

**Agenda Organization Meeting – January 5, 2022**  
**7:00 p.m., Saybrook School**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE.

NOTICE OF MEETING:

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as follows:

By having the time, date and place of the meeting posted on the bulletin board in the Administration Building on December 16, 2021;

By sending a copy of the meeting notice to the Star Ledger newspaper on December 16, 2021; and

By filing a copy with the Township on December 16, 2021.

The Business Administrator/Board Secretary declares the following persons as duly elected Members of the Hillside Board of Education as a result of the election held on November 2, 2021.

**FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM**

Kimberly Cook

Calvin Lofton

Cheryl Cillo

The Oath of Office is administered to the newly elected Board Members individually.

Oath Administered to Kimberly Cook, by Raymond Hamlin

Oath Administered to Calvin Lofton, by Raymond Hamlin

Oath Administered to Cheryl Cillo, by Raymond Hamlin

**ROLL CALL:**

Allende	Absent	Howard	X
Best	X	Lofton	X
Cillo	X	Shapiro	X
Cook	X	Simmons	X
Givens	X		

Public Comments on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items.

At this time, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary will entertain nominations for the Office of President of the Board of Education.

Motion by Laquana Best, Seconded by Pinchas Shapiro, Kimberly Cook is nominated for the President of the Board.

Kimberly Cook accepts the nomination.

There being no further nominations, motion by Pinchas Shapiro, seconded by Calvin Lofton, that nominations for the Office of President of the Board are ordered closed.

**ROLL CALL: (closing of nominations)**

Allende	Absent	Howard	X
Best	X	Lofton	X
Cillo	X	Shapiro	X
Cook	X	Simmons	X
Givens	X		

Motion carried.        8 Yes   0 No   0 Abstentions

The Business Administrator/Board Secretary will now conduct a Roll Call Vote for Kimberly Cook for the President of the Board.

**ROLL CALL: (Vote for president, first candidate)**

Motion: Best                Second: Shapiro

Allende	Absent	Howard	X
Best	X	Lofton	X
Cillo	X	Shapiro	X
Cook	X	Simmons	X
Givens	X		

Motion carried.        8 Yes   0 No   0 Abstentions

The Business Administrator/Board Secretary declares the results of the election of the President of the Board and turns the gavel over to Kimberly Cook to act as the presiding officer of this meeting.

The newly elected Board President will entertain nominations for the Office of Vice-President of the Board of Education.

Motion by Pinchas Shapiro, seconded by Calvin Lofton, Laquana Best is nominated for the Vice-President of the Board.

Laquana Best accepts the nomination.

There being no further nominations, motion by Calvin Lofton, seconded by Donald Howard, that nominations for the Office of Vice-President of the Board are ordered closed.

**ROLL CALL:** (Close the nominations for vice president)

Allende	Absent	Howard	X
Best	X	Lofton	X
Cillo	X	Shapiro	X
Cook	X	Simmons	X
Givens	X		

The President will now conduct a Roll Call Vote for Laquana Best for the Vice-President of the Board.

**ROLL CALL:** (Vote for Vice-President, **first** candidate)

Motion: Shapiro

Second: Lofton

Allende	Absent	Howard	X
Best	X	Lofton	X
Cillo	X	Shapiro	X
Cook	X	Simmons	X
Givens	X		

Motion carried.        8 Yes   0 No   0 Abstentions

The President declares Laquana Best the new Vice-President of the Board.

Executive Session

1.        Recommend the Board approve the following item:

Open Public Meetings Act – Establish Meeting Dates, Time and Place

RESOLVED that the Hillside Board of Education, pursuant to Chapter 231, PAL. (Open Public Meetings Act) does hereby proclaim the public meetings of the Board of Education will be held in the Hillside Innovation Academy Board Room, 1100 Woodruff Avenue, at 6:30 p.m., as set forth below unless indicated otherwise:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the purpose of the Regular Meetings shall be the normal conduct of business of the Board of Education and any other items brought to the Board's attention by the Board Members, Board Attorney, Superintendent and Business Administrator/Board Secretary

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby designate the Star Ledger and Union County Local Source as official newspapers to receive notices of meetings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notices of meetings of the Board of Education will be posted in the Hillside Board of Education Administration Office and posted on the District website.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education reserves the right to adjourn or recess a meeting at any time to discuss such matters that may be considered in closed session. However, the Board will first adopt a resolution stating the general nature of the subject to be discussed, and, as precisely as possible, the time and circumstances under which disclosure to the public will be made; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in order to conduct its meetings properly and efficiently, the Board shall require the following procedures pertaining to public participation at Board meetings:

- Any individual desiring to speak shall give his or her name, address, and the group, if any, that is represented.
- The presentation shall be as brief as possible but no more than three (3) minutes per individual.
- The Board vests in its president, or other presiding officer, authority to terminate the remarks of any individual if he/she deems it in the best interest of those present to do so.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education will meet on the following dates:

**Regular Meeting Schedule**  
**2022**

<b>JANUARY 20, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 24, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>
<b>MARCH 31, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>
<b>APRIL 28, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>
<b>MAY 26, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>
<b>JUNE 30, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>
<b>JULY 28, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>
<b>AUGUST 25, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER 29, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>
<b>OCTOBER 27, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 17, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>
<b>DECEMBER 22, 2022</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting room – Saybrook School</b>

All board meetings are scheduled to start at 6:30 p.m. (Exceptions will be advertised.)  
All meetings are scheduled to be at Hillside Innovation Academy Board Meeting room, 1100 Woodruff Avenue, Hillside, NJ.

Unforeseen circumstances may require the rescheduling and/or relocation of these meetings. In such cases, notice will be given as provided in the Open Public Meetings Act. All meetings are posted on the district website: [www.hillsidek12.org](http://www.hillsidek12.org).

**ROLL CALL:**

Motion: Shapiro                      Second: Best

Allende	Absent	Shapiro	X
Best	X	Simmons	X
Cook	X	Tucker	X
Givens	X	Worrill	X
Howard	X		

Motion 1 carried. 8 Yes 0 No 0 Abstentions

2. Motion to authorize the Board President to submit standing committee assignments.
3. Motion that the Board of Education conducts its meetings in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.
4. Motion to readopt the existing Bylaws and Policies for the operation of the Board and the school system in full force.
5. Motion to adopt the New Jersey School Board Member Code of Ethics as follows:

RESOLVED, that the New Jersey School Boards Association "Code of Ethics" shall be considered the official Code of Ethics of the Hillside Board of Education:

#### CODE OF ETHICS

- a. I will uphold and enforce all laws, state board rules and regulations, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes should be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- b. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools which meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex or social standing.
- c. I will confine my Board action to policy-making, planning, and appraisal and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
- d. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow Board members, to see that they are well run.
- e. I will recognize that authority rests with the Board of Education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action which may compromise the Board.
- f. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan, political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
- g. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. But in all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow Board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its schools.
- h. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
- i. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.

- j. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on such complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

**ROLL CALL:**

Motion: Shapiro

Second: Howard

Allende	Absent	Howard	X
Best	X	Lofton	X
Cillo	X	Shapiro	X
Cook	X	Simmons	X
Givens	X		

Motions 2 to 5 carried. 8 Yes 0 No 0 Abstentions

6. Motion to declare that Investors Bank shall be the depository for the following accounts, with all signatories per each account as indicated and that all disbursements shall be made by check (reflects only accounts affected due to new president).

<u>Account Name/Number</u>	<u>Signatories</u>
Operating Account #XXXXXXXXX0765	Glover/Eichenholtz/Cook Superintendent/Business Admin./President
Agency Account #XXXXXXXXX0904	Glover/Eichenholtz/Cook Superintendent/Business Admin./President
Unemployment Account #XXXXXXXXX0920	Glover/Eichenholtz/Cook Superintendent/Business Admin./President
Cafeteria Account #XXXXXXXXX0939	Glover/Eichenholtz/Cook Superintendent/Business Admin./President
Athletic Account #XXXXXXXXX0947	Glover/Eichenholtz/Cook Superintendent/ Business Admin./President
Deanna Taylor Banks Scholarship Fund #XXXXXXXXX9042	Glover/Eichenholtz/Cook Superintendent /Bus. Adm. /President
Deanna Taylor Banks Memorial Fund #XXXXXXXXX9056	Glover/Eichenholtz/Cook Superintendent/Bus. Adm./President
Investors Savings Capital Reserve Account #XXXXXXXXX3312	Glover/Eichenholtz/Cook Superintendent/Bus. Adm./President

Escrow Agent, TD Equip.  
Finance, Inc.  
Lease #XXXXX4648  
Escrow #XXXXXX4011

Glover/Eichenholtz/Cook  
Superintendent/Bus. Adm./President

Summer Pay Account  
#XXXXXXX3596

Glover/Eichenholtz/Cook  
Superintendent/Bus. Adm./Bd. Secy./President

**ROLL CALL:**

Motion: Best                      Second: Lofton

Allende	Absent	Howard	X
Best	X	Lofton	X
Cillo	X	Shapiro	X
Cook	X	Simmons	X
Givens	X		

Motion 6 carried.      8 Yes   0 No   0 Abstentions

7.            Motion to appoint Dr. David Eichenholtz, Business Administrator/Board Secretary as the Public Agency Compliance Officer (PACO) for calendar 2022.

**ROLL CALL:**

Motion: Shapiro                      Second: Best

Allende	Absent	Howard	X
Best	X	Lofton	X
Cillo	X	Shapiro	X
Cook	X	Simmons	X
Givens	X		

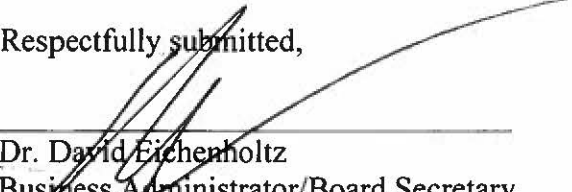
Motion 7 carried.      8 Yes   0 No   0 Abstentions

Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Howard                      Second: Lofton

Motion carried.                      Unanimous voice vote.                      Time: 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Dr. David Eichenholtz  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary