

BRSD Board of Education

May 09, 2005 - Minutes

The Personnel Action 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 Board Secretary presiding.

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: Conveyed to the Burlington County Times, The Register News, and the Trenton Times on April 27, 2005.

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

The following members answered roll call:

Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. DiLemme, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Dr.

Nicholls, and Mr. Binder. ABSENT: Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore (arrived at 7:35 p.m.), Mrs. Trogdon (arrived at 7:45 p.m.).

Also attending were:

Mr. John Polomano, Superintendent, and Mrs. Peggy A. Ianoale,
School Business Admin./Board Secretary

Staff attending were: Reba Snyder

Visitors attending were: Kathy Grove

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session Resolution

Mr. DiLemme read the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Dansbury and unanimously approved at 7:35 p.m.:

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, REAL PROPERTY, 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 10:12 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Cover Memo

PUBLIC FORUM

STAFF PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Dr. Nicholls, seconded by Mrs. Trogon to approve the following:

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.

- a. Approve elimination of full time Substance Awareness Coordinator position, effective May 10, 2005.
- b. Motion to approve elimination of 25.5 hours per week Basic Skills position at Peter Muschal School, effective June 30, 2005, as per 2005-2006 budget.
- c. Approve elimination of half-day kindergarten at Clara Barton School, effective June 30, 2005, as per 2005-2006 budget.
- d. Approve elimination of one 3rd grade at Clara Barton School, effective June 30, 2005, as per 2005-2006 budget.
- e. Approve elimination of one 25.5 hour per week aide, effective June 30, 2005, as per 2005-2006 budget.
- f. Approve elimination of full-time Special Education Aide, effective June 30, 2005, as per 2005-2006 budget.
- g. Approve elimination of full-time French Teacher at Bordentown Regional High School, effective June 30, 2005.
- h. Approve elimination of full-time Athletic Trainer position in the Bordentown Regional School District, effective June 30, 2005.
- i. Approve creation of a 15 hour per week French position at Bordentown Regional High School, effective September 1, 2005.

- j. Approve Athletic Trainer position NOT TO EXCEED 25 hours per week, in the Bordentown Regional School District, effective July 1, 2005.
- k. Approve elimination of one full-time Basic Skills Teacher position at Clara Barton School, effective June 30, 2005.

NOTE: There have been two full-time Basic Skills Teachers retire at Clara Barton School.

- l. Approve creation of two 25.5 hours per week positions for Basic Skills instruction, effective September 1, 2005.
- m. Approve **Ms. Serena Rosen** as Supervisor of Math/Science in the district, effective July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. Salary of \$73,500. This replaces Mr. David Berkowitz
- n. Approve **Mr. Matthew Derby** as Art Teacher at MJS, effective September 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, Step 1 BA+24, \$44,045. This replaces Ms. Elaine DeFrancesco.
- o. Approve **Ms. Emily Cain** as Special Education Teacher at CBS, effective September 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, Step 3 MA, salary of \$47,712. This replaces Ms. Elizabeth Glenn, who moved to MJS.
- p. Approve transfer of Ms. Nancy Bender to PMES from CBS, per her request, to fill retirement of Ms. Marilyn Reed as music teacher, effective September 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006. This leaves a vacancy at CBS.
- q. Approve Ms. Lisa Swanson as full-time Basic Skills Teacher at CBS, effective September 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006.
- r. Approve posting for full time kindergarten position at CBS, created by transferring Ms. Swanson to Basic Skills.

- s. Accept, with best wishes, resignation of Ms. Berenice Blum-Bart from the position of Principal at Clara Barton School, effective end of work day, June 24, 2005.
- t. Accept, with best wishes, retirement of Ms. Fredyne Jones, effective June 30, 2005, from the position of Language Arts teacher at MJS.
- u. Accept, with best wishes, resignation of Ms. Kristin Kish from the position of 2nd grade teacher at PMES, effective June 30, 2005.
- v. Accept, with best wishes, resignation of Ms. Susan Skowronski from the position of 2nd grade teacher at PMES, effective June 30, 2005.
- w. Accept, with best wishes, retirement of Ms. Nancy Cottingham from the position of English/Latin Teacher at BRHS, effective June 30, 2005.
- x. Approve leave for Ms. Laurie Gambogi, effective September 5, 2005 through April 3, 2006. She will use 20 sick days beginning September 12, 2005 through October 10, 2005 and then continue on Federal Family Leave Act through April 2, 2006.
- y. Approve the following:
 - Non-Tenured Teachers 2005-2006 - "A"
 - Tenured Administrators 2005-2006 - "C"
 - Non-Represented Administrators 2005-2006 - "D"
 - Non-Tenured Support Staff 2005-2006 - "E"
 - Tenured Staff 2005-2006 - "F"
 - Aides 2005-2006 - "G"
 - Custodians/Maintenance/Transportation - "H"
 - Positions not eligible for Tenure & Leaves - "I"
 - CE/R: Ms. Linda Alexander & Ms. Marge Witman - "J"
- z. Approve upgrade of BRHS Acting Assistant Principal position to Assistant Principal, effective July 1, 2005.

- aa. Approve Mr. James Lympers as Assistant Principal at BRHS, effective July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. Salary of \$73,000. This replaces Mr. Rob Walder.
- bb. Approve reduction of technology trainer from 40 hours per week to 35 hours per week.
- cc. Approve payment for Ms. Laurie Gambogi and Ms. Xiaofan Corey for completion of after school ESL Program, funded by "No Child Left Behind", stipend of \$1,600 each.
- dd. Approve Ms. Stacy Ann Ewing to work as a social work intern with Ms. Tina Zack for the 2005-2006 school year, effective July 1, 2005.
- ee. Approve Ms. Nicole Kearns, School Counseling candidate at TCNJ, as a guidance counselor intern for 2005-2006 school year. She will work under Ms. Dawn Patterson and Ms. Jan Wilson at PMES.
- ff. Approve Ms. Rebecca Edwardson to observe Ms. Jordan's class for completion of course work.
- gg. Create a not-to-exceed 20 hours per week position in the Business Office, Secretary II, no benefits.
- hh. Approve Business Office realignment: half-time payroll, 20 hour Secretary II.
- jj. Reduce Ms. Diane Cashman, Payroll, to half-time, eff. May 10, 2005.
- kk. Continue Mr. Craig Willitts' suspension as unpaid until job performance evaluation, eff. May 13, 2005.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. DiLemme, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Dr. Nicholls, Mrs. Trogon and Mr. Binder. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Ms. Glenn.

Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dansbury, seconded by Mr. Lynch to approve Non-Tenured Administrators 2005-2006 (sheet "B")("H.1.y" on Agenda Sheet).

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. DiLemme, Mr. Gore, Mr. Lynch, Dr. Nicholls, Mrs. Trogdon and Mr. Binder. NOES: Mr. Hirschfeld. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Ms. Glenn.

Motion approved by a majority vote.

A motion was made by Dr. Nicholls, seconded by Mrs. Trogdon to approve Ms. Melissa Guido's (Guidance secretary at the high school) part time status through September 1, 2005.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Mr. DiLemme, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Dr. Nicholls, Mrs. Trogdon and Mr. Binder. NOES: Mrs. Dansbury. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Ms. Glenn.

Motion approved by a majority vote.

INFORMATION:

Job Postings: CBS Principal, CBS Special Education Teacher K-1, CE/R After School Basic Skills Program Instructors, Summer ESL Program

STUDENT PERSONNEL & PROGRAMS

A motion was made by Mrs. Dansbury, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld to accept a grant in the amount of \$5,000 from the Nelchen T. Sievers Trust to Clara Barton School for literacy. Motion unanimously approved.

POLICIES (none)

BUSINESS & FINANCE

A motion was made by Dr. Nicholls, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld to approve the following:

1. Approve Change Order #HC-8, Falasca Mechanical for CBS, decrease of \$3,400.00
2. Approve Change Order #HC-9, Falasca Mechanical for PMES, decrease of \$1,100.00
3. Approve Change Order #HC-10, Falasca Mechanical for Middle School, decrease of \$3,100.00
4. Approve Change Order HC-11, Falasca Mechanical for MJS, decrease of \$2,400.00
5. Approve Change Order #HC-13, Falasca Mechanical for PMES, increase of \$2,113.52
6. Approve Change Order #HC-14, Falasca Mechanical for Middle School, increase of \$7,715.00
7. Approve three year renewal of membership in School Alliance Insurance Fund and appointment of EJA Insurance as Risk Management Consultant

Motion unanimously approved.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

1. Update on High School: Soil, Bleachers, Auditorium Seats, Library
2. New High School Security

3. Possible acceptance of bleacher bids (will distribute if available)

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mr. Lynch to accept the Recommendation for Award of Bid for Telescoping Bleachers for New Bordentown Regional School District High School. Two bids were received and opened on April 27, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. Degler-Whiting bid \$97,470 and Nickerson Corporation bid \$97,300. The bid was awarded to Nickerson Corporation in the amount of \$97,300. Funds are available from 2002 Bond Referendum.

Motion unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. CE/R Meeting 5/2/05 - Minutes
2. CE/R - Surplus Information/Prior Years
3. Board members for Academic Hall of Fame

INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Schedule of new board meeting dates
2. Physician Proposal Solicitation Letters
3. BREa Special "25 Year" Dinner Celebration Invitation
4. CBS May Newsletter
5. Four day work week - Summer - July 4th through August 26th
6. Letter from parent at PMES regarding Teacher Appreciation
7. Letter from New Jersey Turnpike Authority

8. Student achievement
9. Technology Student Association letter regarding award
10. American School Board Journal
11. Mr. Jim Ryan's Retirement Party Invitation

BOARD & PUBLIC FORUM

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld to adjourn the meeting at _____p.m. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas Binder, President

Peggy A. Ianoale

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary