

MINUTES - December 5, 2007

A. CALL TO ORDER

The **Conference Meeting** of the Board of Education of the Bordentown Regional School District was convened on the above date at 6:00 p.m. with Mr. Gabauer presiding.

Sunshine Law Statement

The Board Secretary read the following statement:
In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, this is to announce that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner: Schedule of meetings to be held from May 2, 2007 through April 9, 2008 was conveyed to the Burlington County Times, The Register News, and the Trenton Times on May 4, 2007. Adequate notification of the time of this meeting was conveyed on November 29, 2007.

The Secretary will enter this public announcement into the minutes of this meeting.

B. FLAG SALUTE/SILENT REFLECTION

The Board President led the members of the Board and audience in the salute to the flag and moment of silent reflection.

C. ROLL CALL

The following members answered roll call: Ms. Dansbury, Ms. Gens, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Wehrman, Ms. Zablow, and Mr. Gabauer. ABSENT: Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Glenn, Ms. Trogdon.

Also attending were: Dr. Albert Monillas, Superintendent, and Mrs. Peggy A. Ianoale, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Staff attending were: Pat Lynch.

Visitors attending: No one signed in.

D. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution:

Mr. Lynch read the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Dansbury and unanimously approved at 6:07 p.m.:

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D. EXECUTIVE SESSION (continued)

Open Public Meetings Act

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et. Seq. (Open Public Meetings Act) provides that the Bordentown Regional Board of Education may exclude the public from that portion of the meeting at which the Board of Education discusses certain matters as set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12; and

WHEREAS, the following subject shall be discussed in a session of the Board closed to the public:

INTERVIEW FOR INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the aforesated meeting is closed to the public for the reasons set forth above in accordance with the OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the discussion in closed session will be disclosed to the public at such time as it is no longer necessary to maintain the confidential nature of the items discussed.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:10 p.m.

E. PRESIDENT GABAUER'S REPORT

1. Review of minutes from 11/7/07, 11/23/07, 11/28/07. They will be approved at the December 19th meeting. There were no questions or comments.

F. PUBLIC FORUM

Ms. Reba Snyder - comments regarding the District's recycling program: Bordentown and Delran are the only two districts who don't participate in the County recycling program; Waste Management has our contract; Ann Moore (from County) - County picked up dumpster

1. Where are the dumpsters?
2. Where are the blue recycling barrels?
3. Other schools are not recycling
4. Paying for a service not being used
5. State is surveying districts - we will be fined
6. How much do we pay for this service?

Ms. Ianoale and Mr. Blatchley will give the Board an update at the December 19th meeting.

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G. ATHLETIC REPORT - Ms. Heather Cheesman

No report - Ms. Cheesman was absent

H. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS REPORT - Mr. Brian Lynch

Name boards are up in the gym at the new high school. These are used to list the names of the team members and were previously in the gym at the middle school.

I. CURRICULUM/STUDENT ACTIVITIES REPORT - Ms. Chris

Trogdon

No report - Ms. Trogdon was absent

J. FINANCE REPORT - Ms. Pauline Glenn

No report - Ms. Glenn was absent

K. NEGOTIATIONS REPORT - Ms. Joann Dansbury

We have received a counter-proposal from the Transportation association. A meeting will be scheduled.

L. PERSONNEL REPORT - Ms. Kim Zablow

**1. Appointments per Superintendent's Recommendation:
Resolution: Criminal History Check**

The following staff, positions, and salaries are appointed for emergent hiring pending completion and certification of the State of New Jersey criminal history check. Affidavit(s) from the applicant(s) attesting to no criminal record are in the Superintendent's possession. Staff to which this resolution applies is noted in **bold** print.

1. Approval for Ms. Snezana Vujovic, student at Holy Family University, to do counseling services for practicum experience at MIS and BRHS under guidance of Ms. Lois Popkin and Ms. Stephanie Ashton during the Spring and Fall of 2008.

2. Recommendation for activity advisors at MIS:

Ms. Jen Purdy	Jersey Jumpers	\$587.00
Ms. Marianne Chorba & Ms. Colette Campellone	MIS Newspaper	\$997.00 (split)

3. Grant Revision for Burlington County Adult Basic Education Consortium in the amount of \$25,300 from \$20,500.

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L. PERSONNEL REPORT - Ms. Kim Zablow (continued)

4. Employee #4098 request for leave from the position of bus driver, effective February 20, 2008 through April 21, 2008. She will use approximately 35 accumulated paid sick days during that time.
5. Recommendation for **Mr. Robert VanZelst** to be full time instructional aide in the PreSchool Autism Program at PMS, Step 1, \$18,123, prorated, effective January 28, 2008.
6. Recommendation for Ms. Xiaofan Corey and Mrs. Diane Johnson to be instructors in the after-school ESL Program, stipend of \$2,000 payable through No Child Left Behind Grant at the conclusion of the program.
7. Recommendation for Ms. Kelly Gray to be 25.5 hr/wk Health/PE Teacher at BRMS, replacing Ms. Elizabeth Hill. Ms. Gray will work as a substitute until all necessary paperwork is completed, then she will be BA, Step 1 on the salary guide, salary of \$44,000, prorated.
8. Recommendation of CER Staff, as per attached memo.
9. Recommendation of Ms. Debbie Tartaglia as Theater Business Manager for BRHS, stipend of \$1,427, prorated.
10. Recommendation of Mr. Charles Black as full time contracted bus driver, Step 1, \$14,055 prorated (pending new negotiated agreement). Mr. Black was previously employed as a substitute driver.
11. Recommendation of Ms. Uyhara Parthasarathy as full time contracted bus aide, Step 1, \$7,740 prorated (pending new negotiated agreement). Ms. Parthasarathy has been working as a call in substitute aide.
12. Approval for Spring 2008 Student Teachers.
13. Resignation of Mr. Rob Shappell from the position of Head Golf Coach.

INFORMATION:

14. JOB POSTINGS: After School Basic Skills Instructor; After School ESL Instructor; Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant; Head Spring Boys' Track Coach; Assistant Spring Track Coach; Head Golf Coach

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M. POLICY REPORT - Mr. Brian Lynch

Policy on early dismissal is being formulated through Mr. Pina. January conference meeting will be first review.

N. TECHNOLOGY REPORT - Ms. Joann Dansbury

No report at this time

O. SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT

No report at this time

P. CER REPORT - Ms. Chris Trogdon

Budget was distributed to the board. Further discussion will follow. Ms. Trogdon was absent.

Q. BCC Report - Ms. Heather Cheesman

No report at this time. Ms. Cheesman was absent.

R. PTO/PTA/ED. Foundation Report - Ms. Peggy Gens

Peter Muschal Elem. School December event calendar is attached.

S. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

NJQSAC Personnel calendar attached to the minutes will be adopted by the board on December 19, 2007.

T. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Motion to approve the following items: To be approved and distributed at **12/19/07** meeting.

1. ACCEPTANCE of REPORTS

Board Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

List of Bills

2. a. Acceptance of Board Secretary's Monthly

Certification, Budgetary Line Item Status

b. Certification of budgetary Major Account/Fund Status

3. Change Orders from Falasca Mechanical

4. Late Run Survey

5. School Funding Power Point Presentation

6. Approval for Joint Agreement Payable to a

Contractor (Awarded by a Quote for Transportation), Rick Bus Company to transport one student to and from Midland School in North Branch, effective October 23, 2007 to further notice, total cost \$327.50 per day.

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T. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT (cont.)

7. Approval for Rick Bus Company to transport one student to and from Rugby School in Wall, effective October 23, 2007 to further notice, total cost \$288.50 per day

U. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

Reports will be provided for December 19, 2007 meeting.

V. OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT(S)

No reports at this time

W. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS - Dr. Monillas

1. Fall 2007 Programs for Progress Newsletter
2. Board meetings could begin at 7:00 p.m.

X. NEW HANOVER REPORT

No report at this time

Y. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES - Ms. Jaclyn Gabauer and Ms. Harlee Gallo

- Late buses
- Cheerleading - 7-9 interested students. A concern is that girls cheer for both boys and girls. Too many games and not everyone who might be interested has the time.
- Step Team - 11 girls participating at the present time. Transportation is an issue for this group.

Z. OLD BUSINESS

None at this time

AA. BOARD AND PUBLIC FORUM

- Personnel was presented: where are we?
- Basic Skills: do we have a plan? Should it be with the superintendent?
- Language Arts: handwriting is not a part of curriculum; phonics and spelling need to be addressed.
- ELPAT should have a supervisor.
- Budget discussions will be continued in January

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BB. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution

Mr. Lynch read the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Zablow and unanimously approved at 9:15 p.m.:

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The Board returned to Open Session at 9:30 pm.

A motion was made by Ms. Gens, seconded by Ms. Wehrman to approve the appointment of Dr. Diane DeGiacomo as Interim Superintendent, effective 01/02/2008. She will receive \$600.00 per day and will be employed through 06/30/2008. Her contract will be prepared through consultation with the board attorney.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Dansbury, Ms. Gens, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Wehrman, Ms. Zablow, and Mr. Gabauer. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Glenn, Ms. Trogdon.

Motion unanimously approved.

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CC. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Glenn, seconded by Mr. Lynch to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.
Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Gabauer, III
President

Peggy A. Ianoale
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

