NEW HANOVER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

122 Fort Dix Street
Wrightstown, NJ 08562

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May 16, 2024
Minutes

Join Zoom Meeting
https://zoom.us/j/93247864334?pwd=clU2RXlLV0pQUUg4bUErc25UVDhSdz09

Meeting to be held at
New Hanover Township School at 7:00 PM
Cafeteria and Virtually
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Mission Statement

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1. **Call to Order 7:07**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

B. Roll Call

Board Members

Mr. Castner	Present
Ms. Craig	Virtual
Ms. Ford	Absent
Ms. Haas	Present
Mr. Swantek	Virtual
Mr. Palmucci	Present
Mr. Roohr	Present

C. Public Comments-For Agenda Items Only

None

D. Superintendent's Report

1. NJSLA- Dr. Larkin spoke of the testing happening this week.
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F. Acceptance of Minutes Motion by Castner; Seconded by Haas to approve F. Craig Abstained. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote of those present.

1. Motion to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2024 public meeting.
2. Motion to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2024 public meeting.

G. Correspondence-none

H. Personnel Resolutions/Motions Motion by Castner; Seconded by Palmucci. Haas abstained from #7. Motion approved by unanimous roll call vote of those remaining.

1. To approve the following associated staff members for the 24/25 SY pending approval of new collectively bargained agreement:

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Matthews, E.	BA-(9)	62876		62876
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Molnar, K.	BA-(10)	64926		64926
Newton, D.	BA+30-(2)	54486		54486
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Nadolny, A.	BA-1	52,386		52,386
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Wilkins, J. (Tenured)	18	48681		48681

2. To approve the following administrative salaries for SY 24/25:

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Biesiada, Bernard	SBA	$39976.88
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Larkin, Scott	CSA/Principal	$152,250

3. To approve the following non-affiliated salaries for SY 24/25:

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Fitzgerald, Vatina	Accounts Payable/Transportation	$45840.63
Festa, Cynthia	Superintendent's Secretary	$49162.50

4. To approve the following instructional aide salaries for SY 24/25:

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Schiumo, Samantha	23126
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7. To approve the following as substitute teachers pending completion of all required documentation:
    i. Ms. Katherine Haas
    ii. Ms. Barbara Hannon
8. To approve the following staff members as eligible for summer employment (teacher) at an hourly rate of $68.39/hour, not to exceed $5744.76, pending approval of new collectively bargained agreement:
    i. Ms. Lauren Dwulet
    ii. Ms. Elizabeth Matthews
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    Final assignments will be contingent upon enrollment.
9. To approve the following staff as eligible for summer employment (instructional aide) at an hourly rate of $34/hour, not to exceed $2856.00:

i. Ms. Kimberley Krazter
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I. BUSINESS, FINANCE, & OPERATIONS RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS Motion by Haas; Seconded by Castner to approve I. Motion approved by a unanimous roll call vote of those present.

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J. Public Comments -None

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L. Executive Session (if applicable)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting: and WHEREAS, the New Hanover Township School District ("Board of Education") has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the Public;

and WHEREAS, the regular meeting of the Board of Education will reconvene following the end of the closed session.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

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M. Adjournment- Motion by Castner. Seconded by Palmucci to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved by a unanimous voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

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