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- I. Regular Session Call to Order 5:30 p.m.
- II. Salute to the Flag

III Roll Call

Present: Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Rascio, Mr.

Salmon, Ms. White, Ms. Brooks, Mr. Markarian, Mr. Siet, Ms. Fox. Board

Counsel John Croot

Absent: Ms. Light, Ms. Hira

IV. Executive Session – 5:31 p.m.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bernards Township Board of Education shall meet in closed session to discuss item(s) a, b, e, f, g and h below which falls within an exception of our open meeting policy and permits the Board to have a private discussion, since it deals with specific exceptions contained in N.J.S.A.10:4-12b. Matters rendered confidential by Federal Law, State Law, or Court Rule:

- a. Individual privacy
- b. Collective bargaining agreements
- c. Purchase or lease of real property if public interest could be adversely affected
- d. Investment of public funds if public interest could be adversely affected
- e. Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting public safety and property
- f. Pending or anticipated litigation
- g. Attorney client privilege
- h. Personnel employment matters affecting a specific prospective or current employee

On motion by Ms. White seconded by Mr. Salmon and approved by all present, the Board recessed into executive session at 5:31p.m.

Any discussion held by the Board, which need not remain confidential, will be made public as soon as practical. Minutes of the private session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists. All appropriate persons, who may be discussed in private session, have been adequately notified.

On motion by Mr. Molinari seconded by Ms. White and approved by all present, the Board closed executive session at 6:59p.m.

V. Reconvene Regular Session – Call to Order – 7:07 p.m.

VI. Statement of Public Notice

This is a regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Bernards Township. Notice of the time and place of this meeting was provided and copies of that resolution were forwarded to the official newspapers as designated by the Board of Education and to the Township Clerk and a copy of the notice was posted on the bulletin board of the Board of Education Offices in accordance with P.L. 1975 Chapter 231A.

For those members of the public who are unable to attend our meeting in-person, a livestream link of the meeting is posted on the district website, www.bernardsboe.com.

We very much welcome input from the public. There are two times during regular meetings that the public is invited to speak. One time is early in the meeting before the Board votes, when you may speak about any item that is listed on tonight's agenda. Towards the end of the meeting, there is another public forum to address any matter of public concern related to the schools.

When you approach the microphone, please state your name and address. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three (3) minutes duration. No participant may speak more than once during a given public comment session. In order to run efficient meetings and to allow maximum opportunity for members of the public to speak, the Board reserves the right to set a different time limit for individual comments and/or to set an overall time limit for the public comment portions of the agenda. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer, no participant may address or question Board members individually.

As a courtesy to those individuals unable to attend our meetings in person, public comment may be made remotely through Zoom. Interested individuals should navigate to the district webpage, www.bernardsboe.com, and select "Board of Education" followed by "Public Comment" to review specific instructions, or click here.

Public comments made in-person will be processed first, then comments via Zoom. No public comments will be accepted before 7PM or after item XVIII. Board Forum of the agenda begins.

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Please understand that public comment portions of our agendas are not structured as question and answer sessions, but rather they are offered as opportunities to share your thoughts with the Board. The Board/Administration will respond to public comments to the extent possible. Any Board responses to public comments will generally be addressed during Board Forum, or during committee reports. However, all comments are considered and will be investigated and addressed as appropriate.

Please be courteous and mindful of the rights of others when speaking. Comments may not be abusive, obscene, threatening or irrelevant. Please understand that students and employees have specific legal and privacy protections. The Board is not permitted to respond in public to comments about students and employees. Please also understand that the Board will not be responsible for the content of comments made by members of the public. Members of the public are cautioned that they are speaking at their own risk and any personally directed statements they make may subject them to legal liability to the effected individual.

If it is necessary for the Board to go into executive session at the end of the meeting, we will provide an estimated length of time for the session and whether any action is anticipated to be taken upon returning to public session.

VII. **Student Representative** – Kyle Swan

Mr. Swan discussed the events happening at Ridge High School including sports updates, a meeting with Aramark and the student government to discuss cafeteria food, color wars, Ridge Gives Back, the March musical and upcoming fundraisers.

VIII. Board President Comments

IX. Superintendent's Report

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby affirm receipt of the **HIB Report** dated March 1, 2023.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby recognize the inception of the following **New Extra-Curricular Club**:

School: Club:

Ridge High School MESA (Middle East and South Asia) and Friends

On motion by Mr. Salmon seconded by Ms. McKeon Items #1-2 were approved by the following roll call vote:

"Ayes" - Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Rascio, Board of Education Meeting Minutes March 1, 2023

Mr. Salmon, Ms. White

"Noes" - None "Abstain" - None

Superintendent Markarian noted that performance times for the spring drama productions at the middle school and high school as well as ticketing information were posted on the Performing Arts Center website.

X. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Comments from the public included the topics of the New Jersey Health Curriculum standards and concerns, the Equity Audit and the growing population of families with Special Needs children and possible funding options.

XI. Approval of Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following minutes:

February 13, 2023 – Executive Minutes February 13, 2023 – Regular Session Minutes

On motion by Mr. Salmon seconded by Mr. Rascio the foregoing were approved by the following roll call vote:

"Ayes" - Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Rascio, Mr. Salmon, Ms. White

"Noes" - None "Abstain" - None

XII. Finance Committee Report

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a list of disbursements dated February 27, 2023 consisting of warrants in the amount of \$9,142,303.93.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the January 2023 Financial Reports from the Board Secretary, the monthly Investment Report for January 2023, the weekly reports of Electronic Fund Transfers and Bank Wires for January 2023, and the Treasurer of the School Monies Report for January 2023.

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e), the Bernards Township Board of Education, after review of the Secretary's Monthly Financial Report and upon

consultation with the appropriate district officials, and to the best of their knowledge, certifies that as of the date of the Secretary's Monthly Financial Report, no major account or fund has been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

- 3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the January 2023 line item transfers totaling \$255,016.80 the 2022-23 school budget, list on file in the Board Office.
- 4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve professional development expenses in accordance with P.L. 2007 An Act Concerning School District Accountability and annual Board resolution for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years:

Name:	Name of Conference:	<u>Cost</u> :	Date(s):
K. Martin	PMT Recertification Training	\$445	03/01/2023
A. Blinder	PMP Certification	\$405	03/01/2023
J. Kaltenbach	NJAML Annual Conference	\$201	03/15/2023
P. Zartler	NJAML Annual Conference	\$185	03/15/2023
S. Smith	ASCA National Conference	\$179	07/18/2023

5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following field trip destination for the 2022-23 school year:

Destination:	Group Attending:	Number of Students:	Date(s):
Morris Museum	LCS Grade 2	73	04/05/2023
St. Huberts Animal	LCS Grade 5	8	02/28/2023
Welfare Center			

- 6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve disposal of equipment/ books for the 2022-23 school year; list maintained in the Board of Education office.
- 7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the submission of the grant application amendment for IDEA monies for the FY 2023 for a total amount including prior year carryover funds of:

Basic:	Public:	\$1,359,930 \$1,329,981
	Non-Public:	\$29,949
Preschool:	Public: Non-Public:	\$93,967 \$93,967 \$0

8) WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Bernards Township Board of Education (the "Board") to engage the services of an architect to design and develop drawings for the DOE ROD grant and for the submission of the DOE ROD grant; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has confirmed the terms of engagement with respect to rates and services proposed by Spiezle Architectural Group (1395 Yardville Hamilton Square Road, Suite 202, Trenton, N.J. 08691) to provide professional services for HVAC Upgrades at all the schools to comply with the ROD grant submission and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Spiezle Architectural Group to provide architectural services to the Board has been determined by the Board to be most likely to best serve the interests of the Board; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bernards Township Board of Education as follows:

1. The services of the following firm are hereby engaged to provide the architectural services specified in the preparation of drawings and documentation required to submit for the available Tier I Rod grants in an amount not to exceed \$8,400 plus an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for reimbursable costs:

Spiezle Architectural Group 1395 Yardville Hamilton Square Road Suite 202 Trenton, N.J. 08691

- 2. The services to be rendered by the Board's Architect are services to be performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by law and, therefore, comply with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1) as professional services.
- 9) WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Bernards Township Board of Education (the "Board") to engage the services of an engineer to develop plans, drawings, specifications and provide project implementation; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has confirmed the terms of engagement with respect to rates and services proposed by Boswell Engineering (330 Phillips Avenue, P.O. Box 3152, South Hackensack, NJ 07606 -1722) to provide professional services for drainage, and field improvements at the Ridge High School Varsity Sports Complex; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Boswell Engineering to provide engineering services to the Board has been determined by the Board to be most likely to best serve the interests of the Board; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bernards Township Board of Education as follows:

1. The services of the following firm are hereby engaged to provide the engineering services inclusive of Conceptual Design (\$12,400), Topographic Survey (\$10,400), Soil

Borings and Geotechnical Report (\$10,200), Design and Specification of Contract Documents (\$82,400), Bid Administration (\$5,400) and Construction Administration (\$43,600). The total for all of these services is \$164,400. The Board has the right to cancel the contract at any time and only pay for services rendered to date.

Boswell Engineering 330 Phillips Avenue P.O. Box 3152 South Hackensack, NJ 07606-1722

- 2. The services to be rendered by Boswell Engineering are services to be performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by law and, therefore, comply with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1) as professional services.
- 10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve Applied Behavior Analysis consultative services for the district during the 2022-23 school year with DATA Group Central in the amount not to exceed \$62,560.00.
- 11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve bilingual speech/language, educational and psychological evaluations for student #3702182 with Learning Tree Multilingual Evaluation & Consulting in the amount not to exceed \$2,550.00.
- 12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve bilingual speech/language, educational and psychological evaluations for student #3702197 with Learning Tree Multilingual Evaluation & Consulting in the amount not to exceed \$2,550.00.
- 13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve bilingual speech/language, educational and psychological evaluations for student #3601572 with Learning Tree Multilingual Evaluation & Consulting in the amount not to exceed \$2,550.00.
- 14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve bilingual speech/language, educational and psychological evaluations for student #3802175 with Learning Tree Multilingual Evaluation & Consulting in the amount not to exceed \$2,550.00.
- 15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve bilingual speech/language and psychological evaluations for student #3301760 with Learning Tree Multilingual Evaluation & Consulting in the amount not to exceed \$1,700.00.
- 16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve AAC Coaching for student #308034 with Garden State AAC Specialists in the amount not to exceed \$190.00.

- 17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve Neuropsychological Evaluation for student #3301346 with Bartky HealthCare Center, LLC in the amount not to exceed \$6,300.00.
- 18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve Nursing Services for student #301350 with Towne Kids LLC in the amount not to exceed \$69,000.00.
- 19) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve regular school year tuition for student #2900974 from January 27, 2023 to June 21, 2023 at Shepard School in the amount not to exceed \$28,340.10.
- 20) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve regular school year tuition for student #308060 from January 30, 2023 to June 15, 2023 at Flex School in the amount not to exceed \$27,830.00.
- 21) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve Nursing Services for student #3101563 with BrightStar Care in the amount not to exceed \$11,340.00.
- 22) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve home instruction for student #308327 from February 8, 2023 to March 8, 2023 at Stepping Forward Counseling Center in the amount not to exceed \$3,213.60.
- WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Bernards Township Board of Education (the "Board") to engage the services of an architect to survey, design and develop drawings and specifications, bidding, and construction administration for kitchen equipment upgrades at five schools; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has confirmed the terms of engagement with respect to rates and services proposed by Spiezle Architectural Group (1395 Yardville Hamilton Square Road, Suite 202, Trenton, N.J. 08691) to provide professional services for kitchen equipment replacement at five schools including site work which will be used for a future survey line upgrade and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Spiezle Architectural Group to provide architectural services to the Board has been determined by the Board to be most likely to best serve the interests of the Board; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bernards Township Board of Education as follows:

1. The services of the following firm are hereby engaged to provide the architectural services specified in the equipment replacement drawings, documentation, approvals, bidding, in an amount not to exceed \$46,800 and construction administration and close out costs in amount not to exceed \$11,800, plus reimbursable costs not to exceed \$2,500, for a total amount not to exceed \$61,100:

Spiezle Architectural Group 1395 Yardville Hamilton Square Road Suite 202 Trenton, N.J. 08691

- 2. The services to be rendered by the Board's Architect are services to be performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by law and, therefore, comply with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1) as professional services.
- 24) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a transportation services agreement with Kensington Bus Company for the 2023-24 school year. Route costs for the 2023-24 school year are as follows:

Kensington	n Bus Comp	any 2023-2	2024			
Route #:	Per Diem Route Cost:	Per Diem Tier Cost:	Incr/Dec Adjustment Cost:	Per Diem Aide Cost:	Per Diem Tier Aide Cost:	Total Costs Per Route/Per Tier:
RH06	\$287.94		\$0.95			
RLC02	\$287.94		\$0.95			
		\$575.88				\$575.88
RH16	\$258.83		\$0.95			
ROS01	\$258.83		\$0.95			
		\$517.66				\$517.66
RH20	\$287.94		\$0.95			
RLC03	\$287.94		\$0.95			
		\$575.88				\$575.88
RH22	\$287.94		\$0.95			
ROS05	\$287.94		\$0.95			
		\$575.88				\$575.88
RWA01	\$287.94		\$0.95			
ROS02	\$287.94		\$0.95			
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RWA02	\$287.94		\$0.95			
ROS03	\$287.94		\$0.95			
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RWA03	\$287.94		\$0.95			
ROS04	\$287.94		\$0.95			
		\$575.88				\$575.88
RWA10	\$287.94		\$0.95			
RCH02	\$287.94		\$0.95			
		\$575.88				\$575.88
RWA11	\$287.94		\$0.95			
RCH04	\$287.94		\$0.95			
		\$575.88				\$575.88
RWA19	\$287.94		\$0.95			
RLC01	\$287.94		\$0.95			
		\$575.88				\$575.88
RH101	\$258.83		\$1.10	\$50.00		
RLCS11	\$258.83		\$1.10	\$50.00		
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RH103	\$258.83		\$1.10	\$50.00		
RLCS10	\$258.83		\$1.10	\$50.00		
RECSTO	Ψ250.05	\$517.66	ψ1.10	ψεσ.σσ	\$100.00	\$617.66
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RWAS1	\$258.83		\$1.10	\$50.00		
RCHS11	\$258.83		\$1.10	\$50.00		
Rensti	Ψ230.03	\$517.66	ψ1.10	ψ30.00	\$100.00	\$617.66
		ψυ17.00			ψ100.00	ψ017.00
RWAS2	\$311.76	1	\$1.10	\$75.00	1	
RMP05	\$311.76		\$1.10	\$75.00		
IXIVII US	φ511./0	\$623.52	ψ1.10	φ/3.00	\$150.00	\$773.52
		\$023.32			\$150.00	ψ113.34
RWAS3	\$311.76		\$1.10	\$75.00		
RMPPE01	\$311.76		\$1.10			
KWIFFEUI	\$311./0	\$622.52	φ1.10	\$75.00	\$150.00	\$772.52
		\$623.52	<u> </u>		\$150.00	\$773.52

²⁵⁾ The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a Master Staffing Service Agreement for the district during the 2022-23 school year with Therapy Travelers in the amount not to exceed \$31,500.00.

On motion by Mr. Salmon seconded by Ms. White Items #1-25 were approved by the following roll call vote:

"Ayes" - Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Rascio,

Mr. Salmon, Ms. White

"Noes" - None
"Abstain" - None

XIII. Personnel Committee Report

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following personnel items upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid Child Care Leave for **Janine Gebbia** Instructional Aide CBAP Program William Annin Middle School effective May 31, 2023 through June 19, 2023 utilizing 14 personal illness days, returning September 1, 2023.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve an unpaid New Jersey & Federal Family Leave for **Stacey Osucha** School Nurse William Annin Middle School effective March 2, 2023 through May 6, 2023, returning May 9, 2023.
- 3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve an unpaid Federal Family Leave for **Sandra Somers** Kindergarten Teacher Liberty Corner School effective May 2, 2023 through June 30, 2023, returning September 1, 2023.
- 4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the the following **Changes in Assignments/Salaries/Leaves and/or Locations** for the 2022-23 school year:

Staff Member:	From:	<u>To:</u>
Catarina Alves	School Counselor (1.05) William Annin Middle School at a salary \$99,583.05 effective September 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022 as a leave replacement for A. Stem. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked. Then a Spanish Teacher .2; School Counselor .8 William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 20 MA+30 \$98,634.64	School Counselor (1.05) William Annin Middle School at a salary \$99,583.05 effective September 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022 as a leave replacement for A. Stem. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked. School Counselor .85 & Spanish Teacher .2 William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 20 MA+30

	effective December 1, 2023	\$99,583.05 effective December
	through June 30, 2023. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked.	1, 2023 through June 30, 2023.
Brian Aronoff	Instructional Aide CBAP Program William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 2 \$25.18 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective September 1, 2023 through September 14, 2022 then an Instructional Aide WAMS BD Program at a salary of Step 2 \$25.04 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective September 15, 2022 through June 16, 2023	Instructional Aide CBAP Program William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 2 \$25.18 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective September 1, 2023 through September 14, 2022 then an Instructional Aide WAMS BD Program at a salary of Step 2 \$25.04 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective September 15, 2022 through February 27 2023 then an Instructional Aide CBAP Program Ridge High School at a salary of Step 2 \$25.18 per hour 7. 5 hours per day effective February 28, 2023 through June 16, 2023
Carol Beadle	Assistant Musical Choral RHS \$4,182.00 7 years/1 point/\$198	Assistant Musical Choral RHS .5 \$2,091.00 7 years/1 point/\$198
Fiorella Bologno	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem
Tara Cantagallo	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem
Emily Certisimo	Music Teacher Cedar Hill School /Strings Teacher Oak Street & Mount Prospect Schools at a salary of Step 1 BA \$55,378 effective September 1, 2022 through February 1, 2023 as a leave replacement for K. Casey & medical replacement. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked. Certificate of	Music Teacher Cedar Hill School /Strings Teacher Oak Street & Mount Prospect Schools at a salary of Step 1 BA \$55,378 effective September 1, 2022 through April 1, 2023 as a leave replacement for K. Casey & medical replacement. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked. Certificate of

	Eligibility w/Advanced Standing-Mentoring required.	Eligibility w/Advanced Standing-Mentoring required.
Jaclyn Coyne	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem
Katie Donahue	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem
Christine Donnelly	Kindergarten Teacher Liberty Corner School at a salary of Step 8 BA \$58,378 effective January 3, 2023 through end of assignment as a medical leave replacement.	Kindergarten Teacher Liberty Corner School at a salary of Step 8 BA \$58,378 effective January 3, 2023 through June 30, 2023 as a medical leave replacement.
Lauren Galac	District Nurse .6 at a salary of Step 10 BA \$60,378 effective December 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date and .6 status.	District Nurse .6 at a salary of Step 10 BA \$60,378 effective December 1, 2022 through March 5, 2023 then District Nurse .8 at a salary of 10 BA \$60,378 effective March 6, 2023 through June 30, 2023. Salary to be prorated to reflect start dates and FTE statuses.
Greg Gallet	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem
Monica Gupta	Paid Child Care Leave effective February 15, 2023 through April 21, 2023 utilizing 40 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey & a Federal Family Leave effective April 22, 2023 through July 17, 2023, then an unpaid child care leave effective July 18, 2023 through January 31, 2024, returning February 1, 2024.	Paid Child Care Leave effective February 15, 2023 through May 5, 2023 utilizing 50 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey & a Federal Family Leave effective May 6, 2023 through August 1, 2023, then an unpaid child care leave effective August 2, 2023 through January 31, 2024, returning February 1, 2024.
Kara Higgins	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem

Sarah Kaufman	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem
Liana LaVecchia	A.M. Proctor .2 Oak Street School \$266.00 2022-23 school year	A.M. Proctor .2 Oak Street School \$106.40 September-December
Joe Lipinski	Spring Fitness Center 3 days per week \$2,076.00 1 year/0 points/\$0	Spring Fitness Center 4 days per week \$2,768.00 1 year/0 points/\$0
Jessica Lynch	Approve a paid Child Care Leave effective March 16, 2023 through June 6, 2023 utilizing 50 personal illness days then an unpaid Federal Family Leave & New Jersey Leave effective June 7, 2023 through October 31, 2023, returning November 1, 2023.	Approve a paid Child Care Leave effective March 16, 2023 through June 6, 2023 utilizing 50 personal illness days then an unpaid Federal Family Leave & New Jersey Leave effective June 7, 2023 through June 30, 2023, returning September 1, 2023.
Jacob Reichman	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem
Maureen Rodgers	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem
Meredith Ross	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem
Sandra Somers	Grade Level Leader K LC \$2,726.00 (September-June)	Grade Level Leader K LC \$1,090.40 (September-December)
Jeff Stellitano	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem
Lauren Tan	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$200 per diem	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September \$250 per diem
Sandy Whelan	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September	Tea Time Wellness Day 1 day September

\$200 per diem	\$250 per diem
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- 5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve **Nora Beitz** English Language Arts Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 8
 MA \$65,316 effective March 6, 2023 through June 30, 2023 as a leave replacement for J. Lynch. Salary to be prorated for dates worked.
- 6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **John Kalian** Social Studies Teacher Ridge High School at a salary of Step 1 MA \$61,956 effective March 1, 2023 through April 2, 2023 as leave replacement for T. Liska. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked.
- 7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Jennifer Morsella** School Counselor Ridge High School at a salary of Step 1 MA+30 \$69,442.80 effective April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023 as a leave replacement for S. McGivney. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked.
- 8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Michelle Pine** Kindergarten Teacher Cedar Hill School at salary of Step 1 BA \$55,378 effective March 24, 2023 through June 30, 2023 as a leave replacement for S. O'Brien. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing Mentoring required. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked.
- 9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Nicole Poliseno** District School Nurse .2 at a salary of Step 8 MA \$65,316 effective March 13, 2023 through June 30, 2023. Salary to be prorated to reflect .2 status and start date.
- 10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Francis Rovelli** District ESL Teacher at a salary of Step 12 MA \$70,271 effective May 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.
- 11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Elana Steinberg** Speech Language Specialist Mount Prospect School at a salary of 11 MA \$68,911 effective April 10, 2023 through June 30, 2023. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.
- The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Vanessa Ventrice** Special Education Teacher .6 & an Instructional Aide .4 William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 1 MA \$61,956 effective March 24, 2023 through June 30, 2023 as a leave replacement for E. Ciccarelli. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked.
- 13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Geetha Gopinath** Instructional Aide CBAP Program Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 7

 \$28.68 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective March 29, 2023 through June 16, 2023.

- 14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Catherine Santaiti** Instructional Aide PALS Program Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 7 \$28.54 per hour 6.75 hours per day 4 days per week effective February 23, 2023 through June 19, 2023.
- 15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Various Assignments** for the 2022-23 school year:

Staff Member:	Assignment:	Salary:
Clayton Beyert	Trumpeter Ridge High School Musical	\$1,200.00 2022-23 school year
Amanda Bullet	After School Student Worker MP	\$14.13 per hour effective 1/1/23-6/16/23
Anita DeAngelis	Nurse Forensics RH Tournament	\$69.33 per hour 9 hours effective 1/28/23
Trevor Dour	After School Student Worker OS	\$14.13 per hour effective 1/1/23-6/16/23
Melynie Irey	After Care Program Non Certificated Staff MP	\$22.00 per hour 2022-23 school year
Veronica Kelada	After School Student Worker MP	\$14.13 per hour effective 1/1/23-6/16/23
Jade Lee	After School Student Worker MP	\$14.13 per hour effective 1/1/23-6/16/23
Arianna Mastroianni	After School Student Worker LC	\$14.13 per hour effective 1/1/23-6/16/23
Leena Mathai	After School Student Worker MP	\$14.13 per hour effective 2/1/23-6/16/23
Nick Neumann	After School Program LC	\$22.00 per hour effective 2/1/22-6/16/23
Jennifer Nicholson	Instant Alert/School	\$416.00 per month

	Messenger	effective 3/13/23-5/5/23
Adriana Pasquale	After Care Program Non Certificated Staff MP	\$22.00 per hour 2022-23 school year
Arianna Philip	After School Student Worker OS	\$14.13 per hour effective 1/1/23-6/16/23
Chad Polonsky	After School Student Worker MP	\$14.13 per hour effective 1/1/23-6/16/23
Danielle Presuto	Advocate Forensics RH Tournament	\$69.33 per hour 7.5 hours effective 1/28/23
Ella Shacham	PAC Student Worker	\$14.13 per hour effective 1/1/23-6/16/23
Avery Schneider	After School Student Worker CH	\$14.13 per hour effective 1/1/23-6/16/23
Riston Vesotsky	After School Student Worker MP	\$14.13 per hour effective 1/1/23-6/16/23
Cassidy Wyman	After School Student Worker OS	\$14.13 per hour effective 1/1/23-6/16/23

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Extra-Sections** for the 2022-23 school year:

Staff Member:	Extra Section:	<u>Salary:</u>
Anna Hill	Spanish WAMS 2/1/23-6/30/23	\$5,838.00 semester
Melanie Doerring	Physical Education/Health WAMS 2/7/23-3/13/23	\$1,168.00 per month
Kevin Hennelly	Physical Education/Health WAMS 2/7/23-3/13/23	\$1,168.00 per month
Meghan O'Donnell	Physical Education/Health WAMS 2/7/23-3/13/23	\$1,168.00 per month

Frank LoCascio	Physical Education/Health WAMS 2/7/23-3/13/23	\$1,168.00 per month
Anthony Arimenta	Physical Education/Health WAMS 2/7/23-3/13/23	\$1,168.00 per month
Marisa Stoudemayer	Special Education RR Biology RHS 3/1/23-end of assignment	\$1,168.00 per month
Nicole Simms	Special Education RR Physics RHS 3/1/23-end of assignment	\$1,168.00 per month
Steve Hendershot	Special Education Bridges Program RHS 2/11/23-end of assignment	\$1,168.00 per month
Kara Higgins	Special Education Physics ICS RHS 2/11/23-end of assignment	\$1,168.00 per month
Christina Onorato	Special Education Bridges Program RHS 2/11/23-end of assignment	\$1,168.00 per month
Sandy Whelan	Special Education Bridges Program RHS 2/11/23-end of assignment	\$1,168.00 per month
Brian Scott	Special Education Physics ICS RHS 3/1/23-end of assignment	\$1,168.00 per month
Vivian Longo	Special Education Physics ICS RHS 2/11/23-end of assignment	\$1,168.00 per month
Jennifer D'Armiento	Special Education RR Physics RHS 3/1/23-end of assignment	\$1,168.00 per month

17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Salary Guide Advancement** effective March 1, 2023:

Staff Member:	From Step:	From Salary:	To Step:	To Salary:
Lakiesha Beaubrun	15 MA	\$87,251.65	15 MA+30	\$93,151.15
Nesi Calderon	19 MA	\$84,966.00	19 MA+30	\$92,091.00
Grace Campbell	7 MA	\$64,196.00	7 MA+30	\$68,536.00
Jennifer Cook	19 BA+30	\$79,847.00	19 MA	\$84,966.00
Jaclyn Coyne	14 BA	\$65,828.00	14 MA	\$73,781.00

Angela DiPetta	7 BA	\$57,378.00	7 MA	\$64,196.00
Joseph Flynn	8 BA	\$58,378.00	8 BA+30	\$62,042.00
Dawn Gibson	23 BA+30 (1500)	\$93,797.00	23 MA (1500)	\$98,566.00
Amanda Hughes	15 BA	\$67,678.00	15 BA+30	\$71,947.00
Cassandra Nerger	7 BA	\$57,378.00	7 MA+30	\$68,536.00
Dina Noel	23 MA	\$97,066.00	23 MA+30	\$103,511.00
Rebecca Tritt	16 MA	\$77,961.00	16 MA+30	\$83,341.00
Melanie Turtur	18 MA	\$82,361.00	18 MA+30	\$88,381.00
Dan Zugale	23 MA (1500)	\$98,566.00	23 MA+30 (1500)	\$105,011.00

18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Extra-Curricular Assignments** for the 2022-23 school year:

Loc:	Assignment:	Staff Member:	2022-23 Stipend/Years/Points/Longevity:
RH	Assistant Musical-Choral .5	Lyndsey Schaefer	\$2,091 none
LC	Grade Level Leader K (January - June)	Beth Baliko	\$1,635.60 none
RH	Assistant Softball	Daniel Janes	\$6,757 0 years/0 points/\$0
RH	Assistan Girls' Lacrosse	Jennifer Aaron	\$6,757 n/a
RH	Assistant Boys' Volleyball	Hector Martinez	\$5,747 n/a
RH	Assistant Spring Track Boys .5	Walt Skrinski	\$3,378.50 n/a
RH	Assistant Spring Track Boys .5	Tim Youtkus	\$3,378.50 n/a
RH	Assistant Spring Track Girls'	Madeline Greene	\$6,757 0 years/0 points/\$0
RH	Assistant Spring Track Girls' .5	Dan Phillips	\$3,378.50 n/a
WA	Site Manager	Alex Lopes	\$59.00 per game

OS	AM Proctor .2 (January-June)	Kim Taccarino	\$159.60 6 years/1 point/\$198
RH	Assistant Ski Race .5	James Scott	\$2,873.50 n/a
RH	Assistant Ski Race .5	Ben Carroll	\$2,873.50 n/a
MP	A.M. Proctor (March-June)	Robert Russo	\$532.00 0 years/0 points/\$0
MP	A.M. Proctor (March-June)	Kerry Linstra	\$532.00 4 years/0 points/\$0

19) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following staff for the **Struggling Learner Program** at a salary of \$69.33 per hour effective 2022-23 school year:

Melanie Turtur	Nicole Simms	Madeline Greene
Margie Murray	Maliha Merchant	Will Rope
Kim Gavin	Philip Marton	Vivekanand Balija
Alfonsina Savino	Kara Higgins	Laura Gallagher
Maggie Davignon	Nancy Esposito	Deirdre Bachler
Lenay Sisto	Alyssa Inacio	Shannon Baumann

20) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Staff College Instructors** for the 2022-23 school year:

Staff Member:	Course:	Payment:
Vicki Daglian	Proactive Strategies to Maximize Effective Communication	\$1,313.00
Chiara Kupiec	Proactive Strategies to Maximize Effective Communication	\$1,313.00
Olivia Lopes	Are You In A Pickle Trying to Figure Out How to Manage Stress	\$525.00
Anthony LaGreca	PE Game Exchange	\$450.00
Emily Jones	K- 5 Picture Book Tasting	\$1,050.00

21) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Mini Unit Instructors** for 2022-23 school year:

Staff Member:	School:	Mini Unit:	Payment:
Lexie Vigilante	СН	Lots of Legos	\$971.00
Lexie Vigilante	СН	Slime Science	\$971.00
Joseph Bae	СН	Origami Paper Art	\$971.00
Ben Green	СН	Lots of Legos	\$971.00
Elizabeth Carlson	СН	Slime Science Aide	\$485.50
Caroline Coady	СН	Art Club	\$971.00
Amanda Avena	СН	Harry Potter & Crafts	\$971.00
Stephanie Ranieri	LC	Coding and Game Design	\$971.00
Gabriella Cavagnaro	СН	Slime Science (2)	\$971.00
Jess DuBois	СН	Slime Science (3)	\$971.00
Daniella Ventrice	MP	Board Games and Brain Teasers	\$971.00
Karen Lai	MP	Crafty Critters	\$971.00
Barbara Caporaso	MP	Crafty Critters	\$971.00
Karen Pellicone	MP	Deutsch for Kinder/ German for Children	\$971.00
Kerry Boquist	MP	Introduction to Musical Theater	\$971.00
Karen Lai	MP	Let's Create a Brighter MPS	\$971.00
Barbara Caporaso	MP	Let's Create a Brighter MPS	\$971.00
Laura Lambert	MP	Mount Prospect Learning Garden	\$971.00
Daniella Ventrice	MP	MPS Chess Club	\$971.00
Karen Pellicone	MP	MPS Chess Club	\$971.00
Joyce Osanyinlusi	MP	Reader's Theatre	\$971.00
Patrick Vreeland	MP	STEM Olympics	\$971.00
Joyce Osanyinlusi	MP	STEM Olympics	\$971.00

Katie Miller	MP	The Magical World of Harry Potter	\$971.00
Ralph Louren-Torres	MP	The Magical World of Harry Potter	\$971.00
Katie Miller	MP	The Magical World of Harry Potter for Advanced Students	\$971.00
Daniella Ventrice	MP	The Reading Club	\$971.00
Angela Hall	MP	The Reading Club	\$971.00

22) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **Substitute Teachers** at a salary of \$125.00 per diem and **Substitute Nurses** at a salary of \$250.00 per diem 2022-23 school year. Additionally, all Substitutes and Substitute Nurses who complete the NJ Mandated Training through Global Compliance Network will receive one half day pay prorated at \$62.50 per diem for Substitutes and \$125.00 for Substitute Nurses for the 2022-23 school year:

Scott Ritchie	Ruchika Nagpal	Shurti Goel
Denise Cohen	Joshua Jacob	Charbel Abousleiman
Pooja Narang	Monica Barclay	

23) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Student Teacher/Intern Placement** for the 2022-23 school year:

Student Teacher:	College/University:	Placement:
Ronald Rumsby		Physical Education & Health Ridge High School/Tim Howard 2/28/23-6/15/23

24) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **District Volunteers** for the 2022-23 school year:

Jeanette Branca	Girls' Lacrosse RHS	
Bruce Gray	Girls' Lacrosse RHS	
Rob Moskow	Baseball RHS	
Rob Moskow	Baseball WAMSAO	
John Kalian	Track & Field WAMSAO	
Jennifer Winters	Track & Field WAMSAO	
Kevin Karch	Track & Field WAMSAO	
Debbie Bune	Track & Field WAMSAO	

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John Fico Softball WAMSAO

Margie Murray Girls' Lacrosse WAMSAO
Alex Lopes Boys' Lacrosse WAMSAO
Phillp Maron Volleyball Clinic WAMSAO
Claire Lodato Volleyball Clinic WAMSAO
Christopher Periera Volleyball Clinic WAMSAO

The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **William Annin Middle School Pay to Play Club Advisor** for the 2022-23 school year:

Staff Member:	Club:	Stipend:
Debbie Bune	Arts & Crafts Club	\$1,272

- The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve an unpaid Federal Family Leave for **Julia Fackelman** Special Education CBAP Teacher Mount Prospect School effective March 8, 2023 through June 8, 2023, returning June 9, 2023.
- 27) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Stephanie Spano** Music Teacher Liberty Corner School at a salary of Step 14 MA \$73,781 effective May 2, 2023 through June 30, 2023. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.
- 28) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Teri Weniger** Music Teacher Liberty Corner School at a salary of Step 1 MA \$61,956 effective March 10, 2023 through May 2, 2023 as leave replacement.

On motion by Mr. Salmon seconded by Mr. Rascio Items #1-28 were approved by the following roll call vote:

"Ayes" - Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Rascio,

Mr. Salmon, Ms. White

"Noes" - None

"Abstain" - None

Mr. Amin noted that the February 17, 2023 Personnel Committee meeting discussed topics such as the CBAP program and staffing needs. Other topics involving employees discussed at the meeting were confidential matters.

XIV. Policy Committee Report

Report: Committee meeting on February 6, 2023

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following policies and regulations on **first reading**:
 - P 0152 Board Officers (Revised)
 - P 0161 Call, Adjournment and Cancellation (Revised)
 - P 0162 Notice of Board Meetings (Revised)
 - P 1648.11 The Road Forward COVID-19 Health and Safety (M) (Abolished)
 - P 1648.13 School Employee Vaccination Requirements (M) (Abolished)
 - P 2423 Bilingual and ESL Education (M) (Revised)
 - P 5200 Attendance (M) (Revised)
 - R 5200 Attendance (M) (Revised)
 - P 5512 Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying (M) (Revised)
 - P 8140 Student Enrollments (M) (Revised)
 - P 8330 Student Records (M) (Revised)
 - R 8420 Emergency and Non-Fire Evacuation Plan (M) (Revised)
 - R 8420.1 Fire and Fire Drills (M) (Revised)
 - R 8420.2 Bomb Threats (M) (Revised)
 - R 8420.3 Natural Disasters and Man-Made Catastrophes (M) (Revised)
 - R 8420.4 Kidnapping (M) (Revised)
 - R 8420.5 Asbestos Release (M) (Revised)
 - R 8420.6 Accidents To and From School (M) (Revised)
 - R 8420.7 Lockdown Procedures (M) (Revised)
 - R 8420.10 Active Shooter (M) (Revised)
 - P 9150 School Visitors (Revised)
 - P 9160 Public Attendance at School Events (Revised)

On motion by Mr. Salmon seconded by Mr. Rascio Item #1 was approved by the following roll call vote:

"Ayes" - Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Rascio,

Mr. Salmon, Ms. White

"Noes" - None
"Abstain" - None

Ms. McKeon discussed the February 6, 2023 Policy Committee Meeting. Topics at the meeting included reviews of Policy and Regulation 0155 – Board Committees and Policy 0169 – Board Member Use of Email and a first reading of several policies and regulations.

XV. Curriculum Committee Report

Report: Committee meeting on February 3, 2023

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve of the following **Change of Course Title** in the Program of Studies for the 2022-23 school year:

From: To:

Advanced Latin Literature Honors Latin Literature

On motion by Mr. Salmon seconded by Ms. Csipak Item #1 was approved by the following roll call vote:

"Ayes" - Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Rascio,

Mr. Salmon, Ms. White

"Noes" - None
"Abstain" - None

Mr. Salmon provided a summary of the February 3, 2023 Curriculum Committee meeting. Topics at the meeting included board action items, purchases of supplemental materials, the board resolution with regard to the Health Curriculum and the February 13, 2023 BT Connect Meeting.

Board members discussed the Health Curriculum. Topics included how the curriculum is taught including homework assignments, examined the opt out process and the content of handouts given to students.

Mr. Molinari provided the Board with twelve New Jersey Student Learning Standards from the health curriculum and made a motion to have the administration include them for review into alternative methods of delivery and that the administration report back on their progress through the curriculum committee. Ms. Csipak seconded the motion. After some discussion the motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

"Ayes" - Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Rascio

"Noes" - Ms. McKeon, Mr. Salmon, Ms. White

"Abstain" - None

XVI. Liaison Committee Reports

President Molinari reported for Ms. Light in her absence. Mr. Molinari explained that discussions for shared services with the town were occurring through the Municipal Liaison to include items that could save money such as grounds work, parking, and police services. Mr. Rascio also noted that paving the access road between the high school parking lot and the municipal parking lot was also discussed.

XVII. Public Comment on Non-agenda Items

Comments from the public included the topics of staffing, the budget, concerns about the Health Curriculum, food service charges and the topic of social media.

Superintendent Markarian addressed the budget calendar questions and thanked the public and staff for their contributions and comments at the Board of Education meeting.

XVIII. Board Forum

Board members discussed student achievement, the budget and budget allocations to programs within the district, staffing, the social media policy, and wellness education.

XIX. Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Rascio and seconded by Mr. Salmon and approved by all present, the meeting was adjourned at 10:48p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Brooks Acting Board Secretary