

BORDENTOWN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

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**MINUTES - March 2, 2011**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The **Action Meeting** of the Board of Education of the Bordentown Regional School District was convened on the above date at 7:02 p.m. with the Board President presiding.

**Sunshine Law Statement**

Ms. Lubbers 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 5, 2010 through April 6, 2011 was conveyed to the Burlington County Times, The Register News, and the Trenton Times on April 28, 2010.

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

**B. FLAG SALUTE/SILENT REFLECTION**

The 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**: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Drew, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Wehrman, and Ms. Zablow. **ABSENT**: Mr. Potts.

**Also attending:** Dr. Constance J. Bauer, Superintendent, and Ms. Karen Lubbers.

**Staff attending:** Stephanie Valeri, Ruth Perrine, Leona Stanton, Susan Snyder, Connie McMullen, Dawn Patterson, P. McCutcheon, T. Sebelist, Dan Riether, Lauren Brandimartino, Maureen Reilly, Melanie Stokes, Barbara Boucher, Meghan Varga, Lisa Swanson, Jess Hamlin, Courtney Finn, Ray Snook, Serena Rosen, Erica Wright, Kevin Wright, Paula Roth, Mary Mittelstadt, Ms. Sakowski, Tera Russo, Heather Wawrzyniak, Rita Bergen, A. Sigler, Anthony Rizzo, Kim Rosenberg, Jen Polis, Dianna Mizarak, Linda Eaton, Ellen Kirk, and Rob Walder.

**Visitors attending:** Lisa & Ray Hartmann, Laura Papp, Stephen Reynolds, Rodney & Pauline Bullock, Melissa Wall, Michele Thiel, Wade Roberson, Robert Scranton, Maria Agbulos, Bayzath, K. Wuchack, J. Brown, C. Oz, A. Oz, Debbie Eiffert, Ryan Cain, Yvette Carr, Debra Cramer, Reba Snyder, Chris Bolinger, Antoinette Prusik, Ray McCormack, Howard Zablow, Steve Haberling, Marianne Jackson, James Pendelton, Vera Apple, Joseph Naratta, Marc Berkeyheiser, Madison Parrotta, and Sherri Parrotta.

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**D. EXECUTIVE SESSION (If necessary)** - None

RESOLUTION:

Open Public Meetings Act

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the aforestated meeting is closed to the public for the reasons set forth above in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act; and,

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.

**E. PUBLIC FORUM (for Agenda Items only)**

Members of the public are invited to submit comments pertaining to educational matters during the public comment portion of this meeting. Please report to the microphone and state your name and address for the record prior to addressing the Board of Education. The board, pursuant to *Open Public Meetings Act*, will not publicly discuss personnel matters and may choose not to respond to comments made by members of the public during this portion of the meeting; however, the board will give all comments appropriate consideration and will refer all initial complaints to the administration for resolution. The board may set time limits for the Public Forum and will let the public know of these restraints at the beginning of each Public Forum session.

Please be aware that all board employees retain the right of privacy and shall retain all rights against defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey.

- Public comment: Reba Snyder, Lisa Hartmann, and Ed Tyler.

**F. RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION**

- Music in our schools month.
- Kim Zablow read resolution "Music Lasts a Lifetime".
- Bordentown Regional Middle School Chorus sang "It's Raining Sunshine" led by Ellen Kirk.
- Presentation of awards to students:  
All South Jersey Jr. School Chorus  
Jordan Browne - Bass  
Noelle Carr - Soprano I

**G. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** Austin Kruger, Raymond McCormack, and Madison Parrotta

- The school dance was very successful
- Taste of Bordentown on March 27, 2011
- Café Night on April 8, 2011

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**H. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Ms. Gens, seconded by Mr. MacEwan to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. \*+Motion to approve Travel Requests

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (item #1): AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Drew, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Wehrman and Ms. Zablow. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts.  
Motion unanimously approved.

**I. PERSONNEL REPORT**

A motion was made by Ms. Wehrman, seconded by Mr. Dalton:

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 whom this resolution applies are noted in **bold** print.

1. Motion to accept resignation for the purpose of retirement of Mr. Ronald Franks from the position of High School Security Officer, effective June 30, 2011.
2. Motion to accept resignation for the purpose of retirement of Ms. Mary Lou Davis from the position of Custodian, effective June 30, 2011.
3. Motion to terminate contract of Mr. Kinson Jean from the position of Custodian, effective February 1, 2011.
4. +Motion to approve **Ms. Paula Hessinger** as part-time Basic Skills Instructor at BRMS, 25.5 hours per week, Step 1 with a salary of \$35,206, pro-rated. This is a new position funded through NCLB and represents use of money remaining from amount set aside as required because BRMS is a school in need of improvement.
5. +Motion to approve **Ms. Jacqueline Ferrell** as part time Instructional Aide at PMS, 17.5 hours per week, Step 1 with a salary of \$9,877, pro-rated. This replaces a resignation.
6. Motion to approve Mr. Mike Sulish as volunteer Assistant Golf Coach for BRHS for the 2010-2011 season. He has held this position in the past and is a previous teacher of the district.
7. MOTION TO APPROVE MR. LARRY LARNED AND MS. MARY JORDAN AS VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT GOLF COACHES FOR THE 2010-2011 SEASON. THEY ARE BOTH CURRENT TEACHERS AT BRHS.
8. MOTION TO APPROVE MS. KATIE ASHE AS ASSISTANT SOFTBALL COACH AT BRHS FOR THE 2010-2011 SEASON, STEP 1 WITH A STIPEND OF \$3,786. SHE IS A GRADUATE OF BRHS AND HAS COACHED FIELD HOCKEY FOR US AT BRHS.
9. MOTION TO APPROVE MR. MATTHEW SAVOY AS VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT SOFTBALL COACH AT BRMS FOR THE 2010-2011 SEASON. HE PREVIOUSLY WAS AN ASSISTANT SOFTBALL COACH AT BRMS AND HAS BEEN HELPING OUT IN THIS POSITION.

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10. MOTION TO APPROVE MR. BRIAN GUIRE AS ASSISTANT BASEBALL COACH AT BRHS FOR THE 2010-2011 SEASON, STEP 1 WITH A STIPEND OF \$3,786. HE IS CURRENTLY A TEACHER AT BRHS.
11. MOTION TO APPROVE MR. MICHAEL OLIVER AS VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT BASEBALL COACH AT BRHS FOR THE 2010-2011 SEASON. HE IS CURRENTLY A TEACHER AT MIS.
12. MOTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM MS. SHERRIE PHILBURN FROM THE POSITION OF INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE AT PMS, EFFECTIVE MARCH 11, 2011.
13. Motion to approve Ms. Kiya Teel-Scott to complete 30 hours of observation at MIS with Ms. Robin Blue in partial fulfillment of college course requirements for Farleigh Dickinson University.
14. Motion to approve Ms. Hayley Wolford to do observation at CBS in partial fulfillment of college course requirements at University of Southern California.
15. **INFORMATION:**  
+JOB POSTINGS: 2<sup>ND</sup> SHIFT CUSTODIANS; SPANISH TEACHER - LEAVE REPLACEMENT - BRHS

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (items #1-#7): AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Drew, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Wehrman and Ms. Zablow. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts.  
Motion unanimously approved.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (items #8): AYES: Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Drew, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Wehrman and Ms. Zablow. NOES: Mr. Dalton. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts.  
Motion approved by majority.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (items #9): AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Drew, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Wehrman and Ms. Zablow. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts.  
Motion unanimously approved.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (items #10): AYES: Ms. Dansbury, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Wehrman and Ms. Zablow. NOES: Mr. Dalton and Mr. Drew. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts.  
Motion approved by majority.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (items #11-#14): AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Drew, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Wehrman and Ms. Zablow. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts.  
Motion unanimously approved.

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**J. BUSINESS, FINANCE & OPERATIONS**

A motion was made by Ms. Wehrman, seconded by Ms. Gens to approve the following:

1. Motion to approve sponsoring one student for Boys' State 2011 - cost of \$210
2. Budget Discussions - Dr. Bauer presented a Power Point that explained items that could be put back into the base budget - i.e., full day kindergarten, courtesy busing and middle school sports. This is possible due to the increase the district received in State Aid.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (item #1): AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Drew, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Wehrman and Ms. Zablow. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts.  
Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Ms. Dansbury, seconded by Ms. Gens to approve the following:

3. +Motion to approve resolution for adoption of 2011-2012 Budget

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (item #3): AYES: Ms. Dansbury, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. MacEwan, and Ms. Zablow. NOES: Mr. Dalton, Mr. Drew, and Ms. Wehrman. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts.  
Motion approved by majority.

A motion was made by Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Dalton to approve the following:

4. Recommendation to NOT have second questions on the ballot.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (item #4): AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Drew, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Wehrman and Ms. Zablow. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts.  
Motion unanimously approved.

**K. POLICY** - None

**L. CURRICULUM REPORTS** - None

**M. COMMITTEE REPORTS** - None

**N. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Tabled for further discussion were the following Resolutions:

1. + Opportunity Scholarship Act, Tenure Reform, Last Best Offer and Opposition to Moving Annual School Election to November.

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**O. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS**

Thank You letter from Chief Simmons regarding funeral for Spc. Benjamin Moore.

**P. NEW HANOVER REPORT - Mr. Chris Sirak** - No Report

**Q. UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

**R. BOARD AND PUBLIC FORUM**

- Public - Ed Tyler, Margaret Kruger, Maryann Jackson, Heather Cheesman, Tara Russo, Howard Barman, Reba Snyder, Liz Brotherton, Lisa Hartman, Ray Snook, Austin Kruger,

**T. EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION**

Mr. MacEwan read the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Goff and unanimously approved at 11:10 p.m.:

**RESOLUTION:**

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The Board returned to Open Session at 11:20 p.m.

**U. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. MacEwan, seconded by Mr. Drew to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 p.m.  
Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kim Zablow  
President

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Peggy A. Ianoale  
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary