

**HIGH BRIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR SESSION MEETING  
Monday, February 13, 2023**

**1. OPENING OF MEETING - 6:30 PM**

**Required Notice of Open Public Meeting**

Being duly posted at the following locations: High Bridge Middle School and Elementary School main offices, High Bridge Borough Hall Office; and advertised, in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, in the following newspaper: Hunterdon County Democrat, this meeting will convene in the Library of the High Bridge Elementary School, 40 Fairview Avenue, High Bridge, NJ 08829, alternatively the meeting will be available for listening purposes only on Google Meet. The Board will only accept public participation from those who are physically in attendance, as per Policy 0168. Please notify the board if you intend to record this meeting.

**Date:** Monday, February 13, 2023

**Time:** 6:30 pm

**No formal action will be taken.**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ROLL CALL** by Karolina Cywa, SBA / Board Secretary

Benjamin Bolger

Erin Delgado

Karyn Gove

Robert Imhoff

Michael McCasland

Colleen Poles

Cynthia Sharkey

Additional Members Present:           Dr. Gregory Hobaugh, Superintendent  
  Karolina Cywa, SBA / Board Secretary

**4. REVIEW OF OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Subject</u>
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*None*

**5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

**5.1.**    January 17, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

**5.2.**    February 13, 2023 Work Session Minutes

**6. REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

**6.1. Board President’s Report**

**6.1.1. Hunterdon County School Boards Association Meeting Update - Robert Imhoff**

**6.1.2. Sustainability Committee Update**

**7. HIB REPORTS**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 18A:37-15(e) requires that at the next board of education meeting following its receipt of a HIB report, the board shall issue a decision, in writing, to affirm, reject, or modify the superintendent’s decision.

The Superintendent shall inform the parties of the Board’s determination in writing, as well as their right to appeal the determination to the Commissioner of Education, in accordance with the procedures set forth in law and regulation, no later than 90 days after the issuance of the board’s decision; or to file a complaint with the Division on Civil Rights within 180 days of the occurrence of any incident of harassment, intimidation, or bullying based on membership in a protected group as enumerated in the “Law Against Discrimination,” P.L.1945, c.169 (C.10:5-1 et seq.).

**7.1. Affirm, reject, or modify, by voice vote, the superintendent’s decision in HIB Report 2022-23 MS05 (Attachment: 22-23 MS05 Redacted).**

**8. ACTION ITEMS**

**8.1. Student Achievement - Curriculum, Instruction, Technology & Policy**

**8.1.1. Revise 2023-2024 School Calendar (Attachment: Revised Proposed 2023-2024 School Calendar)**

**8.1.2. Class trips and transportation:**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost Incurred By</b>
RVCC Planetarium	6	\$29.00	Parents/Guardians
YMCA Camp Bernie	5	\$40.00	Parents/Guardians

**8.2. Human Resources - Personnel, Management & Community Relations**

**8.2.1. Lisa Kerr as a chaperone for the Drama Club performances March 23-25, 2023, at the contracted rate of \$72.53 per performance for a total not to exceed \$217.59.**

**8.2.2. Lisa Kerr as a chaperone for the Drama Club rehearsals March 18 and March - March 20-22, 2023, at the contracted rate of \$72.53 per performance for a total not to exceed \$290.12.**

**8.2.3. Arianne Grosky as Drama Club Assistant Director for up to twenty-five (25) hours at the contracted rates of \$19 per hour for a total not to exceed \$475.00.**

**8.2.4. Soma Das as a 1:1 paraprofessional, in accordance with student IEPs, for the Drama Club at the contracted hourly rate of \$19.00 for up to twenty-five (25) hours, not to exceed \$475.00.**

**8.2.5. Bhavna Sharma as a 1:1 paraprofessional, in accordance with student IEPs, for the Drama Club at the contracted hourly rate of \$19.00 for up to forty (40) hours, not to exceed \$760.00.**

- 8.2.6. Sowmya Kumar, Brooke McAllister, and Heidi Johnston as substitute 1:1 paraprofessionals, in accordance with student IEPs, for the Drama Club at the contracted hourly rate of \$19.0, on an as needed basis.
- 8.2.7. Centenary University student, Cora Hill, to complete her clinical internship for no less than fifteen (15) weeks with Tricia Morris and Carley Marookian beginning on or about January 16, 2023.

**8.3. Educational Resources - Finance and Facilities**

**8.3.1. Travel Expenditures for Workshops:**

Staff/Bd Member	Workshop	Date	Registration Fee	Mileage	Other	Total
Janis Clark	Basic Life Support CPR Recertification	05/12/23	\$99.99	\$18.52	N/A	\$118.52
Melissa Volturo	Basic Life Support CPR Recertification	05/12/23	\$99.99	\$20.40	N/A	\$120.39
CST Member TBD	HCASE Preparing for Due Process	05/23/23	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$100.00
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CST Member TBD	HCASE Preparing for Due Process	05/23/23	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$100.00
Emma Alparone	HCASE Preparing for Due Process	05/23/23	Free	N/A	N/A	N/A

- 8.3.2. Payment of Bills
- 8.3.3. Financial Reports
- 8.3.4. Line Item Transfers for January 2022
- 8.3.5. Extended School Year (ESY) to begin July 5, 2023 through August 10, 2023 for a total of 22 days. (Monday - Thursday).
- 8.3.6. Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program Waiver Resolution waiving participation in the 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 2023-2024 school year, and Whereas , the High Bridge 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 High Bridge Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Hunterdon an appropriate waiver of the requirements of NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2023-2024 school year.

**8.3.7. Use of Facilities**

Organization	Dates	Day / Times	Location
High Bridge PTO	3/10 & 3/17/23	3/10, Friday, Book Fair Family Night-6pm-8pm	ES - Library/Gym

		3/17, Friday, Kno Bingo-6pm-8pm	
HBYB	3/18/23	Saturday, 3/18 8:00am-4:00pm	ES Gym
*Hope for All Learners, LLC Inclusive Skateboarding Class	March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, June 3, 2023	Saturday, 9am-12pm	MS Blacktop

\*Pending receipt of insurance certificate.

**9. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

This period of time provides an opportunity for the public to comment on any topic related to the High Bridge Public Schools . It is the policy of the Board of Education (Policy #0164) that all public comments on an issue shall be limited to three (3) minutes per person and no person may make more than one (1) comment per subject. While all comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate, School Board members will not respond to the speakers during the public comment portion of the meeting. Speakers with questions are encouraged to contact the Superintendent directly before or after the meeting.

**10. EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION**

**Board President calls for a motion** \_\_\_\_\_ and a second \_\_\_\_\_, in accordance with the Sunshine Law, Chapter 321, P.L. 1975, to discuss:

- Executive Session Minutes
- Shared Services Contracts
- Personnel
- Negotiations

The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

**11. RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION**

**Board President calls for a motion** \_\_\_\_\_ and a second \_\_\_\_\_ to reconvene public session.

**12. ACTION ITEM**

**12.1.** January 17, 2023 Executive Session Minutes

**12.2.** February 13, 2023 Executive Session Minutes

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Board President calls for a motion** \_\_\_\_\_ and a second \_\_\_\_\_ to adjourn the meeting.