

**BERNARDS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
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**I. Regular Session – Call to Order – 6:00 p.m.**

**II. Salute to the Flag**

**III. Roll Call**

Present: Ms. Beckman, Ms. Hira, Ms. Korn, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Salmon, Ms. Schafer, Ms. Singh, Ms. White, Mr. Markarian, Mr. Siet, Mr. McLaughlin, Board Counsel John Croot

ABSENT: Ms. Gray, Ms. Fox

**IV. Executive Session – 6:00 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 Ms. Korn, and approved by all present, the Board recessed into executive session at 6:01p.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. Salmon seconded by Ms. Hira, and approved by all present, the Board closed executive session at 6:50p.m.

**V. Reconvene Regular Session – Call to Order – 7:06 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.

Due to the pandemic, the Board of Education expects that in-person attendees to this meeting:

- 1) Have completed and passed a self-assessment of personal health (done at home using the district's screening tool).
- 2) Wear a face covering pursuant to N.J. EO-251.
- 3) Sit in a socially distanced manner from members of different households.
- 4) Maintain social distancing if waiting in line to make public comment.

For those members of the public who are unable to attend our meeting in-person there are two livestream links of the meeting posted through the district website, [www.bernardsboe.com](http://www.bernardsboe.com). The two livestream links are both airing our meeting, each simply backs up the other to be prepared for possible technical difficulty.

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.

For those members of the public who are not attending our meeting in-person, public comments may be submitted via email. Please follow the instructions below:

Step 1: Starting at 7PM: email your comment to [BTConnect@bernardsboe.com](mailto:BTConnect@bernardsboe.com) or text your comment to (908) 292-3047.

Step 2: Use PUBLIC COMMENT as the email subject or start of a text message.

Step 3: Indicate your first and last name and address. ***THIS IS REQUIRED FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT TO BE INCLUDED.***

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

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 may or may not respond to public comments. 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 - Gordon Li**

Board Members welcomed the new Student Representative, Gordon Li.

Mr. Li thanked everyone for the honor to be the Student Representative for the 2021-22 School Year. Mr. Li discussed the return to school, the single unit lunch/rotating drop schedule at Ridge and that the student body is looking forward to the school year and what it will bring.

## **VIII. Superintendent's Report**

### **1) School Opening**

Superintendent Markarian discussed the opening of school for the 2021-22 School Year. Mr. Markarian noted that the opening went very well, discussed the changes in the Ridge High School schedule, the 1:1 Chromebook initiative and NJ protocols for staff vaccination and COVID-19 screening. Mr. Markarian noted that the program for staff COVID-19 testing is still being developed in accordance with state guidelines.

Superintendent Markarian discussed not only local but statewide and national transportation challenges that the district has been dealing with including staffing bus drivers to cover bus routes and the district's other staffing needs for grounds, maintenance and food service.

Superintendent Markarian recognized the 20th anniversary of 9/11 and honored those lives lost.

## **IX. Public Comment on Agenda Items**

Comments from the public included the topics of mask mandates, weather impacts on the mask mandate, cafeteria occupancy, HVAC concerns, and the Ridge High School drop off.

Public comments that were sent to the meeting via email were in regard to quarantine requirements should a student become a close contact and a request to elaborate further about the quarantine tutors listed in the Personnel Agenda.

Superintendent Markarian discussed the timing of drop off and considerations being made at all school levels, the HVAC system at Mount Prospect School, elaborated on the mask mandate and weather impacts, the seating opportunities and areas available during the Ridge High School lunchtime and the effectiveness of food service lines.

**X. Approval of Minutes**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

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

August 23, 2021 - Executive Session Minutes

August 23, 2021 - Regular Session Minutes

On motion by Ms. Schafer seconded by Ms. Singh the foregoing were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Ms. Beckman, Ms. Hira, Ms. Korn, Mr. Salmon, Ms. Schafer, Ms. Singh and Ms. White

“Noes” - None

“Abstain” - Ms. McKeon

**XI. Finance Committee Report**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a [list of disbursements](#) dated September 13, 2021 consisting of warrants in the amount of \$2,486,074.39.

2) 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 2021-22 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Name of Conference:</u>	<u>Cost:</u>	<u>Date(s):</u>
R. Hughes	Anti-Bullying Specialist Certificate Program (Virtual)	\$500	09/14/2021-09/15/2021
S. McGivney	Anti-Bullying Specialist Certificate Program (Virtual)	\$500	09/14/2021-09/17/2021
R. Tritt	Anti-Bullying Specialist Certificate Program (Virtual)	\$500	09/20/2021-09/21/2021
R. Tritt	Anxiety & Stress Management Specialist (Virtual)	\$290	09/14/2021 though 08/22/2022

3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept a donation for a GaGa Ball Pit in the amount of \$7,080.00 to be paid for by the Oak Street School PTO.



On motion by Ms. White seconded by Ms. Korn items #1-3 were approved by the following roll call vote:

- “Ayes” - Ms. Beckman, Ms. Hira, Ms. Korn, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Salmon, Ms. Schafer, Ms. Singh and Ms. White
- “Noes” - None
- “Abstain” - None

Mr. Salmon provided a summary of the finance agenda items and thanked the OSS PTO for their donation.

**XII. 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 accept the resignation of **Heather Leichtman** Special Education Teacher Mount Prospect School effective October 28, 2021.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Danielle Clement** Instructional Aide William Annin Middle School effective September 24, 2021.
- 3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby rescind the appointment of **Eugenia Milito** School Aide Liberty Corner School effective August 25, 2021.
- 4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby rescind the following Extra-Curricular Assignments for the 2021-22 school year:

Sheri Smith	Drama Club Director	Oak Street
Meredith Rymer	Assistant Drama Club	Oak Street

- 5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid child care leave for **Nicole Kaminski** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School effective November 15, 2021 through December 14, 2021 then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave effective December 15, 2021 through March 16, 2022 running concurrently with an unpaid Federal Family Leave effective December 15, 2021 through March 16, 2022, returning March 17, 2022.

6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Change in Assignments, Locations, Leaves and/or Salaries** for the 2021-22 school year:

<b><u>Staff Member:</u></b>	<b><u>From:</u></b>	<b><u>To:</u></b>
Catherine Krell	Special Education (RR) Teacher Cedar Hill School & Liberty Corner School at a salary of Step 17 MA \$79,163 effective September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 as a maternity leave replacement for M. Lam	Special Education (RR) Teacher Cedar Hill School & Liberty Corner School at a salary of Step 17 MA \$79,163 effective September 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021 as a maternity leave replacement for M. Lam and then a Special Education Teacher (CBAP) William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 17 MA \$79,163 effective October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022
Ryan Hughes	School Counselor Ridge High School at a salary of Step 6 MA \$65,182 effective September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 as a maternity leave replacement for C. Capozzi.	School Counselor Ridge High School at a salary of Step 6 MA \$65,182 effective September 1, 2021 through September 31, 2021 as a maternity leave replacement for C. Capozzi, then School Counselor Ridge High School at a salary of Step 6 MA \$65,182 effective October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022
Steven Horten	Accept the resignation of Steve Horten Social Studies Teacher Ridge High School effective on or before October 17, 2021	Accept the resignation of Steve Horten Social Studies Teacher Ridge High School effective August 31, 2021

Nicole Scaplen	Special Education Teacher William Annin Middle School 2021-22 School Year	Special Education Teacher Ridge High School 2021-22 School Year
Olga Crincoli	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Meire Morford Jamate	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Kajal Kochar	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Suzanne Pardo	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Judy Pennino	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Kathy O'Rourke	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 5 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21

	9/1/21-6/17/22	and then 5 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Debbie Savage	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Suzanne Deady	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Donna Legvari	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Carlene Lau	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 5 hours per day effective 9/13/21-6/17/22
Pooja Bhatia	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Miguel Tolentino	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours

	per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Barbara Caporaso	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Aimee DiMeo-Fine	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Sharon Goettel	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Rebecca Klein	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 5 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Priscilla Lodato	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21

Asha Pai	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Catherine Castoro	School Aide Oak Street School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Oak Street School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Lorraine Cleary	School Aide Oak Street School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Oak Street School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Beth Grabowski	School Aide Oak Street School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Oak Street School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Francine Luther	School Aide Oak Street School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Oak Street School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Patty Hall	School Aide Oak Street School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School Aide Oak Street School at a salary of \$22.40 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 4 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
Janina Ann Yekelchik	School Aide Oak Street	School Aide Oak Street

	School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-6/17/22	School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 3 hours per day effective 9/1/21-9/8/21 and then 5 hours effective 9/8/21-6/17/21
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7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Aziza Hassan** School Counselor Ridge High School at a salary of Step 10 MA+30 \$71,138 effective October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 as a leave replacement for C. Capozzi. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.

8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Carly Herschman** School Social Worker Liberty Corner School at a salary of Step 12 MA+30 \$74,053 effective November 15, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.

9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Amanda O'Brien** School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 4 hours per day effective September 20, 2021 through June 17, 2021.

10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following Staff Members in the **Various Assignments** listed below for the 2021-22 school year:

<b><u>Staff Member:</u></b>	<b><u>Assignment:</u></b>	<b><u>Salary:</u></b>
Karen Riggi	Riding Bus Route - SE	\$31.37 per hour 2021-22 School Year
Jennifer Curran	Marching Band SE Instructor	\$69.33 per hour 2021-22 School Year
Ryan Kramer	Social Skills Club Teacher	\$69.33 per hour 2021-22 School Year
Kristin Winters-Johnson	Social Skills Club Teacher	\$69.33 per hour 2021-22 School Year
Wendy Schlosser	Social Skills Club Teacher	\$69.33 per hour 2021-22 School Year
Donna Wilson	Social Skills Club Aide	\$31.37 per hour 2021-22 School Year

Mary Brinkworth	Social Skills Club Aide	\$31.37 per hour 2021-22 School Year
Rachel Orshan	Social Skills Club Aide	\$31.37 per hour 2021-22 School Year
Kathleen Genovese	Social Skills Club Aide	\$31.37 per hour 2021-22 School Year
Amy Diorio	Social Skills Club Aide	\$31.37 per hour 2021-22 School Year
Robert Hughes	Social Skills Club Aide	\$31.37 per hour 2021-22 School Year
Sandra Cafone	Social Skills Club Aide	\$31.37 per hour 2021-22 School Year
Kim Marie Koseck	Substitute Teacher	\$125.00 per day
Donna Wilson	Soccer RHS Assistance	\$23.49 per hour
Nesi Calderone	Soccer RHS Assistance	\$23.49 per hour

11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Extra Sections** for the 2021-22 school year:

<b><u>Staff Member:</u></b>	<b><u>Assignment:</u></b>	<b><u>Salary:</u></b>
Will Rope	CP Environmental Science RHS	\$1,087.60 per month effective 9/8/21-11/8/21
Dan Smith	CP Environmental RHS	\$1,087.60 per month effective 9/8/21-11/8/21
Jeff Stellitano	Forensic Science RHS	\$1,087.60 per month effective 9/8/21-11/8/21
Jaelyn Coyne	CP Environmental RHS	\$1,087.60 per month effective 9/8/21-11/8/21
Brian Scott	Brit Litt RR RHS	\$1,087.60 per month effective 9/17/21-11/8/21



Marisa Marcus	Brit Litt RR RHS	\$1,087.60 per month effective 9/17/21-11/8/21
Danielle Lehmann	Brit Lit ICS RHS	\$1,087.60 per month effective 9/17/21-11/8/21
Jen Suminski	Algebra ICS RHS	\$1,087.60 per month effective 9/8/21-2/28/22
Travis Boop	Intermediate Algebra & Trigonometry B ICS	\$1,087.60 per month effective 9/8/21-2/28/22
Vivian Longo	Brit Lit ICS RHS	\$1,087.60 per month effective 9/17/21-11/8/21
Laura Phillips	Animation I	\$1,087.60 per month effective 9/8/21-12/7/21

12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following staff as **Quarantine Tutors** at a salary of \$80.34 per hour for the 2021-22 school year:

Linda Mullen	Megan Broadhurst	Kris Ford
Kelly Bignell	Emily Barisonek	Leyna Lillia
Cassie Nerger	Kaitlin Kwiecinski	Sarah Toobs
Pam Jernegan	Maggie Davignon	Jill Blumenthal
Robin Wells	Kevin Karch	Rebecca Bollaro
Alex Ballas	Susan Westlake	Allyson Blanford
Julia Beyer	Colleen Bodine	Jennifer Cook
Katie Donahue	Barbara Dwyer	Kathy Forsell
Josh Gebhardt	Julie Hardin	Sireen Hashem
Danielle Lehmann	Joseph Lipinski	Emily Lipnick
Tom Liska	Vivian Longo	Matt Lyons
JP Mahoney	Michael McTernan	Madison Mitchell
Dan Norris	Stephanie Serafin	Nicole Simms

Dan Smith	Matt Blackman	
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13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following staff members to provide **Mentoring Services** on August 23, 2021 for 2 hours at a salary of \$50.00 per hour:

Melanie Dupuis	Melanie Sackie	Elizabeth Seiffert
Devon Jackson	Katie Puopolo	Taylor Kurilew

14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **Extra-Curricular Assignments** for the 2021-22 school year:

<u>School:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Staff Member:</u>	<u>21-22:</u>	<u>Years/Points/Longevity:</u>
WA	Head Unified Soccer	Anthony LaGreca	\$1,015	0 Years/0 points/\$0
WA	Assistant Unified Soccer	Debbie Bune	\$508	0 Years/0 points/\$0
WA	A.M. Proctor	Kevin Hennelly	\$9/per day	0 Years/0 points/\$0
WA	A.M. Proctor	Larry Migliore	\$9/per day	0 Years/0 points/\$0
OS	Drama Club Director	Elaina Frissell	\$2,113	none
OS	Assistant Drama Club	Joanna Messenio	\$1,878	none
RH	Science League Advisor Physics A & B	Andrew Hogan	\$3,301	0 years/0 points/\$0
RH	Assistant Musical-Choreographer .5	Rachel Miranda	\$2,091	8 years/1 point/\$198
RH	Assistant Musical-Choreographer .5	Jennifer DiGiuseppe	\$2,091	2 years/0 points/\$0

15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **Certificated Staff** for the **Before & After Care Program** at a salary of \$50.00 per diem for the AM and \$45.00 per hour for the PM for the 2021-22 school year:

Nicole Pliseno	Allison Bragg	Jill Blumenthal
Alfossina Savino	Dan Georgetti	John Ost
Dina Noel	Amberley Roio	Mel Turtur
Jessica Lynch	Marissa Fuellhart	Penny Ianella
Christian O'Brien	Sam Zukatus	Cheryl Prokop
Rebecca Bollaro	Cara Rychecky	Germaine Ogitis
Vivekanand Balija	Susan Westlake	Vincent Randazzo
Anita DeAngelis	Chelsea Colenello	Lauren Wacha
Sandy Whelan	Larry Migliore	Elizabeth Ciccarelli
Laura Callander	Sandra Cafone	Beth Calabrese
Gabriella Cavagnaro	Marguerite LeBeouf	Lidia D'Armiento
Pam Jernegan	Mary O'Leary	Carol Skolnik
Meaghan Slattery	Judy Pennino	Tammi Lane

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **Non-Certificated Staff** for the **Before & After Care Program** at a salary of \$50.00 per diem for the AM and \$22.00 per hour for the PM for the 2021-22 school year:

Diane Ragsdale	Vivian Miesner	Roseanne Hogan
Kaitlyn Dillon	Elizabeth Cimaglia	Olga Crincoli
Amy DiOrio	Ashley Dunker	Erin Giacchi
Jessica Frank	Kajal Kochar	Heather Kovacs
Emily Kramer	Abby LaGreca	Marguerite LeBeouf
Linda Metcalfe	Meire Morford Jamate	Neil Nemetz

Kathy O'Rourke	Judy Penninio	Linda Picardo
Jennifer Potts	Vandan Thaman	

17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Student Workers** to work in the **After Care Program** at a salary of \$13.00 per hour effective 2021-22 school year:

Lilian Donahoe	Maxwell Ursino	Benjamin Reynoso
Christopher Dong	Rastko Simonovic	Catherine Ursino
Ashwin Giritharan	Taylor Mark	Isabella Chouquet
Daniel Chouquet	Kalp Patel	Connie Kang
Carla Villa	Liam Schiffer	Tanner Sullivan
Thomas Haradine	Daniel Haradine	Albert Caesar
Linh Ho	Andrew Agresti	Gavin Turner
Clare Giuliano	Anthony Stoto	Scott Poswatts
Andrew Schwed		

18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following additional **Summer Curriculum Writing** for the 2021-22 school year:

<b>Last Name:</b>	<b>First:</b>	<b>Course Title:</b>	<b># of Days:</b>	<b>Amount:</b>
Stellitano	Jeff	RDS Environmental Science	1	\$200.00
Smith	Dan	RDS Environmental Science	1	\$200.00
Coyne	Jackie	RDS CP Environmental Science	1	\$200.00
Rope	Will	RDS CP Environmental Science	1	\$200.00

19) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following staff members for the **Twilight Program** for the 2021-22 school year at a salary of \$69.33 per hour:

Kim Gavin	Math & English Language Arts
Peter Fiore	Math & Social Studies
Kara Higgins	English Language Arts & Social Studies
Nicole Simms	English Language Arts
Vivian Longo	English Language Arts
Marisa Marcus	Social Studies
Matt Lyons	Social Studies
Brian Scott	Social Studies
Katie Donahue	Math
Christina Onorato	Math
Kathy Forsell	Math
Joe Flynn	Math
Jennifer D'Armiento	Science-Biology
Noelle Egner	Science-Chemistry
Will Rope	Science
Vivekanand Balija	Science
Madison Mitchell	Science
Jennifer Kang	ASL
Christin Gordon	ASL
Christina Donahue	Spanish
Yasmina Navarro	Spanish
Tricia Coto	Counseling/Case Management Support

20) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following staff as **District Translators** at \$50 per hour for the 2021-22 school year:

Alex Blinder	Yasmina Navarro	Neha Jain
Christine Giacalone	Joseph Bae	Giulia LoPiccolo-Stewart
Sireen Sawahla	Meredith Kurland-Ross	Kim Marie Koseck
Camelia Suris	Catarina Alves	Cecilia Maggiore
Alex Ballas		

21) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Lea Adamski** School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$20.22 per hour 4 hours per day effective on or before September 24, 2021 through October 25, 2021 as a leave replacement.

On motion by Ms. White seconded by Ms. Singh items #1-21 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Ms. Beckman, Ms. Hira, Ms. Korn, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Salmon, Ms. Schafer, Ms. Singh and Ms. White  
 “Noes” - None  
 “Abstain” - None

Superintendent Markarian discussed the function of quarantine tutors as listed in Item #12 and thanked Assistant Superintendent Siet for his work on this opportunity. Mr. Markarian stated that students who are in a quarantine situation will receive credit if they participate in classes virtually.

### XIII. Policy Committee Report

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following policies on **first reading**:

- P 1648.11 - The Road Forward COVID-19 – Health and Safety (New)
- P 1648.13 - School Employee Vaccination Requirements (New)

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve enrollment of the following **staff member's child** for the 2021-22 school year:

**Employee:**

Kyle Baach

**Grade(s):**

Pre-K

*\*Student names and school are on file in the Board Office.*

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

“Ayes” - Ms. Beckman, Ms. Hira, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Salmon, Ms. Schafer, Ms. Singh and Ms. White  
“Noes” - Ms. Korn  
“Abstain” - None

Ms. Korn discussed the health and safety policy, The Road Forward. Ms. Korn discussed vaccination of employees and staff and mask wearing.

Superintendent Markarian discussed a letter sent to parents of the district in regard to contact tracing that included FAQs related to quarantines and other COVID-19 related protocols within the district.

**XIV. Curriculum Committee Report**

No report.

**XV. Wellness Committee Report**

No report.

**XVI. Liaison Committee Reports**

Ms. Korn reported on the Municipal Alliance meeting that was held on September 7, 2021. Topics at the meeting were the Lindsey Meyer Teen Institute camp program and award won, the partnership with the Bernards Township Public Library and the upcoming “Grab and Go” outreach program, a possible teen volunteer fair and plans for a PRIDE survey during the 2021-22 School Year. Ms. Korn listed upcoming events such as a Rummage Sale in Bridgewater to benefit the 4H Club and an upcoming Somerset County 4H open house.

**XVII. Public Comment on Non-agenda Items**

Comments sent in from the public included a question regarding the national school lunch program, a question regarding laptop use versus Chromebook use and a comment about mask use.

Superintendent Markarian clarified that the Bernards Township School District does not participate in the national school lunch program noting that the district does participate in its own free or reduced lunch program and applications are available. Mr. Markarian discussed laptops versus chromebooks and clarified that there may be issues with software accessibility and assessments using laptops.

Ms. McKeon noted that free and reduced lunches were provided from the district's program during the shutdown.

#### **XVIII. Board Forum**

Ms. White celebrated the success of the new rotating-drop schedule at Ridge High School after many years of hard work. Board members echoed the sentiments about the success of the change in schedule.

Ms. Singh noted the success of the beginning of the school year at William Annin Middle School and her appreciation to the district for getting the kids back in school.

#### **XIX. Adjournment**

On motion by Mr. Salmon and seconded by Ms. Schafer and approved by all present, the meeting was adjourned at 8:02p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rod McLaughlin  
Board Secretary