

## *BRSD Board of Education*

*Minutes - January 7, 2004*

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The Regular 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. Glenn 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 1, 2003, through April 7, 2004, was conveyed to the Burlington County Times, Register News, and the Trenton Times on May 1, 2003.

The vice-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: Mr. Binder, Mrs. Burns, Mr. DiLemme, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Dr. Nicholls, Mr. Nucera, Mrs. Trogdon. ABSENT: Mrs. Dansbury.

Also attending were:

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

Staff attending were: Reba Snyder.

Visitors attending were: No visitors signed in.

Mr. Gore read the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Burns and unanimously approved at 7:15 p.m.:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 0:4-6, 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 AND REAL PROPERTY**

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.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:00 p.m.

#### Superintendent's Report

- Cover Memo
- Recognition:

Elks Student of the Month:

MJS – October – Kevin DeMille

BRHS – November – Samantha Donahue

BRHS – November – Renee Chiodo

BRHS – December – Barbara Robinson

Fall Athletic All-Stars – BRHS:

Name Sport Team Division

Justin Sulia Cross Country 1st Freedom

Amanda Pone Cross Country 1st Freedom

Ryan Lynch Football-Offense 2nd Freedom

Robert Novak Football-Offense 2nd Freedom

Jovan Gaines Football-Offense 2nd Freedom

Fall Athletic All-Stars – BRHS

Name Sport Team Division

Nicholas Falconio Football-Defense 2nd Freedom

Leon Mack Football-Defense 2nd Freedom

Brooke Bercari Field Hockey 1st Patriot

Renee Chiodo Field Hockey 1st Patriot

John Freda Boys Soccer 1st Patriot

Nickos Angelopoulos Boys Soccer 1st Patriot

Emily Napolitano Girls Soccer 1st Patriot

Christina DellaFave Field Hockey 1st Patriot

Jamie Havens Field Hockey 2nd Patriot

Christine Chiodo Field Hockey 2nd Patriot

Ryan Kunkle Boys Soccer 2nd Patriot

Taylor Martucci Boys Soccer 2nd Patriot

Michael Pracko Boys Soccer 2nd Patriot

A motion was made by Mrs. Burns, seconded by Mr. Binder to accept the Corrective Action Plan for the June 30, 2003 Audit. Motion unanimously approved.

Presentation of PEP Program Proposal-Mr. Lefteris Banos

#### STAFF PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Mrs. Burns, seconded by Mr. Binder 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) from the applicant(s) attesting to no criminal record are in the Superintendent's possession. Staff to whom

this resolution applies is noted in bold print.

a. Approve the following change to 2003-2004 Winter Coaches: Ms. Yolanda Ward to replace Ms. Kim Fithen as Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach

b. Accept resignation of Mr. Paul Wells as school psychologist, effective February 27, 2004

c. Accept resignation of Ms. Kristin Wagner as 6th grade teacher at CBS, eff. end of day December 23, 2003

d. Approve Family Medical Leave for Ms. Kimberly Trombetta due to illness, eff. 1/5/04 through approx. 3/30/04

e. Approve two call-in substitute bus drivers (per memo)

f. Accept resignation of Ms. Aleida Rivas as Spanish teacher at MJS, eff. on or before 2/19/04

g. Approve BSI instructors per list. Stipend to be paid by "No Child Left Behind" grant at conclusion of program

h. Approve medical leave for Ms. Liz Brotherton, PMES kindergarten teacher, eff. 1/5/04 through approx. 1/16/04

i. Approve Ms. Lisa Swanson as PM-Kindergarten teacher replacement for Ms. Liz Brotherton at PMES for a minimum of 2 weeks. Her contract will be upgraded from ½ time to full time for that period

Motion unanimously approved.

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

a. Approve new courses for 2004-05 School Year:

Teen PEP

Algebra 1A & 1B

Statistics

Sports Marketing & Management

Desktop Pro to replace CAD

Debating Current Events

Genocide

b. Approve amount of credits necessary to progress year to year at high school as per new policy of 140 credits for graduation. This is a change to Policy #5111

Motion unanimously approved.

#### STUDENT PERSONNEL & PROGRAMS

A motion was made by Mrs. Burns, seconded by Mr. Binder to approve the following:

- Acceptance of November reports

Substance Awareness Coordinator Report

Suspensions

Enrollment:

12/1/03 Enrollment November Fire Drills

676 BRHS 11/03/03 & 11/18/03

318 MJS 11/03/03 & 11/18/03

341 CBS 11/03/03 & 11/17/03

729 PMES 11/04/03 & 11/17/03

2,064 District Total

- Out-of-District Placements (November)
- Two Out-of-District Placements (December)
- Student to remain in PMES until 12/23/03
- Accept wrestling warm-up suits donated by the high school wrestling Booster Club as per Policy 1260

Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mrs. Burns, seconded by Mrs. Trogdon to approve “freezing” grade 3 at Peter Muschal Elem. School. Motion unanimously approved.

## FINANCE

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

- a. Approve release of December bills with retroactive approval 1/7/04
- b. Approve November hand checks
- c. Accept "No Child Left Behind" grant in the amounts of: \$159,917; \$54,313; \$4,007; \$12,997; \$2,848; \$2,965; \$8,793
- d. Adopt salaries

Motion unanimously approved.

## BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Update on renovations and update on new high school revisions

A motion was made by Mr. Binder, seconded by Mr. DiLemme to approve final allocation for purchase of land for new high as per discussion. Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mrs. Trogdon, seconded by Dr. Nicholls to appoint a committee for Comprehensive Equity Plan:

Affirmative Action Team, comprised of Ms. Sandy Ewell, Building Affirmative Action representatives, and Multicultural Task Force

Motion unanimously approved.

## PUBLIC FORUM

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

## INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. New requirement for Comprehensive Equity Plan (formerly Multi-Year Equity Plan): appointment of Affirmative Action Team
2. Update on Superintendent's goals

3. Lighting at CBS and MJS
4. CE/R update (explanation of New Marketing Plan)
5. "Thank You" letter from Township regarding tree lighting ceremony
6. Pop Culture article
7. EMTC Newsletter
8. "Techspo 2004"
9. Letter sent to parents from BRHS regarding 8th gr. Orientation
10. Letter sent to parents from BRHS Guidance regarding selecting high school courses
11. Letters from Ms. Ianoale rejecting new high school bids
12. Letter of congratulations from The Thomas Group
13. "Thank You" letter from Ms. Paula Horton, R.N.
14. Middle School Committee (form committees for research)
15. Full day kindergarten update on research
16. Observation of classes
17. Nomination of MJS Library
18. Information about Natural Helpers, including
  - a. How students are selected
  - b. Explanation of the program
  - c. Results from survey about leader retreat
  - d. Results from parent survey
  - e. Information provided by Ms. Kozuck
19. Technology Plan
20. BSI Progress Report

21. Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees
22. County Academic Dinner 3/24/04
23. Trenton Times article on Academic All-Stars
24. SAC meeting – January 8, 2004 – MJS Library
25. CBS January newsletter

#### BOARD AND PUBLIC FORUM

A motion was made by Mrs. Burns, seconded by Mr. Gore to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 p.m.  
Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Pauline Glenn, Vice-President

Peggy A. Ianoale,

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary