

MINUTES - October 18, 2006

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 President 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 held from May 3, 2006, through April 4, 2007, was conveyed to the Burlington County Times, The Register News, and the Trenton Times on April 28, 2006. Adequate notice was conveyed regarding the change of location of the Board meetings on September 7, 2006.

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

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:
Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Dansbury, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Trogon and Mr. DiLemme.
ABSENT: Mr. Gabauer (arrived at 7:55 p.m.).

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

Staff attending were: Pat Lynch.

Visitors attending were: K. M. Reichard, Donna Franta.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session Resolution

Mr. Gore read the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Glenn and unanimously approved at 7:40 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 part 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 8:25 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Cover Memo - e-mail

A motion was made by Ms. Glenn, seconded by Ms. Dansbury to approve the Consent Agenda.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer (arrived at 7:55 p.m. and was present for the vote), Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.

Motion unanimously approved.

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Reading & Approval of Minutes

September 6, 2006

September 20, 2006

Approval 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.)

Acceptance of Reports:

Out of District Placements:

Out of District to BCIT - 11

Out of District to BCSS - 21

Other Out of District - 36

Enrollment

BRHS 717

BRMS 496

MIS 352

CBS 230

PMS 484

TOTAL 2,279

Fire Drills

09/21/06 & 09/17/06

09/22/06 & 09/29/06

09/20/06, 09/26/06 & 09/28/06

09/18/06 & 09/28/06

09/12/06 & 09/18/06

Acceptance of Business and Financial Reports

Treasurer's Report (September, 2006)

Board Secretary's Report (September, 2006)

List of Bills

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION OF REFUNDING BOND
ORDINANCE

Mr. Gore gave an overview of the transaction.

Public Comment

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A motion was made by Ms. Dansbury and seconded by Ms. Trogdon to adopt the Refunding Bond Ordinance Providing for the Refunding of Up to All of the Outstanding Callable School Bonds, Series 2002 of the Board of Education of the Bordentown Regional School District.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.
Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Ms. Dansbury and seconded by Ms. Trogdon to approve the Bank of New York as Escrow Agent.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.
Motion unanimously approved.

PUBLIC FORUM

STAFF PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Ms. 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 and are in the Superintendent's possession. Staff to whom this resolution applies are noted in **bold** print.

- a. Approve Ms. Dawn Rossell's leave of absence from the position of 3rd grade teacher at Peter Muschal Elementary School. She will take 9 sick days prior to her due date from 11/16/06 to 11/30/06, and 20 days after from 12/1/06 through 1/9/07. She will then take 12 weeks of State Leave beginning 1/10/07 through 4/4/07. She would like to request the remainder of the 2006-2007 school year off, from 4/5/07 through 6/30/07.
- b. Approve Ms. Shannon Ramirez as bus aide and Ms. Sherri Brucks, Ms. Christine Korpunski and Ms. Bridget Harvey as call-in Substitute Bus Aides.

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STAFF PERSONNEL (continued)

- c. Approve Ms. Uthara Parthasarthy as an 11.25 hour per week General Aide at PMS. This is to provide additional coverage for all three lunches. Salary will be \$5,658 prorated, effective 10/19/06 through 6/30/07.
- d. Approve the following CE/R Staff for the 2006-2007 school year:
 - Ms. Theresa Jenkins: Counselor MIS/PM, \$10/hr. This replaces Ms. Darla Bush.
 - Ms. Tiffany Budd: Student Counselor PMS/PM, \$8/hr. This is additional support for high enrollment.
 - Ms. Ashley Arnott-Maxwell: Student Counselor PMS/PM, \$8/hr. This is additional support for high enrollment.
- e. Approve Ms. Kathy Ackerman as a volunteer in the nurse's suite.
- f. Approve the following salary adjustments for continuing education credits:

NAME	FORMER STATUS	NEW STATUS	NEW SALARY	SALARY ADJUSTMENT
Biddle, Patricia	Step 19, BA	Step 19, BA+6	\$71,095	\$691
Conlin, Robert	Step 9, BA+30	Step 9, MA	\$53,452	\$1,472
Corcoran, Christine	Step 7, BA+30	Step 7, MA	\$51,599	\$1,472
Corey, Xiaofan	Step 13, MA+18	Step 13, MA+30	\$59,474	\$226
Derby, Matthew	Step 2, BA+24	Step 2, MA	\$47,530	\$1,485
Felice, Amy	Step 6, BA+12	Step 6, BA+18	\$49,283	\$57
Harris, Jason	Step 15, MA+12	Step 15, MA+18	\$62,335	\$169
Kenna, Kristen	Step 1, BA	Step 1, BA+12	\$43,825	\$825
Minster, Andrea	Step 6, MA+6	Step 6, MA+12	\$51,152	\$57
O'Farrow, Valerie*	Step 9, MA	Step 9, MA+18	\$59,171	\$374
Ouelette, Gwendolyn**	Step 2, BA+18	Step 2, BA+30	\$33,588	\$160
Quigley, Michelle	Step 2, BA	Step 2, BA+6	\$45,671	\$671
Shappell, Robert	Step 6.5, BA+12	Step 6.5, BA+18	\$49,592	\$57
Sierra, Summer	Step 1, BA	Step 1, BA+6	\$43,671	\$671
Smith, Terry	Step 1, BA	Step 1, BA+12	\$43,825	\$825
Snyder, Susan	Step 7, MA+12	Step 7, MA+24	\$52,053	\$283
Steinhouse, Toby	Step 13, MA+6	Step 13, MA+12	\$59,078	\$57

*11 month employee

**25.5 hrs/wk.

Motion unanimously approved.

INFORMATION

- g. JOB POSTINGS: Elementary Guidance Counselor-Medical Leave Replacement; BRHS Instructional Support - Spanish; BRHS Library Aide; Boys'/Girls' Head Winter Track Coach; Girls' Spring Head Track Coach; Boys' Spring Head Track Coach.

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STUDENT PERSONNEL & PROGRAMS

A motion was made by Ms. Dansbury, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld to approve the following:

3. Approve Ms. Marissa Tolas to complete classroom observations as partial fulfillment of college coursework.
4. Approve Quality Annual Assurance Report (QAAR) for the 2005-2006 school year. This report includes the results of 2005-2006 school goals and objectives and then approved goals for the 2006-2007 school year. (Mr. Polomano has the complete report)
5. Approve Comprehensive Maintenance Summary for 2005-2006 through 2007-2008 as attached.
6. Approve State Health Benefits Domestic Partnership coverage as per negotiations.
7. Approve IDEIA Basic and Preschool Grant applications in the amount of \$459,272 for Regular Ed, and \$25,795 for Pre-School.
8. Approve Mr. Jonathon Carty to do classroom observation at PMS as partial fulfillment of college coursework.
9. Approve local mentoring plan. (Mr. Polomano has the full document)

Items #3, 4, 5, 7, 8, & 9: Motion unanimously approved.

Item #6: Motion approved by a majority vote of 7 AYES and 2 NOES (Mr. Gabauer, Mr. Hirschfeld).

INFORMATION:

10. Enrollment numbers - High School Master Schedule

POLICIES

1. Special Education Tuition with question from Louise
2. 1st Reading: Travel Reimbursement Policy #4181 (as per negotiations)

BUSINESS & FINANCE

A motion was made by Mr. Hirschfeld, seconded by Mr. Gore 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

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BUSINESS & FINANCE (continued)

3. Approve Transfer of Funds

4. Approve Change Order #HC-11: increase of \$2,129.45

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None.

Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Gabauer, seconded by Mr. Hirschfeld to approve the final stipends, as discussed, for the following:

1. Assistant Coaches
2. Jersey Jumpers
3. Music/Chorus Advisor

Items #1 & #2: ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None. Motion unanimously approved.

Item #3: ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Mr. Gore, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Trogdon and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: Ms. Glenn. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: None. Motion approved by a majority vote.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Curriculum Committee
2. Special Education Committee
3. Negotiations Committee
4. Athletics Committee

INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Letter from parents to PMS
2. 2006-2007 Performing Arts Calendar (Mr. Polomano will distribute)

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BOARD & PUBLIC FORUM

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

We are pleased to report that, for the sixth 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.

Our of (30) categories measured, our district reported zero offenses in almost 81% of the areas and only one (1) in two other categories. We believe our work in this area has resulted in positive gains. This work includes:

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

During the week of October 16th, all four of our schools will have activities including 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.

There were no public comments.

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Ms. Glenn read the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Gabauer and unanimously approved at 10:20 p.m.:

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The Board returned to Open Session at 11:05 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Ms. Trogdon to approve the security recommendation for coverage by off-duty police at BRHS from 3:00-11:00 p.m. at \$22.00 per hour, contract details to be determined and brought back to the board.

Motion approved by a majority vote. (8 AYES; 1 NO (Mr. Hirschfeld))

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Ms. Dansbury to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 p.m. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony DiLemme
President

Peggy A. Ianoale
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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BOARD & PUBLIC FORUM

BORDENTOWN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session Resolution

Mr. Hirschfeld read the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Gabauer and unanimously approved at 9:30 p.m.:

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The Board returned to Open Session at 10:50 p.m.

A motion was made by Ms. Trogdon, seconded by Ms. Dansbury to approve Ms. Lisa Limani as Payroll Coordinator with a salary of \$38,642, effective July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Ms. Glenn, seconded by Ms. Dansbury to approve a salary increase of \$5,000 for Ms. Joanne Kotelnicki, Transportation Coordinator, making her salary \$45,000 effective July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

A motion was made by Ms. Glenn, seconded by Ms. Trogdon to approve a salary increase of \$10,000 for Mr. William Blatchley, Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds, making his salary \$70,000, effective July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Dansbury, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Trogdon, and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: Mr. Gabauer. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Gore.

Motion approved by a majority vote.

A motion was made by Ms. Trogdon, seconded by Ms. Dansbury to approve a salary increase of \$7,000 for Mr. Walter Banks, Technology Supervisor, making his salary \$94,627.00, effective July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Trogdon, and Mr. DiLemme. NOES: Mr. Gabauer, Mr. Hirschfeld. ABSTENTIONS: Ms. Glenn. ABSENT: Mr. Gore.

Motion approved by a majority vote.

