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The Reorganization Meeting of the Board of Education of the Bordentown Regional School District was convened on the above date at 7:30 p.m. with the Superintendent presiding.

The Superintendent 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 held from May 9, 2005, through April 5, 2006, was conveyed to the Burlington County Times, The Register News, and the Trenton Times on April 27, 2005. Adequate notice of this meeting was conveyed on April 6, 2006.

Agendas were posted in all district school buildings, Central Office, Township Hall and City Hall, announcing time and place of meeting.

Advance written notice of this meeting was mailed to all persons who, according to records of the Secretary of this board, requested and paid for same.

The Superintendent led the members of the Board and audience in the salute to the flag and moment of silent meditation.

Oath of office was administered by the Acting Board Secretary (the Superintendent) to newly elected Board Members: Mr. John Gabauer (Township), Ms. Heather Cheesman (City), Ms. Joann Dansbury (City), Mr. Anthony DiLemme (City).

The following members answered roll call:
Ms. Cheesman, Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. DiLemme, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Trogdon. ABSENT: None.

Also attending were:
Mr. John Polomano, Superintendent

Staff attending were: Reba Snyder, Patrick Lynch.

Visitors attending were: no one signed in.

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ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING BUSINESS

Information about New Hanover Representation

A motion was made by Mrs. Dansbury, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld to approve the Resolution to Adopt Existing Policies (Resolution attached to the minutes).

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. DiLemme, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Trogdon. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.
Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dansbury, seconded by Ms. Glenn, to nominate Mr. Anthony DiLemme as President. As there were no other nominations, the Acting Board Secretary cast the ballot electing Mr. DiLemme as President. Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Lynch, seconded by Ms. Glenn to nominate Mr. Joseph Gore as Vice President. The Acting Board Secretary cast the ballot electing Mr. Gore as Vice President. Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mrs. Trogdon, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld to adopt the following Resolutions (see attached):

- a. Accept Election Results
- b. Accept Existing Curricula that has been approved by the Board of Education
- c. Confirm Existing Contracts and Agreements
- d. Authorize Check Signing by Machine
- e. Authorize Board Secretary to Sign Payroll Checks in the Absence of the Treasurer
- f. Designate Official Depositories - all duly certified depositories in State of New Jersey
- g. Designate Bank Account Signers 7/2006 to 6/2007:
 - Board President or Vice President
 - Bd. Sec./Business Admin. or Superintendent
 - Treasurer of School Moneys

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.
Motion unanimously approved.

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A motion was made by Mrs. Trogdon, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld to approve the following resolution:

- h. Establish regular meeting schedule in accordance with Open Public Meetings Act (list attached showing dates for 1st and 3rd Wednesdays)

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.

Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mrs. Trogdon, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld to approve the following resolutions:

- i. Designate Official Publications:
- Burlington County Times
 - Register News
 - Trenton Times
- j. Notice of Mailing Fees
- k. Establish Price of Athletic Passes (per Policy #1315) - No change from previous year
- \$10.00 Adults
 - \$ 5.00 Students
 - Free - Senior Citizens
- l. Appoint Affirmative Action Officers:
- Ms. Peggy A. Ianoale, BA/BS - Business Contracts
 - Ms. Sandra Ewell - All other matters
- Building Affirmative Action Officers:
- BRHS - Mr. Patrick Lynch
 - BRMS - Ms. Betty Vaneekhoven
 - MIS - Mr. Steve Martin
 - CBS - Ms. Jenny Farina
 - PMS - Ms. Betsy Wonderlin

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m. Appoint Providers of Professional Services:

- Solicitor: Mr. Stephen J. Mushinski, Esquire (no change), Parker McCay & Criscuolo
- Treasurer: Mr. Thomas A. Haje (additional \$296)
- Physician: David J. Addis, M.D. (no change)
- Auditor: waiting for more information - to be determined after May 3, 2006 meeting

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.
Motion unanimously approved.

n. Board of Education Committees

(preceding year's list is attached and blank copy for your use - please consider committees in which you may be interested)

o. Board Member List (update)

(will be updated after officers & committee members are selected) (Please verify your information on this list)

A motion was made by Mrs. Trogdon, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld to approve ESU for Nursing, Technology and Chapters 192/193 Services (this is for non-public school funds).

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.
Motion unanimously approved.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session Resolution

Mr. Gore read the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld and unanimously approved at 8:03 p.m.:

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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 on this date in the session of the Board closed to the public:

PERSONNEL, NEGOTIATIONS

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; 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.

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:40 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Cover Memo - E-Mail

A motion was made by Ms. Glenn, seconded by Mrs. Dansbury to approve the Consent Agenda.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme.
NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.

Motion unanimously approved.

Reading & Approval of Minutes

March 1, 2006
March 8, 2006
March 15, 2006
March 23, 2006
March 29, 2006

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Approval of Substitute Personnel (Revised List (Mr. Polomano will distribute))

Resolution: Criminal History Check

The following substitute staff, student teachers, positions, and rates of compensation as previously adopted are appointed for emergent hiring pending completion and certification of the State of New Jersey Criminal History Check. Affidavits are attached from the applicants attesting to no criminal record. (Substitutes to whom this applies are noted in **bold/black** type.)

Add to list: SECRETARIAL SUB: Margaret Panebianco

Acceptance of Reports

Out-of-District Placements

Home Bound Instruction Report

Suspensions &

Enrollment

BRHS 699

MJS 357

CBS 390

PMS 797

TOTAL 2,243

Fire Drills

03/16/06 & 03/27/06

03/06/06 & 03/09/06

03/08/06 & 03/22/06

03/10/06 & 03/23/06

Acceptance of Business and Financial Reports

Board Secretary's Report (March)

Treasurer's Report (March)

Transportation Report (February)

List of Bills (April, Batch 67)

PUBLIC FORUM

STAFF PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Mrs. Dansbury, seconded by Mrs. Trogdon to approve the following appointments, per the 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) is(are) attached 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.

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- a. Approve Mr. Brendan Hartz for leave of absence from the position of music teacher at MJS, effective April 19, 2006 through June 30, 2006. He will use accumulated paid sick days.
- b. Accept resignation of Ms. Christine Niznik from the position of 1st grade special education teacher at CBS, effective June 30, 2006.
- c. Accept, with best wishes, retirement of Ms. Rhona Koplowitz from the position of 1st grade teacher at PMS, effective June 30, 2006.
- d. Accept resignation of Mr. Wayne Tozzi from the position of technology teacher at MJS, effective June 30, 2006.
- e. Approve splitting of stipend for Class of 2008 advisor between Ms. Cindy Gola and Mr. Larry Larned.
- f. Approve Ms. Emily Rizzo, TCNJ student, to do counseling practicum and internship at MIS for the fall 2006-2007 school year. Ms. Vaneekhoven will supervise.
- g. Approve unpaid leave of absence for Ms. Ashley Akers from the position of elementary school teacher at Clara Barton School for the 2006-2007 school year.
- h. Accept, with best wishes, retirement of Mr. Robert Groover from the position of science teacher at BRHS, effective June 30, 2006.
- i. Accept, with best wishes, retirement of Ms. Diane Cashman from the position of payroll coordinator, effective June 30, 2006.
- j. Accept, with best wishes, resignation of Ms. Lauren Niewender from the position of English teacher at BRHS, effective June 30, 2006.
- k. Approve payment of stipend of \$2,000 each to Ms. Janice Wilson and Ms. Xioafan Corey for completion of required duties for after-school ESL program. This is funded through No Child Left Behind Grant.
- l. Approve termination of employment for Mr. Joel Romulus, night custodian at PMS, effective 4/27/06.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme.
NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.
Motion unanimously approved.

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INFORMATION

Job Postings: PMS 1st grade teacher (Ms. Koplowitz's replacement); BRSD Elementary Health/PE (Ms. DiStefano's replacement who is going to BRHS to replace Ms. Millet); PMS Art teacher (Mr. Kulesa's replacement for leave); MIS Computer teacher (Mr. Tozzi's replacement); Social Studies teacher, BRMS, Mr. Lewis' replacement; Science (Chemistry) teacher, BRMS, (Mr. Groover's replacement)

STUDENT PERSONNEL & PROGRAMS

A motion was made by Mrs. Trogdon, seconded by Mr. Gabauer to approve the following:

- Motion to allow child of staff member to attend BRHS 2006-2007
- Recommendation to remove a student from roles (Mr. Polomano will explain)

Motion unanimously approved.

POLICIES

BUSINESS & FINANCE

A motion was made by Mr. Hirschfeld, seconded by Mrs. Dansbury to approve the following:

2. a. Acceptance of Board Secretary's Monthly Certification, Budgetary Line Item Status
- b. Certification of budgetary Major Account/Fund Status
3. Approve March Hand Checks (Batch 66)
4. Approve Change Order #GC-17, increase \$34,490 (Renovations - correction of chiller walls. This will be reimbursed by Thomas Associates.)
5. Approve Change Order #SC-03, increase of \$10,337.00
6. Approve Change Order #GC-23, decrease of \$10,234.03

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.

Motion unanimously approved.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

1. Staging for water line installation

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Set date for Negotiations Committee
2. Set date for meetings with governing bodies

INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Spring 2006 pocket athletic schedules
2. Flyer regarding Internet Safety Night, 5/16/06, 7 pm at BRHS
3. Information regarding retirement dinner for Ms. Denise Bauer
4. Spring/Budget Programs for Progress
5. Summer Brochures for CE/R
6. Revised Staff Cell Number List
7. After School classes
8. Budget cuts article
9. Four day work week
10. Discuss next meeting date
11. Scholastic Achievement Award Dinner reminder: May 1, 2006, 6:30 p.m. Recipients are as follows: Dr. Elizabeth Putnam, Ph.D and Mr. Joseph Groveman, V.M.D.
12. Update CE/R

BOARD & PUBLIC FORUM

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Hirschfeld, seconded by Mr. Lynch to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 p.m. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony DiLemme
President

John Polomano
Superintendent

