

HOPATCONG BOARD OF EDUCATION

Reorganization Meeting – Virtual
January 3, 2022
7:00 p.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Time: 7:00_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 virtually at 7:00 p.m. January 3, 2022.

4. **REPORT OF THE 2021 SCHOOL ELECTION RESULTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS**

Acknowledgment of the results of the November 2021 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

Candidate

Mrs. Jayna Gulan

Mr. Gerard Gruenfelder

Mrs. Jennifer Polowchena

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)**

Present	Scott Francis	Present	Nicole Falconi-Shubert	Present	Jayna Gulan
Present	Dr.Schindelar	Present	Gerard Gruenfelder	Present	Philip DiStefano
Present	Jackie Turkington	Present	Jennifer Polowchena	Present	Alex McLean

7. **ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT**

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The Board Secretary will entertain a motion for nominations for **Hopatcong Board of Education President** for the 2021/2022 school year and 2022/2023 school year through December 31, 2022.

Nominations

Made by

Alex Mclean

Mr. Distefano (Motion did not carry)

Scott Francis

Ms. Falconi-Shubert (Motion carried)

Motion to approve President Francis:
(ACTION) Motion by Gulan, seconded by Falconi-Shubert

Roll Call Vote

Yes	Scott Francis	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert	Yes	Jayna Gulan
Yes	Dr.Schindelar	Yes	Gerard Gruenfelder	Yes	Philip DiStefano
Yes	Jackie Turkington	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena	Yes	Alex McLean

8. ELECTION OF BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT

The Board President will entertain a motion for nominations for **Hopatcong Board of Education Vice-President** for the 2021/2022 school year and 2022/2023 school year through December 31, 2022.

Nominations

Made by

Mr. Distefano

Dr. Schindelar (Motion did not carry)

Mrs. Falconi-Shubert

Mrs. Turkington (Motion carried)

Motion to approve Vice President Falconi Schubert:
(ACTION) Motion by Turkington, seconded by Gulan

Roll Call Vote

Yes	Scott Francis	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert	Yes	Jayna Gulan
No	Dr.Schindelar	No	Gerard Gruenfelder	No	Philip DiStefano
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9. **ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNUAL MEETING CALENDAR**

Approval of the attached list of **Board Meeting dates for the 2021/2022 school year and 2022/2023 school year** through the Reorganization Meeting in **January 2023** and notification of such dates to the official newspapers of the Hopatcong Board of Education.

Motion to approve:
(ACTION) Motion by Turkington, seconded by Falconi-Shubert

Yes	Scott Francis	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert	Yes	Jayna Gulan
Yes	Dr.Schindelar	Yes	Gerard Gruenfelder	Yes	Philip DiStefano
Yes	Jackie Turkington	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena	Yes	Alex McLean

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.

Motion to adopt items 10:
(ACTION) Motion by Turkington, seconded by Gruenfelder

Yes	Scott Francis	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert	Yes	Jayna Gulan
Yes	Dr.Schindelar	Yes	Gerard Gruenfelder	Yes	Philip DiStefano
Yes	Jackie Turkington	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena	Yes	Alex McLean

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 signatory and have signature plates made.

Motion to adopt items 11:
(ACTION) Motion by Gulan, seconded by Polowchena

Yes	Scott Francis	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert	Yes	Jayna Gulan
Yes	Dr.Schindelar	Yes	Gerard Gruenfelder	Yes	Philip DiStefano
Yes	Jackie Turkington	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena	Yes	Alex McLean

12. **ADOPTION OF CODE OF ETHICS**

Approval of the adoption of the Code of Ethics for School 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.

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Motion to adopt items 12:
(ACTION) Motion by Turkington, seconded by DiStefano

Yes	Scott Francis	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert	Yes	Jayna Gulan
Yes	Dr.Schindelar	Yes	Gerard Gruenfelder	Yes	Philip DiStefano
Yes	Jackie Turkington	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena	Yes	Alex McLean

13. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – no public comment

14. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS** –

Ms. Falconi Schubert Thank you to Mr. McLean for his service as Bd President

Mr. Gruenfelder Committee Assignments? , Looking forward to working with everyone

Mr. DiStefano yearly approvals, curriculum, etc., Hudson Guild willing to support costs

Ms. Turkington thank you to everyone for their support and best wishes for a happy new year

Ms. Polowchena Happy New Year

Mr. McLean supportive of new leadership

Mr. Francis welcome to Gerard, Jayna, Jennifer. Thank you to everyone for the support and efforts during what has been tough times. Interested in getting everyone’s input.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn:
(ACTION) Motion by DiStefano, seconded by Falconi-Shubert

All in favor Yes Time: 8:05 pm