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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 7:00 p.m. with Mr. Gabauer 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 2, 2007 through April 9, 2008 was conveyed to the Burlington County Times, The Register News, and the Trenton Times on May 4, 2007.

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: Ms. Dansbury, Ms. Gens, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Zablow, and Mr. Gabauer. ABSENT: Ms. Cheesman (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), Ms. Glenn, Ms. Trogdon, Ms. Wehrman (arrived at 7:05 p.m.).

Also attending were: Dr. Diane DeGiacomo, Superintendent, and Mrs. Peggy A. Ianoale, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Staff attending were: Liz Brotherton, Mark Damon, Patrick Lynch, Dennis Morolda, Reba Snyder, Serena Rosen, Kathleen Siegfried, Louisa Kenny.

Visitors attending: Jim Brotherton.

D. PRESENTATION

1. Superintendent's Search Group: Mr. Ed Meglis presented a plan for the Bordentown Regional School District's Superintendent Search.

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E. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

1. Reports will be given for the 3/19/08 Action Meeting

F. PRESIDENT GABAUER'S REPORT

1. Minutes from 2/12/08 meeting
2. Budget Discussion

A motion was made by Ms. Cheesman, seconded by Ms. Zablow to approve the 2008-2009 School Year Budget as Revised. It will be presented at the Public Hearing on 3/19/08.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Cheesman, Ms. Dansbury, Ms. Gens, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Wehrman, Ms. Zablow. NOES: Mr. Gabauer. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Ms. Glenn, Ms. Trogdon.
Motion approved by a majority vote.

G. PUBLIC FORUM

No comments from the public

H. ATHLETIC REPORT - Ms. Heather Cheesman

No report

I. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS REPORT - Mr. Brian Lynch

No report

J. CURRICULUM/STUDENT ACTIVITIES REPORT - Ms. Chris Trogdon

1. Minutes from Meeting on 2/27/08

K. FINANCE REPORT - Ms. Pauline Glenn

No report

L. NEGOTIATIONS REPORT - Ms. Joann Dansbury

No report

M. PERSONNEL REPORT - Ms. Kim Zablow

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

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M. PERSONNEL REPORT - Ms. Kim Zablow (continued)

1. 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. Affidavits from the applicants attesting to no criminal record are in the Superintendent's possession. Staff to whom this resolution applies are noted in **bold** print.

a. Motion to approve Mr. Ryan Pina, student at Ursinus College, to observe Mr. Joseph Sprague's class at BRHS in partial fulfillment of college course requirements, effective 3/10/08 to 3/14/08.

b. Motion to approve posting for a part-time 17 hr/wk Instructional Aide for AM Preschool Handicapped Class at PMS. This aide is needed to meet code requirements.

Motion unanimously approved.

N. POLICY REPORT - Mr. Brian Lynch

No report

O. TECHNOLOGY REPORT - Ms. Joann Dansbury

No report

P. SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT - Ms. Joann Dansbury

No report

Q. CE/R REPORT - Ms. Chris Trogdon

No report

R. BCC REPORT - Ms. Heather Cheesman

No report

S. PTO/PTA/ED FOUNDATION REPORT - Ms. Peggy Gens

No report

T. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Dr. Diane DeGiacomo

1. Approval of Resolution that March is "Music Touches Lives" month - TO BE RECOGNIZED 3/19/08

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U. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - Ms. Peggy Ianoale

Approval of the following items on 3/19/08:

1. ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS
 - Board Secretary's Report
 - Treasurer's Report
 - List of Bills
 - Transportation Report (Nov/Dec)
- 2.a. Acceptance of Board Secretary's Monthly Certification, Budgetary Line Item Status
- b. Certification of budgetary Major Account/Fund Status
3. February 2008 Completed Work Orders

V. STUDENT/PROGRAMS

1. Acceptance of Enrollment & Fire Drill Reports
3/19/08 Meeting
2. Approval of New Curricula:
 - a. Honors Biology Revision
 - b. College Prep Biology Revision
 - c. Contemporary Literature
 - d. Shakespeare in Performance
 - e. 6th Grade Counseling Cycle
 - f. Mechanical & Architectural Drafting
 - g. 4th Grade - Early US/NJ History Part I
(revisions from 2006)
 - h. 5th Grade - Early US/NJ History Part II
(New 2007)
 - i. 6th Grade - The Ancient World (revisions
from 2006)
 - j. 7th Grade - The Medieval World (new 2007)
 - k. 9th Grade - US History in the 20th Century
(new 2007)
 - l. HS elective - Human Thought Systems -
Philosophy and World Religions (new 2007)
 - m. Health Grades 1-5
3. Approval of New Textbooks:
 - a. Music Theory (BRHS) - Berklee Music Theory
I, Berklee Music Theory II
 - b. 6th Grade Music (BRMS) - Making Music

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

4. Motion to approve sponsoring of student for
2008 Boys State at a cost of \$185.00.

Motion unanimously approved.

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W. OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT(S)

No report

X. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Township Bylaw Proposal:

Mr. Gabauer will send a letter to the Township Committee responding to their Bylaw Proposals. We will only agree with #1 and #4. If that is not satisfactory to them, the board will proceed with dissolution.

A motion was made by Ms. Cheesman, seconded by Ms. Dansbury to approve Mr. Gabauer sending a letter to the Township Committee responding to their Bylaw Proposals. We will only agree with #1 and #4. If that is not satisfactory to them, the board will proceed with dissolution.

Motion unanimously approved.

2. Letter from Mr. John Wehrman regarding use of Gilder Field for Baseball:

Mr. Gabauer will respond to Mr. Wehrman's letter. We cannot offer money, but will volunteer manpower.

3. Information from Executive County Superintendent Burlington County Meeting

Y. NEW HANOVER REPORT

No report

Z. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES - Ms. Jaclyn Gabauer and Ms.

Harlee Gallo

1. Prom is June 6, 2008

2. Lock-In is Friday, March 7, 2008

3. Nicole Walls and Daequan Kim made the finals for Winter Track

AA. OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by Ms. Cheesman, seconded by Ms. Gens to approve Mr. Ed Meglis and Mr. Charley Prato to conduct the Superintendent Search for the Bordentown Regional School District at a cost of \$5,000.

Motion unanimously approved.

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BB. BOARD AND PUBLIC FORUM

Talent Show tomorrow (3/6/08) at 6:30 in
the BRMS gym

CC. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if necessary)

Not necessary

DD. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Cheesman, seconded
by Ms. Dansbury to adjourn the meeting at
8:45 p.m.

Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Gabauer, III
President

Peggy A. Ianoale
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

