

**Board of Education
Upper Saddle River, New Jersey
Electronic Regular Special Meeting
Monday, August 10, 2020, 8:00 p.m.**

Minutes

This Electronic Regular Special Session of the Upper Saddle River Board of Education convened at 8:00 p.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, Mr. Amano, Mrs. Gandara, Mrs. Ginsberg, Mrs. Gray, Mr. Quagliani, Dr. Verducci

Members absent: None

Also present: Dr. Siegel, Mrs. Imbasciani

CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Mrs. Gandara made a motion, seconded by Dr. Verducci to convene into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Johnston then read the following statement:

WHEREAS, the members of the Upper Saddle River Board of Education deem necessary to discuss personnel and legal 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 minutes of the meeting will be made public when the need for privacy no longer exists. Action may be taken.

Mrs. Gandara made a motion, seconded by Dr. Verducci to adjourn Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

Mrs. Gandara made a motion, seconded by Dr. Verducci to convene into Regular Special Session at 8:00 p.m.

OPENING STATEMENT:

Mrs. Johnston

Mrs. Johnston welcomed the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADMINISTRATION:

Dr. Siegel

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

A. Authorize the Board of Education to suspend the rules of Bylaw 0131 and adopt the following policies:

Policy 1648	Restart and Recovery Plan with attached appendices
Policy 1648.02	Remote Learning Options for Families
Policy 8210	School Year (revised)
Policy 8220	School Day (revised)

B. Approve the Upper Saddle River School Re-Entry Plan for the 2020/21 school year.

COMMENT:

- Mrs. Johnston thanked Dr. Siegel and the administrative team for all of the work they did to put this comprehensive plan in place and create all of the necessary policies that accompany the plan.

FINANCE :

Mrs. Imbasciani

A motion was made by Dr. Verducci and seconded by Mr. Amano approve Finance Consent Agenda Item A and was approved by all in attendance.

A. Approve the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, New Jersey School districts were notified by Governor Murphy's office on July 10, 2020 as to their revised 2020-2021 state aid allocations; and

WHEREAS, districts must reduce their budgetary basis state aid revenue and receivable for 2020-2021; and

WHEREAS, the revised allocation for the Upper Saddle River Board of Education is a reduction of \$72,998 in state aid; and

WHEREAS, districts experiencing a reduction in state aid have the following options by Board Resolution as follows:

1. Use unassigned general fund surplus to maintain budgeted appropriations; or
2. Request Commissioner approval to withdraw from emergency reserve; or
3. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.2(d), withdraw from maintenance reserve to cover budgeted required maintenance costs; or
4. Reduce appropriations for 2020-2021; or
5. A combination of 1, 2, 3 and 4 above

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Upper Saddle River Board of Education hereby authorizes the School Business Administrator to address the state aid reduction of \$72,998; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Upper Saddle River Board of Education hereby authorizes the School Business Administrator to postpone planned renovations to the Bogert Media Center and Greenhouse and reduce the appropriations line 11-000-261-420 by \$72,998 to balance the 2020-2021 budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Gandara and seconded by Mr. Amano at 8:05 p.m.

Sincerely,

Dana Imbasciani
Board Secretary