

HOPATCONG BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 24, 2025

6:00 pm. Open the Meeting and enter Executive Session in the Administration Building: Room 21

Public Portion will begin at 7:00 p.m in the Board Meeting Room

2 Windsor Avenue, Hopatcong, NJ 07843

CALL TO ORDER

Time: 7:00 pm

1. **FLAG SALUTE**

2. **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 at 7:00 p.m following the Executive Session (in room 21) which starts at 6:00 p.m. on November 24, 2025 at the Hopatcong Board of Education, Board meeting room in the Administration Building.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present	Natalia Cappello	Present	Kevin Daviau	Present	Veronica Schram
Present	James Chaffee, Jr.	Absent	Philip DiStefano	Present	Jennifer Polowchena
Present	Jayson Cittrich	Absent	Jayna Gulan ^	Present	Nicole Falconi-Shubert *

* attended remotely

^ arrived 6:47pm

Matt Robinson, Assistant Superintendent ran the meeting

4. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion will be made that the Hopatcong Board of Education will enter Executive Session in room 21 to discuss personnel and attorney/client privilege, which are exempt from public participation pursuant to New Jersey Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, Open Public Meetings Act. Any discussions held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public when appropriate. Minutes of the Executive Session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists. The Board will reconvene in public session at 7:00 p.m. following the executive session.

Motion to enter executive session:

(ACTION) Motion by Chaffee. seconded by Daviau

Yes	Natalia Cappello	Yes	Kevin Daviau	Yes	Veronica Schram
Yes	James Chaffee, Jr.	Absent	Philip DiStefano	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena
Yes	Jayson Cittrich	Yes	Jayna Gulan	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert

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5. **RECONVENE**

Motion to Reconvene

(ACTION) Motion by Schram seconded by Chaffee

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Yes	James Chaffee, Jr.	Absent	Philip DiStefano	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena
Yes	Jayson Cittrich	Yes	Jayna Gulan	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

- October 27, 2025 - Regular Meeting
- October 27, 2025 - Executive Meeting

Motion to approve 6a-6b:

(ACTION) Motion by Cappello. Seconded by Schram

Yes	Natalia Cappello	Yes	Kevin Daviau	Yes	Veronica Schram
Yes	James Chaffee, Jr.	Absent	Philip DiStefano	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena
Abstain	Jayson Cittrich	Yes	Jayna Gulan	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert

7. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND HIB REPORT**

- Student Representatives, Natalia Gerena-Roman, Reagan Gravatt, Lilyanne Zinsli
Natalia reported that eight Hopatcong Students performed with the Sussex County Honors Band. Our new Band Director, Mrs. Mariscovete started working and they are so happy to have her. The Holiday Ensemble has 3 events: WSUS on 12/15; Tree lighting in HS cafeteria on 12/3 and Town Tree lighting on 12/6. National Honor Society facilitated a Thanksgiving food drive for thirteen families. Regan added that Winter sports started today; that Hopatcong Basketball Merchandise was available for purchase. E-Sports are champs! And there was a cornhole tournament held as a fundraiser for the Class of 2028.
Lily – Arsenic & Old Lace ran this past weekend and it was a hit! In the Spring, April 16-19, the Drama Club will present Mama Mia. There will be a Pep Rally on 12/16 as well as a Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament. Our Competition Cheer Team will be going to Florida to compete in Nationals!
- Superintendent's Report – **Mr. Matt Robinson, Assistant Superintendent** – Mr. Robinson recognized Mrs. Joan Marshall who has worked for the Hopatcong Board of Education and more recently, the Sussex County Regional Transportation Cooperative for 26 years as a bus driver as well as various other positions and

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served this district with exemplary service. She was wished a very happy retirement. Mr. Robinson then congratulated the HHS Drama dept. on their very successful presentation of Arsenic and Old Lace and acknowledged all the students recognized for their accomplishments in Section 8 of this agenda. Mr. Robinson then introduced Mr. Sarinelli to present the 2024/2025 Audit.

1. Nisivoccia Audit Presentation – Ray Sarinelli, Partner
2. Adoption of the 2025-2026 Budget Calendar
- c. A second reading and approval of the Superintendent's HIB Report for October 2025 as presented to the Board at the October meeting on October 27, 2025. Approval of the Superintendent's HIB report for November 2025 for first reading and review as presented to the Board at the November meeting on November 24, 2025.

Motion to approve 7a –7c:

(ACTION) Motion by Cittrich. Seconded by Chaffee

Yes	Natalia Cappello	Yes	Kevin Daviau	Yes	Veronica Schram
Yes	James Chaffee, Jr.	Absent	Philip DiStefano	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena
Yes	Jayson Cittrich Abstain c	Yes	Jayna Gulan	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert

8. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Congratulations to the following students who were chosen as **Hopatcong High School's Students-of-the-Marking Period** for their outstanding performance in Marking Period One, 2025:
Grade 8 – Sophia Rodriguez
Honorable Mention: Nataleigh Garrity, Charlotte Carey, Olivia Eggenberger
Grade 9 – Dade Derrig
Grade 10 – Ella Monopole
Honorable Mention: Lacey Guerrero, Joseph Seck, Sofia Leybov
Grade 11 –Quinn Holey
Honorable Mention: Ivan Flores, Liam Murphy
Grade 12 - Braiden Gelzer
Honorable Mention: Mason LaTorre, Amanda Gonzalez
- b. Congratulations to the following students who were chosen as **Hopatcong Middle School's Students-of-the-Month** for their outstanding performance in October 2025:
Grade 5- Jack Dowling, Elliana Martinez
Grade 6- Loren Chavez
Grade 7- Bradlee Baichulall
- c. Congratulations to the following **Hopatcong High School Students** for their outstanding performance in **Advanced Placement examinations**:
AP Scholar:
 - Dominick Amella
 - Katie Colgan
 - Juan Duque-Martinez
 - Amanda Gonzalez

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- Kiyon Simpson
- Ashley Mower
- Houle Chloe

AP Scholar with Honor:

- Natalie Leybov

AP Scholar with Distinction

- Mason LaTorre
- Giovanni Cespedes
- Patrick Comerford
- Megan Hinczynski

- d. Congratulations to the following **Hopatcong High School Students** who successfully passed the **NJ Board of Cosmetology and Hairstyling** exam and will be officially receiving their licenses:

- Caitlin Beach
- Reilly Edwards
- Danielle Morat
- Elizabeth Pavao
- Shayla Pichardo
- Adrianna Pisano
- Gianna Sperduto
- Mia Vigliotti

9. **PARENT/TEACHER ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES**

Nikki Roman-Gerena noted that Auditions for *Mama Mia* would begin next Tues. and Wed. (12/2–12/3)

Jennifer Polowchena added that tickets for the Project Graduation fundraiser with the Wizards on January 20, 2026, go on sale 12/8. Still need donations for Tricky Tray Baskets. December 12 there will be a Free Movie Night presented by Project Graduation. The movie will be **ELF** and Project Grad will be selling concessions; there will be characters available for photos.

10. **PUBLIC COMMENT – GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Jen Johnson – Town Christmas Tree lighting on 12/6 by the Gazebo at 4:45pm with Cookies, Hot Chocolate and photos with Santa from 5:00pm – 7:00pm.

11. **FINANCE**

Approval of the following Finance items, 11a. – 11g, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

- a. It is recommended by the Superintendent that bills for the General Fund and Special Revenues (Grants) account, October 27, 2025, through November 24, 2025 be revised and approved in the following amounts:
- | | |
|---|----------------|
| General Fund and Special Revenue (Grants) account - | \$1,774,637.18 |
| Cafeteria account - | \$89,297.43 |
| Fund 30 - | \$193,049.62 |

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- b. It is recommended by the Superintendent that the board approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of October 2025.
- c. It is recommended by the Superintendent that the board approve the Board Secretary's Report for the month of October 2025.
- d. It is recommended by the Superintendent that the board approve the Transfer Report for the month of October 2025.
- e. Motion to approve the certification by the Board Secretary that the Account Balance Report, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9, as of November 24, 2025, no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).
- f. Motion to certify, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c), as of November 24, 2025, after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Monthly Financial Reports 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. 6A:23-2.11(b), and sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- g. It is recommended by the Superintendent that the board approve the acceptance of an anonymous donation of \$100 that was made to the Durban Ave. School to cover outstanding student lunch account balance debt.

Motion to approve 11a – 11g:

(ACTION) Motion by Chaffee. Seconded by Gulan

Yes	Natalia Cappello	Yes	Kevin Daviau	Yes	Veronica Schram
Yes	James Chaffee, Jr.	Absent	Philip DiStefano	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena
Yes	Jayson Cittrich	Yes	Jayna Gulan	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert

12. **PERSONNEL**

Approval of the following personnel items, **12a – 12l**, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools and the Student Achievement Committee of the Board:

- a. Approval to accept the resignation of **Alvaro Cardenas** from his position as a Custodian, effective October 29, 2025.
- b. Approval to rescind the offer of employment of **Alexis Powers**, custodial position.
- c. Approval of employment of **Kaitlyn Devine** as a Paraprofessional at the Middle School at a rate of \$16.73 an hour. Should toileting apply an additional \$1.00 an hour will be added to the hourly rate. Start date pending background clearance.
- d. Approval of employment of **Thomas Hardman** as Full-Time Custodian with a prorated salary of \$45,740, minus \$400 for not having a black seal, which reflects step 1 of the 2025-2026 HEA custodian guide effective December 1, 2025.

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- e. Approval of **Antonio Fancera** from Part-Time Custodian to Full-Time Custodian effective February 1, 2026, with a prorated salary of \$46,240, which reflects step 2 of the 2025-2026 HEA custodian guide.
- f. Approval of **Employee #81578** to take a leave of absence using 12 weeks of unpaid FMLA/NJFLA effective April 27, 2026 with an anticipated return date of October 5, 2026.
- g. Approval of **Employee #80217** to take a leave of absence using a combination of earned sick leave (7 days) and FMLA/NJFLA (8 days) beginning December 15, 2025 with an estimated return date of January 15, 2026.
- h. Approval of **Joseph Shubert** to work as an Athletic Event Staff Member for 2025-2026 athletic events, to be paid at the Board Approved rate of pay per position.
- i. Approval of **Emily Pappas** to work as a Chiefs Scholars Academy Substitute as needed at a rate of \$52.50/day.
- j. Approval for **High School Athletics** to work with the assignor for the basketball clock position at a rate of \$65 for varsity games and \$55 for JV games.
- k. Approval of the following staff to take and receive **tuition reimbursements***, as per contract, upon successful completion of the course and submission of paperwork

Course Approval /Reimbursement Approval

Name	Course Title	Course Number	Credits	Cost
Brian Collins	Health Basics	EDUC 514	4	\$1,340

****The maximum rate of reimbursement per credit for the 2-26 school year is \$512.04.***

- l. Approval of the following substitutes:
 - 1. Cesar Arana, Substitute Paraprofessional
 - 2. Alexis Suarez, Substitute Nurse
 - 3. Jenifer Bazyl, Substitute Nurse
 - 4. Jill Wrede, Substitute Paraprofessional

Motion to approve 12a-12l:

(ACTION) Motion by Cappello seconded by Schram

Yes	Natalia Cappello	Yes	Kevin Daviau	Yes	Veronica Schram
Yes	James Chaffee, Jr.	Absent	Philip DiStefano	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena
Yes	Jayson Cittrich	Yes	Jayna Gulan	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert

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13. POLICY & REGULATIONS

Approval of item 13a-13b, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools and the Student Achievement and Operations Committees of the Board:

- 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:**

Policy/Regulation #

Title

P&R 9130
P&R 2535
P&R 2530

Public Complaints
Library Material
Resource materials

- 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:**

Policy/Regulation #

Title

R 8441

CARE OF INJURED AND ILL PERSONS (M)

Motion to approve 13a-13b:

(ACTION) Motion by Chaffee seconded by Cappello

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Yes	James Chaffee, Jr.	Absent	Philip DiStefano	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena
Yes	Jayson Cittrich Abstain b	Yes	Jayna Gulan	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert

14. STUDENT AND SERVICES

Approval of the following items, 14a-14d as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools and Student Achievement Committee of the Board:

- a. Approval for a maximum of 10 hours per week of educational instruction services for student no. 14277 beginning 11/13/25, for the anticipated duration of approximately 30-60 days. Instruction will be provided by Learnwell at a rate of \$56.70 per hour.
- b. Approval for up to 10 hours per week of educational instruction services for student no. 13935 beginning 10/30/25, for the anticipated duration of approximately 3-6 months. Instruction will be provided by Educational Services Commission of New Jersey at a rate of \$95.00 per hour.

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- c. Approval of the send/receive contracts with Hanover Township for student no. 14909, 14686, 15153 in accordance with McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, with an effective date of November 17, 2025.
- d. Approval of the following field trips:

Trip	School
Hopatcong State Park	Middle School
Campgaw Snow Tubing	High School
WSUS Franklin	High School
Kahlahari Resort	High School
Turtle Back Zoo	High School
NYC International Beauty Show	High School
Paterson Great Falls	High School
Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge	High School

Motion to approve 14a-14d:

(ACTION) Motion by Schram seconded by Daviau

Yes	Natalia Cappello	Yes	Kevin Daviau	Yes	Veronica Schram
Yes	James Chaffee, Jr.	Absent	Philip DiStefano	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena
Yes	Jayson Cittrich	Yes	Jayna Gulan	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert

15. RESOLUTIONS

Approval of the following resolutions as per the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

- a. It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve of the School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report as required by NJAC 6A:27-11.2
- b. It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the participation in SAIF (School Alliance Insurance Fund) for the term of 2025-2028.
- c. It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the submission of the 2026-2027 school year preschool projected enrollment to the Office of Early Childhood Education.
- d. It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the Co-Op Girls Wrestling Program with Lenape Valley Regional at no additional cost to the District.

Motion to approve 15a-15d:

(ACTION) Motion by Chaffee seconded by Daviau

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Yes	Jayson Cittrich	Yes	Jayna Gulan	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert

16. SUSSEX COUNTY REGIONAL COOPERATIVE

- a. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the **approval of bills** for the Sussex County Regional Cooperative Operating account for October 28, 2025 through November 24, 2025 in the amount of \$21,317.84 for Regular bills and \$3,201,487.82 for Contractor bills.
- b. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend **the approval to extend the Commodity Resale Agreement with the Township of Hardyston** for gasoline and diesel fuel for a two-year term beginning on January 1, 2026 and terminating on December 31, 2027.
- c. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation **recommend the approval** of Janine Byrnes, Christopher Verdi and Nicholas Fairchild **to attend the STS General Meeting** on December 3, 2025 in Monroe Township, NJ. There is not cost for attendance.
- d. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the **approval to accept, with regret, the resignation of Joan Marshall**, School Bus Driver, effective December 31, 2025. Joan has provided exemplary service to the students of the Hopatcong School District for 26 years and during that time also served in various positions throughout the District always with the utmost professional attitude. We would like to extend warmest wishes for a long and happy retirement.
- e. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the **disposal** of the following
Sussex County Regional Cooperative school vehicles through Hunterdon County ESC:

<u>Vehicle Id Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
1GB3G3BGYF1106368	2016 Thomas 24 passenger
1GBKB31K291112896	2010 Collins 24 Passenger

f.

1. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the **acceptance** of student transportation **quotations for Special Education School Year Routes** for the 2025-2026 School Year as listed on Exhibit A.

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2. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the **award** of student transportation **quotations for Special Education School Year Routes** to the lowest, responsible and responsive bus contractor companies for the 2025-2026 School Year as listed on Exhibit A.
3. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the **approval of route contract addendums** for the 2025-2026 School Year as listed on Exhibit A.
4. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the **acceptance** of student transportation **quotations for Athletic/Class/Field Trips** for the 2025-2026 School Year as listed on Exhibit A.
5. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the **award** of student transportation **contracts for quoted Athletic/Class/Field Trips** to the lowest, responsible and responsive bus contractor companies for the 2025-2026 School Year as listed on Exhibit A.
6. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the **renewal of 2024-2025 School Year Routes for the 2025-2026 School Year** at State issued CPI increase of 3.57% or less as listed on Exhibit A.
7. The Superintendent and the Director of **Transportation recommend the acceptance of bids submitted from November 4, 2025 Bid #2025-26-08** for the 2025-2026 School Year as listed on Exhibit A
8. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the **award of bids submitted from the November 4, 2025 Bid #2025-26-08** to the lowest, responsible and responsive bus contractor company for the 2025-2026 School Year as listed on Exhibit A.
9. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the **rejection of bids submitted from the November 4, 2025 Bid #2025-26-08** due to cost exceeding allowable amount, non-compliance or termination of the routes as listed on Exhibit A.
10. The Superintendent and the Director of **Transportation recommend the acceptance of bids submitted from November 12, 2025 Bid #2025-26-09** for the 2025-2026 School Year as listed on Exhibit A

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11. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the ***award of bids submitted from the November 12, 2025 Bid #2025-26-09*** to the lowest, responsible and responsive bus contractor company for the 2025-2026 School Year as listed on Exhibit A.
12. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the ***rejection of bids submitted from the November 12, 2025 Bid #2025-26-09*** due to cost exceeding allowable amount, non-compliance or termination of the routes as listed on Exhibit A.
13. The Superintendent and the Director of Transportation recommend the approval of a ***New Member Districts for the 2025-2026 School Year*** as follows:

**School District of the Chathams
Hoboken Charter School
Mansfield Twp
Morris County Vocational School
Piscataway Township Board of Education**

Motion to approve 16a-16f:

(ACTION) Motion by Daviau. seconded by Chaffee

Yes	Natalia Cappello	Yes	Kevin Daviau	Yes	Veronica Schram
Yes	James Chaffee, Jr.	Absent	Philip DiStefano	Yes	Jennifer Polowchena
Yes	Jayson Cittrich	Yes	Jayna Gulan	Yes	Nicole Falconi-Shubert

17. **BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER COMMENTS**

Dr. Cappello - Best of luck to Joan Marshall. Her kids were on her bus and she is an incredible human! So sad to lose her but wish her a safe and happy retirement. The Town Menorah lighting is December 14.

Mrs. Gulan – Happy Thanksgiving to all. And Congratulations to the AP students and everyone who did so well this marking period.

Mrs. Schram – Happy Thanksgiving to everyone.

Mr. Cittrich – It took a lot of personnel cuts to get to a good budget this year but let's not forget the staff we had to let go and the increase in class sizes the students and teachers will have to endure. How much more can we cut?

Mrs. Polowchena – Happy Thanksgiving to all and thank you for coming.

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18. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn:

(ACTION) Motion by Daviau. seconded by Gulan

All in favor: Yes Time: 7:47pm

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Robinson, Board Secretary pro tem