

**BERNARDS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BASKING RIDGE, NEW JERSEY  
MEETING INDEX  
FEBRUARY 12, 2024  
REGULAR SESSION 5:30 P.M.  
EXECUTIVE SESSION 5:35 P.M.  
RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER  
REGULAR SESSION 7:10 P.M.  
RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**

- I. **Regular Session – Call to Order – 5:30 p.m.**
- II. **Salute to the Flag**
- III. **Roll Call**
- IV. **Executive Session – 5:35 p.m.**
- V. **Reconvene Regular Session – Call to Order – 7:10 p.m.**
- VI. **Statement of Public Notice**
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Report: Committee meeting of January 18, 2024

  - 1) Approve **List of Disbursements** Dated February 12, 2024
  - 2) Approve **Professional Development Expenses** 2023-24 School Year
  - 3) Approve **Field Trip Destination** 2023-24 School Year
  - 4) Approve Submission **WAMS Parking Lot Reconstruction Project**

- 5) Approve **Professional and Engineering Services**

#### XIV. **Personnel Committee Report**

Report: Committee meetings of December 15, 2023 and January 19, 2024

- 1) Accept Resignation **Christine Giacalone** Spanish Teacher William Annin Middle and Liberty Corner Schools 2023-24 School Year
- 2) Approve Child Care Leave **Kristin Arrigoni** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School 2024-25 School Year
- 3) Approve Child Care Leave **Tara Cascio** Speech Teacher Mount Prospect & Oak Street Schools 2023-24 & 2024-25 School Years
- 4) Approve Child Care Leave **Clare Domitrowski** Technology Education Teacher William Annin Middle School 2023-24 & 2024-25 School Years
- 5) Approve **Changes In Assignment/Locations/Child Care Leaves and/or Salaries** 2023-24 School Year
- 6) Appoint **Jenna Flemings** Physical Education/Health Teacher William Annin Middle School 2023-24 School Year
- 7) Appoint **Brigid Heitmann** Music Teacher Oak Street School 2023-24 School Year
- 8) Appoint **Brigid Heitmann** District Strings/Orchestra Teacher 2023-24 School Year
- 9) Appoint **Meghan Lapone** Math Teacher William Annin Middle School 2023-24 School Year
- 10) Appoint **Gina Monticello** Speech Teacher Mount Prospect School 2023-24 School Year
- 11) Approve **Yshaddel Perez** Speech Teacher Oak Street School 2023-24 School Year
- 12) Appoint **Sherron Daily-Harris** Instructional Aide CBAP Program Ridge High School 2023-24 School Year
- 13) Approve **Various Assignments** 2023-24 School Year
- 14) Approve **Extra-Sections** 2023-24 School Year
- 15) Approve **Extra-Curricular Assignments** 2023-24 School Year
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- 17) Approve **High Impact Tutors** 2023-24 School Year
- 18) Approve **Curriculum Writing** 2023-24 School Year
- 19) Appoint **Substitute Teachers/Substitute Nurses** 2023-24 School Year
- 20) Approve **Student Teacher/Intern Placement** 2023-24 School Year

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**XXI. Board Forum**

- 1) Board Goals
- 2) Name of Middle School

**XXII. Adjournment**

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**I. Regular Session – Call to Order – 5:30 p.m.**

**II. Salute to the Flag**

**III. Roll Call**

Present: Ms. Light, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Salmon, Ms. White, Ms. Csipak, Mr. Molinari, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Amin, Ms. Corrado, Mr. Markarian, Mr. Siet, Ms. Fox, Mr. Rollo, Board Counsel Mr. Zartarian

Absent: None

**IV. Executive Session – 5:35 p.m.**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bernards Township Board of Education shall meet in closed session to discuss item(s) a, b, 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

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.

V. **Reconvene Regular Session – Call to Order – 7:10 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 cannot attend our meeting in person, a livestream link to the meeting is posted on the district website, [www.bernardsboe.com](http://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; the first public comment session will be limited to 30 minutes and the second will be unlimited. 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 the 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. No public comments will be accepted before 7:00 PM or after item XX. Public Comment of the agenda ends.

Please understand that public comment portions of our agendas are not structured as question-and-answer sessions but 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 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 – Daniel Speeney**

Student representative Daniel Speeney gave an update on Ridge High school student activities and sports successes. Mr. Speeney also acknowledged wellness activities.

**VIII. Board Presentation**

**1) Ridge Gives Back – Julia Koch**

Ms. Mathai and Ms. Koch gave an overview of the Ridge gives back program.

Here is the [link](#) for the presentation.

**IX. Board President Comments**

Mr. Salmon thanked Ms. Koch and Ms. Mathai for giving an overview of the Ridge gives back program.

Mr. Salmon also highlighted board forum topics.

**X. Superintendent’s Report**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby affirm receipt of the **HIB Report** dated February 12, 2024.

2) Transportation Survey

On motion by Ms. McKeon seconded by Ms. Light item #1 was approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Ms. Light, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Salmon, Ms. White, Ms. Corrado, Mr. Shaw

“Noes” - None

“Abstain” - None

Superintendent Markarian talked about the preliminary results of the parent survey regarding whether families would be interested in waiving their seat on the bus as a possible way of reducing transportation costs.

**XI. Public Comment on Agenda Items**

No comments

**XII. Approval of Minutes**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

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

- January 22, 2024 – Executive Session Minutes
- January 22, 2024 – Regular Session Minutes

On motion by Ms. Corrado seconded by Mr. Molinari the foregoing was approved by the following roll call vote:

- “Ayes” - Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Ms. Light, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Salmon, Ms. White, Ms. Corrado, Mr. Shaw
- “Noes” - None
- “Abstain” - None

**XIII. Finance Committee Report**

Report: Committee meeting of January 18, 2024

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a list of disbursements dated February 12, 2024 consisting of warrants in the amount of \$6,294,388.06.
- 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 2023-24 school year:

<b><u>Name:</u></b>	<b><u>Name of Conference:</u></b>	<b><u>Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>Dates:</u></b>	<b><u>Location:</u></b>
William Mickley	2024 NJSBGA Expo Conference	\$917.58	3/17/24-3/20/24	Atlantic City, NJ

Jennifer Flaherty	NJAGC Conference 2024	\$249.00	4/12/24	Mercer County Community College
Livio Mancino	DAANJ Conference	\$1,146.20	3/11/2024-3/15/2024	Atlantic City, NJ
Tyler Brandt	Northern NJ Health, PE and Coaching State Conference	\$158.49	2/27/2024	Morristown, NJ
Chase Vena	Northern NJ Health, PE and Coaching State Conference	\$158.49	2/27/2024	Morristown, NJ

3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following field trip destination for the 2023-24 school year:

<u>Destination:</u>	<u>Group Attending:</u>	<u>Number of Students:</u>	<u>Date(s):</u>
Monroe Township Middle School	William Annin Jazz Band	26	03/13/2024

4) BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bernards Township Board of Education to approve the submission of the Parking Lot Reconstruction at the William Annin Middle School to the New Jersey Department of Education, for review and Department approval of an “other capital project” with no state funding and amendment of the long range facilities plan to be consistent with the project. Further, the Board authorizes CME Associates to make the submission to the Department of Education on behalf of the district.

5) 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 bid documents; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has confirmed the terms of engagement with respect to rates and services proposed by CME Associates (3141 Bordentown Ave, Parlin, NJ 08859) to provide professional land surveying and Engineering services for the paving and stormwater at William Annin Middle School

WHEREAS, the appointment of CME Associates 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

WHEREAS, the project is an “Other Capital project” that does not require state funding and will be funded from the Capital Reserve.

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 specified to the design and development of drawings and specifications, support for permit review and local approval submissions, and public bidding for the paving and stormwater work at William Annin Middle School driveway/loop road in an amount not to exceed \$26,500 plus reimbursable costs not to exceed \$1,000.



CME Associates  
3141 Bordentown Ave  
Parlin, N.J. 08859

2. The services to be rendered by the Board's Engineer 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.

On motion by Ms. Light seconded by Mr. Shaw items #1-5 were approved by the following roll call vote:

"Ayes" - Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Ms. Light, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Salmon, Ms. White, Ms. Corrado, Mr. Shaw

"Noes" - None

"Abstain" - None

Ms. Light provided a report from the January 18, 2024 Finance Committee meeting. Topics at the meeting included subscription busing rates for 2024-25 school year, roof repair projects at RHS, CHS and WAMS, Facilities Condition assessment RFP results, Direct install bid results, budget update on transportation contracts, budget calendar update, audit presentation for FY23 and 2014 ROD grant closeouts.

#### XIV. Personnel Committee Report

Report: Committee meeting of January 19, 2024

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 **Christine Giacalone** Spanish Teacher William Annin Middle and Liberty Corner Schools effective April 5, 2024.

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid Child Care Leave for **Kristin Arrigoni** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School effective April 22, 2024 through June 14, 2024 utilizing 38 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave running concurrently with an unpaid Federal Family Leave effective September 1, 2024 through November 26, 2024, returning November 27, 2024.

3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid Child Care Leave for **Tara Cascio** Speech Teacher Mount Prospect & Oak Street Schools effective May 29, 2024 through July 18, 2024 utilizing 34 personal illness days then an

unpaid New Jersey Family Leave running concurrently with an unpaid Federal Family Leave effective July 19, 2024 through October 18, 2024, returning October 21, 2024.

4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid Child Care Leave for **Clare Domitrowski** Technology Education Teacher William Annin Middle School effective May 16, 2024 through June 30, 2024 utilizing 20 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave running effective September 1, 2024 through November 30, 2024 then an unpaid Child Care Leave effective December 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, returning September 1, 2025.

5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Changes in Assignments/Locations/Child Care Leaves and/or Salaries** for the 2023-24 school year:

<u>Staff Member:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Sophia Beyer	Social Worker Ridge High School at a salary of Step 1-2 MA \$64,203 effective February 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024 as a leave replacement for R. Tritt. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.	Social Worker Ridge High School at a salary of Step 1-2 MA \$64,203 effective January 29, 2024 through June 30, 2024 as a leave replacement for R. Tritt. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.
Victoria Bosset	Paid Child Care Leave for Speech Teacher Mount Prospect School effective March 4, 2024 through May 3, 2024 utilizing 39 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave running concurrently with an unpaid Federal Family Leave effective May 6, 2024 through September 30, 2024 then an unpaid child care leave effective October 1, 2024 through February 28, 2025, returning March 3, 2025.	Paid Child Care Leave for Speech Teacher Mount Prospect School effective February 26, 2024 through April 8, 2024 utilizing 30 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave running concurrently with an unpaid Federal Family Leave effective April 9, 2024 through September 10, 2024 then an unpaid child care leave effective September 11, 2024 through February 28, 2025, returning March 3, 2025.

