

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NEW JERSEY
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2024
8:30 A.M.**

MINUTES

This Special Meeting of the Upper Saddle River Board of Education was held in the Bogert School Room # 63 of the Upper Saddle River Schools beginning at 8:30 a.m. Mrs. Gandara opened the meeting and stated that the meeting was being held in compliance with PL 1975, Chapter 232 and appropriate notice had been provided to the designated newspapers, the Borough Clerk and all interested parties requesting such notification.

Members present: Mrs. Gandara, Mrs. Gray, Mr. Quagliani, Dr. Verducci, Mrs. Wenberg

Members absent: Mrs. Ginsberg, Mr. Mehegan

Also present: Dr. Siegel, Mrs. Imbasciani, Ms. Febres (Board Attorney)

Mrs. Gray made a motion, seconded by Dr. Verducci to begin the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

OPENING STATEMENT

Mrs. Gandara

Mrs. Gandara welcomed the Board to the meeting.

CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Board Members Only

Mrs. Gandara then read the following statement:

WHEREAS, the members of the Upper Saddle River Board of Education deem it necessary to discuss personnel matters; and

WHEREAS, the topics to be discussed are within the exemptions which are permitted to be discussed and acted upon in confidential session pursuant to PL 1975, Chapter 231;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Upper Saddle River Board of Education deem it necessary to exclude the public from the discussion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting will be made public when the need for privacy no longer exists. Action will not be taken.

Mrs. Gray made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wenberg to go into Executive Session at 8:31 a.m.

Mrs. Gray made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wenberg to return to the Special Meeting at 9:55 a.m.

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Siegel

A motion was made by Mrs. Wenberg and seconded by Mrs. Gray to approve Administration Consent Agenda Items A and B and was approved by all in attendance.

- A. Approve the submission of the 2024-2027 Upper Saddle River Schools Language Instruction Educational Program (LIEP) Three Year Plan.

- B. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board affirms the Superintendent’s decision that investigation #265073***05012024 is an incident as defined under HIB Policy #5512. The Superintendent shall notify the parents and/or guardians of the Board’s decision in writing in accordance with Board Policy and N.J.S.A. 18A:37-15(e).

PERSONNEL

Dr. Siegel

A motion was made by Dr. Verducci and seconded by Mrs. Wenberg to approve Personnel Consent Agenda Items A through D and was approved by all in attendance.

A. Appointments

1. Approve the following staff for 2024 ESY:

Integrated Paraprofessional: \$21/hour		
Joan Pilkington		
General Education Teacher: \$50/hour		
Joan Pilkington		

2. Appoint Summer Help as follows:

Name	Hourly Rate	Start Date	Position
Cody Livernois	\$16.00	July 1, 2024	Custodial
Pajtim Myrtollari	\$16.00	July 1, 2024	Custodial

B. Change in Assignment

1. Approve the transfer of Kristen Nicholas from a Basic Skills Instructor at Bogert School to the position of Multimedia/Computer Applications Teacher at Cavallini Middle School, effective September 1, 2024.

C. Lateral Guide Move

1. Approve a lateral guide move for Cynthia Stawecki, Kindergarten Classroom Teacher, from BA to BA+30, effective September 1, 2024.

D. Substitutes/Consultants/Volunteers

1. Approve Leah Fand, Speech Therapist, to conduct up to five (5) speech evaluations during July 2024 at a rate of \$500.00.
2. Approve Pajtim Myrtollari as substitute custodian for the 2024/25 school year, subject to the satisfactory completion of the criminal history records check required by law.

FINANCE

Mrs. Imbasciani

A motion was made by Mr. Quagliani and seconded by Mrs. Wenberg to approve Personnel Consent Agenda Items A through J and was approved by all in attendance.

- A. Approve the submission of the FY25 ESEA Grant application.

B. Accept funding for the FY25 ESEA Grant as follows:

Title I Part A	\$33,528
Title IIA	\$14,441
Title IV	\$10,000

C. Refuse FY25 ESEA Title III monies.

D. Approve the submission of the FY25 IDEA Basic and IDEA Preschool Grant applications.

E. Approve the Archways MD Class for Grades 6 - 8 beginning September 2024.

F. Accept one out-of-district student from Mahwah and one out-of-district student from River Vale, whose names are on file in the Board Office, to attend the Upper Saddle River Special Education Program for the 2024/25 school year.

G. Approve the 1:1 Aide Addendum to the contract with The CTC Academy for an out-of-district student for the 2023/24 school year.

H. Approve International Line Striping to re-stripe all parking lots, curbs and crosswalks in the district and repair all sidewalk cracks at Cavallini Middle School at a total cost of \$16,950.00.

I. Approve RFS Commercial Inc. to provide additional abatement services for the installation of new VCT in Bogert School Room 11 at a cost of \$3,632.00. The original proposal was approved on April 15, 2024. (Pricing based on #34 HUNCCP Commercial Floor Covering & Related Services #215)

J. Approve the following Travel Expenses:

Program Name	Date	Employee	Registration Fee	Travel Cost
Orton Comprehensive Training (Online)	July 8-12, 2024	Dyonna Pagliocca	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Orton Comprehensive Training (Online)	August 5-9, 2024	Shannon Monaghan	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Orton Comprehensive Training (Online)	August 10-18, 2024	Alyssa Padilla	\$1,500.00	\$0.00

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Gandara

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Gray and seconded by Mrs. Wenberg at 9:58 a.m.

Dana Imbasciani, Board Secretary