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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MARCH 20, 2018 - 7:00 PM
713 WASHINGTON STREET
HOBOKEN, NJ 07030**

Call to Order

Roll Call

<i>TRUSTEE</i>	<i>PRESENT</i>	<i>ABSENT</i>
Jason Altberger		
John Berger		
Lauren Calmas		
Anthony Felella		
Lisa McIntyre		
Jose Rivera		
Christine Sheedy		
Mark Silberberg		

Deirdra Grode, Executive Director

Morton Mark, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Reading of the Open Public Meeting Statement

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed and acted upon. This is a public meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Hoboken Charter School. At the public meeting action will be taken on a variety of motions.

In accordance with the requirements of the Sunshine Law, the meeting was announced on January 29, 2018. at City Hall and the City Clerk's Office on Washington Street and by advertisement in the *Hoboken Reporter* and the *Jersey Journal*.

Approve Minutes

Minutes of the previous public Board meetings held February 13, 2018 are available for review and/or correction and approval.

I move that the minutes of the Hoboken Board of Trustees Meeting on February 13, 2018 be approved.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Action taken _____

Public comment/questions on agenda items for the meeting

A 15 minute period of time is provided for the public to ask questions on agenda items or make statements to the Board of Trustees. If there are many speakers, the chair will ask for a 3 minute speaking limit per speaker. The Board may extend the public comment portion by motion if necessary.



Presentations:

The following presentations are scheduled for future HCS board meetings:

April 24- The Upper School Advisory Program

May 15- The Upper School Social Justice Lab

A. Policy

Agenda items were not submitted for this meeting.

B. Educational Planning

Agenda items were not submitted for this meeting.

C. Personnel

Agenda items were not submitted for this meeting.

Roll Call Vote

<i>TRUSTEE</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>NO</i>	<i>ABSTAIN</i>	<i>ABSENT</i>
Jason Altberger				
John Berger				
Lauren Calmas				
Anthony Felella				
Lisa McIntyre				
Jose Rivera				
Christine Sheedy				
Mark Silberberg				

D. Finance

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

I. Cash and Fund Balance

Period	Cash Bal	Fund Bal
07.31.17	720,920	812,335
08.31.17	618,023	789,589
09.30.17	776,464	1,011,054
10.31.17	661,830	887,208
11.30.17	573,885	827,490
12.31.17	925,648	1,123,982
01.31.18	950,477	1,001,185
02.28.18	1,150,895	1,240,323

II. Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves the Board Secretary Report as of February 28, 2018, as received in the monthly financial report as per DOE requirements.

III. Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves the Treasurer's Report, as of February 28, 2018, as received in the monthly financial report as per DOE requirements.



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- IV. Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves the Budget Transfers as received in the monthly financial report as per DOE requirements.
- V. Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves the bills as received in the monthly financial report as per DOE requirements.
- VI. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3, the Board of Trustees acknowledges and accepts the certification from the Board Secretary that as of February 28, 2018, this board secretary report that no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23-2.11(a).
- VII. Be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees acknowledges the receipt of the Report of the Treasurer and the Report of the Board Secretary for the month ending February 28, 2018.
- VIII. Further Resolved, the Board of Trustees certifies that no budgeted line item, major account or fund has been over extended in violation of N.J.A.C 6A:23-2.11(a) and (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the school's financial obligations for the remainder of the year.

Roll Call Vote

TRUSTEE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Jason Altberger				
John Berger				
Lauren Calmas				
Anthony Felella				
Lisa McIntyre				
Jose Rivera				
Christine Sheedy				
Mark Silberberg				

E. Information Items

March 20, 2018

Grade	Current	Grade	Current	Grade	Current
K	22	5	22	9	26
1	22	6	22	10	25
2	22	7	22	11	24
3	22	8	22	12	21
4	22			Total	294

School Calendar Reminder

- March 26 – Board Meeting at 7:00 PM at 360 First Street.
- March 29 – 1:00 p.m. prompt dismissal – All after school activities are cancelled.
- March 30 – Schools closed for Spring Break.
- April 1-6 – Schools closed for Spring Break.
- April 19 – Prof. Dev. day – 1:00pm dismissal for students – Movie Day is available.



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- April 24 – Board Meeting at **6:00 PM** at 713 Washington Street. The Board will be in closed session until 7:00pm.
- May 10 – Prof. Dev. day – 1:00pm dismissal for students – Movie Day is available.
- May 15 – Board Meeting at 7:00 PM at 360 First Street.
- May 25 – 1:00pm Dismissal – No After School Activities.
- May 28 – School Closed for Memorial Day
- June 5 – Summer Gathering (June 6 – Summer Gathering Rain Date)
- June 14 – Field Day 1:00pm Dismissal for students only – No After School Activities. (June 15 – Field Day Rain Date)
- June 19 – Board Meeting at 7:00 PM at 713 Washington Street.
- June 20-22 – 1:00pm Dismissal for students only
- June 22 – Last Day of School
- June 22 – Graduation for 8th and 12th Grades

Executive Director's Report

Last month, HCS celebrated Pink Shirt Day, a global movement aimed to bring awareness to and end bullying in schools. This year, the topic of focus was cyber-bullying. The lower, middle, and upper schools joined together to complete activities that inspired kindness, inclusion, and a positive school environment where all students feel safe. We encouraged all students and staff K-12 to wear a pink shirt on this day to promote kindness and to symbolize intolerance to bullying.

The first grade class has been discussing the issue of homelessness launched by HCS upper school students. Through book explorations (sometimes led by their older peers) and conversations, they are learning that homelessness can affect all types of people- adults, elderly, and even children. As a way to help this community issue, the students are hosting a toiletry kit drive. As a class, they decided what items were a necessity and which items were more of a luxury. Besides making their own kits, the students are also writing letters to local businesses to secure additional donations.

The twelfth grade physics students visited the third graders to teach them about Newton's Three Laws of Motion. The twelfth graders explored the laws with various hands-on activities with the third graders. After each activity, they came together to relate their experiences and observations to the three laws and the twelfth graders encouraged them to relate their experiences that day to outside experiences in their everyday lives.

Congratulations to the middle and upper School robotics team, "Roboken," who competed at the FIRST Tech Challenge state championship, "Garden State Rumble," on Sunday, February 25. The team came in 9th out of 24th in their division. They faced extremely strong competition and did a great job. Congratulations to the team and their advisors, Mr. Kunkel and Mr. Greif!

Upper School Report

On Friday, March 2nd, our 9th - 11th grade students attended the 5th Annual Young Women's Leadership Conference held at Montclair State University.

On Friday March 9th, Mr. Mahoney took his senior Economics and AP Economics classrooms on their annual trip to Wall Street. In the economics classes the seniors are studying macroeconomics-specifically fiscal and monetary policy. The students learned the tools for each policy, how to use each to manage the economy, the business cycle, and how to speed up or slow down the economy. Visiting Wall Street provided the students with



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an experiential learning experience where they learned firsthand how the Federal Reserve Bank works in conducting monetary policy and managing the twin evils of inflation and unemployment. The class also saw the New York Stock Exchange building as they are finishing up a 12 week stock portfolio investment project. The tour guide was impressed with their understanding for monetary policy.

On Wednesday, March 14, 2018, all of our 10th and 11th grade students attended the NJACAC Regional College Fair at Kean University in Union, New Jersey.

Lower School/Middle School Administrative Reports

The seventh and eighth grade girls basketball team capped off an undefeated season on Monday, March 12. They defeated Hoboken Middle School 27-18. Congrats to the team and their coach Megan Baird!

Several of our Lower and Middle School classes have participated in experiential field trips outside of the classroom:

- The Math Team participated in the TEAMS math competition
- The third and fourth grade visited Lincoln Center

Student Suspensions

Board of Trustees Committee Reports

New Business

Public Comments

Executive Session

- Matters related to personnel
- Executive matters

F. Adjournment of Meeting

Whereas, the business of the regular meeting has been concluded, now, therefore be it resolved that the HCS Board of Trustees adjourned their meeting of Tuesday, March 20, 2018.

It is hereby certified that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the HCS Board of Trustees, by the vote below indicated at the regular meeting held on Tuesday, March 20, 2018.

Moved by _____ *Seconded by* _____

Action taken _____

Certified by Board Secretary _____

Date _____ *Adjournment* _____