policy#</u>	<u>Title</u>
P 2464	<i>Gifted and Talented Students (M)</i> (Revised)
P 2622	<i>Student Assessment (M)</i> (Revised)

- b. Approval of modifications and additions to the policies and regulations of the Hopatcong Board of Education in accordance with statutory and regulatory changes for approval, as revised, for **SECOND READING**:

<u>Policy#</u>	<u>Title</u>
P 2460	<i>Special Education (M)</i> (Revised)
P 2467	<i>Surrogate Parents and Foster Parents (M)</i> (Revised)
P 5350	<i>Student Suicide Prevention</i> (Revised)
P 5460	<i>High School Graduation (M)</i> (Revised)

<u>Regulation#</u>	<u>Title</u>
R 2460	<i>Special Education (M)</i> (Revised)
R 2460.1	<i>Special Education - Location, Identification, and Referral (M)</i> (Revised)
R 2460.8	<i>Special Education - Free and Appropriate Public Education (M)</i> (Revised)
R 2460.9	<i>Special Education - Transition From Early Intervention Programs to Preschool Programs (M)</i> (Revised)
R 2460.15	<i>Special Education - In-Service Training Needs for Professional and Paraprofessional Staff (M)</i> (New)
R 2460.16	<i>Special Education - Instructional Material to Blind or Print-Disabled Students (M)</i> (Re-adopted)

Motion to approve Policies and Regulations 41a – 41b:
Motion made by Mr. Nicholson, seconded by Mr. DiStefano

Philip DiStefano	Yes	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Motion passed unanimously.

42. CALENDAR

Approval of the following items **42a-42b**, at the recommendation of the Superintendent:

- a. Approval of the Revised 180 day School Calendar for the 2016/2017 school year.
- b. Approval of the Revised 180 day School Calendar for the 2017/2018 school year.

Motion to approve items 42a and 42b:
Motion made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. McLean

Philip DiStefano	Yes	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Motion carried unanimously.

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43. SUSSEX COUNTY REGIONAL COOPERATIVE

Approval of the following items, **43a-43h**, at the recommendation of the Superintendent:

- a. The Superintendent recommends the *acceptance* of student transportation quotations for Special Education Routes for the 2016-17 school year as listed on Exhibit A.
- b. The Superintendent recommends the *award* of student transportation contracts for quoted Special Education Routes to the lowest responsible bus contractor companies for the 2016-17 school year as listed on Exhibit A.
- c. The Superintendent recommends the *acceptance* of student transportation quotations for Athletic/Class/Field Trips for the 2016-17 school year as listed on Exhibit A.
- d. The Superintendent recommends the *award* of student transportation contracts for quoted Athletic/Class/Field Trips to the lowest responsible bus contractor companies for the 2016-17 school year as listed on Exhibit A.
- e. The Superintendent recommends the *approval* of a renewal for Route #: E-175 for the 2016-17 school year as listed on Exhibit A.
- f. The Superintendent recommends the *approval* of corrections to previously approved quoted, renewed, and/or bid student transportation contracts as listed on Exhibit A.
- g. The Superintendent recommends the *approval* of a Joint Transportation Agreement between the Kittatinny Regional High School District and the Coop to transport seven Newton Students on Route K70S to Pope John High School, Pope John Middle School and Rev. Brown from February 6, 2017 to June 30, 2017 for a total cost of \$3,094.00 as listed on Exhibit A.
- h. The Superintendent recommends the *approval* of a Joint Transportation Agreement between the Northern Regional Educational Services Commission and the Coop to transport one student on Route 248B to Willowglen Academy from March 1, 2017 to June 30, 2017 for a total cost of \$13,248.42 as listed on Exhibit A.

**Motion to approve items 43a – 43h:
 Motion made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Dr. Schindelar**

Philip DiStefano	Yes	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	Yes	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Motion carried unanimously.

44. PUBLIC COMMENT - GENERAL DISCUSSION

Additional comments included concerns about keeping the money in the schools to go toward the children.

45. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- Rob Nicholson – This is your BOE. Has seen students do amazing things at every school.

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 April 24, 2017

- Candice Smith – This was a compromise. *County Superintendent stated we should go to cap, but will work together with board.*
- Alex McLean – *We listen to everyone. I am a newbie who’s message can be misconstrued. I am going to demand excellence.*
- Carol Trumpore– *It is a compromise. We presented the original budget which wasn’t acceptable so we went back to work to change it.*
- Warren Gallagher– ***This is a great town and we will be fiscally responsible. I think there could be waste in spending. Mr. Gallagher then makes a motion to do a forensic/historical audit at a time to be determined; we should go out for RFP to get costs. Motion is seconded by Mr. McLean***

Mrs. Smith motions to table this motion/Mr. Nicholson seconds

Philip DiStefano	Yes	Warren Gallagher	No	Peter Karpiak	No
Alex McLean	No	Robert Nicholson	Yes	Sarah Schindelar	No
Candice Smith	Yes	Carol Trumpore	No	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Mr. Gallagher makes another motion for Board to go out for RFP for Operational Efficiency Audit/ seconded by Mr. McLean. Motion is changed to sending this to Finance to define parameters of audit.

Motion amended to send to Finance Committee to establish parameters of Operational Efficiency Audit.

Philip DiStefano	No	Warren Gallagher	Yes	Peter Karpiak	Yes
Alex McLean	Yes	Robert Nicholson		Sarah Schindelar	Yes
Candice Smith	No	Carol Trumpore	No	Anthony Fasano	Yes

Motion carried.

- Peter Karpiak - *Would like to find out where waste is.*
- Dr. Schindelar – *Transparency is a two way street. We would not be here if we did not care.*
- Phil DiStefano – *Raising the bar for everyone. No budget item is an issue if you can back it up.*
- Anthony Fasano – *Transparency is important. Tonight is a good example of different personalities.*

46. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion to adjourn:
 Motion made by Dr. Schindelar, seconded by Mrs. Smith**

All in favor Time: 11:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

 Carolyn B. Joseph
 Board Secretary