

BRSD Board of Education

March 16, 2005 - Minutes

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 Ms. Glenn presiding.

The Superintendent 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 5, 2004 through April 6, 2005, was conveyed to the Burlington County Times, Register News, and the Trenton Times on May 12, 2004.

Ms. Glenn led the members of the Board in the salute to the flag and a moment of silent meditation.

The following members answered roll call:

Mrs. Dansbury, Mr. DiLemme, Mr. Hirschfeld, Mr. Lynch, Dr. Nicholls, and Ms. Glenn. ABSENT: Mr. Binder, Mr. Gore (arrived at 7:35 p.m.), Mrs. Trogdon.

Also attending:

Mr. John Polomano, Superintendent

Staff attending were: Reba Snyder, Ann Marie O'Leary.

Visitors attending were: No one signed in.

EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

Mr. DiLemme read the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Dansbury and unanimously approved at 7:30 p.m.:

Open Public Meetings Act

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,

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

PERSONNEL

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 8:00 p.m.

Superintendent's Report

- Cover Memo
- Letter to Mr. D'Antoni from Carteret High School Varsity Bowling Coach
- Recognition: 2004-2005 Winter Athletes and Coaches, Assisted by Mr. Banos
 - Wrestling Coach - Mr. Joe Sprague - Outstanding achievement of wrestling team
 - Girls' Basketball Coach - Mr. Rob Shappell - Outstanding achievement of team
 - Boys' Basketball Coach - Mr. Mark Drew - Outstanding achievement of team
 - Track Coach - Mr. Charlie Miller - Outstanding achievement of indoor track team
 - Girls' Bowling Coach - Ms. Lauren Niewender
 - Boys' Bowling Coach - Mr. Ron Jones

- Jonathan Gens - Wrestling - 1st Team, Patriot Division
- Andrew Carthan - Wrestling - 2nd Team, Patriot Division
- Brent Clemens - Wrestling - Outstanding post-season
- Jillian Phillips - Girls' Basketball - 1st Team Patriot Division
- Emily Napolitano - Girls' Basketball - 2nd Team Patriot Division
- Latoya Taylor - Girls' Basketball - 2nd Team Patriot Division
- Samuel McDuffie - Boys' Basketball - 1st Team Patriot Division

- Rob Novak - Outstanding achievement with winter track

- The Girls' Bowling Team will be invited to be recognized for their Division Championship and for individual All-Star status

- The Boys' Bowling Team will be invited to be recognized for their Division Championship, for finishing 2nd place in the state and for individual All-Star status

A motion was made by Mrs. Dansbury, seconded by Mr. DiLemme to approve the following Resolution: March is "Music, the Heart of Education" Month in our schools. Mr. Frank Planas-Borgstrom accepted the presentation. Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dansbury, seconded by Dr. Nicholls to accept the Consent Agenda. **This motion also included tabling approval of the substitute list.**

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

ABSENT: Mr. Binder, Mrs. Trogdon.

Motion unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes

February 2, 2005

February 15, 2005

February 16, 2005

February 22, 2005

Acceptance of Reports

CE/R Monthly Report

Out of District Placements

Home Bound Instruction List

Suspensions

Enrollment

Fire Drills

BRHS 680

02/08/05 & 02/15/05

MJS 327

02/15/05 & 02/17/05

CBS 368

02/03/05 & 02/08/05

PMES 725

02/09/05 & 02/16/05

TOTAL 2,100

Approve Out-of District Placements

Approval of Substitute Personnel (tabled)

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

List of Bills (March)

Transportation Report (January)

PUBLIC FORUM

STAFF PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Mrs. Dansbury, seconded by Mr. DiLemme, 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 leave of absence for Ms. Carrie Pokallus from the position of Math/Computer teacher at BRHS, effective May 28, 2005 through June 30, 2005. She will use 20 days prior to delivery of her child and 20 days

after the delivery of her child as paid sick time and then continue on Family Leave Act through June 30, 2006.