Emily Certisimo	Music Teacher Oak Street School at a salary of Step 3-7 BA \$58,505 effective March 25, 2024 through June 30, 2024. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing-Mentoring required.	Music Teacher Oak Street School at a salary of Step 3-7 BA \$58,505 effective March 29, 2024 through June 30, 2024. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing-Mentoring required.
Carly Cox	Paid Child Care Leave effective January 16, 2024 through March 1, 2024 utilizing 32 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family & Federal Family Leave effective March 4, 2024 through June 4, 2024 then an unpaid child care leave effective June 5, 2024 through June 30, 2024, returning July 1, 2024.	Paid Child Care Leave effective January 16, 2024 through March 15, 2024 utilizing 42 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family & Federal Family Leave effective March 16, 2024 through June 30, 2024, returning July 1, 2024.
Jeanne Dombrowski	Special Education Teacher William Annin Middle School at a per diem rate of \$288.00 per day effective September 1, 2023 through January 31, 2024 as a leave replacement for M. Gupta.	Special Education Teacher William Annin Middle School at a per diem rate of \$288.00 per day effective September 1, 2023 through March 25, 2024 as a replacement teacher, then an Instructional Aide CBAP Program at a salary of Step 2 \$25.85 7.5 hours effective March 26, 2024 through June 14, 2024.
Eileen Keefe	Math Specialist Oak Street School at a salary of Step 9 BA \$60,505 effective October 9, 2023 through January 16, 2024 as a medical leave replacement.	Math Specialist Oak Street School at a salary of Step 9 BA \$60,505 effective October 9, 2023 through January 19, 2024 as a medical leave replacement.

Alexandria Solano	Mount Prospect School 2023-24 school year	Oak Street School 2023-24 school year
Asli Wizeman	Mount Prospect School 2023-24 school year	Oak Street School 2023-24 school year
Michelle Yang	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$21.58 per hour 4 hours per day effective September 1, 2023 through June 14, 2024.	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$21.58 per hour 4 hours per day effective September 1, 2023 through February 12, 2024 then School Aide/Campus Monitor Ridge High School at a salary of \$21.58 per hour 4 hours per day effective February 13, 2024 through June 14, 2024.

6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Jenna Flemings** Physical Education/Health Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 1-2 BA \$57,505 effective February 26, 2024 through June 30, 2024 as a leave replacement for J. Falzone. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing-Mentoring required. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.

7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Brigid Heitmann** Music Teacher Oak Street School at a salary of Step 1-2 BA \$57,505 effective February 8, 2024 through March 29, 2024 as a leave replacement. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing- Mentoring required.

8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Brigid Heitmann** District Strings/Orchestra Teacher at a salary of Step 1-2 BA \$57,505 effective May 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024 as a leave replacement. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing-Mentoring required.

9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Meghan Lapone** Math Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of 15 MA \$76,998 effective April 22, 2024 through June 30, 2024 as a maternity leave replacement for R. Lillianthal. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates worked.

10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Gina Monticello** Speech Teacher Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 11 MA \$70,038

effective February 22, 2024 through June 30, 2024 as a leave replacement for V. Bosset. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.

11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve **Yshaddel Perez** Speech Teacher Oak Street School at a salary of Step 10 MA \$68,683 effective April 2, 2024 through June 30, 2024 as a leave replacement for C. Celebre. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.

12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Sherron Dailey-Harris** Instructional Aide CBAP Program Ridge High School at a salary of Step 3 \$26.47 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective February 13, 2024 through June 14, 2024.

13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Various Assignments** listed for the 2023-24 school year:

<b><u>Staff Member:</u></b>	<b><u>Assignment:</u></b>	<b><u>Payment:</u></b>
Jody Abdelfattah	After Care Student Worker-WAMS	\$15.13 per hour effective 2/5/24-6/14/24
Nicole Castellani	After Care Student Worker-LC	\$15.13 per hour effective 2/13/24-6/14/24
Kim Fusca	After Care Program CH	\$30.00 per hour 2023-24 school year
Lois Garrigan	Teacher In Charge LC	\$1,500.00 2023-24 school year
Wambui Gathu	After Care Program CH	\$30.00 per hour 2023-24 school year
Alyssa Kim	After Care Student Worker-WA	\$15.13 per hour effective 2/13/24-6/14/24
Jennifer Marney	Director of Camp Jump Start Lite .8 WAMS	\$5,000.00 2023-24 school year
Stacy McAteer	After Care Program CH	\$47.00 per hour 2023-24 school year
Christian O'Brien	After School Intervention Program-SE*	\$71.62 per hour 2023-24 school year
Connor Sefchick	After Care Student Worker-LC	\$15.13 per hour effective 2/13/24-6/14/24
Courtney Slack	Director of Camp Jump Start Lite .2 WAMS	\$2,500.00 2023-24 school year
Angela Zhang	After Care Student Worker-MP	\$15.13 per hour effective 2/13/24-6/14/24

*\*Funded by the CEIS Grant*

14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Extra-Sections** for the 2023-24 school year:

<b><u>Staff Member:</u></b>	<b><u>Extra-Section:</u></b>	<b><u>Salary:</u></b>
Noelle Egner	Special Education RHS	\$1,190.10 per month 2/12/24-4/11/24
Michaela Stoudemayer	Special Education RHS	\$1,190.10 per month 2/12/24-4/11/24

15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Extra-Curricular Assignments** for the 2023-24 school year:

<b><u>School:</u></b>	<b><u>Assignment:</u></b>	<b><u>Staff Member:</u></b>	<b><u>Stipend:</u></b>	<b><u>Years/Points/Longevity:</u></b>
WA	Head Coach Unified Track	Christine Flannigan	\$1,048.00	0 years/0 points/\$0
WA	Assistant Coach Unified Track	Brian McGowan	\$525.00	0 years/0 points/\$0
RH	Class Advisor Junior .5 REVISED	Stephanie Bianchi	\$1,049.50	none
RH	Class Advisor Junior .5	Marie Wurtemberg	\$1,049.50	none
WA	Site Manager	Richard Hartman	\$61.00 per day	none

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Mini Unit Instructors** for the 2023-24 school year:

<b><u>School:</u></b>	<b><u>Staff Member:</u></b>	<b><u>Mini Unit Course:</u></b>	<b><u>Payment:</u></b>
OS	Theresa Glazier	Super Scientists A	\$1,003.00
OS	Jessica DeRose	Board Game Bonanza	\$1,003.00
OS	Christine Buckner	Crochet for Kids	\$1,003.00
OS	Adria Carbonaro	Coding Club	\$1,003.00
OS	William Baker	Lego Lovers	\$1,003.00
OS	Jessica DeRose	Crafts to Beads	\$1,003.00

OS	Glen Denys	Oak Street Era	\$1,003.00
OS	Theresa Glazier	Super Scientists B	\$1,003.00
MP	Maureen Stoto	Aide for Reader's Theater	\$501.50
MP	Vicki Ahern	Aide for Sensory Cooking	\$501.50
MP	Samantha Brain	Aide for Cartooning Club	\$501.50
CH	Linda Troisi	Aide for Fun Chinese	\$438.81

17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following staff as **High Impact Tutors** for the 2023-24 school year, to be paid by ARP ESSER III Accelerated Learning, amended from October 16, 2023 Board meeting:

<u>Staff Member:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>
Joseph Bae	\$5,500.00
Kelly Winkler	\$5,500.00
Gabby Cavagnaro	\$5,500.00
Maggie Davignon	\$5,500.00
Emily Barisonek	\$5,500.00
Kathy VanNatta	\$5,500.00
Pat Vreeland	\$5,500.00
Leyna Lillia	\$11,000.00
Christina Giacalone	\$11,000.00
Francis Rovelli	\$11,000.00
Shannon Baumann	\$11,000.00

18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Curriculum Writing** for the 2023-24 school year:

<u>Last Name:</u>	<u>First Name:</u>	<u>Course Title:</u>	<u># of Days:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>
Daglian	Victoria	K-5 Health Assessments	2	\$400.00

19) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **Substitute Teachers** at a salary of \$160.00 per diem and **Substitute Nurses** at a salary of \$250.00 per diem 2023-24 school year. Additionally, all Substitute Teachers and Substitute Nurses who complete the NJ Mandated Training through Global Compliance Network will receive one half-day pay prorated at \$80.00 per diem for Substitute Teachers and \$125.00 for Substitute Nurses for the 2023-24 school year:

Emily Schmitt	David Van De Brake	Raffaela Fusca
Caryn Monk	Joseph Burcat	Susan Riecken
Denise Cappuccio	Malika Singh	Alexandra Venturi
Dana Juskin*	Gail Wallis	Maggie Hopper
Hsien-Min Chen	Sarah Daniel	Jamie Higgins
Theresa Maucieri	Barbara Geary	Patty Hildebrandt
Renuka Bakhru	Barbara Villa	

\*Denotes Sub Nurse

20) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Student Teacher/Intern Placement** for the 2023-24 school year:

<b><u>Student Teacher:</u></b>	<b><u>College/University:</u></b>	<b><u>Placement:</u></b>
Avery Rosevear	Rutgers University	School Counseling/CH M. Mooney 2/1/24-6/14/24

On motion by Ms. White seconded by Ms. McKeon items #1-20 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak, Ms. Light, Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Salmon, Ms. White, Ms. Corrado, Mr. Shaw

“Noes” - None

“Abstain” - None

Ms. McKeon provided a report from the January 19, 2024 Personnel Committee meeting. Topics at the meeting included summer reading, BTAA contract discussion, in house bus drivers, Summer SLEO’s, staff survey on start times, staffing requests for 2024-25 school year and question about class size.

**XV. Policy Committee Report**

Report on Progress



## **XVI. Curriculum Committee Report**

Report: Committee meeting of February 2, 2024

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the motion to add six weeks to Health 10 curriculum to marking period 3 for 2024-2025 school year.

On motion by Mr. Shaw seconded by Ms. White item #1 was approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Ms. McKeon, Mr. Molinari, Mr. Salmon, Ms. White, Ms. Corrado, Mr. Shaw

“Noes” - Ms. Light, Mr. Amin, Ms. Csipak

“Abstain” - None

Ms. White provided a report from the February 2, 2024 Curriculum Committee meeting. Topics at the meeting included a proposal to increase the current 3 weeks Health 10 to a full marking period, summer financial literacy assessments, extended instructional support for summer 2024 and AP courses policies.

## **XVII. Wellness Committee Report**

Report: Committee meeting of January 25, 2024

Ms. Corrado provided a report from the January 25, 2024 Wellness Committee meeting. Topics at the meeting included school start times impact on sports and extracurricular activities, after school clubs, high school sports and practices, HIB incidents for current school year, new software HIBster, DEI audit report from 2022, the PRIDE survey, school climate surveys, data collected for NJDOE reporting periods and programs to address HIB and bias related incidents.

## **XVIII. Facilities & Operations Committee Report**

Report on Progress

## **XIX. Liaison Committee Reports**

Mr. Molinari talked about scholarships from the league of municipalities and mentioned that the information is on the township website.

Ms. White gave the report on the SEPAC meeting. Topics at the meeting included the presentation by special services, PEC and SEPAC which will be held on February 26, 2024, sensory item donation event, website changes, camp jump start, concerns about school start times, ESY and SLEO's. Next SEPAC meeting will be on April 10, 2024.

Mr. Salmon reported on the SCESC meeting. Topics at the meeting included the transportation department dissolved by Somerset County Educational Services Commission and budget on special education transportation.

**XX. Public Comment**

Comments from the public included school start times, bus tiering, wellness committee events and reports, Middle School name change, impact on practice times for sports and after school activities due to change in school start times and HIB trends.

Superintendent Markarian responded to comments on transportation.

Mr. Markarian also acknowledged that if high school times were to change, there would be a need to find different times for the high school swim team to access a pool, re-highlighted issues of high school student sleep and transportation costs.

**XXI. Board Forum**

1) Board Goals

Mr. Salmon talked about the board goals which included committee attendance rotation system and BT connect meetings.

2) Name of Middle School

Board discussed and gave opinions in regards to changing the name of the Middle School and determined not to pursue the idea.

Board also discussed the bus tiering options.

**XXII. Adjournment**

On motion by Ms. Light and seconded by Ms. White and approved by all present, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.