

BORDENTOWN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

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MINUTES - February 6, 2013

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Conference Meeting of the Board of Education of the Bordentown Regional School District was convened on the above date at 5:30 p.m. with the Board President 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 January 23, 2013 through December 11, 2013 was conveyed to the Burlington County Times, The Register News, and the Trenton Times on January 4, 2013. The change in time for this meeting was conveyed to the Burlington County Times and the Trenton Times on January 28, 2013.

The Secretary will enter this public announcement into the minutes of this meeting.

B. FLAG SALUTE/SILENT REFLECTION

The Board Secretary 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. Creegan, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. Hartmann, Ms. Wehrman, Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Hartmann. ABSENT: Mr. Drew and Mr. Potts.

Also attending: Dr. Constance J. Bauer, Superintendent, and Mr. Eloi Richardson, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and Rich Hunt of Parker McCay.

Staff attending: Peggy Goldenbaum, Joy Odri, Kim Rosenberg, Patrick Lynch, Anthony Rizzo, Sandy Ewell, Chris O'Leary, Ricardo Pina.

Visitors attending: Marisol Ovalles, Mae Hamilton, John Moynihan, Reba Snyder, Kristen Lukach, Jackie Ansong, Matt VanPeh, and Marianne Jackson.

D. EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Bordentown Regional School District ("Board of Education") has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the Public; and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of the Board of Education will reconvene following the end of the closed session, approximately 7:00 pm this evening.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

Any matter which, by express provision of Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from discussion in public (Provision relied upon: _____);

Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government;

Any matter the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of Individual privacy;

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___ Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public body (Specify contract: _____);

___ Any matter involving the purpose, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed;

___ Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection;

___ Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law;

Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer (If pending or anticipated litigation, the matter is entitled: Prior Capital Project)

(If contract negotiation, the nature of the contract and interested party is _____)

Under certain circumstances, if public disclosure of the matter would have a potentially negative impact on the Board of Education's position in the litigation or negotiation, this information may be withheld until such time that the matter is concluded or the circumstances no longer present a potential impact);

___ Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting (Subject to the balancing of the public's interest and the employee's privacy rights under *South Jersey Publishing*, 124 N.J. 478, the employee(s) and nature of discussion is);

___ Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act of omission for which the responding party bears responsibility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) may be made public at a time when the Board of Education Attorney advises the Board of Education that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the School District or any other entity with respect to said discussion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education, for the aforementioned reasons, hereby declares that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place and hereby directs the Board Secretary to take the appropriate action to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

I, Mr. Eloi Richardson, Board Secretary do hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Bordentown Regional School District, Board of Education at its meeting held on 02/06/2013.

E. PUBLIC FORUM - FOR AGENDA ITEMS - None

Members of the public are invited to submit comments pertaining to educational Matters during the public comment portion of the meeting. The Board, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, will not entertain comments pertaining to student or personnel matters or matters pertaining to negotiations or litigation and may choose not to respond to any comments made by members of the public during this portion of the meeting. However, the Board will give all comments appropriate consideration and will refer all complaints to the administration for resolution.

Please be aware that all Board employees retain the right of privacy and shall retain all rights against defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey. The Board shall not be held liable for comments made by members of the public. The maximum time per member of the public shall be three minutes. Please state your name and address for the record.

F. RECOGNITION/PRESENTATION - None

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G. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE - Liana Beharrysingh

- The following January events were a great success:
Mr. Bordentown, Wing Bowl, Rachel's Challenge - Acts of Kindness Rings
- A "Lock-in" is scheduled for 2/22/13

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

I. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL (R.C.*)

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

1. **Motion to approve Travel/Mileage Reimbursement Requests
2. **Motion to accept HIB Report

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (Items 1-2):

AYES: Mr. Creegan, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. Hartmann, Ms. Wehrman
Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Hartmann. NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Drew and Mr. Potts.

Motion approved by majority.

J. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A motion was made by Ms. Zablow, seconded by Ms. Goff to amend #7:

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE to amend #7:

AYES: Mr. Creegan, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. Hartmann, Ms. Wehrman
Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Hartmann. NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Drew and Mr. Potts.

Motion approved by majority.

Re. Motion #7: A motion was made by Ms. Gens, seconded by Ms. Goff to accept the 2013-2014 FY Budget for CDA and summer brochure as presented, but to hold actual salary increases pending BREA settlement:

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (Item 7 Amended):

AYES: Mr. Creegan, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. Hartmann, Ms. Wehrman
Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Hartmann. NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Drew and Mr. Potts.

Motion approved by majority.

A motion was made by Ms. Wehrman, seconded by Mr. Hartmann to approve the following:

1. +Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting 1/28/13 - Tom Potts, Chair [Ms. Zablow reported]-Design in latter stages of completion; outdoor learning center and basketball court to be included in subsequent bid as alternatives. Copies of the design concept were displayed at the meeting.
2. +Board Staff Committee Meeting 1/29/13 - Lisa Hartmann, Chair, reported.
3. +CDA Committee Meeting 1/30/13 - Peggy Gens, Chair, reported.
4. Negotiation Committee Meeting 2/5/13 - Ellen Wehrman, Chair, reported-Negotiation meeting held February 15, 2013; will meet again.
5. Motion to adopt 2013-2014 Single Sheet Calendar. [Note: Copies of the calendar provided with the sign-in sheets for the public].
6. +Motion to approve design concept for MIS playground (as described above).
7. Motion to approve 2013-2014 fiscal year budget for CDA and summer brochure. (As Amended above).
8. Motion to form a Board sub-committee to review the status of the solar project.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (Items 5-6; 7 (Amended), 8):

AYES: Mr. Creegan, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. Hartmann, Ms. Wehrman
Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Hartmann. NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Drew and Mr. Potts.

Motion approved by majority.

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K. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. +EE4NJ Report for Period 2
2. +Update on Budget Process

Key Dates:

- a. February 26, 2013 - Governor's Budget Address
- b. On or about February 28, 2013 - State Aide
- c. March 7, 2013 - submit Budget to County Office
- d. March 21-28, 2013 - Public Hearings
- e. March 28, 2013 - Last date to adopt Budget

Staff working to have a draft to the Board for its deliberation on February 15, 2013; major uncertainties, especially level of potential State and Federal aid, ratables, and apportionment percentages.

L. PERSONNEL REPORT

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

Appointments, Per 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) 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 AND STIPENDS WILL BE PAID AT 2011-2012 RATES AND WILL BE ADJUSTED PENDING NEGOTIATIONS

1. Motion to approve Ms. Julia Carino, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional Middle School for college course requirements. She will be supervised by Ms. Judy Standifer.
2. Motion to approve Ms. Shannon Dooley, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional Middle School for college course requirements. She will be supervised by Ms. Judy Standifer.
3. Motion to approve Mr. James Bloss, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional Middle School for college course requirements. He will be supervised by Ms. Emma Voshell.
4. Motion to approve Ms. Kristen Bruning, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional Middle School for college course requirements. She will be supervised by Ms. Emma Voshell.
5. Motion to approve Mr. Adam Herman, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional Middle School for college course requirements. He will be supervised by Ms. Connie McMillin.
6. Motion to approve Ms. Amy Kirchner, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional Middle School for college course requirements. She will be supervised by Ms. Connie McMillin.
7. Motion to approve Ms. Allison Alvarez, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional High School for college course requirements. She will be supervised by Ms. Lea Ann Bergner.
8. Motion to approve Ms. Malana Lazareva, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional High School for college course requirements. She will be supervised by Ms. Lea Ann Bergner.

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9. Motion to approve Ms. Nicole Civitano, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional High School for college course requirements. She will be supervised by Ms. Michele Fecher.
10. Motion to approve Ms. Sarah Smith, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional High School for college course requirements. She will be supervised by Ms. Michele Fecher.
11. Motion to approve Ms. Nicole Bolognini, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional High School for college course requirements. She will be supervised by Mr. John Tobias.
12. Motion to approve Ms. Devan Flaherty, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional High School for college course requirements. She will be supervised by Mr. John Tobias.
13. Motion to approve Mr. Vito Pavese, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional High School for college course requirements. He will be supervised by Ms. Jennifer McCoy.
14. Motion to approve Mr. Kyle Whitlock, a student of TCNJ, practicum experience at the Bordentown Regional High School for college course requirements. He will be supervised by Ms. Jennifer McCoy.
15. Motion to approve Ms. Emily Flynn, a student of Farleigh Dickinson University, to intern for 60 hours at Clara Barton School for the spring semester under the supervision of Ms. Jennifer Martino.
16. Motion to approve Ms. Sara Benedict, a student of Mercer County College, 20 class observation hours at Bordentown Regional Middle School under the supervision of Mr. Jack Yost and Ms. Susan Gerike, 10 hrs. /ea.
17. +Motion to approve Mr. Dennis Gatti as Track Coach for Bordentown Regional High School, Step 1 with a stipend of \$3,881. This replaces a resignation.
18. +Motion to approve Mr. Evan Mahoney as full-time Physical Education/Health Teacher at Clara Barton School effective February 7, 2013, BA Step 1 with a pro-rated salary of \$50,442. Mr. Mahoney was previously approved as long term sub. This replaces a retirement.
19. Motion to approve leave of absence for employee # 5844 from the position of custodian effective January 31, 2013 for approximately 5 weeks. Employee will use 15 accumulate paid sick days from January 31, 2013 through February 21, 2013 to run concurrent with FMLA. Employee will than go on unpaid for the remainder of the leave.

INFORMATION

20. +JOB POSTINGS: Physical Education/Health Teacher at CBS.
ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (Items 1-19):

AYES: Mr. Creegan, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. Hartmann, Ms. Wehrman
Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Hartmann. NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Drew and Mr. Potts.

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M. BUSINESS, FINANCE & OPERATIONS

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

1. Motion to approve to submit amendment for \$3,326 of carryover funds for Non-Public expenditures into 2012-2013 IDEA.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (Item 1):

AYES: Mr. Creegan, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. Hartmann, Ms. Wehrman Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Hartmann. NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Drew and Mr. Potts.

Motion approved by majority.

N. POLICY - None

O. CURRICULUM REPORTS

A motion was made by Mr. Creegan, seconded by Ms. Hartmann to approve the following:

1. Motion to approve two children of staff member to attend MIS, 4th grade, effective February 11, 2013.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE (Item 1):

AYES: Mr. Creegan, Ms. Gens, Ms. Goff, Mr. Hartmann, Ms. Wehrman Ms. Zablow, and Ms. Hartmann. NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Drew and Mr. Potts.

Motion approved by majority.

P. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS - None

Q. NEW HANOVER REPORT - None

R. BOARD and PUBLIC FORUM

Members of the public are invited to submit comments pertaining to educational matters during the public comment portion of this meeting. Please report to the microphone and state your name and address for the record prior to addressing the Board of Education. The board, pursuant to *Open Public Meetings Act*, will not publicly discuss personnel matters and may choose not to respond to comments made by members of the public during this portion of the meeting; however, the board will give all comments appropriate consideration and will refer all initial complaints to the administration for resolution. The board may set time limits for the Public Forum and will let the public know of these restraints at the beginning of each Public Forum session.

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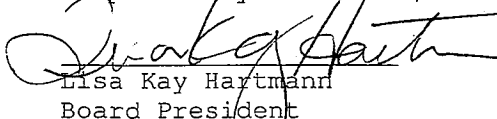
- Ms. Jackson questioned the reason for the delayed openings on the 2013/2014 calendar. Ms. Bauer explained with reference to enhancing efficiency in providing necessary in-service professional development to staff.

S. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Wehrman, seconded by Ms. Goff to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,


Lisa Kay Hartmann
Board President


Eloi Richardson,
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary