

REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
HILLSBOROUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 30, 2007

The Board of Education of Hillsborough Township in the county of Somerset, convened in public session on Monday, April 30, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Auten Road Intermediate School in the School District.

In accordance with the State's Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the Board's annual meeting notice. This notice was also provided to the Hillsborough Beacon, Somerset Messenger Gazette, and Courier News newspapers on April 24, 2007. The notice is also posted in the Board of Education office and a copy has been sent to the Township Clerk and Township Public Library.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Donnadio, Gregory Gillette, David Kanaby, David T. Lin, Steven D. Paget, Marc J. Rosenberg, and Wolfgang Schneider

Neil Hudes arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Frank A. Blandino arrived at 7:45 p.m.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Karen Lake, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Lisa Antunes, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Thomas M. Venanzi, Assistant Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary, and Mrs. Annette Wells, Assistant to School Business Administrator/Assistant Board Secretary

Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Kanaby and seconded by Mr. Lin that the board adopt a resolution to go into executive session at 7:02 p.m.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975 provides that a public body may exclude the public from that portion of a meeting of which the public body discusses certain matters for which confidentiality is required as permitted in Section 7B of the act.

RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Township of Hillsborough in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The following matter to be discussed is the non-renewal of personnel for the 2007-2008 school year.
2. The matter discussed in executive session shall be disclosed to the public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Mr. Hudes arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with a unanimous vote recorded.

The board reconvened in public session at 7:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Kanaby and seconded by Mr. Lin to approve the minutes of the special session held on March 1, 2007.

Upon call of the question, the motion carried with seven members voting in favor and Mr. Gillette abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. Kanaby and seconded by Mr. Lin to approve the minutes of the work meeting held on March 12, 2007.

Upon call of the question, the motion carried with six members voting in favor and Messrs. Gillette and Kanaby abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. Kanaby and seconded by Mr. Lin to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 19, 2007.

Upon call of the question, the motion carried with seven members voting in favor and Mr. Gillette abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. Kanaby and seconded by Mr. Lin to approve the minutes of the special session held on March 26, 2007.

Upon call of the question, the motion carried with seven members voting in favor and Mr. Gillette abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. Paget and seconded by Mr. Lin to approve the minutes of the executive session held on March 12, 2007.

Upon call of the question, the motion carried with six members voting in favor and Messrs. Gillette and Kanaby abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. Paget and seconded by Mr. Kanaby to approve the minutes of the executive session held on March 19, 2007.

Upon call of the question, the motion carried with six members voting in favor and Messrs. Gillette and Lin abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. Kanaby and seconded by Mr. Paget to approve the minutes of the executive session held on March 26, 2007.

Upon call of the question, the motion carried with six members voting in favor and Messrs. Gillette and Kanaby abstaining.

Correspondence

Correspondence was recognized from Laurel Grinacoff Benet.

Board Recognition

Dr. Lake introduced Heather Ciano, high school student and president of the Interact Club. Heather discussed the concert and festival to be held this Saturday, May 5th at the Hillsborough High School. The fair will run from 1:00-4:00 p.m. followed by the concert from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Last year's event raised \$12,000 for victims of hurricane Katrina. The profits from this year's event will be donated to Doctors without Borders. Dr. Lake acknowledged Miss Jamieson, one of the Interact advisors.

Dr. Lake introduced Leonore Johnston, supervisor of special services, who presented the board with a plaque from the Mayor. The proclamation was presented in recognition that April is Autism Month and acknowledges the work Hillsborough Township Schools have done for students with autism. Mrs. Johnston discussed the progression of the district's autistic program from one class in 1993 to the current three preschool classes, one elementary class, one middle school class and one high school class. The plan for next year includes an additional elementary class at Woodfern School. In addition, the district has an autism focus group.

Mr. Blandino arrived at 7:45 p.m.

President Hudes read the proclamation and thanked Mrs. Johnston for her efforts this year.

New Business

Mr. Paget acknowledged the Grand Staff Ensemble Concert held on April 19. The event featured retiring principal of Auten Road School, Mr. Harold Blackstone. Proceeds went to scholarships at the high school.

Mr. Rosenberg recognized the Mock Trial team as county champions and noted that they were honored by the Somerset County Bar Association at the annual dinner. High school student, Sandra Saad, was named best attorney in the county. This was the first time in 12 years that a Hillsborough student has won this award.

Mr. Rosenberg also acknowledged the Hillsborough Wind Ensemble, which was one of only six school bands honored to play in the evening at the NJ State Gala Band Festival on April 29.

Mr. Donnadio recognized high school senior, Frank McLaughlin, who participated in a national competition and became a first All American Wrestler.

Mr. Kanaby congratulated the 5th and 6th grade drama club who performed a musical to a packed house on Friday, April 27. Mr. Kanaby acknowledged that the students had been practicing since October.

Committee ReportsCurriculum Committee

Mr. Schneider, former committee chairperson, reported that the following items were discussed at the meeting held on April 17:

- Recommendation of Invisible Man novel
- Recommendation of Mathematics Curriculum
 - Grade 10 - Algebra 2
 - Grade 11 - Algebra 2 Standard
 - Grades 11 & 12 - Precalculus
- Recommendation of AP Psychology - Grade 12
- Discussed summer reading program - book list is posted on the district website.

Facilities Committee

Mr. Lin, former committee chairperson, reported that the following items were discussed at the meeting held on April 13:

- Naming of Facilities - the committee is recommending naming the High School Media Center after Mr. Bill Spaeth in recognition of his contribution to the Hillsborough School District.
- Bid for Concrete Work at Middle School - The bid was opened for concrete work for replacement of sidewalks and curbs at Hillsborough Middle School on April 11. This bid award is on the action agenda for board approval tonight.
- Hillsborough Master Plan

Time was allowed for questions and comments from the public on committee reports.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Lake recognized Hillsborough special education teachers and addressed the public on Autism. Dr. Lake discussed this neurobiological disorder quoting the following statistics:

- 1 in 94 children in New Jersey is diagnosed with autism
- 1 in 104 boys are on the autism spectrum
- 67 children are diagnosed per day
- A new case is diagnosed almost every 20 minutes
- There is no medical detection or cure for autism
- Boys are four times more likely than girls to have autism.

Dr. Lake thanked the individuals who attended the *Taste of Hillsborough* held yesterday at the high school, sponsored by the Hillsborough Education Foundation. The money raised at this event goes towards scholarships for graduating high school seniors. The event includes food tasting from approximately 40 local restaurants. Close to \$14,000 was raised at yesterday's event.

Dr. Lake recognized high school student, Heather Ciano, and the *Shelter from the Storm* event to be held Saturday, May 5 at the high school. The money raised will be dedicated to Doctors without Borders. Dr. Lake also recognized the Interact Club advisor and social studies teacher, Mr. Robert Fenster.

Time was allowed for questions and comments from the board and public on the superintendent's report.

Action Agenda

Public Comments

None

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

A motion was made by Mr. Paget and seconded by Mr. Kanaby that the board of education approve the curriculum and instruction agenda as follows:

Approval of the following novel:

Title	Author	Publisher	Date	Gr.	Subject
<u>Invisible Man</u>	Ellison, R.	Vintage	1995	12	Literacy

Approval of the following new textbooks:

Grade 10 - Algebra 2 (Algebra 2 CP)
 Grade 11 - Algebra 2 (Algebra 2 Standard)
 Grades 11&12 - Precalculus (Math Analysis CP)

Approval of Grant Application

Approve the following grant application:

<u>GRANT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Exxon/Mobil Educational Alliance	\$500

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with a unanimous vote recorded.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Mr. Kanaby and seconded by Mr. Lin that the board of education approve the personnel agenda as follows:

Retirements

William Lyons, Director, Special Services, effective July 1, 2007. Mr. Lyons has worked for the district for 40 years.

Rafael Martinez, Guidance Counselor, middle school effective July 1, 2007. Mr. Martinez has worked for the district for 16 years.

Ronald Sczerbak, Special Education teacher, high school effective July 1, 2007. Mr. Sczerbak has worked for the district for 2 years and has a total of 16 years prior teaching experience.

Kurt Blickenderfer, .333 Health & Physical Education teacher, high school, effective March 22, 2007.

Helena Craveiro, Speech/Language Specialist, high school, effective June 30, 2007.

Magdalena Furniss, Art teacher, Auten Road School, effective June 30, 2007.

Rodrigo Palomo Hernandez, custodian, middle school, effective April 24, 2007.

Marisa Iannella, Italian teacher, high school, effective June 30, 2007.

Anita Kackle, English teacher, high school, effective June 30, 2007.

Joanna Lepore, Art teacher, Woodfern School, effective June 30, 2007.

Susan Liebowitz, grade 3 teacher, Hillsborough Elementary School, effective June 30, 2007.

Richard Mantz, Social Studies teacher, high school, effective June 30, 2007.

MaryAnn O'Connor, Permanent School Aide, Woods Road School, effective May 3, 2007.

Erica Piechota, Basic Skills Instructor, middle school, effective June 30, 2007.

Kathy Reddan, bus aide, Amsterdam School, effective April 10, 2007.

Jean Robinson, Student Assistance Counselor, high school, effective June 30, 2007.

Marissa Sladek, Special Ed/Resource Center teacher, middle school effective June 30, 2007.

Kathleen Tegeler, German teacher, middle school effective June 30, 2007.

Leaves of Absence

Betty Borto, ESL teacher, Hillsborough Elementary School, disability/federal family leave of absence effective March 20, 2007 through April 20, 2007.

Jill Hannum, grade 2 teacher, Triangle School, disability/family leave of absence effective April 10, 2007 through June 30, 2007.

Leigh Anne Johnson, grade 7 Social Studies teacher, middle school, disability/family leave of absence effective May 14, 2007 through November 2, 2007.

Erika Schulz, English teacher, high school, disability/family leave of absence effective April 24, 2007 through June 30, 2007.

Marissa Sladek, Special Ed./Resource Center teacher, middle school family leave of absence effective April 18, 2007 through May 16, 2007.

Laurel Suk, art teacher, Hillsborough Elementary School, disability/family leave of absence effective April 27, 2007 through October 31, 2007.

Karen Travisano, English Teacher, high school, disability/family leave of absence effective April 10, 2007 through June 30, 2007.

Revised Leave of Absence

Amy Casale, REACH teacher, Triangle school, from disability/family leave of absence effective April 30, 2007 through November 23, 2007 to disability/family leave of absence effective April 23, 2007 through November 23, 2007.

Katie Chicalace, Social Worker, high school, from disability/family leave of absence effective March 26, 2007 through June 30, 2007 to disability/family leave of absence effective March 20, 2007 through June 30, 2007.

Lucy Nicastro, grade 8 Science teacher, middle school, from family leave of absence effective February 5, 2007 through May 4, 2007 to family leave of absence effective February 5, 2007 through March 30, 2007.

Termination of Contract

Frank Puzycki, Physics teacher, high school, effective March 30, 2007.

Change in Contract

Maria Christodoulides, long term substitute science teacher, middle school from effective February 5, 2007 through May 4, 2007 to effective February 5, 2007 through April 23, 2007 replacing Lucy Nicastro (leave of absence).
SALARY: \$43,478 PRO RATED BA Step 1

Jaclyn Kotler, from long term substitute grade 2 teacher, Amsterdam School effective January 2, 2007 through May 11, 2007 replacing Sheila Marce (leave of absence) to long term substitute grade 2 teacher, Amsterdam School and REACH teacher, Triangle School effective January 2, 2007 through June 30, 2007 replacing Amy Casale (leave of absence).
SALARY: \$43,478 PRO RATED BA Step 1

Appointments 2006 - 2007

Approve the appointment of the following personnel for the 2006-2007 school year. The appointment of those marked with an (*) will be contingent upon approval as per N.J.S.A.18A:6-7.2 et. seq.

Teacher

Silvia DeLeon, .600 Speech Language Specialist, Auten Road School, effective March 26, 2007 through June 30, 2007 replacing Mary Sciascia (resigned).
SALARY: \$45,408 PRO RATED BA+30 Step 1

Jodi-Marie Masley, .667 French teacher, middle school/high school, effective March 22, 2007 through June 30, 2007 replacing Sue Calamoneri (resigned).

SALARY: \$56,238 PRO RATED Ph.D. Step 1

Long Term Substitute

Marcus Barry, long term substitute grade 8 math teacher, middle school effective April 10, 2007 through June 30, 2007 replacing Aimee Castellano (leave of absence).

SALARY: \$43,478 PRO RATED BA Step 1

Janet Mallon, long term substitute social worker, high school effective April 10, 2007 through June 30, 2007 replacing Katie Chicalace (leave of absence).

SALARY: \$43,478 PRO RATED BA Step 1

Suzanne Ritter, long term substitute grade 2 teacher, Triangle School effective April 10, 2007 through June 30, 2007 replacing Jill Hannum (leave of absence).

SALARY: \$43,478 PRO RATED BA Step 1

Clerical

Elizabeth Lee, 10-month clerical assistant, high school, effective March 26, 2007 through June 30, 2007 replacing Patricia Jackson (in district transfer).

SALARY: \$24,240 PRO RATED Step 1

Maintenance

Wayne Szabo, maintenance worker, district, effective April 23, 2007 through June 30, 2007 replacing Dennis Wagner (retired).

SALARY: \$34,609 PRO RATED Step 1

Permanent School Aide

Debbie Muller, permanent school aide 2hrs/day, Woods Road School effective May 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007 replacing Kamilla Nurideen (deceased).

SALARY: \$14.14/hr Step 1

Coach - Stipend

Vincent Coviello, assistant boys' lacrosse coach effective 2006-2007 coaching season.

STIPEND: \$5,074 Step 3

Intramural Advisor - High School

Dana Richens, Catch Phrase Club, high school, effective 2006-2007 school year.

STIPEND: N/A

Substitute Teacher - \$80/day

Karen DeGenaro	Jocelyn Nordstrom	Matthew Varhley
Rebecca Linton	Janet Ploski	
Bernadette Mehrtens	Emily Presuto	
Kristian Molloy	Rachel Sherman	

Substitute Secretary - \$10.25/hour

JoAnne Barnes
Frances Thielke

Substitute Custodian - \$9.35/hour

Mayra Ugalde

Substitute Permanent School Aide - \$7.90/hour

JoAnne Barnes
Elizabeth Chong

Substitute Bus Aide - \$17.44/hour

Judith Ward

Mentors

<u>Mentee</u>	<u>Mentor</u>
Suzanne Ritter	Teresa Baricelli
Jodi-Marie Masley	Marianne Jones

Extra Coverage at High School

Approve the following teachers for covering extra periods at the high school for teachers Karen Travisano, English teacher, who is on a leave of absence, and Frank Puzycki, Physics teacher, whose contract was terminated:

<u>English</u>	Tiberiu Dragoiu-Luca
Diane Bavier	Stephen Grabowski
Karin Benton	Carmel Meyer
April Croman	Thomas Misiak
Jeff Gonzalez	Jerry Silver
Judy Winchock	Robert Weber
<u>Science</u>	Cathy Zavacki
Christopher Aleo	

Student Teachers

1. Nicole Lenart, Rutgers University, to do her student teaching in Social Studies grades 9-12 effective September 6, 2007 through December 20, 2007.

<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>	<u>Grade(s)</u>
Robert Fenster	9-12 Social Studies

2. Mindi Graham, College of St. Elizabeth, to do her student teaching in elementary education at Woods Road School effective September 6, 2007 through December 20, 2007.

Cooperating Teacher
Melanie Cruz

Grade(s)
3

3. Shawn Gilmore, Rutgers University, to do his student teaching in Social Studies grades 9-12 at Hillsborough High School effective September 6, 2007 through December 20, 2007.

Cooperating Teacher
Rob Herman

Grade(s)
9-12 Social Studies

4. Caitlyn O'Neill, Ramapo College, to do her student teaching in Social Studies grades 9-12 at Hillsborough High School effective September 6, 2007 through December 20, 2007.

Cooperating Teacher
Donald Adams

Grade(s)
9-12 Social Studies

Renewal of Contracts for Second Year Certificated Staff

Approve the re-employment and tentative assignments for the second year certificated staff members for the 2007-2008 school year, as listed on *Schedule B*.

Renewal of Contracts for Third Year Certificated Staff and Staff Holding Non-Citizen and Emergency Certification

Approve the re-employment and tentative assignments for the third year certificated staff and staff holding non-citizen and emergency certification for the 2007-2008 school year, as listed on *Schedule C*.

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with a unanimous vote recorded.

Revised Coaches Contract - Stipend

A motion was made by Mr. Lin and seconded by Mr. Blandino to approve the following revised contracts:

Chris Guglielmo, from winter track assistant coach to winter track first assistant coach effective 2006-2007 coaching season.

STIPEND: \$5,896 Step 3

Chris Guglielmo, from spring track/girls assistant coach step 1 to spring track/girls assistant coach step 3 effective 2006-2007 coaching season.

STIPEND: \$5,608 Step 3

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with eight members voting in favor and Mr. Blandino abstaining.

Renewal of Contracts for First Year Certificated Staff

A motion was made by Mr. Paget and seconded by Mr. Lin that the board of education approve the re-employment and tentative assignments for the first year certificated staff members hired on or before September 30, 2006, for the 2007-2008 school year as listed on *Schedule A*.

The motion carried with seven members voting in favor and Messrs. Blandino and Donnadio abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. Paget and seconded by Mr. Lin that the board of education approve the re-employment and tentative assignments for the first year certificated staff members hired on or before September 30, 2006, for the 2007-2008 school year as listed on *Schedule A-1*.

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with six members voting in favor and Messrs. Blandino, Donnadio, and Kanaby abstaining.

Non-Represented Employee Salaries - 2007-2008

A motion was made by Mr. Paget and seconded by Mr. Lin that the board of education approve salaries for non-represented employees as listed on *Schedule D*.

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with six members voting in favor and Messrs. Blandino, Donnadio, and Kanaby abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. Paget and seconded by Mr. Lin that the board of education approve salaries for non-represented employees as listed on *Schedule D-1*.

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with six members voting in favor and Messrs. Blandino, Donnadio, and Kanaby abstaining.

FINANCE

A motion was made by Mr. Kanaby and seconded by Mr. Paget that the board of education approve the finance agenda as follows:

Acceptance of Monthly Financial Reports

Accept the monthly financial reports of the Assistant Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Moneys for the month of March 31, 2007 and in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13 (e) that the Board of Education certify that no major account or fund has been overexpended and that as of this report sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligation for the remainder of this fiscal year.

Approval of Monthly Bills

Approve the monthly bills as reviewed by the finance committee as follows:

General Operating: \$9,617,990.60

Line Item Transfers

Approve the following line item transfers in the 2006-07 general fund budget:

FROM:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
11-190-100-610-01-06	Inst Supp-HHS Art	2,800
11-190-100-610-01-08	Inst Supp-HHS Choral	639
11-190-100-610-03-00	Inst Supp-Amsterdam	625
11-190-100-610-05-11	Inst Supp-Sunny Comp Ed	1,363
11-190-100-610-12-11	Inst Supp-ARIS Comp Ed	749
11-000-217-100-00-00	Extraordinary Serv-Salaries	53,400
11-000-218-105-00-00	Guidance-Sec Salaries	4,000
11-000-240-600-06-00	Sch. Admin. - Triangle Supplies	656
11-000-251-100-00-00	Bus Services-Salaries	10,000
11-000-262-620-01-00	Oper/Maint - HHS Energy	20,000
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TO:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
11-000-213-100-00-00	Health Services-Salaries	20,000
11-000-213-500-01-00	Health Services-HHS Cont Serv	1,000
11-000-217-320-00-00	Extraordinary Serv-Cont Serv	30,000
11-000-218-104-01-00	Guidance-HHS Couns Salaries	1,000
11-000-219-390-00-00	Child Study Teams - Evaluations	5,000
11-000-221-600-09-11	Improv of Inst-Tech Supplies	6,832
11-000-251-592-00-00	Bus Services- Purchased Serv	10,000
11-000-261-610-01-54	Maint of Plant - HHS Gen. Maint Supp	5,000
11-000-262-420-01-58	Oper/Maint - HHS Misc Cont. Serv.	8,000
11-000-262-610-01-54	Oper/Maint - HHS Gen Maint Supp	7,000
11-215-100-101-08-00	Pre School Dis-WR Teach Sal	400
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Bids for Concrete Work

The following bids were received on April 11, 2007 for concrete work for replacement of sidewalks and curbs at Hillsborough Middle School:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Bid</u>
S Batata Construction	\$29,980.00
Cretan Concrete	36,213.50
Diamond Construction	40,700.00
Cravo Enterprises	42,797.00
JC Concrete & Curb	45,313.00
The Concrete Master	49,307.77
Peter Ferro Construction	49,418.00
Buckler Associates	113,400.00

Reject the bid submitted by S. Batata Construction since it is not the lowest responsible bid since the contractor is not pre-qualified by the State of New Jersey for public school work costing in excess of \$20,000 and

award a contract to Cretan Concrete for its lowest responsible bid of \$36,213.50 for concrete work for replacement of sidewalks and curbs at Hillsborough Middle School.

Renewal of Waste Removal Services

Award a renewal agreement with Raritan Valley Waste Disposal for the second year extension for the 2007-08 school year for waste removal services for their low bid of \$79,662.36

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with six members voting in favor and Messrs. Blandino, Donnadio, and Schneider.

Renewal Agreement with Aramark

A motion was made by Mr. Paget and seconded by Mr. Lin that the board of education approve the annual renewal agreement with Aramark for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 in the amount of \$347,110.

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with eight members voting in favor and Mr. Blandino abstaining.

ADMINISTRATIVE

A motion was made by Mr. Kanaby and seconded by Mr. Paget that the board of education approve the administrative agenda as follows:

Amendment to Calendar 2006-2007

Approve the amendment of the 2006-2007 calendar to include a half-day session for Triangle Elementary School on Friday, June 22, 2007, to make up the emergency day used on Wednesday, January 23, 2007, due to a water main break at the school.

Policies

The policy committee has recommended the following policy be included for consideration as follows:

1. First Reading

Substance Abuse Prevention and Drug Free School Zones - #5530 - *Schedule E*

Approve the Professional Travel Related Expenses as Listed

Approve the professional travel related expenses as listed on *Schedule F*

Acceptance of Donations

Accept the following donation:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Description</u>
Steve and Susan Marks	2 monitors and a scanner
Jeanne Sturm	Full size refrigerator for Woods Road School faculty

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with eight members voting in favor and Mr. Blandino abstaining.

Approve the Overnight Trip as Listed

A motion was made by Mr. Kanaby and seconded by Mr. Lin that the board of education approve the overnight trip as listed on *Schedule G*.

School	Group/Team	Destination	Dates	Schedule
HHS	Colorguard	Colorguard Championships Wildwood Convention Ctr Wildwood, New Jersey	5/3/07 - 5/6/07	G

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with a unanimous vote recorded

A motion was made by Mr. Kanaby and seconded by Mr. Lin that the board of education approve the overnight trip as listed on *Schedule H*.

School	Group/Team	Destination	Dates	Schedule
HHS	Model U.N.	Looking to the Future Competition Montreal, Canada	11/14/07 - 11/18/07	H

A motion was made by Mr. Rosenberg and seconded by Mr. Schneider to table the motion to approve the overnight trip as listed on *Schedule H*.

Upon call of the roll, the motion to table carried with seven members voting in favor and Messrs. Blandino and Donnadio voting against.

INFORMATIONAL

Emergency drills were held during the month of March as follows:

School	Dates	Times
Amsterdam Elementary	March 14, 2007	1 minute 15 seconds
	March 29, 2007	2 minutes
Auten Road Intermediate	March 14, 2007	3 minutes
	March 30, 2007	3 minutes
Hillsborough Elementary	March 14, 2007	1 minute 30 seconds
	March 28, 2007	1 minute 10 seconds
Sunnymead Elementary	March 12, 2007	1 minute 12 seconds
	March 14, 2007	1 minute 20 seconds
Triangle Elementary	March 13, 2007	3 minutes 8 seconds
	March 22, 2007	1 minute 48 seconds

School	Dates	Times
Woodfern Elementary	March 12, 2007	1 minute 3 seconds
	March 27, 2007	1 minute 15 seconds
Woods Road Elementary	March 12, 2007	2 minutes 31 seconds
	March 14, 2007	2 minutes 41 seconds
Hillsborough Middle School	March 8, 2007	2 minutes 15 seconds
	March 28, 2007	2 minutes 13 seconds
Hillsborough High School	March 2, 2007	2 minutes 30 seconds
	March 15, 2007	2 minutes 30 seconds

Suspensions for the month of March:

High School = 25

Middle School = 10

Auten Road = 2

Elementary Schools = 1 (HES)

Old Business

Mr. Sloan questioned the status of the superintendent search and strategy for an interim superintendent.

President Hudes responded that the board had approved a process with specific timelines and the process is within the scheduled timelines. The personnel committee will be meeting with the superintendent search consultant tomorrow night at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Sloan also asked if the public will have an opportunity to meet the superintendent candidates.

President Hudes responded that it was not in the original process.

Mr. Lin, personnel chairperson, announced that at this time, there is no intention of making changes to the original process.

Announcements by the President

None

Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Blandino and seconded by Mr. Lin that the board adopt a resolution to go into executive session at adjournment.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975 provides that a public body may exclude the public from that portion of a meeting of which the public body discusses certain matters for which confidentiality is required as permitted in Section 7B of the act.

RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Township of Hillsborough in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The following matter to be discussed is a request from an employee.

2. The matter discussed in executive session shall be disclosed to the public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried with a unanimous vote recorded.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Blandino and seconded by Mr. Kanaby to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Upon call of the question, the motion carried unanimously.

At this time, the board reconvened in executive session.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas M. Venanzi
Assistant Superintendent for Business/
Board Secretary