

HOPATCONG BOARD OF EDUCATION

SPECIAL MEETING

June 17, 2024

Meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m in the Board Meeting Room
2 Windsor Avenue, Hopatcong, NJ 07843

CALL TO ORDER

Time: _____pm

1. **FLAG SALUTE**

2. **OPENING STATEMENT**

In accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, this public body, the Hopatcong Board of Education hereby announces that The New Jersey Herald and the Daily Record have been notified by email that this Board of Education Special Meeting will take place at 7:00 p.m on June 17, 2024 at the Hopatcong Board of Education, Board meeting room in the Administration Building.

3. **ROLL CALL**

-----... ▾	Joseph Falconi	-----... ▾	Nicole Falconi-Shubert	----- ▾	Philip DiStefano
-----... ▾	Natalia Cappello	-----... ▾	Jayson Cittrich	----- ▾	Jayna Gulan
-----... ▾	James Chaffee, Jr.	-----... ▾	Scott Francis	----- ▾	Jennifer Polowchena

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

5. **PERSONNEL**

- a. Approval to hire Michael Juskus under Chapter 408 Flexibility approved by the NJDOE as an Industrial Arts Teacher effective June 12, 2024 with a prorated salary of \$71,355, which represents BA+15, step 4 on the 2023-2024 HEA guide.
- b. Approval to hire Neil Pallotta under Chapter 408 Flexibility approved by the NJDOE as a High School Math Teacher effective June 12, 2024 with a prorated salary of \$74,705, which represents MA+15, step 2 on the 2023-2024 HEA guide.

(ACTION)Motion to approve 5a-5b: by Choose Item ▾ . Seconded by Choose Item ▾

-----... ▾	Joseph Falconi	-----... ▾	Nicole Falconi-Shubert	----- ▾	Philip DiStefano
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6. RESOLUTIONS

- a. Approval of the following resolution for submission of the tentative REVISED 2024/2025 school budget to the Sussex County Superintendent:

“WHEREAS, the Superintendent has presented to the Finance Committee and other members of the Hopatcong Board of Education, a recommended REVISED 2024/2025 School District Budget in the total amount of \$ \$39,159,695,00 as follows; and

WHEREAS, the Board approves a Local Tax Levy of \$ 28,703,689;

WHEREAS, the local tax levy will increase by a total of 9.9% composed of a 2% increase of \$522,360, a 2% enrollment growth cap exception in the amount of \$523,664 and a P.L. 2024, c. 13 tax levy cap adjustment in the amount of \$1,539,659 (Designated for Capital Improvements/Payments) for a total local tax levy increase of \$2,585,683.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Hopatcong School District preliminary REVISED 2024/2025 budget for submission to the Sussex County Superintendent’s Office is approved as follows on the Meeting Agenda of June 18, 2024.”

<u>General Fund</u>		
Fund 10	Charter School Tuition	\$500,000
Fund 10-606	Interest Maintenance Reserve	\$200
Fund 11	General Operating Fund	\$33,708,826
	Sect 2 P.L. 2024 Cap Adjustment	\$1,569,659
Fund 12	Debt Services Assessment	\$1,114
	Capital Reserve Interest	\$500

<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>		
Fund 20	Federal/State Grants	\$3,409,396
	Debt Service	\$0
<u>Total Budget</u>		\$39,159,695

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approve 6a:

(ACTION)Motion by Choose Item . Seconded by Choose Item

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7. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER COMMENTS

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn:

(ACTION)Motion by Choose Item . seconded by Choose Item

All in favor Choose an item. Time: