

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NEW JERSEY
SPECIAL MEETING – BOARD RETREAT
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022
9:30 A.M.**

MINUTES

This Special Meeting - Board Retreat of the Upper Saddle River Board of Education was held at the Bogert School Media Center, 391 West Saddle River Road, Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458 beginning at 9:30 a.m. Mrs. Johnston 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. Johnston, Mrs. Gandara, Mrs. Gray (left at 11:56 a.m.), Mr. Quagliani, Dr. Verducci, Mrs. Wenberg

Members absent: Mrs. Ginsberg

Also present: Dr. Siegel, Mrs. Imbasciani, Mr. Fogarty (Board Attorney, arrived at 10:00 a.m.)
Mrs. Apicella, Mr. Cazes, Mrs. D'Ambola, Mr. DeSocio, Mr. Kaplan, Mr. McCusker and Mrs. Severs
(arrived at 10:00 a.m. and left at 11:55 a.m.)

Mrs. Gray made a motion which was seconded by Dr. Verducci to begin the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

OPENING STATEMENT

Mrs. Johnston

Mrs. Johnston welcomed the Board to the meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. **Superintendent's Update**

Dr. Siegel

Dr. Siegel spoke to the Board members about:

- Tri-State Consortium
- Strategic Planning in the future

2. **Legal Update**

Mr. Fogarty

Mr. Fogarty (Board Attorney) provided:

- Legal update on HIB topics and new legislation to the Board members and Administrators
- Required Ethics Training for the Board members

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PERSONNEL:

Dr. Siegel

A motion was made by Dr. Verducci and seconded by Mr. Quagliani to approve Administration Consent Agenda Items A and B and was approved by all in attendance.

A. Create/Abolish (effective February 1, 2022):

1. Create two 1.0 FTE Paraprofessional/Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) instructor positions.

2. Create two Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Instructor stipends, \$3,000.00 per year.

B. Appointments

1. Appoint Darya De Angelo to the position of Aftercare Program Team Member for the 2021/22 school year. \$22.00/hour
2. Approve Sarah Soojian as a substitute teacher/paraprofessional for the 2021/22 school year. Ms. Soojian's substitute teaching certificate is pending.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Quagliani and seconded by Mrs. Wenberg at 12:30 p.m.

Sincerely,

Dana Imbasciani
Business Administrator/Board Secretary