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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 7:00 p.m. with Ms. Dansbury 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 6, 2009 through March 17, 2010 was conveyed to the Burlington County Times, The Register News, and the Trenton Times on April 8, 2009.

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: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. Lynch, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Dansbury. ABSENT: Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman.

Also attending: Dr. Constance J. Bauer, Superintendent, and Mrs. Peggy A. Ianoale, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Staff attending: Susan Leonard, Rob Walder, Pat Lynch, Louise Sullivan, Darlene de la Cruz, Melissa Abbott, Sandy Ewell, Kathy Siegfried, Liz Brotherton, Ed Chmiel, Ann Marie O'Leary, Jeanette McCue.

Visitors attending: Jennifer Citarella, Cheryl Fitzpatrick, Victoria Foma, Paul Zolna, Mae Hamilton, Emily Eynon, Samantha Shain, Richard M. Shain, Jim Brotherton, Jesse Johnson, Stephen Koch, Lisa Wendel.

D. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Not necessary

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E. PUBLIC FORUM (for Agenda Items only)

Question regarding athletic fields

**F. DISCUSSION OF DECEMBER 8, 2009 REFERENDUM AND TAX
IMPACT OF PROJECT**

A motion was made by Mr. Lynch, seconded by Ms. Zablow, to approve the following:

1. Motion to approve resolution accepting Preliminary Eligible Costs for High School Athletic Fields and Installation of Rooftop Photovoltaic System on Roof of Bordentown Regional High School

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. Lynch, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Dansbury. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman.

Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Ms. Hoffman, seconded by Mr. MacEwan, to approve the following:

2. Motion to approve allocation of energy savings and sale of Solar Renewal Energy Credits (SRECs) to debt service fund.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. Lynch, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Dansbury. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman.

Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Ms. Hoffman, seconded by Ms. Zablow, to approve the following:

3. Motion to cancel September 2, 2009 Public Hearing - to be rescheduled.
4. Motion to approve Resolution Authorizing December 8, 2009 Referendum.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. Lynch, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Dansbury. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman.

Motion unanimously approved.

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**F. DISCUSSION OF DECEMBER 8, 2009 REFERENDUM AND TAX
IMPACT OF PROJECT (continued)**

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

5. Motion to approve the Referendum Questions as two (2) separate questions.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. MacEwan, and Ms. Dansbury. NOES: Mr. Lynch, Ms. Zablow. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman.
Motion approved by a majority vote.

G. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES - Blasia Antinoro

No student representative was present

H. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

(**New Hanover votes)

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

1. Motion to approve Minutes from 7/15/09**
2. Motion to approve Substitute Personnel List (BRSD & Source 4 Teachers)**
3. Motion to approve Out of District Placement**
4. Motion to approve Travel Requests**
5. Motion to accept Enrollment, Fire Drill and Suspension Reports**

Enrollment

BRHS	758
BRMS	535
MIS	339
CBS	240
PMS	<u>604</u>
TOTAL	2,476

6. Motion to accept Board Secretary's Report** (June & July)
7. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report** (June & July)
8. Motion to accept List of Bills**

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. Lynch, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Dansbury. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman.
Motion unanimously approved.

I. PERSONNEL REPORT

A motion was made by Mr. MacEwan, seconded by Ms. Zablow to approve the following:

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I. PERSONNEL REPORT (continued)

1. Appointments per the Superintendent's

Recommendation:

(**New Hanover Votes)

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**.

***ALL BREA SALARIES WILL BE ADJUSTED**

PENDING NEGOTIATIONS*

- a. Motion to approve adjustment to Mr. Stephen Perry's salary to MA, Step 1, \$48,000. He was previously approved at BA Step 1 \$45,000 and has provided proof of graduate credits.
- b. Motion to approve adjustment to Ms. Doreen Stettner's salary to BA+12, Step 9, \$55,466. She was previously approved at BA Step 1 \$45,000 and has provided proof of graduate credits as well as years of employment.
- c. Motion to approve Ms. Susan Leonard as Full Time Preschool Autistic teacher at Peter Muschal Elementary School, MA+12, Step 1, \$49,050.
- d. Motion to approve **Ms. Victoria Foma** as an Autistic Classroom Teacher at Peter Muschal Elementary School, MA Step 1, \$48,000.
- e. Motion to approve **Mr. Jesse Johnson** as Special Education Math Teacher at Bordentown Regional Middle School, BA+30, Step 1, \$47,100.
- f. Motion to approve **Ms. Lisa Wendel** as Special Education Social Studies Teacher at Bordentown Regional Middle School, BA+30 Step 1, \$47,100, pending receipt of official transcript for +30.
- g. Motion to approve **Mr. Steven Koch** as Social Studies Teacher at Bordentown Regional Middle School, MA, Step 1, \$48,000, pending receipt of official transcript for MA.
- h. Motion to approve **Ms. Cheryl Fitzpatrick** as Teacher of the Deaf or Hard of Hearing, MA+36, Step 9, \$60,916.
- i. Motion to approve **Ms. Jennifer Citarella** as School Counselor at PMS, MA Step 1, \$48,000.

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I. PERSONNEL REPORT (continued)

- j. Motion to approve **Mr. Brian Stimson** as Assistant Bus Mechanic, Step 1, \$38,081.
- k. Motion to approve Ms. Melissa Vergantino as Full Time 3rd Grade Teacher at PMS, BA Step 1, \$45,000, from Part Time BSI, BA Step 1, \$32,787.
- l. Motion to rescind Ms. Xiaofan Corey as Freshman Class Advisor.**
- m. Motion to approve Ms. Niyati Green as Freshman Class Advisor, stipend of \$1,315.**
- n. Motion to approve the following extracurricular recommendations for BRMS 2009-2010:
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| Ms. Mary Lynn Morino &
Ms. Harriet Walker | Yearbook | Stipend \$657.50 each |
| Ms. Lisa Hudik &
Ms. Patricia Ridolfi | Student Council | Stipend \$592.00 each |
| Ms. Ellen Kirk | Drama | Stipend \$2,499.00 |
| Ms. Andrea Molnar | Team FAD | Stipend \$1,868.00 |
| Mr. Greg Poole | Woodworking Club | Stipend \$1,462.00 |
| Ms. Susan Gerike | Newspaper | Stipend \$1,462.00 |
| Ms. Dawn Patterson &
Ms. Amy Rabenda | Impact Club | Stipend \$756.50 each |
| Ms. Toby Steinhouse &
Ms. Karyn Yakabosky | RAPS | Stipend \$716.00
(Ms. Steinhouse)
Stipend \$675.50
(Ms. Yakabosky) |
- o. Motion to rescind Mr. Charles Megules as Marching Band Director for 2009-2010.
- p. Motion to approve Ms. Gloribell Mercado-Lopez to complete a 675 hour social work internship during 2009-2010 school year. Ms. Mercado-Lopez is a Rutgers student and will work under the supervision of Ms. Adrienne Sigler during this time.
- q. Motion to approve Ms. Cathy Tilghman for leave of absence from the position of Autistic Aide at PMS for the 2009-2010 school year.
- r. Motion to accept resignation from Ms. Tawny Desjardins from the position of School Counselor at MacFarland Intermediate School, effective immediately.
- s. Motion to accept resignation from Ms. Valerie O'Farrow from the position of Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant, effect August 26, 2009.
- t. Motion to approve **Ms. Jessica Haughton** as Assistant Field Hockey Coach at BRHS. She will split the stipend of \$3,552 with Ms. Katie Ashe. They will each receive a stipend of \$1,776.

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I. PERSONNEL REPORT (continued)

- u. Motion to approve Mr. David Pone and Mr. Steve O'Neal as volunteer assistant coaches for BRHS Boys' Soccer for the 2009-2010 school year.
- v. Motion to approve Ms. Maggie Anderson as volunteer assistant BRHS Cheerleading coach.
- w. Motion to rescind approval of Mr. Kristian Rivera from the position of Assistant Football Coach for BRHS.
- x. Motion to approve **Mr. John Tezik** as Assistant Football Coach for BRHS. This will be Step 1 with a stipend of \$4,012.
- y. Motion to approve the following extracurricular recommendations for MIS for the 2009-2010 school year:
 - Mr. Jason D'Annunzio & Student Council Advisors
 - Ms. Elizabeth Allocca Stipend \$493.50 each
 - Ms. Colette Campellone & Newspaper Advisors
 - Ms. Julie Kopay McCall Stipend \$559.00 each
- z. Motion to approve extended leave of absence for Ms. Amanda Sexton through September 29, 2009 from the position of Art Teacher at BRHS.
- aa. Motion to approve Ms. Darlene de la Cruz as Affirmative Action Officer for the district with a stipend of \$2,000.
- bb. Motion to approve **Mr. Jesse Johnson** as Assistant Girls' Soccer Coach at BRMS for 2009-2010, stipend of \$1,500.
- cc. Motion to approve 2009-2010 Fall and Spring Student Teachers.
- dd. Motion to accept resignation of Ms. Sherri Cohoon from the position of 4th Grade Teacher at MIS.
- ee. Motion to accept resignation of Ms. Lauren Marinaro from the position of BRHS Math Teacher.
- ff. Motion to accept resignation of Mr. Craig Patterson from the position of Student Council Advisor at BRHS.
- gg. Motion to approve 3% salary increase for Ms. Sandy Ewell, current salary is \$68,327. With increase, salary will be \$70,377, effective July 1, 2009.
- hh. Motion to approve Ms. Emily Eynon as Instrumental Music Teacher, MA Step 1 with a salary of \$48,000, effective September 1, 2009 through January 28, 2010.

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I. PERSONNEL REPORT (continued)

- ii. Motion to approve **Ms. Emily Eynon** as Marching Band Director for BRHS for 2009-2010 with a stipend of \$3,946.
- jj. Motion to approve **Ms. Jessica Broomfield** as Leave Replacement Substitute Teacher for BRMS, effective September 1, 2009 through October 12, 2009.
- kk. Motion to approve Mr. Brandon Aaronson as Full Time Preschool Handicapped Aide for the Autistic Program at PMS, Step 1, Salary of \$18,866, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
- ll. Motion to approve Mr. Clifford Kee as Part Time Preschool Handicapped Aide (25.5 hrs.) for the Autistic Program at PMS, Step 1, Salary of \$18,866, pro-rated, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
- mm. Motion approve Mr. Leo Jablonski as Part Time Preschool Handicapped Aide (25.5 hrs) for the Autistic Program at PMS, Step 1, Salary of \$18,866, pro-rated, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
- nn. Motion to approve Aide Placement for 2009-2010 as per attached.
- oo. Motion to approve Ms. Amy Greene as Math Teacher at BRHS, MA Step 1, salary of \$48,000, effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
- pp. Motion to approve Extended Leave of Absence for Ms. Michelle Brennan from the position of Spanish Teacher at BRHS, effective November 16, 2009 through January 29, 2010.
- qq. Motion to revise Ms. Kathryn Mockus' contract to be extended as Leave Replacement from September 1, 2009 through January 29, 2010.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. Lynch, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Danbury. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman.
Motion unanimously approved.

INFORMATION:

rr. JOB POSTINGS:

K-12 Humanities Supervisor; Special Ed Teacher - BRHS, BRMS; Teacher of the Deaf - PMS; Preschool Disabilities Teacher Autistic Class - PMS; Instructional Aide - PMJS; Preschool Autism Aides (2) - PMS; Visual Handicapped 1:1 Aide - CBS; Elementary K-8 Guidance Counselor; Instrumental Music Teacher K-12; Boys' Wrestling Coach - BRMS.

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J. BUSINESS, FINANCE & OPERATIONS

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

1. Motion to approve NJIAA Agreement
2. Motion to approve extension of contract with Hess Corporation for the delivery and supply of natural gas through June 30, 2010.
3. Motion to approve Transfers
4. Motion to approve Printed Material Quotes for 2009-2010 (attached)
5. Motion to rescind approval for SunTrust Equipment Finance & Leasing Corp. for financing of \$462,203.50 for VOIP Project. SunTrust has declined to honor the commitment.
6. Motion to approve TD Bank for financing of \$462,203.50 for VOIP Project at an interest rate of 3.65%. Total financing cost to the Board is \$37,190.50, an increase of \$1,815.80 over SunTrust.
7. Burlington County and BRSD Emergency Preparedness Planning. See attached revised documents made available on 8/11/09 from Mr. Law.
8. Motion to approve "Concurrence Statement" authorizing that in the event of a public health emergency, to allow the BRHS to be a Municipal Point of Distribution (Muni-POD) site for the residents of Bordentown Township.
9. Motion to approve Resolution to close two Scholarship Accounts at the Bank of America.
10. Operations Group Report
11. NJ School Employee Health Benefits Program Executive Report
12. Motion to approve toilet room facilities for early intervention Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten classrooms.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (Item #10): AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. Lynch, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Dansbury. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: Ms. Gens (her son worked for CDA; included in Operations Group Report). ABSENT: Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman.

Motion approved by a majority vote.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (Item #1-9, #11 & #12): AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. Lynch, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Dansbury. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman.

Motion unanimously approved.

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K. POLICY

A motion was made by Ms. Hoffman, seconded by Ms. Zablow, to approve the following:

1. Motion to approve the following policies 2nd reading:
#5020; #5119; #5127; #5131.5; #5136; #5141.1; #5145.5;
#5145.6; #5145.11; #5200
2. 1st Reading Policies: New: #6111, #6112, #6114, #6115,
#6121, #6122, #6141.2, #6142, #6142.2, #6242.4,
#6142.6, #6142.9, #6142.12, #6142.13, #6143, #6143.1,
#6144, #6145.1, #6145.2, #6145.3, #6146.2, #6147,
#6147.1, #6151, #6154, #6160, #6161.2, #6162.4,
#6162.5, #6163,1, #6164.1, #6164.2, #6171, #6171.1,
#6171.2, #6172, #6178, #6200, #6300
3. Motion to approve Revisions on the following policies:
#6010; #6134; #6135; #6142.1; #6146; #6153; #6156;
#6161.1; #6164.4; #6171.3; #6172.1; #6173

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Mr. Dalton, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. Lynch, Mr. MacEwan, Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Danbury. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman.
Motion unanimously approved.

L. CURRICULUM REPORTS

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

1. Motion to approve children of staff member R. W. to attend 1st grade at CBS, 6th grade at BRMS, and 10th grade at BRHS for 2009-2010 school year.
2. Motion to approve children of staff members F.P.B. and T.P.B. to attend 1st grade at PMS for the 2009-2010 school year.
3. Motion to approve child of staff members T.R. and P.R. to attend 1st grade at CBS for the 2009-2010 school year.
4. Motion to approve Mercer County Special Services School District - Community Resource Team Contract for 2009-2010 School Year.

Motion unanimously approved.

M. COMMITTEE REPORTS

No reports

N. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. NJQSAC - Dr. Les Richens will be conducting a review in-district on 11/23/09
2. September 9, 2009 - Mr. Steve Mushinski will attend the meeting and give an Ethics Training at 6:30 p.m.

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O. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Board & Administrator Newsletter
2. New Teacher Academy Agenda
3. Thank you from 2009 BRHS Graduate
4. Register News Articles
5. Thank you letter from parent regarding CDS Swim Program
6. Audit Correspondence
7. Letter to Deputy Mayor James Cann regarding planning
8. The following are BREa members on the NJQSAC Committee:
 - BRHS - Ms. Joyce Court
 - BRMS - Mr. Chris O'Leary
 - MIS - Ms. Ann Marie O'Leary
 - CBS - Ms. Heather Wawrzyniak
 - PMS - Mr. Anthony Rizzo

P. NEW HANOVER REPORT - Mr. Chris Sirak

No report

Q. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

R. BOARD AND PUBLIC FORUM

1. Copy of advertised budget requested by Mr. Paul Zolna, 16 Spruce Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505, phone #609/298-3735

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Zablow read the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Lynch and unanimously approved at 8:40 p.m.:

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,

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S. EXECUTIVE SESSION (continued)
Open Public Meetings Act (continued)

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

PERSONNEL

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the aforesated meeting is closed to the public for 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 9:25 p.m.

T. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Lynch, seconded by Ms. Hoffman to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m.
Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Dansbury
President

Peggy A. Ianoale
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

