

# HOPATCONG BOARD OF EDUCATION

Reorganization Meeting – Board Meeting Room  
January 4, 2021

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Time: \_\_\_\_\_pm

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 and the Daily Record have been notified by email that this Board of Education Regular 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. January 4, 2021.

4. **REPORT OF THE 2020 SCHOOL ELECTION RESULTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS**

Acknowledgment of the results of the November 2018 Board of Education Election as reported and certified by the Sussex County Board of Elections as follows:

*Elected to Hopatcong Board of Education: 3 Year Term*

<b><u>Candidate</u></b>	<b><u>Total Votes</u></b>
Dr. Sarah Schindelar	5606
Mrs. Jackie Turkington	609
Mr. Scott Francis	311

5. **ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS**

The Board Secretary will administer the Oath of Office to the newly elected Board members.

6. **ROLL CALL (NEWLY FORMED BOARD)**

<u>Nicole Falconi-Schubert</u>	__Scott Francis	__Warren Gallagher
__Jackie Turkington	__Alexander McLean	__Michele Perrotti
__ Dr. Sarah Schindelar	__Candice Smith	__
	__Jeffrey Hallenbeck	Board Atty:_____

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7. **ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT**

The Board Secretary will entertain a motion for nominations for **Hopatcong Board of Education President** for the 2020/2021 school year and 2021/2022 school year through December 31, 2021.

**Nominations**

**Made by**

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**Motion to approve President \_\_\_\_\_:**

(ACTION) Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
DISCUSSION

**Roll Call Vote**

__ N. Falconi-Schubert	__ S. Francis	__ W. Gallagher	__ J. Turkington	__ A. McLean
__ M. Perrotti	__ S. Schindelar	__ C. Smith	__ C. Trumpore	

8. **ELECTION OF BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT**

The Board President will entertain a motion for nominations for **Hopatcong Board of Education Vice-President** for the 2020/2021 school year and 2021/2022 school year through December 31, 2021.

**Nominations**

**Made by**

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**Motion to approve Vice President \_\_\_\_\_:**

(ACTION) Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
DISCUSSION

**Roll Call Vote**

__ N. Falconi-Schubert	__ S. Francis	__ W. Gallagher	__ J. Turkington	__ A. McLean
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9. **ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNUAL MEETING CALENDAR**

Approval of the attached list of **Board Meeting dates for the 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 school year** through the Reorganization Meeting in **January 2022** and notification of such dates to the official newspapers of the Hopatcong Board of Education.

**Motion to approve Board of Education Meeting Calendar:**

(ACTION) Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
DISCUSSION

**Roll Call Vote**

__ N. Falconi-Schubert	__ S. Francis	__ W. Gallagher	__ J. Turkington	__ A. McLean
__ M. Perrotti	__ S. Schindelar	__ C. Smith	__ C. Trumpore	

10. **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.

11. **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.

12. **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.

**Motion to adopt Items 10 - 12:**

(ACTION) Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
DISCUSSION

**Roll Call Vote**

__ N. Falconi-Schubert	__ S. Francis	__ W. Gallagher	__ J. Turkington	__ A. McLean
__ M. Perrotti	__ S. Schindelar	__ C. Smith	__ C. Trumpore	

13. **Meeting Open to the Public for General Discussion**

14. **Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn:**

(ACTION) Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_

All in favor \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ pm

**LEGAL NOTICE HOPATCONG BOARD  
OF EDUCATION BOARD MEETING  
DATES  
JANUARY 2021 - JANUARY 2022**

**All Board of Education Meetings will be held in the Meeting Room of the Administration Building at 2 Windsor Avenue, unless otherwise posted. If there is a need for an Executive Session, meetings will begin at 5:30 p.m. and be held in Room #41, in the Administration Building. The public portion will begin at 7:00 p.m.**

**Jeffrey Hallenbeck  
Board Secretary**

## **Code of Ethics**

According to New Jersey statute, a school board member shall abide by the following Code of Ethics:

- a. I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- b. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex, or social standing.
- c. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
- d. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.
- e. I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the board.
- f. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
- g. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.
- h. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
- i. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
- j. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.