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A. CALL TO ORDER

The **Action Meeting** of the Board of Education of the Bordentown Regional School District was convened on the above date at 6:30 p.m. with Ms. Joann Dansbury 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 6, 2008 through April 1, 2009 was conveyed to the Burlington County Times, The Register News, and the Trenton Times on April 28, 2008.

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, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. MacEwan, Mr. Potts, Ms. Wehrman, Ms. Zablow.
ABSENT: Mr. Sirak - New Hanover (arrived at 6:45 p.m.), Mr. Lynch.

Also attending: Dr. Constance Bauer, Superintendent, and Mrs. Peggy A. Ianoale, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Staff attending: Liz Brotherton, Joyce Court, Sally Craig, Renee Woodley, Ann Marie O'Leary, Chris O'Leary, Reba Snyder, Dan Riether, Barbara Johnson, Stephanie Transky, Barbara Boucher, P. Van Mater, Craig Patterson, Vanessa Dixon, J. McCue, M. Porcelli, L. Guney, T. Borgstrom, Margaret B. Slocum, Barbara Parmagiani, Jason P. Melber, Terence Degnon, Darla Bush, Chris O'Leary, Tuesday Robinson, Melanie Stokes, Lauren Brandimarto, Kate Sakowski, Kim Blood, Sarah Witkowski, Lisa Swanson, Fran Spinelli, Nancy Ammon, Jackie Dzurenko, Jean Williams, Sondra Marion, Adrienne Sigler, Gerry Anderson, Terry Bell, Theresa Marotta, Anna Swiniuchowski, Michelle DiAntonio, Margaret Rizzo.

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Visitors attending: Ed Tranosky, Mae Hamilton, Terry Johnson, Marianne Jackson, Domenica Lally, Zandra Buenano, Warren Bell.

D. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Hoffman read the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Gabauer and unanimously approved at 6:30 p.m.:

Executive Session Resolution

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 aforesaid 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 7:05 p.m.

E. RECOGNITION

1. A Resolution was read for "Music in Our Schools Month". This year's theme is "*Music! Just Imagine...*".

A motion was made by Ms. Wehrman, seconded by Ms. Gens, to approve the following Resolution: March is "Music in Our Schools Month".

Motion unanimously approved.

2. The 3rd Grade Chorus from Clara Barton School performed for the board and the audience.

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F. PUBLIC FORUM - for Agenda Items only

The following members of the audience spoke: Ms. Karen Forea, Mr. Nick Casey, Ms. Reba Snyder, Mr. Dave Valeri, and Ms. Karla Lippincott.

G. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES - Ms. Harlee Gallo and Mr. Austin Kruger (in attendance)

Mr. Austin Kruger spoke about the upcoming school play, "South Pacific", to be held on March 26-28, 2009. He also mentioned the class elections to be held in April.

H. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

(**New Hanover votes)

A motion was made by Ms. Gens, seconded by Ms. Hoffman to approve the Consent Agenda items as follow:

1. Motion to approve Minutes from 2/11/09, 2/18/09, and 2/25/09**

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)

2. Motion to approve Substitute Personnel List** (additional names: Patricia Spundarelli and Calvin McRae - both degreed)
3. Motion to approve Travel Requests**
4. Motion to approve Special Education Report
5. Motion to accept Enrollment, Fire Drill, and Suspension Reports**

Enrollment

BRHS	768
BRMS	536
MIS	348
CBS	225
PMS	576

2,453

Fire Drills

02/11/2009, 02/25/2009
02/02/2009, 02/11/2009
02/09/2009, 02/11/2009
02/02/2009, 02/18/2009
02/02/2009, 02/09/2009

6. Motion to accept Board Secretary's Report**
7. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report**

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H. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL (continued)

8. Motion to accept List of Bills**

9. Motion to accept Transportation Report from
September-December 2008**

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Dansbury, Mr.
Gabauer, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. MacEwan, Mr.
Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman, Ms.
Zablow. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT:
Mr. Lynch.

Motion unanimously approved.

I. PERSONNEL REPORT

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

(**New Hanover Votes)

**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 are noted in **bold** print.

a. Motion to approve unpaid family medical leave of
four days for Ms. Colleen Ferrarese from the
position of 1st Grade Teacher at CBS.

b. Motion to approve Mr. Jack West as Assistant
Spring Boys' Track Coach for BRHS, Step 1, \$3,552.

c. Motion to approve Family Medical Leave of Absence
for Ms. Amanda Sexton from the position of Art
Teacher at BRHS, effective May 18, 2009 through
June 30, 2009.

d. Motion to approve Ms. Lisa Sabo to do practicum
hours for her educational administration program
at the University of Scranton. She will be
mentored by Mr. Dan Riether.

e. Motion to accept, with best wishes, retirement of
Ms. Gerry Anderson from the position of 5th Grade
Teacher at MacFarland Intermediate School,
effective June 30, 2009.

Motion unanimously approved.

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I. PERSONNEL REPORT (continued)

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

Due to financial considerations and the need to ascertain students' instructional programming needs for the 2009-2010 school year, the positions of transportation aide and copy aide are abolished effective June 30, 2009, and a reduction in force of all aides hired after June 30, 2008 is in effect June 30, 2009.**

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. MacEwan, Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman, Ms. Zablow. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Lynch.

Motion unanimously approved.

J. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

A motion was made by Ms. Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Potts to approve the following:

1. Motion to approve Board Secretary's Monthly Certification Budgetary Line Item Status and Budgetary Major Account/Fund Status**
2. Motion to approve Spring 2009 Salary Adjustments for Continuing Education Credits retroactive to February 1, 2009**

Spring 2009 Salary Adjustments
Continuing Education Credits

NAME	FORMER STATUS	NEW STATUS	NEW SALARY	SALARY ADJUSTMENT
Blue, Robin	Step 10, BA+6	Step 10, BA+12	\$56,678	\$334
DeMas, Jennifer	Step 13, BA+30	Step 13, MA+6	\$63,954	\$1,600
Leasure, Barbara	Step 2.5, BA+24	Step 2.5, BA+30	\$49,200	\$350
Riley, Audrey	Step 12, BA+18	Step 12, BA+24	\$60,242	\$350
Santillo, Elizabeth	Step 5, BA	Step 5.5, BA+6	\$52,8	\$716
Stanton, Leona	Step 6, BA+24	Step 6, MA	\$55,433	\$1,250
Tentilucci, Carla	Step 4, BA+12	Step 4, BA+18	\$52,511	\$350

3. Completed Work Orders - February 2009**
4. Motion to approve participation in coverage waiver for School Employees Health Benefits Program, effective May 1, 2009. Payout will be as follows:
Single: \$2,500; Parent/Child: \$3,000;
Employee/Spouse/Domestic Partner: \$4,000; Family: \$5,000. This will be paid over a 10-month period of time to all staff members who elect this option.

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J. BUSINESS AND FINANCE (continued)

5. Motion to accept IDEA Funds in the amount of \$511,580.**

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ms. Dansbury, Mr. Gabauer, Ms. Gens, Ms. Hoffman, Mr. MacEwan, Mr. Potts, Mr. Sirak (New Hanover), Ms. Wehrman, Ms. Zablow. NOES: None. ABSTENTIONS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Lynch.

Motion unanimously approved.

K. POLICY

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

1. 1st Reading Special Ed Policies: #5215, 5196, 5216, 5235, 5230, 5326, 5245, 5250, 5211, 5237, 5220, 5201, 5222, 5223, 5218, 5219 (4 policies without numbers and minor adjustments will be made)

2. 1st Reading Special Education Procedures

Motion unanimously approved.

L. CURRICULUM REPORTS

A motion was made by Mr. Gabauer, seconded by Mr. MacEwan to approve the following:

1. Motion to approve participation in Special Olympics Program at CBS. This is at no cost to the board as the teachers are volunteering their time.

Motion unanimously approved.

M. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A Policy Committee meeting was held tonight.

N. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

1. Motion to approve revised 2009-2010 single sheet calendar**

2. Motion to approve child of staff member to attend PMS for Kindergarten in the 2009-2010 school year

Motion unanimously approved.

O. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. MIS Express, newsletter - March 2009

2. Invitation to 2nd Grade Invention Convention at PMS

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O. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS (continued)

3. Dates for budget presentations - please choose which one you can attend:

3/24/09 - CBS & MIS @ CBS Library 7:00 p.m. (Ms. Gens, Ms. Dansbury, Mr. MacEwan)

4/6/09 - BRMS 7:00 p.m. (Ms. Zablow, Mr. Potts)

4/7/09 - PMS & BRHS @ PMS 7:00 p.m. (Ms. Hoffman, Ms. Wehrman, Ms. Zablow)

The Budget/Board Election date is Tuesday, April 21, 2009 and the polls are open from 3:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

4. Set date for the Reorganization Meeting for 5/6/09

5. Invitation to Burlington County Bridge Commission meeting on 3/30/09

P. NEW HANOVER REPORT - Mr. Chris Sirak

A school play will be held on April 3rd, 4th, and 5th. It is a review of the last 10 years of plays that the school has done.

Q. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

R. BOARD AND PUBLIC FORUM

No one spoke from the board. The following people addressed the board and public: Mr. Ed Transosky; Mr. Chris O'Leary; Ms. Heather Wawryzniak; Mr. Buddy Tyler; Mr. Ray Snook; Ms. Terry Johnson; Ms. Margaret Casey-Kruger; Ms. Reba Snyder.

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Not necessary

T. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Wehrman, seconded by Mr. MacEwan to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian K. Lynch
President

Peggy A. Ianoale
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

