



***SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES***  
**HASBROUCK HEIGHTS BOARD OF EDUCATION**

TUESDAY MARCH 18, 2025  
**6:15 P.M.** IN THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM  
HASBROUCK HEIGHTS MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL  
365 BOULEVARD, HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY, 07604

**A. OPENING: ROLL CALL, SUNSHINE STATEMENT 6:15 p.m.**

*Announcement of adequate meeting notice: The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, the Board Secretary caused notice of this meeting to be given to the public and the press on March 3, 2025. Said notice was posted at the Hasbrouck Heights Municipal Building, Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education Office, Hasbrouck Heights Middle and High School, Euclid Elementary School, Lincoln Elementary School, on the Hasbrouck Heights School District Website, and notice was provided to The Bergen Record and TapInto Network. Notice of said meeting was published under legal notice in the Record.*

*(Ask for Roll Call)*

***BOE TRUSTEES PRESENT: FERDINAND, MULLINS, RAMOS, RISALVATO, SAUSA, SIMMONS, TERRANOVA, KROMMENHOEK, CINTRON***

***ALSO PRESENT: DR. TORRENTO AND MRS. MURRAY***

**B. FLAG SALUTE**

**C. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**D. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**E. PUBLIC COMMENTS- AGENDA ITEMS ONLY- **NONE****

*Residents are requested to state their names, addresses and subject matter. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the District are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.*

**F. OPEN SESSION: REVIEW OF REGULAR AGENDA**

**1. BUSINESS- FINANCE, LEGAL**

**G. PUBLIC COMMENTS- **NONE****

**H. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS – OLD AND NEW BUSINESS**

**I. CLOSED SESSION- AS MAY BE REQUIRED**

*Whereas, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and Whereas, the Board is of the opinion that such circumstances exist. Now therefore, be it resolved that the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education will meet in closed session to discuss a legal matter and will disclose to the public the subject matter listed when circumstances dictate the need for confidentiality no longer exists.*

**J. ADJOURNMENT 7:43 PM**

Special Meeting Agenda  
March 18, 2025

## 1. BUSINESS

## F. FINANCE

### F1. APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education hereby adopts the following preliminary proposed budget for the 2025-2026 school year:

The proposed budget includes sufficient funds to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the core New Jersey Student Learning Standards, and is in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A.

Current General Expense	\$ 38,056,297.00
Transfer to Charter Schools	\$ 76,602.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$ 38,132,899.00</b>
Special Revenue	\$ 812,367.00
Debt Service	\$ 310,400.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 39,255,666.00</b>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the following **GENERAL FUND** tax levies are approved to support the **Current General Expenses**, \$34,937,220.00, to support debt services for the 2025-2026 school year budget:

Hasbrouck Heights Tax Levy	\$ 34,737,163.00
Teterboro Tax Levy	\$ 200,057.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the following **DEBT SERVICE** tax levies are approved to support the **Debt Service Expenses** totalling \$ 204,864.00 to support debt services for the 2025-2026 school year budget:

Hasbrouck Heights Tax Levy	\$ 203,691.00
Teterboro Tax Levy	\$ 1,173.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the 2025-2026 school year budget includes automatic adjustment for **health care costs** of: \$ 162,887.00

*Note: The 2025-2026 School District Preliminary Proposed Budget is tentative pending approval by the Executive County Superintendent. The Board authorizes the School Business Administrator /Board Secretary to make any adjustments to the budget submission to bring it in conformity with state regulations. Adjustments will be approved by the Board of Education at its Public Budget Hearing.*

	Ferdinand	Mullins	Ramos	Risalvato	Sausa	Simmons	Terranova	Krommenhoek	Cintron
<b>Motion F1</b>	2nd	1st							
<b>AYE</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAIN</b>									
<b>RECUSE</b>									

## L. LEGAL

### L1. APPROVE OF PROPOSAL FOR SERVICES- ELEVATOR REPLACEMENT

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of Hasbrouck Heights Public School District, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the “Board”), seeks to initiate steps to implement a bid addressing an emergency elevator replacement at Hasbrouck Heights High/Middle School, (“Elevator Replacement”);

**WHEREAS**, the Board has previously appointed EI Associates to provide professional services to the Board as the Architect of Record; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board wishes to approve a proposal of services from EI Associates to provide architectural and engineering services for an upcoming Elevator Replacement;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby approves EI Associates proposal of services, as attached, to provide upcoming professional architectural and engineering services for a bid addressing an elevator replacement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the proposed services shall comply with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:26-3 et seq. and include proposed fees to prepare tentative updates to the Long-Range Facilities Plan (LRFP).

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<b>Motion L1</b>	2nd			1st					
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<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAIN</b>									
<b>RECUSE</b>									

**CLOSED SESSION 6:32 PM**

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Motion	1st			2nd					
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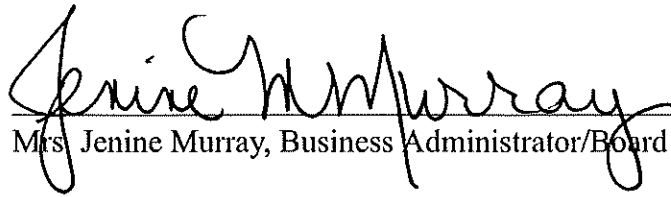
**MOTION TO ADJOURN - CLOSED SESSION 7:02 PM**

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Certified to be true copies of resolutions adopted by the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education at its meeting held on March 18, 2025.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jenine Murray". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Mrs. Jenine Murray, Business Administrator/Board Secretary