

HASBROUCK HEIGHTS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Thursday, August 27, 2015
Work Session Meeting Minutes

A work session meeting of the Board of Education was held on Thursday, August 27, 2015 in the Board Office at 379 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President, Mr. Salerno:

Mr. Salerno read the following statement:

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 January 6, 2015.

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 and Lincoln Elementary School.

Notice of said meeting was published under legal notice in the Record.

Roll call was taken by Dina Messery, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and the following members responded to their names:

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| Present: | Ms. Bruno-absent | Mr. LaMorte | Mr. Salerno |
| | Mrs. Caruso-absent | Mr. Rinke-absent | Mr. Samperi |
| | Mrs. Doheny | Mrs. Romano-absent | Mr. Stefanelli |

Also Present: Dr. Helfant, Mrs. Messery, Ms. Kleen

Mr. Salerno led the Board in the flag salute.

I. Public Session:

Dr. Helfant discussed that in school year 14-15, twenty-three 12th graders and four 11th graders took the ACT's. All of the other students took the SAT's.

Dr. Helfant discussed the random drug testing of students who participate in athletics/co-curricular activities.

Dr. Helfant discussed a policy for administrators being appointed to coaching and advisors/club positions.

Dr. Helfant discussed the changing of the Board meetings for September, October and November.

Dr. Helfant reviewed the new mission and vision statement and the HIB brochure.

Dr. Helfant discussed the playing of non-public schools in athletic events. Each division is going to vote on whether public schools should continue to compete against non-public schools. Non-public schools have the ability to recruit players. This gives the non-public schools an unfair advantage. Our athletic director will vote not to play against non-public schools. Right now the issue is only with football.

Reviewed and discussed the resolutions.

II. Private Session:

Mr. Samperi motioned, Mr. LaMorte seconded, to Private session @ 6:43 pm – HIB update and Personnel

PS08-01-16 Whereas, in accordance with provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education wishes to meet in Private Session for the purposes of discussing matters of confidential nature relating to HIB update and personnel.

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved, that the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education adjourn to Private Session for the purpose of discussing such matters, and

Be it Further Resolved, that the public be informed of these matters as soon as the need to Remain confidential is no longer necessary at a future date to be determined.

Mr. LaMorte motioned, Mr. Stefanelli seconded, to return to public session: 7:12 pm

Discussion Items:

- A. Personnel
 - a. Discussed new hires
- B. Negotiations
 - a. Updates were given with respect to HHEA negotiations
- C. Property - None
- D. Legal Matters- None
- E. Student/School Matters-
 - a. Dr. Helftant gave the HIB update:
 - i. HS 1 incident, 1 HIB
 - ii. MS 0 incidents,
 - iii. ES 0 incidents
 - iv. LS 0 incidents
 - b. Dr. Helftant gave the Out of School Suspension update:
 - i. HS 0
 - ii. MS 0
 - iii. ES 0
 - iv. LS 0
- F. Attorney/Client-None

III. Adjournment
Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted,

Dina Messery
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary