# BOARD OF EDUCATION HIGH POINT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

April 18, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the High Point Regional High School District was held on Monday, April 18, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. at the High Point Regional High School Cafeteria Annex on Pidgeon Hill Road, Wantage, New Jersey.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Walter Stumpf Jr, President

Mr. Thomas Case Mr. Joseph Hoffmann

Mr. Garrett Link (arrived at 6:55 P.M.)

Mr. Joseph Luna Mr. Charles Musilli, III Mr. Kenneth Nelson Mr. Edward Vander Berg

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Harold Rowan, III

**Also Present:** Dr. John W. Hannum, Superintendent; Ms. Linda A. Alvarez, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary; and members of the public and High Point staff members.

Mr. Stumpf opened the meeting with the flag salute and the reading of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act Statement:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies, at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted at the Augusta, Branchville, Lafayette, and Sussex Post Offices and notice sent to the New Jersey Herald, and the Clerk of the Boroughs of Branchville and Sussex and the Townships of Frankford, Lafayette and Wantage.

# MISSION STATEMENT

High Point Regional High School, in partnership with faculty, family and community, is dedicated to the quest for individual excellence. By fostering high standards of achievement, we prepare students to become responsible and productive members of a diverse society.

# V PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None were heard.

# **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

A motion was made by Mr. Case, duly seconded by Mr. Vander Berg, that the Board approve the following items: RESOLVED, that the Board approve the field trips as listed in Attachment A-1.

The motions unanimously carried by a voice vote.

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# **BUILDING AND GROUNDS**

A motion was made by Mr. Nelson, duly seconded by Mr. Musilli, that the Board approve the following items:

RESOLVED, that the Board approve participation in the Sussex County Renewable Energy Program Feasibility Survey.

The motion unanimously carried by a voice vote.

The High Point Regional High School Board of Education conducted a public bid opening on April 7, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. prevailing time for the replacement of windows and doors in the original high school building. The Board received seven (7) bid packages for DOE Project # 2165-030-09-1001 and SDA Project # 2165-030-09-0ZNS under Grant Agreement # G5-3572. The Final Eligible Cost Determination Letter dated July 1, 2009 of a School Facilities Project for a Regular Operating District does not impact educational adequacy and is not subject to DOE final educational adequacy review with the total FEC eligibility in the amount of \$934,882, which includes the state share not to exceed \$373,953 or not to exceed 37.8212% of the total identified in Section 3 of the Act, N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-3 and the local share not to exceed \$560,929 without additional board approval. The bid opening identifies the lowest apparent base bid submitted by APS Contracting Inc. of Paterson, NJ, with the base bid totaling \$737,000 and Alternate # 1 (Integral Blinds) totaling \$10,000 and Alternate # 2 (Motorized Operators) totaling \$48,000, for a total project bid of \$795,000.

The Board's Buildings & Grounds Committee, in conjunction with the design professionals, HQW Architects, of Newton, NJ has determined APS Contracting Inc. to be the lowest responsive bidder. The Board's attorney, David Blank of Schwartz, Simon, Edelstein, & Celso, has determined the submitted bid to be awardable.

A motion was made by Mr. Musilli, duly seconded by Mr. Vander Berg, that the Board approve the following items:

RESOLVED, that the Board approve the following resolution:

Resolved that the High Point Regional High School Board of Education awards the contract to APS Contracting Inc. in the amount of the base bid totaling \$737,000, Alternate # 1 (Integral Blinds) totaling \$10,000. and Alternate # 2 (Motorized Operators) totaling \$48,000, for a total project bid of \$795,000.

Be it further resolved that the Business Administrator is authorized to return the bid bonds to Ferraro Construction Corporation, Anchorage Construction Corp., and Cherokee Glass Inc.;

And the Board further authorizes the Board Attorney to prepare contracts for the identified project and forward same to APS Contracting Inc. and to obtain all documents required by said contract;

Therefore, upon receipt of the executed contract from APS Contracting Inc., as well as all documents required by APS Contracting, the Business Administrator is authorized to return the bid bonds to the remaining bidders, namely Arrow Steel Window Corp., R.D. Architectural Products Inc., and Panoramic Windows & Doors Systems, Inc.

The motion unanimously carried by a voice vote.

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#### FINANCE AND INSURANCE

A motion was made by Mr. Hoffmann, duly seconded by Mr. Luna, that the Board approve the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, that the Board approve the Report of transfers for the month of April 2011. (Attachment)

RESOLVED, that the Board approve for payment the attached schedule of audited bills, dated April 18, 2011 and approves the April transfers. (Attachment G-1)

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Berg, duly seconded by Mr. Nelson, that the Board authorize the Business Office and Transportation to advertise for bids to purchase one 2012 54-passenger bus. The motion unanimously carried by a voice vote.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Nelson, a member of the Wantage Open Space Committee, advised the Board that they are researching the purchase of land adjacent to the High Point Regional High School and asked the Board to write a letter of support to the Township supporting the acquisition as open space.

Mr. Nelson, at the request of the Board, will investigate who currently owns the property and the current zoning before the Board will consider a letter of support.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Stumpf read the following:

WHEREAS, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975, also known, as the Sunshine Law, authorizes a public body to meet in executive session under certain limited circumstances, and

WHEREAS, said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive and private session,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the High Point Regional High School District that it does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in executive session at this time to discuss personnel and negotiations matters. The matters discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a public meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Berg, duly seconded by Mr. Case, to enter into executive session to discuss personnel and litigation at 6:58 pm. The motion unanimously carried by a voice vote.

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Berg, duly seconded by Mr. Luna, that the Board adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to regular session at 7:15 pm. The motion unanimously carried by a voice vote.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT** 

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#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further action or discussion required of the High Point Regional High School Board of Education at this time, a motion was made by Mr. Vander Berg, seconded by Mr. Luna, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:17 pm. The motion unanimously carried by a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Alvarez Business Administrator Board Secretary

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