

BORDENTOWN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

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The 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 Mr. DiLemme 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: Schedule of meetings to be held from May 9, 2005 through April 2006 was conveyed to the Burlington County Times, The Register News, and the Trenton Times on April 27, 2005.

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:
Ms. Cheesman, Mr. Gabauer, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Dr. Nicholls, Mrs. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme.
ABSENT: Ms. Glenn.

Also attending were:
Mr. John Polomano, Superintendent, and Mrs. Peggy A. Ianoale, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Staff attending were: Louisa Kenny, Louise Sullivan, Reba Snyder.

Visitors attending were: Anthony Hearn, Jim Brimmer, Seth Bittell.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session Resolution

Mr. Hirschfeld read the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Trogdon and unanimously approved at 7:30 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,

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

PERSONNEL, REAL PROPERTY

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 8:10 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Cover Memo

A motion was made by Mr. Hirschfeld and seconded by Mr. Gabauer to approve the Consent Agenda.

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

Motion unanimously approved.

Reading & Approval of Minutes

September 7, 2005

September 21, 2005

Approve of Substitute Personnel

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.)

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Acceptance of Reports
Out-of-District Placements
Suspensions

<u>Enrollment</u>		<u>Fire Drills</u>
BRHS	692	09/12/05 & 09/26/05
MJS	351	09/14/05 & 09/20/05
CBS	383	09/20/05 & 09/28/05
PMS	754	09/19/05 & 09/23/05
Total	2,180	

Acceptance of Business and Financial Reports
List of Bills: October 2005 (Batch 55)

PUBLIC FORUM

STAFF PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Mrs. Trogdon, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld 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.

- a. Approve **Ms. Stephanie Gialanella** as a 1st grade
- b. Approve the following salary adjustments for continuing education credits:

NAME	FORMER STATUS	NEW STATUS	NEW SALARY	SALARY ADJUSTMENT
Cassandra, Anthony	Step 8, BA + 24	Step 8, BA + 30	\$49,500	\$55.00
Conlin, Robert	Step 8, BA + 12	Step 8, BA + 24	\$49,445	\$220.00
Corcoran, Christine	Step 6, BA + 24	Step 6, BA + 30	\$48,100	\$55.00
DeMas, Jennifer	Step 10, BA	Step 10, BA + 6	\$51,171	\$671.00
Felice, Amy	Step 5, BA + 6	Step 5, BA + 12	\$47,225	\$154.00
Harris, Jason	Step 14, MA	Step 14, MA + 6	\$58,441	\$111.00
Kenny, Louisa	Step 12, BA + 12	Step 12, BA + 30	\$54,200	\$275.00
Minster, Andrea	Step 5, BA + 30	Step 5, MA + 6	\$49,041	\$1,541.00
Niznik, Christine	Step 2, BA + 18	Step 2, MA	\$46,530	\$1,650.00
Ouellette, Wendy	Step 1, BA	Step 1, BA + 12	\$31,931**	\$601.00
Patterson, Dawn	Step 9, MA	Step 9, MA + 6	\$52,041	\$111.00
Steinhouse, Toby	Step 12, MA	Step 12, MA + 6	\$55,741	\$111.00

**25.5 hours - pro-rated from base rate of \$43,825

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STAFF PERSONNEL (continued)

- c. Approve Collin Rossi to observe classroom at BRHS and Mike Lettiere to observe classroom at PMS
- d. Accept, with best wishes, resignation of Ms. Rosemarie Woldanski from the position of Instructional Aide at CBS, eff. October 14, 2005
- e. Approve Ms. Patricia Costigan as an after school tutor for special education students, 1 hour sessions, 3 days per week from November 1, 2005 through May 25, 2006. This will be funded through the inclusion grant. Ms. Costigan will be paid a stipend of \$3,350 upon completion.
- f. Accept resignation of Ms. Erin Coley from the position of 1:1 therapist, effective immediately
- g. Approve withdrawal of offer of employment to Ms. Elizabeth Hensley as pre-school handicapped aide
- h. Approve temporary extension of hours for Ms. April Seay and Ms. Kathy Tilghman to 34 hours per week each, beginning October 17, 2005, pending replacement for Ms. Hensley
- i. Approve **Mr. William Blatchley** as Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds with a salary of \$60,000 prorated, starting date as soon as possible.

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

Motion unanimously approved.

STAFF PERSONNEL

POSSIBLE MOTIONS:

- Buildings & Grounds Supervisor
- Secretary - Business Office

STAFF PERSONNEL

INFORMATION:

JOB POSTINGS: After School Tutoring Sp. Ed., After School Tutoring Sp. Ed. Grades 3-6, 7-8 & 9-12; CE/R After School Basic Skills Instructors; Sec. I full time; Maintenance mechanic; School District Psychologist; Special Education Teacher for Pre-School Handicapped class at PMES

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STUDENT PERSONNEL & PROGRAMS

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

2. Homebound Instruction Schedule
3. Stokes Update
4. Approve annual Quality Annual Assurance Report (QAAR) for the 2004-2005 school year. This report includes the results of 2004-2005 school goals and objectives and then approved goals for the 2005-2006 school year
5. Approve acceptance of annual IDEIA-B Part B Combined Grant as follows:
Basic: \$433,222
Preschool: \$18,453

Motion unanimously approved.

POLICIES

A motion was made by Mr. Hirschfeld, seconded by Mr. Lynch to approve 2nd Reading, Policy 5025, Administering Medication.

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

Motion unanimously approved.

POLICIES

1st Reading - Policy 4122, Family Leave Acts

BUSINESS & FINANCE

A motion was made by Mrs. Trogdon, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld 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 Transfer of Funds (see attached)
4. Approve Change Order GC-14, Boro Construction in the amount of \$3,649.00 for the new high school
5. Approve Hand Checks (September, Batch 54)

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

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BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Next Superintendent's Advisory Committee Meeting, November 15, 2005, MJS
2. Curriculum Committee Meeting Report
3. Athletic Committee Meeting Report (Next meeting Monday, November 28th, 6 pm)
4. Buildings & Grounds tour of new high school (date?)

INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Revised Board Directory
2. Revised Board Committee List
3. Letter from Burling County College
4. Discussion of SAC idea
5. Report on MD program
6. Guidance information

BOARD & PUBLIC FORUM

This portion of the meeting is reserved specifically for the presentation of the Annual Violence and Vandalism Report:

We are pleased to report that, for the fifth consecutive year, our district numbers for violence and vandalism are down. The incident listing sheet shows that, by far, the general area of "fights" is the most represented.

Our district continues to be vigilant in accurately reporting our data. We continue to have serious concerns about the reporting mechanism developed by the state. It is too vague and leads to, we believe, inaccurate reporting.

Out of thirty (30) categories measured, our district reported zero offenses in almost 70% of the areas and only one (1) in three other categories. We believe our work in this area has resulted in positive gains. This work includes:

1. Mentoring
2. Peer mediation
3. Communications with law enforcement
4. Consistently enforced policies
5. Community support
6. Natural helpers
7. Clear policy of consequences as a result of actions

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BOARD & PUBLIC FORUM (continued)

During the week of October 17th, all four of our schools will have activities that are related to Violence Prevention Awareness. These activities include assembly programs, student projects, student and staff meetings and meetings with law enforcement.

We will continue to be vigilant in our goal to combat violence.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Gore read the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld and unanimously approved at 9:20 p.m.:

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The Board returned to Open Session at 9:35 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mrs. Trogdon to approve Ms. Lisa Limani as a Secretary I in the Business Office, salary of \$33,642, Step 1 pro-rated, effective as soon as possible.

Motion unanimously approved.

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Hirschfeld, seconded by Mr. Gabauer to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony DiLemme
President

Peggy A. Ianoale
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

