

HASBROUCK HEIGHTS BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MAY 5, 2025

A WORK MEETING OF THE HASBROUCK HEIGHTS BOARD OF EDUCATION IS BEING HELD THIS EVENING AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER AT HASBROUCK HEIGHTS MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL, 365 BOULEVARD, HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY, 07604

A. OPENING: ROLL CALL, SUNSHINE STATEMENT 6:00 p.m.

Announcement of <u>adequate meeting notice</u>: The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, the Board Secretary caused notice of this meeting to be given to the public and the press on <u>April 21, 2025</u>. Said notice was posted at the Hasbrouck Heights Municipal Building, Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education Office, Hasbrouck Heights Middle and High School, Euclid Elementary School, Lincoln Elementary School, on the Hasbrouck Heights School District Website, and notice was provided to The Bergen Record and TapInto Network. Notice of said meeting was published under legal notice in the Record. (Ask for Roll Call)

- B. PRESENTATIONS- N/A
- C. OPEN SESSION: REVIEW OF REGULAR AGENDA
 - 1. BUSINESS-FINANCE
- D. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS OLD AND NEW BUSINESS
- E. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- F. CLOSED SESSION 6:00 p.m.

Whereas, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and Whereas, the Board is of the opinion that such circumstances exist. Now therefore, be it resolved that the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education will meet in closed session to discuss <u>legal matters</u> and will disclose to the public the subject matter listed when circumstances dictate the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

G. ADJOURNMENT 6:57 p.m.

WORK MEETING- CLOSED SESSION - Open 6:00 P.M.

	Ferdinand	Mullins	Ramos	Risalvato	Sausa	Simmons	Terranova	Krommenhoek	Cintron
Motion	2nd								1st
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									
RECUSE									

WORK MEETING- CLOSED SESSION - Close 6:57 P.M.

	Ferdinand	Mullins	Ramos	Risalvato	Sausa	Simmons	Terranova	Krommenhoek	Cintron
Motion	2nd								1st
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									
RECUSE									

MOTION TO ADJOURN- WORK MEETING 6:57 P.M.

	Ferdinand	Mullins	Ramos	Risalvato	Sausa	Simmons	Terranova	Krommenhoek	Cintron
Motion	2nd							1st	
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									
RECUSE									



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MAY 5, 2025

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE HASBROUCK HEIGHTS BOARD OF EDUCATION IS BEING HELD THIS EVENING AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM AT HASBROUCK HEIGHTS MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL, 365 BOULEVARD, HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY, 07604

A. OPENING: ROLL CALL, SUNSHINE STATEMENT 7:00

Announcement of <u>adequate meeting notice</u>: The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, the Board Secretary caused notice of this meeting to be given to the public and the press on <u>April 21, 2025</u>. Said notice was posted at the Hasbrouck Heights Municipal Building, Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education Office, Hasbrouck Heights Middle and High School, Euclid Elementary School, Lincoln Elementary School, on the Hasbrouck Heights School District Website, and notice was provided to The Bergen Record and TapInto Network. Notice of said meeting was published under legal notice in the Record.

(Ask for Roll Call)

- **B. FLAG SALUTE**
- C. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT N/A
- D. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT- Budget Presentation (ATTACHED)
- E. PUBLIC COMMENTS- AGENDA ITEMS ONLY N/A

Residents are requested to state their names, addresses and subject matter. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the District are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.

F. OPEN SESSION: REVIEW OF REGULAR AGENDA

1. BUSINESS-FINANCE

F. FINANCE

F1. APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE 2025-2026

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education hereby adopts the following preliminary proposed budget for the 2025-2026 school year:

The proposed budget includes sufficient funds to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the core New Jersey Student Learning Standards, and is in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A.

Current General Expense Transfer to Charter Schools	\$ 38,056,297.00 \$ 76,602.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$ 38,132,899.00
Special Revenue Debt Service	\$ 812,367.00 \$ 310,400.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 39,255,666.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the following **GENERAL FUND** tax levies are approved to support the **Current General Expenses**, \$34,937,220.00, to support debt services for the 2025-2026 school year budget:

Hasbrouck Heights Tax Levy \$ 34,737,163.00 Teterboro Tax Levy \$ 200,057.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the following **DEBT SERVICE** tax levies are approved to support the **Debt Service Expenses** totalling \$ 204,864.00 to support debt services for the 2025-2026 school year budget:

Hasbrouck Heights Tax Levy \$ 203,691.00 Teterboro Tax Levy \$ 1,173.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the 2025-2026 school year budget includes automatic adjustment for **health care costs** of: \$ 162,887.00

F2. APPROVAL OF TRAVEL EXPENSES- 2025-2026 SY BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education established \$27,000 as the maximum travel amount for the current school year and has expended \$4,948.78 as of this date; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of \$27,000 for the 2025-2026 school year.

	Ferdinand	Mullins	Ramos	Risalvato	Sausa	Simmons	Terranova	Krommenhoek	Cintron
Motion F1-F2	2ND	1ST							
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									
RECUSE									

REGULAR SESSION- CLOSED SESSION - IF NEEDED- Open - N/A

REGULAR SESSION- CLOSED SESSION - Close- N/A

- H. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS OLD AND NEW BUSINESS
- I. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 1. Mr. Samperi- Question on cut of programs since less funds.
- 2. Ms. Armonitis- TAPInto- Question on operating expenses decrease- Esser Funding has ended, elevator, clarity on maximizing student instructional time and utilizing chamber of commerce seniors half day for work study.
- J. ADJOURNMENT 7:23 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION- MOTION TO ADJOURN- REGULAR SESSION 7:23 P.M.

	Ferdinand	Mullins	Ramos	Risalvato	Sausa	Simmons	Terranova	Krommenhoek	Cintron
Motion	1ST		2ND						
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAIN									
RECUSE									

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jenine Murray, Business Administrator/Board Secretary