

HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES

Regular Public Meeting – January 24, 2017

I. Opening -

- A. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Wolsky, Board Secretary at 7:30 p.m. in the Library/Media Center at Memorial Junior School, 61 Highland Avenue, Whippany, New Jersey 07981.

Mrs. Wolsky read the following statement:

In accordance with P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, notice of this meeting was provided to the newspaper of record, appropriately posted and sent to the Township Clerk on January 4, 2017.

- B. Present: Board Members:
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| Mr. Brian Cahill |
| Mr. Douglas Petty |
| Mr. Daniel Breen |
| Mr. Glenn Yannotta |
| Ms. Rose McCauley |
| Mrs. Patricia Mattia |
| Mrs. Carol Tognetti, Vice President |
| Mr. Steven Furda, President |
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| Superintendent | Mr. Michael Wasko |
| Board Administrator/
Board Secretary | Mrs. Vanessa M. Wolsky |

The following Board Member was absent: Mr. Salvatore A. Azzarello

II. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Patriot's Pen Essay Contest - Mary Nemeč of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post No. 5351, Ladies Auxiliary, along with Commander Ronald Engle announced the winners of the Patriots Pen Essay Contest. The essay for this year was "The America I Believe In," and the winners are:

First Place – Kyle James
Second Place – Aakash Karlekar
Third Place – Joshua Costello

The students were presented with certificates and awards in recognition of this wonderful accomplishment.

Mr. Engle thanked the schools for supporting the program which is very pleasing to the membership as our Community gets more turn out than many others.

Mr. Furda thanked the VFW for supporting the program and Mr. Wasko congratulated the winning students and thanked Mary and Ron for their support of our schools.

Nursing Services Plan - Mr. Rob Camean, Salem Drive School Principal and District Supervisor of Nursing, gave a presentation of the 2016-17 School Nursing Services Plan.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Public Meeting	12/13/16
Reorganization Meeting	1/3/17

Motion: Mr. Cahill

Second: Mr. Breen

Approved: 8 yes, 0 no

IV. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mrs. Wolsky read the cash balance as of December 31, 2016 was \$3,476,339.60. Fiscal year to date interest was \$1,553.28 in the General Fund and \$37.30 in the HTSACC Fund. She shared that the next regular Board meeting will be Tuesday, February 28 at 7:30 p.m.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Wasko said, "each year with input from faculty, staff, administrators, Board Members, and parents, the district establishes annual goals which focus the school community on key educational initiatives in our district. The purpose of my report tonight will be to provide the Board and the public with a brief summary of the status of the progress the district is making toward the attainment of our 2016-2017 district goals.

This year, there are four District Goals and copies of our goals are on the Board table for review. A detailed action plan for each goal was developed and approved by the Board at the August Board Meeting. As part of the action plan, each goal was assigned a number of "indicators of success" by which the implementation of the goals could be monitored and measured.

Goal #1:

Complete the implementation of the new standards-based K-5 report card.

As indicators of success, the district will:

- Conduct initial meetings and professional development opportunities via faculty meetings, grade level subject area meetings, in-district professional development days, etc., to familiarize district administrators and teachers with our newly revised standards based K-5 report card.
- Present information to parents about the new standards based K-5 report card as part of "Back to School" Meetings and PTA Meetings (Fall).
- Continue the ongoing collaboration between our technology team and the PowerSchool consultant to ensure the successful implementation and seamless transition of the new K-5 report card for the 2016-2017 school year.

- Successfully train and assist all teachers in the transition and use of PowerSchool Grade Book Pro.

I am pleased to say we have met all the indicators are in the process of preparing for the distribution of our new standards based report cards for marking period 2.

Goal #2:

Conduct a district wide facilities review to identify specific areas in need of improvement and to ensure that all facilities continue to meet the needs of the district.

As indicators of success, the district will:

- Conduct a review of all facilities district wide.
- Review findings/results of the facilities review and begin to identify specific areas throughout the district that are in need of improvement.
- Begin to prioritize the specific areas that have been identified as “areas in need of improvement.”
- Begin to develop a short term plan and multi-year long term plan to address the areas in need of improvement.

This continues to be an ongoing goal for the district, as we are in the process of completing the data collection phase and with the assistance of the administrative team, we will move forward in reviewing the findings and prioritizing the areas that have been identified as areas in need of improvement.

Goal #3:

Implement the “Next Generation” Science Standards (NGSS) in grades 6-8 and plan for the implementation of the NGSS at the elementary level during the 2017-2018 school year.

