

**NORTHERN HIGHLANDS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Workshop Meeting**

**February 6, 2012**

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**AGENDA**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Board Secretary will read the following:

This is the Regular Meeting of the Northern Highlands Regional High School Board of Education and Notice has been provided as required under the Open Public Meetings Act by having the time, date, place and purpose of said meeting transmitted to the Ridgewood News, The Record, the Boroughs of Allendale and Upper Saddle River and published on May 13, 2011 in the Ridgewood News and posted in the Board of Education Office at Northern Highlands Regional High School. Our agenda allows two opportunities for public comments, at the beginning of the meeting for agenda items only and at the conclusion of our meeting for general comments. We ask members of the public to state their name and address and limit their comments to a three to five minute time period.

**3. ROLL CALL**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Mrs. Anne Goddard	_____	_____
Mrs. Barbara Garand	_____	_____
Mrs. Lisa Jill Webb	_____	_____
Dr. Robert Hands	_____	_____
Mrs. Ann Pagano	_____	_____
Mrs. Lori Loughnane	_____	_____
Mr. James Mulanaphy	_____	_____
Mr. Robert C. Wei	_____	_____
Mrs. Colleen Federer	_____	_____
Mrs. Gail Trumbetti	_____	_____
Mr. Henry Senger (Saddle River Liaison)	_____	_____
Ms. Morgan Lamb (Student Representative)	_____	_____
Mr. Anuj Chhabra (Student Representative)	_____	_____
Mr. John J. Keenan, Superintendent	_____	_____
Mr. Roderic McLaughlin, Business Administrator/Board Secretary	_____	_____

4. **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**
5. **COMMITTEE REPORTS and PRESENTATION - Business Education Department**
6. **LIAISON REPORTS**
7. **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**
8. **ACTION ITEMS FOR Business Agenda for February 6, 2012, BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING:**

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves/accepts the following business item(s) B-1 thru B-3 in accordance with NJSA 18A and NJAC Title 6, et. sec., including NJAC 6A:23-2.11 reporting no over-expenditure of funds and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Business Administrator.

**B-1.** Approval of current bills list (check register), from January 16, 2012 through January 30, 2012. (Attch B-1)

**B-2.** Approval of the following staff travel (*accommodations note room rate only; occupancy taxes & Fees associated therein and other costs on trips presently unknown, meals for overnight trips and Mileage, tolls, parking will be reimbursed in accordance with policy and law*).

Who: Meredith Sklar  
 What: National Art Education Convention  
 Where: The Hilton New York, New York, NY  
 When: Thursday through Sunday, March, 1,2,3 & 4, 2012  
 Costs: Registration: \$165.00  
 Mileage: as per GSA guidelines

Who: Brad Siegel  
 What: Rutgers Educational Job Fair  
 Where: Rutgers Student Center, New Brunswick, NJ  
 When: Friday, February 24, 2012  
 Costs: Registration: \$100.00  
 Mileage: as per GSA guidelines

Who: Brad Siegel and John Keenan  
 What: Rubicon Atlas Conference  
 Where: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Tarrytown, NY  
 When: Thursday and Friday, March 22-23, 2012  
 Costs: Registration: \$275.00 each  
 Mileage: as per GSA guidelines

Who: Joanna Petritsis  
 What: College Board AP Workshop  
 Where: Robbinsville High School, Robbinsville, NJ  
 When: Saturday, March 3, 2012  
 Costs: Registration: \$180.00  
 Mileage: as per GSA guidelines

**B-3.** Approval of minutes, January 9, 2012, Board of Education meeting. (Attch. B-3)

Roll Call Vote:

**B-4.** Approval of a change in Board of Education election date.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Business Administrator, approves/accepts the following resolution establishing the Election of Members of the Northern Highlands Regional High School Board of Education,

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 authorizes a local board of education to change the election date of school board members from the third Tuesday in April to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November (the General Election); and

WHEREAS, Such action requires the adoption of a resolution by the local board of education as set forth in P.L. 2011, c. 202; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 requires that the change in election date remain in effect for four years; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 eliminates the annual voter referendum on the proposed general fund tax levy (i.e., the base budget which is at or below the statutory tax levy cap) in school districts where board of education members are elected at the General Election; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 requires that an additional general fund tax levy proposal (i.e., for an expenditure in excess of the tax levy cap) be presented to voters as a separate question at the General Election; and

WHEREAS, The Northern Highlands Regional High School Board of Education believes that the financial interest of its constituents is safeguarded by the state's tax levy cap and the thorough review of the proposed school budget by the Executive County Superintendent and the Executive County School Business Administrator; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202, the Northern Highlands Regional High School Board of Education changes the annual election date for school board members from the third Tuesday in April to the November General Election, beginning in 2012; and be it further

- RESOLVED, That, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202 (S-3148), the annual organization meeting of the Northern Highlands Regional High School Board of Education will take place in the first week of January following the November General Election and that the board of education's next organization meeting will take place during the first week of January 2013; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202, members of the Northern Highlands Regional High School Board of Education whose terms would have expired by May 2012 will continue to serve in office until the January 2013 organization meeting; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That this resolution be transmitted to the Bergen County Clerk; the Bergen County Board of Elections and/or Superintendent of Elections; the Allendale and Upper Saddle River municipal clerk(s) and the school board secretary or secretaries; the Department of State, Division of Elections; the Department of Education's Executive County Superintendent; and the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be provided to the New Jersey School Boards Association and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

Roll Call Vote:

**9. ACTION ITEMS FOR THE Business Agenda for the February 27, 2012 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING.**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves/accepts the following business item(s) in accordance with NJSA 18A and NJAC Title 6, et. sec., including NJAC 6A:23-2.11 reporting no over-expenditure of funds and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Business Administrator.

- a. Approval of transfers.
- b. Approval of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's reports for the month of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.
- c. Approval of current bills list (check register).
- d. Approval of minutes, \_\_\_\_\_, 2012, Board of Education meeting.

**10. ACTION ITEMS FOR Education Agenda for February 6, 2012 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING, upon recommendation of the Superintendent:**

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approve/accept the following Education items (**E-1 to E10**):

- E-1.** Approve the appointment of DEANNA HALLBERG as a .6 Replacement Teacher of Social Studies for the 2011-2012 school year at a total annual salary of \$52,000 pro-rated (MA, Step 1), effective February 1, 2012 to June 30, 2012.
- E-2.** Approve the appointment of SAMANTHA FOGARTY as a .4 Replacement Teacher of Social Studies for the 2011-2012 school year at a total annual salary of \$54,440 pro-rated (MA, Step 3), effective February 1, 2012 to June 30, 2012.
- E-3.** Approve the appointment of DEANNA HALLBERG, SAMANTHA FOGARTY, MARY JEAN BADALAMENTI, and MATTHEW GILLI as new Substitute Teachers for the 2011-2012 school year.

- E-4.** Accept, with regret, the resignation of MARY KELLY, Teacher of Family & Consumer Science, effective July 1, 2012, for the purpose of retirement.
- E-5.** Approve a new out-of-district Tuition Student for the 2012-2013 school year, per attachment.
- E-6.** Accept, with regret, the resignation of PAMELA BURNS ECKSTUT, Teacher of English, effective July 1, 2012, for the purpose of retirement.
- E-7.** Approve a Family Leave for MARY LARDIERE, Teacher of Art, from May 23, 2012 to October 12, 2012.
- E-8.** Approve the appointment of KERRI HEINEMANN as Sophomore Class Co-Advisor, at a stipend of \$1,336 (½ of Group 4, Step 3), effective immediately.
- E-9.** Approve the appointment of ROB COUNCILOR and ANDREW GORMAN as Volunteer Baseball Coaches, effective immediately.
- E-10.** Approve a Change in Degree status for THOMAS PASTER, Teacher of Music, from BA, Step Q (\$75,423) to MA+30, Step Q (\$82,362), effective February 1, 2012.

Roll Call Vote:

- 11. PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**
- 12. DISCUSSION ITEMS/SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**
- 13. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT**
- 14. OLD BUSINESS**
- 15. NEW BUSINESS**
- 16. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**
- 17. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Northern Highlands Regional High School Board of Education shall go into executive session to discuss the following matters:

• **Personnel**

The minutes of this executive session will be released when the need for confidentiality no longer exists. There are some topics (such as student matters) for which the need for confidentiality may never cease to exist.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded that the Board move into executive session.

TIME: All in Favor: \_\_\_\_\_ All Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_

Roll Call Vote:

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded that the Board moves into public session.

18. TIME: All in Favor: \_\_\_\_\_ All Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_  
**ADJOURNMENT**

\_\_\_\_\_ moved, and \_\_\_\_\_ seconded that the meeting  
be adjourned.

TIME: All in Favor: \_\_\_\_\_ All Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_