- b. Accept resignation of Mr. David Berkowitz from the position of Math/Science Supervisor, effective May 2, 2005.
- c. Approve Ms. Sara Termini, School Counseling candidate at Holy Family University, as a guidance counselor intern for the 2005-2006 school year to work with Mrs. Betty Vaneekhoven at MJS.
- d. Accept resignation of Ms. Christine Williams from the position of 17 hours/week Instructional Aide in 4th grade at CBS, effective March 11, 2005.
- e. Approve salary adjustments for Educational Credits:

Spring 2005 Salary Adjustments - Pro-Rated

NAME	FORMER STATUS	NEW STATUS	NEW SALARY	SALARY
				ADJUSTMENT
Boccanfuso, Beth	Step 4 BA	Step 4 BA + 6	\$44,040	\$640.00
Conlin, Rob	Step 3 BA + 6	Step 3 BA + 12	\$43,487	\$147.00
Cranmer, Robert	Step 7 MA + 24	Step 7 MA + 30	\$48,437	\$105.00
Felice, Amy	Step 4 BA	Step 4 BA + 6	\$44,040	\$640.00
Kenny, Louisa	Step 11 BA + 6	Step 11 BA + 12	\$50,987	\$147.00
Kish, Kristin	Step 2 BA + 6	Step 2 BA + 12	\$42,487	\$147.00
Niewender, Lauren	Step 1 BA	Step 1 BA + 6	\$41,140	\$640.00
Niznik, Christine	Step 1 BA + 12	Step 1 BA + 18	\$41,339	\$ 52.00
Shappell, Robert	Step 4.5 BA	Step 4.5 BA + 6	\$44,340	\$640.00
Vaneekhoven, Betty	Step 19, MA + 18	Step 19 MA + 30	\$70,500*	\$210.00

*includes \$1,315.00 for Longevity

- f. Approve Ms. Kimberly Blood as Science teacher at MJS, replacing Ms. Holly Studzinski. Ms. Blood is currently the substitute for Ms. Studzinski. Ms. Blood is currently at Step 1BA, \$40,500.
- g. Approve extension of leave of absence under provisions of the Family Leave Act for Ms. Lisa Carroll from March 13, 2005 through March 29, 2005.
- h. Approve Ms. Amy Felice as Resource Teacher at BRHS, replacing Mr. Jim Ryan; position and salary eff. 9/1/05, Step 5BA, \$46,400. Ms. Felice currently teaches at MJS.
- i. Approve Ms. Elizabeth Glenn as Resource Teacher at MJS, replacing Ms. Felice; position and salary eff. 9/1/05, Step 3BA, \$45,182. Ms. Glenn currently teaches Grade 5 in-class support at CBS. This means there is a vacancy at CBS for September 2005.

- j. Accept, with best wishes, resignation of Ms. Jennifer Hutnick from the position of English teacher at BRHS, effective June 30, 2005. (Personnel options will be explained)
- k. Accept, with best wishes, resignation from Ms. Jimette Toth from the position of Instructional Aide at CBS. Ms. Toth is currently on leave through June 30, 2005.
- l. Approve Ms. Kamuran Kelly as an interpreter for elementary student at \$34.50 per hour for 3 hours State testing.

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

Motion unanimously approved.

STAFF PERSONNEL INFORMATION

Job Postings: Supervisor of Math/Science, CBS 2nd grade teacher to cover for maternity leave, MJS full-time Science teacher (to cover Ms. Studzinski's resignation), Spanish teacher BRHS

STUDENT PERSONNEL & PROGRAMS

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

3. Approve Resolution concerning expansion of New Jersey Turnpike
4. Approve use of choral risers by Christ Church Parish in Bordentown for Community Ecumenical Choir Festival on March 13, 2005

Motion approved by a majority vote ("3"). (Mr. Gore voted "No").

Motion unanimously approved ("4").

POLICIES (None)

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
3. Approve Transfer of Funds as attached
4. Approve February hand checks
5. Approve Resolution to approve allocation of
unbudgeted fund balance
6. Approve Change Order #GC-07, MJS in the amount of
\$1,340.00

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

Motion unanimously approved.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Board/Staff Committee Calendar Update - we are awaiting

more input

INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Public Hearing for Proposed Budget - March 23, 2005,
7:00 p.m. - MJS Library
 2. Budget Update
 3. Updated Board Committee List (new information for Mr.
Hirschfeld has been previously e-mailed)
 4. BRHS Scholastic Achievement Awards Banquet - May 2,
2005
 5. CAP Information after March 7, 2005 meeting
 6. Letters sent to district municipalities - these letters
were sent to all governing officials in all three
municipalities
 7. Set date for BCC Meeting
 8. Set date for re-organization meeting: Monday, April 25,
2005, MJS Library, 7:30 p.m.
 9. Draft of the Metal Building Plaque for new high school:
discussion of names that should be on plaque
10. Press release regarding national award for

"Connection Mentoring Program"
11. Update on 5K run - Mr. DiLemme gave an update

BOARD & PUBLIC FORUM

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Dr. Nicholls to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Pauline Glenn, President

John Polomano, Superintendent