As indicators of success, the district will:

- Provide staff with professional development opportunities to support the continued review and implementation of the Next Generation Science Standards K-8.
- Continue both vertical and horizontal articulation to gather data and review all the benchmarks of the Next Generation Science Standards to facilitate a systematic rollout for the units of study.
- Align the current K-5 science curriculum to the Next Generation Science Standards.
- Plan and develop strategies to support the implementation of the new science standards in grades K-5.

Once again the district is on target to meet the indicators of this goal. To date, a number of professional development opportunities have been and will continue to be provided to our teachers in order to support our transition to the next generation science standards. Most notably, we have recently partnered with Stevens Institute of Technology and Montclair State University to assist our teachers with unpacking and aligning the curriculum to the Standards.

Goal #4:

Continue to enrich the learning experiences of Hanover Township students through the expanded use of digital learning.

As indicators of success, the district will:

- Continue to upgrade and enhance the district's technology infrastructure in buildings/classrooms to support and facilitate an interactive digital learning environment via additional wireless access points, digital projectors, teacher laptop computers, ChromeBooks, and iPads.
- Provide opportunities for faculty to meet and develop lessons and units of study that infuse and expand the use of digital learning for students.
- Guide faculty in developing individual Professional Development Plans (PDP's) that are connected to various lessons and classroom activities with an emphasis placed on the expanded use of technology via digital learning experiences for our students.
- The use of Google Apps for Education, Google Classroom, Newsela, Raz-Kids, Children's Progress, ERB, etc., Chromebooks, Podcasts, etc. to enhance digital learning experiences for our students.

To date, we have met all of the indicators for this goal and it will continue to be a work in progress as we continue throughout the school year.

Meeting the indicators in these goals has taken a tremendous amount of work and I want to thank the district administrators for their efforts and input into the status of our district goals as well as the faculty and staff for assisting us in meeting the stated goals and indicators. I am pleased with the progress that has been made at this point in the school year and I am confident all four of our district goals will be met prior to the end of the school year.”

VI. DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT'S REPORT

Mr. Wasserman thanked Mr. Wasko and the Board of Education for the opportunity to report this evening and congratulated the students who participated in this year's Patriots Pen Essay Contest and received recognition this evening.

He said, “I would like to begin by updating the Board on a few testing initiatives that we have been working towards. First under the leadership of our building principals our schools will be participating in upcoming PARCC Technology infrastructure test. The wireless capabilities as well as servers will be tested as students access portions of a PARCC practice assessment to ensure our network are functioning to capacity. The purpose of the dry run is to ensure that our technology will support testing all students at the same time. This will assist with final scheduling for the Spring Administration of PARCC. At the conclusion of the infrastructure tests the administrative team will be able to move forward with specifics for the PARCC Spring testing.

The PARCC testing window begins on March 27th and ends on May 19th. Tentative schedules are posted on the district calendar. At MJS the window will begin on March 28th and end April 26th. The elementary school window is tentatively scheduled for May 2nd to May 10th. NJ ASK Grade four and eight science will be administered on May 31st.

Additionally, this year our 8th grade students have been selected to participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress or NAEP Testing Program. The last time our school was selected to participate in the NAEP was in 2008. Parents of 51 randomly selected students were notified by Mr. Anderson that the NAEP Assessment, which is given by the U.S. Department of Education and provides national data on student progress, will be issued on February 15th in the subjects of civics, geography, mathematics, reading, U.S. history or writing. Participation in the assessment is voluntary and the results will be completely confidential and used to assess progress and improve education throughout the United States by reporting the data compiled in a the nations report card.

The District Evaluation Advisory Committee otherwise known as DEAC met last Wednesday. Topics of the meeting included the transition from the Teachscape to Frontline evaluation software system, Student Growth Percentile scores and Summative Evaluation Ratings for teachers in tested subject areas, and Student Growth Objectives. As the district prepares for QSAC monitoring next year, administrators and teachers will be working collaboratively through the DEAC to work towards NJ Achieve compliance.

During the months of January and February teachers are engaged in two professional development afternoons. The first professional development afternoon took place the Friday before Martin Luther King Day and provided teachers with the opportunity to articulate both within and across grade levels and subject areas. Articulation focused on curriculum mapping, benchmark assessments, formative and summative student data, and district technology initiatives. Additionally, a number of special presenters worked with various grade levels and subject areas to further enhance practice and learn about available programs. Special Presentations included:

- Professional Development offered to the
- MJS Science Dept. – Stevens Institute
- MJS World Language Dept. – EMC Publisher
- MJS Social Studies Dept. – Houghton Mifflin
- Guidance Department – Mindfulness
- K-2 Teachers Superkids
- 3-5 Teachers Journeys

We are looking forward to the February 17th Professional Day where teachers will have an opportunity to engage in additional special presentations and continue their ongoing articulation.”

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Personnel – Mr. Breen said the Committee met this evening and was provided with updates on staffing and open positions all of which were addressed on tonight’s agenda.

Curriculum & Instruction – Ms. McCauley said that in addition to the items Mr. Wasserman detailed in his report, this evening the Committee discussed a recent Students to Science activity, professional development opportunities for Science teachers provided by Bayer and Montclair State, a meeting of the newly reestablished Morris County Guidance Counselor’s Association will be hosted here in Hanover, and the District’s anti-bullying grade which has been posted on the website.

Finance/Transportation/Physical Plant – Mr. Yannotta said the Committee met this evening and discussed the biennial DEP reporting on the property near Allegro School, the renovation of the boys locker room scheduled to take place during spring break, progress to date on the tire mulch study by the EPA and a review of the preliminary 2017-18 budget which as of now needs to be cut by approximately \$830,000 to balance the budget.

Public Relations – Mr. Petty said the Committee did not meet but highlighted a few items including the calendars on the agenda for approval, the Schools and Parks Traffic Safety Committee which invites members of the Community to share their concerns with the Committee, the Positive Choices open skate program sponsored by the Substance Awareness Council and the upcoming 5k/Family 1 mile walk hosted by the Hanover Township Educational Foundation.

Travel/Delegate Report – None

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

IX. BOARD ACTIONS

A. PERSONNEL

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, move to:

1. Accept, with regret, the resignation of Malgorzata Sibik, Custodian, Bee Meadow School, effective 4/1/17, for the purpose of retirement.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

2. Approve a medical leave of absence (maternity) for Stephanie Sackerman, Language Arts and Reading Teacher, Memorial Junior School, effective 5/1/17 through 4/30/18, with and without pay (depending on availability of accrued sick and personal days), consistent with the terms of the Family Medical Leave Act, NJFLA and in accordance with the Agreement between the Board and the HTEA.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

3. Amend the medical leave of absence (maternity) for Alyssa Muller, Resource Center Teacher, Bee Meadow School, *from effective 10/20/16 through 1/13/17, with pay (depending on availability of accrued sick and personal days), and 1/16/17 through 5/31/17, without pay, to effective 10/20/16 through 1/13/17, with pay (depending on availability of accrued sick and personal days), and 1/16/17 through 5/12/17, without pay*, consistent with the terms of the Family Medical Leave Act, NJFLA and in accordance with the Agreement between the Board and the HTEA.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

4. Amend the appointment of Vicki Cobane as full time (1.0 FTE) Long Term Substitute Replacement Resource Center Teacher (Muller), Bee Meadow School, *from effective 10/31/16 to 5/30/17, to effective 10/31/16 to 5/12/17.*

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

5. Appoint William Padavano to the position of full time (1.0 FTE), Custodian at Mountview Road School, at a salary of Step 3, \$36,225, prorated, effective 11/19/16 to 6/30/17, in accordance with the Agreement between the Board and the HTEA.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

6. Appoint Loren Gambacorta-Florio to the position of part time (.35 FTE) Lunch Recess Aide, Salem Drive School, at a salary of Step 2, \$5,571, prorated, effective 1/23/17 to 6/30/17, in accordance with the Agreement between the Board and the HTEA. Continued employment will be subject to approval by the New Jersey Department of Education, and the results of a criminal history check as required by applicable law.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

7. Authorize the following tuition reimbursement applications for the **2016-2017** school year, in accordance with the Agreement between the Board and the HTEA:

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Credits</u>
Lidia Esposito	9
Jaime Fittipaldi	9
Dana Hollywood	3
Katharine Keyser	6
Kristen Kubala	9

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

8. Approve the **2016-2017** extra-compensation hours for **Advisors** at **Salem Drive School**, with payments in accordance with the Agreement between the Board and the HTEA, as outlined below:

<u>Club/Activity</u>	<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Budgeted Hours</u>
Spring Newspaper	Stacy Rockwell	4 hours
Spring Newspaper	Nancy Lamond	4 hours
Mock Trials	Jessica Venner	7 hours
Mock Trials	Sean Peterson	7 hours

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

9. Approve to allow the following Whippany Park High School student enrolled in *Tomorrow's Teachers*, to complete field course requirements at **Bee Meadow School**:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>
Nicole Russo	Mrs. Schneider – PSD

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

10. Approve to allow the following Whippany Park High School students enrolled in *Tomorrow's Teachers*, to complete field course requirements at **Mountview Road School**:

Student	Cooperating Teacher
Emma Wilcox	Mrs. Rizzo – Grade 3
Louis Borrelli	Mrs. DeSino – Grade 2

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

11. Approve to allow the following Whippany Park High School students enrolled in *Tomorrow's Teachers*, to complete field course requirements at **Salem Drive School**:

Student	Cooperating Teacher
Lynn Tecza	Mrs. Pierone – Grade 2
Morgan Yannotta	Mrs. Baron – Grade K

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

12. Approve to allow Allison Slattery, a Whippany Park High School student enrolled in *Dynamics in Healthcare*, to shadow Wendy Busby, School Nurse at **Bee Meadow School**.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

13. Approve the following additions to the Substitute List for the **2016-2017** school year.

Teacher:	Jessica Mellen
	Jessica Preziosi
	Michael Vitiello

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

14. Approve the following staff for temporary/provisional employment in the Hanover Township School Age Child Care Program for the 2016-2017 school year, effective January 25, 2017 to June 30, 2017. Continued employment will be subject to approval by the New Jersey Department of Education, and the results of a criminal history check as required by applicable law. Final staff appointments will be pending ratio needs based on enrollment of children in the program. Staff will be paid an hourly rate based on hours worked.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Est.Hrs/week</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Keating, Victoria	Sub Program Aide	as needed	1	\$8.45
Scalley, Megan	Sub Program Aide	as needed	1	\$8.45

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

15. Acknowledge the student suspensions as reported by the school principals for the month of December 2016, **Attachment "A"**.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

16. Accept the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report and affirm the Superintendent's decisions for the period ending December 31, 2016, **Attachments "B"**.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

17. Appoint Gina Masone to the position of part time (.71 FTE) Special Education Aide, Bee Meadow School, at a salary of Step 8, \$15,665, prorated, effective 1/25/17 to 6/30/17, in accordance with the Agreement between the Board and the HTEA.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

18. Appoint Sylvie Tupper to the position of part time (.71 FTE) Special Education Aide, Bee Meadow School, at a salary of Step 2, \$14,176, prorated, effective 1/30/17 to 6/30/17, in accordance with the Agreement between the Board and the HTEA.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

19. Appoint Melanie Rueter to the position of full time (1.0 FTE) Long Term Substitute Replacement Science Teacher (Murek), Memorial Junior School, at the BA Step 1 per diem rate of \$269.18 when school is in session, effective 2/1/17 to 5/31/17. Continued employment will be subject to approval by the New Jersey Department of Education, and the results of a criminal history check as required by applicable law.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

20. Amend the employment contract for Joseph Aquino, Resource Center Teacher, Memorial Junior School, from full time (1.0 FTE) to full time (1.08 FTE) at a salary of MA Step 8, \$70,206, prorated, effective 1/31/17 to 6/30/17.

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

21. Approve the District Affirmative Action Team as follows:

Aaron Wasserman	Vanessa Wolsky
Justin Toomey	Michael Anderson
Dana Ash	

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

22. Authorize the following tuition reimbursement applications for the **2017-2018** school year, in accordance with the Agreement between the Board and the HTEA:

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Credits</u>
Jaime Fittipaldi	9

Motion: Mr. Breen **Second:** Mrs. Tognetti **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

23. Approve to allow Francesca McCaffery, a Whippany Park High School student enrolled in *Dynamics in Healthcare*, to shadow Elizabeth Gioia, School Nurse at **Memorial Junior School**.

Motion: Mr. Breen

Second: Mrs. Tognetti

Roll Call: 8 yes, 0 no

- **Discussion:** Mr. Wasko congratulated Malgorzata Sibik, who has been working with us for 13 years as a custodian at BMS, on her retirement and wished her well in her future endeavors. He highlighted The Whippany Park High School “Tomorrow’s Teacher Program” which is designed to introduce potential future teachers to the field of education and partners students with a Hanover Township “cooperating” teacher via a “field experience” type program. And also highlighted the Whippany Park High School “Dynamics in Health Care” Program where students will be shadowing our nurses for approximately 5 to 10 hours to observe the “dynamics” of how a nurse operates in the school setting.

B. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, move to:

1. Acknowledge the following fire drills, as reported by the school principals, for the month of December 2016:

<u>School</u>	<u>Date</u>
Bee Meadow School	12/8/16
Mountview Road School	12/13/16
Salem Drive School	12/20/16
Memorial Junior School	12/6/16

Motion: Ms. McCauley

Second: Mrs. Mattia

Roll Call: 8 yes, 0 no

2. Acknowledge the following crisis management drills, as reported by the school principals, for the month of December 2016:

<u>School</u>	<u>Date</u>
Bee Meadow School	12/20/16
Mountview Road School	12/9/16
Salem Drive School	12/21/16
Memorial Junior School	12/21/16

Motion: Ms. McCauley

Second: Mrs. Mattia

Roll Call: 8 yes, 0 no

3. Accept the 2016-2017 School Nursing Services Plan.

Motion: Ms. McCauley

Second: Mrs. Mattia

Roll Call: 8 yes, 0 no

4. Approve the disposal of textbooks as per **Attachment “C”**.

Motion: Ms. McCauley

Second: Mrs. Mattia

Roll Call: 8 yes, 0 no

5. Approve the Director of Special Education’s recommendation to contract with Louis A. Daly of LAD Training Consultants to provide SCIP-R, physical crisis prevention

and intervention training for the district’s special education aides as part of the annual aides’ training program, at a cost not to exceed \$975.

Motion: Ms. McCauley **Second:** Mrs. Mattia **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

C. FINANCE, TRANSPORTATION, PHYSICAL PLANT

I. FINANCE

Upon recommendation of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, move to:

- 1. Approve transfers in the 2016-17 Budget, **Attachment “D”**.

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Ms. McCauley **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

- 2. Accept the certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that as of 12/31/16 pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3, no budgetary line item has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Ms. McCauley **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

- 3. Certify that as of 12/31/16 after reviewing the Business Administrator/Board Secretary's financial reports, 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.

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Ms. McCauley **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

- 4. Accept the report of the Secretary A-148 and the treasurer’s report A-149, for the month ended 12/31/16.

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Ms. McCauley **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

- 5. Authorize the following payments:

<u>Bills List Dated</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Payroll 12/15/16	\$ 863,304.57
Payroll 12/22/16	\$ 813,679.79
Payroll 1/13/17	\$ 869,657.60
Bills & Voids 12/14/16 - 1/26/17	\$1,304,337.24

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Ms. McCauley **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

- 6. Accept additional funding for Chapters 192 & 193 as follows:
Compensatory Education additional funding in the amount of \$9,406.00

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Ms. McCauley **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

7. Approve entering into a 60 month operating lease with Canon for a model #8585i copier (NJ State Contract No. A51144) at a monthly cost of \$288.00.

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Ms. McCauley **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

8. Approve entering into a 60 month service contract with United Business Systems for a Canon model #8585i copier at a monthly cost of \$255.00.

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Ms. McCauley **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

9. Approve the attendance of staff members and board members at workshops and travel expenses that are in accordance with the allowable room rate and meal reimbursement rate as outlined in the NJ OMB Circular 602B and mileage **at the state approved rate**, as per Attachment(s) “E”, “F”, “G”, “H”, “I”, “J”, “K”, “L”, “M”, “N”, and “O”.

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Ms. McCauley **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

10. Adopt the following resolution:

**Waiver of Requirements
Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program**

WHEREAS, NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district’s participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2017-18 school year, and

WHEREAS, the Hanover Township Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than 40 Medicaid eligible classified students;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hanover Township Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Morris an appropriate waiver of the requirements of NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2017-18 school year.

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Ms. McCauley **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

11. Approve the attendance of staff members and board members at workshops and travel expenses that are in accordance with the allowable room rate and meal reimbursement rate as outlined in the NJ OMB Circular 602B and mileage **at the state approved rate**, as applicable, as per Attachment(s) “R”, “S”, and “T”.

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Ms. McCauley **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

II. TRANSPORTATION

No items for Board consideration

III. PHYSICAL PLANT

No Items for Board Consideration

D. PUBLIC RELATIONS

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, move to:

1. Adopt the **2017-2018** Calendar for Pupils and Staff, as outlined in **Attachment “P”**.

Motion: Mr. Petty **Second:** Mr. Yannotta **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

2. Adopt the **2017-2018** Calendar for Support Staff Paid Holidays, as outlined in **Attachment “Q”**.

Motion: Mr. Petty **Second:** Mr. Yannotta **Roll Call:** 8 yes, 0 no

Discussion: Mr. Wasko discussed the process that is used in coordinating our District Calendar with the other neighboring school districts: Hanover Park Regional High School District, East Hanover, Florham Park, and Morris Plains.

X. MOTION TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Barbara Frieda shared that she will be working as a Community Liaison with New View Media Group which will publish a free monthly newspaper beginning March 15th and would like to include things that are going on in our schools in the publication.

XII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION – None

XIII. ADJOURNMENT 8:20 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Yannotta **Second:** Mr. Breen **Approved:** Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa M. Wolsky
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary