

**MINUTES OF HAMBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
March 4, 2026**

At 6:30 P.M. held in the Cafeteria of Hamburg Elementary School

PRESENT: Robert Jones, President; David Dreifus, Sheila Frayko, Timothy Gillen, Robert Walsh, Lois Ferguson, Michael Frangipane

ABSENT: Kelly Tranes and Tricia Schels

The President opened the meeting at 6:30 P.M. with the Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance, and a roll call, which was followed by the following statement:

“This meeting is being conducted in compliance with the “Open Public Meeting Act Chapter 231—Public Laws of 1975.” Advance written notice of at least 48 hours was given specifying the time, date and to the extent known, the agenda, and stating whether formal action may or may not be taken and has been properly posted at the school, mailed to the Clerk/Administrator, mailed to the New Jersey Herald, the Star Ledger, and the Sunday Herald.”

Mr. Jones read the Hamburg School’s Mission Statement:

The mission of the Hamburg Public School District is to provide an education, which will enable students to acquire the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to become contributing members of society.

The educational program will enable each student to develop emotionally, socially, psychologically, and cognitively within his or her abilities and interests.

The mission of the Hamburg Public School District, therefore, is to develop an educational program that is under constant evaluation, allows all students to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards at all grade levels, and is dedicated to providing experiences relative to the demands of modern society in an effort to best prepare our students to meet with success and grand achievements in the 21st century.

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OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Jones read the following: At this time, members of the public are invited to address the Board. Please note that public comments on the agenda items will be made in accordance with Policy 0167 – Public Presentation at Board Meetings. Each statement made by all participants may be limited to three minutes in duration. If you would like to address the Board, state your name and address before making your statement to the Board.

No public present.

Negotiations & Personnel

On a motion by Mrs. Frayko, seconded by Mr. Gillen, and carried unanimously by roll call vote, the Board approved to rescind the employment contract for Lauren Charuka effective March 2, 2026. Ms. Charuka's last day in the district was Friday, February 27, 2026. Compensation shall be provided in accordance with her contract.

On a motion by Mrs. Frayko, seconded by Mr. Dreifus, and carried unanimously by roll call vote, the Board approved Marisa Maggio as Grade 1 teacher effective Monday, March 9, 2026, at Step 3 (\$69,988). This position does qualify for healthcare benefits.

On a motion by Mr. Frayko, seconded by Mr. Dreifus and carried unanimously by voice vote, the Board adjourned the meeting at 6:38 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Danielle Pra
Board Secretary Pro Tempore