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DECEMBER 19, 2011
EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:30 P.M.
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WILLIAM ANNIN MIDDLE SCHOOL**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Carlsson.

I. Salute to Flag

II. Roll Call

PRESENT: Mr. Byrne, Ms. Carlsson, Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel, Ms. McGowan,
Ms. McKeon, Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn, Ms. Wooldridge

ABSENT: None

III. Executive Session – 6:30 p.m. – William Annin Middle School Conference Room

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bernards Township Board of Education met in closed session to discuss: negotiations; and further

BE IT RESOLVED that the matters discussed in closed session will be disclosed to the public as soon as and to the extent that such disclosure can be made without adversely affecting the public interest or without violation of the confidentiality of personnel.

On motion by Ms. Kusel, seconded by Ms. McKeon, and approved by all present, the Board recessed into closed executive session at 6:30 p.m.

On motion by Ms. Shah, seconded by Mr. Koch, and approved by all present, the Board returned to public session at 6:59p.m.

The Board reconvened the regular meeting in the William Annin Middle School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

IV. Regular Session – Call to Order – 7:00 p.m. – William Annin Middle School Auditorium

V. Statement of Public Notice

This was 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.

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, and 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 topic whatsoever.

When you approach the microphone, please state your name and address. We do not have a specific time limit, but we ask that you keep your comments brief. Please understand that our public forums are not structured as question and answer sessions, but rather they are offered as opportunities to share your thoughts with the Board. In instances where the Board feels that there is a misunderstanding or inaccuracy, a member of the Board or Administration will address it in the Board Response portion of the agenda.

There are times when a member of the public makes a comment or asks a question about an employee. New Jersey statute does not permit us to discuss personnel issues in public. Also as a matter of law, a Board of Education may only vote for or against the hiring of an employee upon the recommendation of the superintendent. If the superintendent does not recommend a person, that person's name is not listed on the agenda and there is no vote on that action.

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.

VI. Student Representative

Student Representative Maggie Peterpaul updated the Board on events at Ridge High School including the Junior/Senior volleyball game (the winning class selects the charity to which the proceeds are donated), the Mr. Ridge contest scheduled on April 19, and the Ridge Factor talent show scheduled for March.

VII. Superintendent's Report

1) Acknowledge Student Recipients of Veterans of Foreign Wars Patriot's Pen Patriotic Essay Writing Contest, "Are You Proud of Your Country?" – Joseph Bennett Post 7858 Commander of Bernardsville VFW & Roy Farnharm William Annin Middle School Coordinator

Audheya Mannepalli	Grade 6
Kathleen Pascale	Grade 7
Lianna Shimoun	Grade 8

Joseph Bennett and Roy Farnharm presented the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade winners with certificates and a cash award. This is an annual nation-wide essay contest. 8th grade winner Lianna Shimoun's essay was chosen as the Somerset county first place winner and will be entered in a contest to determine the New Jersey State Champion.

2) Ridge Athletics: Philosophy, Student Participation, Operations & Finance

Director of Athletics Rich Shello presented an overview of the Ridge High School Athletics program. Mr. Shello highlighted the following:

- Philosophy of interscholastic sports program – broad based program to ensure maximum participation
- Objective – physical/social/fun
- Long term outcome of athletic participation
- Fun in athletics – direct students toward goal satisfaction & improvement
- Competitive program – highly physically & emotionally demanding
- Recreational vs. competitive program
- Coaching for character in athletics
- Explanation of levels of play
- Model of athletic participation
- Freshmen vs. varsity levels
- "Cutting" players & sensitivity to students
- Coaching responsibilities, characteristics, recruitment, training & total challenge
- Parent/coach relationship responsibilities & communication
- Current trends & issues in athletics
- RHS program includes: 18 girls' varsity teams & 18 sub varsity/16 boys' varsity teams/16 sub varsity
- Budget planning for program (transportation, equipment, etc.)

Questions by the Board included maintaining fairness to students, the concern of concussion injury, and what happens to the student who cannot meet the varsity level of play.

VIII. Public Forum on Agenda Items

Comments were made regarding the appointment of Nick Markarian as the Superintendent of Schools effective July 1, 2012, the maintenance and repair plan, and incorporating a new school holiday in the district calendar.

IX. Board Resolution of Intent to Appoint Superintendent

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 17-15, the Bernards Township Board of Education (“Board”) is authorized to appoint a Superintendent of Schools; and

WHEREAS, Superintendent of Schools, Valerie Goger, will be retiring at the conclusion of the 2011-2012 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board has engaged in a search for a successor to Dr. Goger; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that Nick Markarian is best suited and qualified to succeed Dr. Goger as its Superintendent of Schools; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Commissioner of Education decision captioned, Gonzales v. Elizabeth Board of Education, a presently-seated Board is not authorized to appoint a new superintendent of schools whose term does not begin until after the Board’s organizational meeting in May 2012; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:7-8(j) and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-3.1, the Executive County Superintendent is required to review and approve a superintendent’s contract before a Board of Education may formally appoint a superintendent, and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to effect a smooth administrative transition in the Superintendent and Business offices, and deems the appointment date of May 2012 too late to effect such transition, and

WHEREAS, the Board therefore wishes to announce its intention to appoint Mr. Markarian as its next Superintendent of Schools, and begin the process of filling consequential administrative vacancies and contract review and approval,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby announces its intention to appoint Nick Markarian as the successor to Valerie Goger as the Board’s next

Superintendent of Schools, subject to the parties' mutual agreement on and the Executive County Superintendent's approval of a contract of employment.

On motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Ms. McGowan, the foregoing was approved by the following roll call vote:

"Ayes" - Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel, Ms. McGowan, Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn,
Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. Carlsson
"Noes" - None
"Abstain" - Mr. Byrne

Board President Susan Carlsson presented Mr. Markarian's background information. She welcomed and congratulated Mr. Markarian as the next Bernards Township Superintendent of Schools.

X. Approval of Minutes

November 28, 2011 – Executive Session Minutes
November 28, 2011 – Regular Session Minutes
December 5, 2011 – Executive Session Minutes

On motion by Ms. Shah, seconded by Ms. Wooldridge, the foregoing was approved by the following roll call vote:

"Ayes" - Mr. Byrne, Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel (except November 28, 2011 Regular Session), Ms. McGowan, Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn (except November 28, 2011 Regular Session & December 5, 2011 Executive Session),
Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. Carlsson
"Noes" - None
"Abstain" - Ms. Kusel (only November 28, 2011 Regular Session), Ms. McKeon,
Ms. Sherwyn (only November 28, 2011 Regular Session & December 5, 2011 Executive Session)

XI. Committee Reports

FINANCE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a list of disbursements dated December 19, 2011 consisting of warrants in the amount of \$4,234,652.91.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the November 2011 Financial Reports from the Board Secretary, the monthly Investment

Report for November 2011, and the Treasurer of the School Monies Report for November 2011.

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 November 2011 line item transfers totaling \$794,592 to the 2011-12 school budget, list on file in the Board office.

4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following field trip destination for the 2011-12 school year:

<u>Destination:</u>	<u>Group Attending:</u>	<u>Number of Students:</u>
Gill St. Bernards High School Gladstone, NJ	Ridge Academic League	16
Bound Brook High School Bound Brook, NJ	Ridge Academic League	16
Montgomery High School Skillman, NJ	Ridge Academic League	16
Franklin High School Somerset, NJ	Ridge Academic League	16
Watchung Hills High School Warren, NJ	Ridge Academic League	16
Rutgers Preparatory School Somerset, NJ	Ridge Academic League	16

5) 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 2011-12 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Name of Conference:</u>	<u>Cost:</u>	<u>Date(s):</u>
B. Heineman	Techspo Conference	\$610	1/26/2011 – 1/27/2011
C. Deitchman	SLE Training	\$185	4/17/2011 – 4/18/2011
J. Rollo	Techspo Conference	\$595	1/26/2011 – 1/27/2011
N. Markarian	Techspo Conference	\$595	1/26/2011 – 1/27/2011
S. Siet	Techspo Conference	\$550	1/26/2011 – 1/27/2011
M. Asfendis	NJASCD Conference	\$225	1/18/2011

6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **out-of-district placements** for the 2011-12 school year:

<u>Student #:</u>	<u>Tuition:</u>
200951	\$29,515.20
304047	\$40,300.00
203506	\$99,726.20
204204	\$99,726.20

7) WHEREAS, The New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group (NJSBAIG) Board of Trustees approved proposed amendments to its Bylaws at a public meeting on October 19, 2011 in accordance with Article IX(C) of the current NJSBAIG Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, the current NJSBAIG Bylaws require for the proposed amendments to be approved by member school districts; and

WHEREAS, seventy-five percent (3/4) of the member school districts must approve the proposed amendments within one hundred eighty (180) days of the hearing on the amendments:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that at the regular meeting of the Bernards Township Board of Education held on the 19th day of December 2011, the Board does hereby approved the proposed amendments to the NJSBAIG Bylaws.

8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a contract for professional services with **Bobby Newman, Ph.D. B.C.B.A.** for educational consultation for the autistic program in an amount not to exceed \$2,250.

9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept a donation from the **Liberty Corner School PTO** in the amount of \$2,500 to purchase computer equipment.

10) *The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the participation in the **Asset Identification Services/Marketing/Advertising** for the Purpose of Generating Revenue RFP through the Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission Cooperative Pricing System #65MCESCCPS and their approved vendor Advantage3. Initial investment for Ridge High School only is \$7,500. (Tabled)*

On motion by Ms. McGowan, seconded by Mr. Koch, Items #1 through 10 were brought forward for a Board vote.

After further discussion, the Board agreed to Table Item #10.

On motion by Ms. McGowan, seconded by Mr. Koch, Items #1 through 9 were approved and Item #10 was Tabled by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel, Ms. McGowan, Ms. McKeon,
Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn, Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. Carlsson
“Noes” - None
“Abstain” - None

PERSONNEL

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Carol Marin** Social Studies Teacher Ridge High School effective January 31, 2012 for the purpose of retirement, with regret.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Cheryl White** Secretary William Annin Middle School effective March 1, 2012 for the purpose of retirement, with regret.
- 3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Jessica Lee** Technology Education Teacher William Annin Middle School effective January 23, 2012.
- 4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Danielle Simon** Speech Teacher Liberty Corner School effective February 9, 2012.
- 5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation the following **extracurricular assignments** for the 2011-12 school year:

Jessica Lee	Assistant Girls’ Fencing
Phil Gakos	Assistant Boys’ Lacrosse
Ryan Postal	Freshmen Wrestling
Stephanie Villarino	Assistant Cheerleading Winter
Vivian Scaturro	Head Cheerleading Winter

- 6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **change in assignments and/or locations** for the 2011-12 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Colin Simpson	Team Leader Grade 8 September through June \$4,134	Team Leader Grade 8 September through December \$1,653.60

Colin Simpson	Before/After School Care Program Co-Director WAMS September through June \$8,500	Before/After School Care Program Co-Director WAMS September through December \$3,400
Marissa Fuellhart	Before/After School Care Program Co-Director WAMS September through June \$8,500	Before/After School Care Program Director WAMS January through June \$13,600
Krissy Uhler	Grade Level Leader Grade 3 Cedar Hill September through June \$2,067	Grade Level Leader Grade 3 Cedar Hill September through February \$1,240.20
Angela Lee	School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$21.14 per hour 3 hours per day effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012	School Aide Mount Prospect School and Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$21.14 per hour 6.25 hours per day effective November 29, 2011 through end of assignment
Julie Ann Howlett	Science Teacher Ridge High School at a salary of Step 1 MA \$51,880 effective September 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Jen Kaltenbach. Salary to be prorated to \$25,940 to reflect actual dates worked. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing - mentoring required	Science Teacher Ridge High School at a salary of Step 1 MA \$51,880 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing - mentoring required
Pam Luthy	Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School 4 hours per day and School Aide 1 hour per day September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012	Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School 4.5 hours per day and School Aide 1 hour per day effective December 12, 2011 through June 22, 2012
Dana VanDyke	Instructional Aide WA 7.5 hours per day September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012	Instructional Aide WA 7 hours per day effective December 15, 2011 through June 22, 2012

7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Erica Cranden** Language Arts Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 4 BA \$47,910 effective January 3, 2012 through June 30, 2012. Salary prorated to reflect start date.

8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Amy Lieberwirth** Special Education/Instructional Support Teacher Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$45,910 effective December 15, 2011 through June 30, 2012. Salary prorated to reflect start date.

9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Leah Linebarger** Grade 3 Teacher Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$45,910

effective March 19, 2012 through June 30, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Krissy Uhler. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing-Mentoring Required.

10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Courtney Slack** Special Education/MAP Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 2 BA \$46,410 effective March 12, 2012 through June 30, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Jennifer Marney. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.

11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **John Tsihlas** Physical Education Teacher Oak Street School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$45,910 effective January 23, 2012 through June 30, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Lisa Pisciotta. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.

12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Kimberly Bloom** Instructional Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 1 \$23.93 per hour 5.5 hours per day effective December 19, 2011 through June 22, 2012.

13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Gay Tevlin** Instructional Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of Step 1 \$23.03 per hour 5.5 hours effective December 12, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Len D'Armiento** Permanent Substitute Ridge High School at a salary of \$90 per diem effective November 30, 2011 through June 22, 2012.

15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Leah Linebarger** Permanent Substitute Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$90 per diem effective December 19, 2011 through March 16, 2012.

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Courtney Slack** Permanent Substitute William Annin Middle School at a salary of \$90 per diem effective February 6, 2012 through March 9, 2012.

17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **extracurricular assignments** for 2011-12 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Stipend/Longevity:</u>
Linda Nollkamper	Grade Level Leader Grade 3 Cedar Hill School March, 2012 through June, 2012	\$826.80/none
Nick Beykirch	Assistant Musical WAMS	\$3,443/4 years/0 years/\$0
Rick Shea	Freshmen Wrestling	\$6,833/n/a
Germaine Ogitis	Lighting Supervisor WAMS	\$37 per hour/none
Maksim Zaitsev	Assistant Boys' Fencing	\$4,895/n/a
Siobhan Devlin	Winter Fitness Center 3 x week	\$1,767/0 years/0 points/\$0
Hanina Osborn	Team Leader Gr. 8 January through June	\$2,480.40/0 years/0 points/\$0

18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve various assignments for the 2011-12 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>
Joanne Russak	After School Care Program	\$50 per hour
Mary Grace Mullins	ESL Tutoring	\$60 per hour
Fern DiMeglio	Instructional Aide Mini Units	\$26.29 per hour
Katie Darby	Home Instruction At Home Program	\$24.43 per hour
Megan Farina	After School Care Program Aide	\$12.00 per hour
Shannon Twohy	After School Care Program Aide	\$12.00 per hour
Caroline Keller	After School Care Program Aide	\$12.00 per hour
Lauren Brown	After School Care Program	\$24.00 per hour
Mario Licata	After School Care Program (PM)	\$50.00 per hour
Brian Darling	After School Care Program (PM)	\$50.00 per hour
Pam Luthy	Clerical MP After School Care Program	\$10.00 per hour
Donna Andres	After School Care Program Aide	\$12.00 per hour
Tina Miller	Bedside Instruction	\$75.32 per hour

19) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **student interns** for the 2011-12 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>College/University:</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher:</u>
Natalia Galante	Kean	Jim Garrity/CST Mount Prospect School 1/3/12-06/22/12
Kelly Gunning	James Madison	Ellen Bond/Elementary Oak Street School 12/20/11
Derek Boudreau	Caldwell	Kristin Smerillo/Elementary Cedar Hill School 1/23/12-5/11/12
Alicia Haller	William Paterson	Debbie Reynolds/Elementary Mount Prospect School 2/6/12-5/7/12

20) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **substitute teachers and/or nurses** for the 2011-12 school year at a salary of \$80 per diem for substitute teachers and \$120 per diem for substitute nurses:

Jenna Boccamazzo	Alexis DeVita
William Howard	Courtney Slack
John Tsihlas	Carol Marin

21) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **volunteer** for the 2011-12 school year:

Debbie Graves Baker's Dozen Club RHS

22) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Melanie Sackie** Permanent Substitute Oak Street School at a salary of \$90 per diem effective January 3, 2012 through June 22, 2012.

23) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Joanne Souto** .2 Spanish Teacher Ridge High School at a salary of Step 3 BA+30 \$50,460 effective March 12, 2012 through June 30, 2012 as a maternity leave for Chiara Kupiec. Salary to be prorated to reflect start date.

On motion by Ms. Wooldridge, seconded by Mr. Koch, Items #1 through 23 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel, Ms. McGowan, Ms. McKeon,
 Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn, Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. Carlsson
“Noes” - None
“Abstain” - None

AD HOC FACILITIES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the **2011-12 Comprehensive Maintenance Plan**.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education received bids for the backup generator replacement on Thursday, December 8, 2011, at 1:30 p.m. Bids were received from the following companies:

<u>Company:</u>	<u>Bid:</u>
Wojchik Electric, Inc.	\$61,793
Manor II Electric, Inc.	\$68,678
Northern State Companies	\$69,625
Power with Prestige	\$75,800
Vanore Electric, Inc.	\$84,282

The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby award the bid for the backup generator replacement to **Wojchik Electric, Inc.** as the lowest responsible bidder contingent upon attorney review and execution of a mutually agreeable contract.

On motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Ms. Sherwyn, Items #1 & 2 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne (except Item #2), Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel, Ms. McGowan,

Ms. McKeon, Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn, Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. Carlsson
“Noes” - Mr. Byrne (only Item #2)
“Abstain” - None

CURRICULUM

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following changes to **course titles** for the 2012-13 school year:

<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Enrichment (WAMS 6 th Grade Cycle)	Design & Problem Solving in Technology (WAMS)
Enrichment (WAMS 7 th Grade Cycle)	Creative Engineering (WAMS)
Challenges of Democracy (RHS)	Current Issues in Contemporary America (RHS)

On motion by Ms. McKeon, seconded by Ms. Wooldridge, Item #1 was approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel, Ms. McGowan, Ms. McKeon,
Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn, Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. Carlsson
“Noes” - None
“Abstain” - None

POLICY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

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

- a) Policy File Code: 2330 Student Homework
- b) Policy File Code: M2412 Home Instruction Due to Health Condition
- c) Policy File Code: M2481 Home or Out-of-School Instruction for General Education Pupils
- c) Policy File Code: M5519 Dating Violence at School

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby adopt the following **2014-15 Bernards Township school calendar:**

September 2014

Tuesday the 2 nd	In-service Day – Staff Reports
Wednesday the 3 rd	In-service Day – Staff Reports
Thursday the 4 th	Students Report
Thursday the 25 th	Closed – Rosh Hashanah

October 2014**November 2014**

Thursday the	Closed – NJEA Convention
Friday the	Closed – NJEA Convention
Wednesday the 26 th	Abbreviated Schedule – Thanksgiving Recess
Thursday the 27 th	Closed – Thanksgiving Recess
Friday the 28 th	Closed – Thanksgiving Recess

December 2014

Tuesday the 23 rd	Abbreviated Schedule – Winter Recess
Wednesday the 24 th	Closed – Winter Recess
Thursday the 25 th	Closed – Christmas
Friday the 26 th	Closed – Winter Recess
Monday the 29 th	Closed – Winter Recess
Tuesday the 30 th	Closed – Winter Recess
Wednesday the 31 st	Closed – Winter Recess

January 2015

Thursday the 1 st	Closed – New Year’s Day
Friday the 2 nd	Closed – Winter Recess
Monday the 19 th	Closed – Martin Luther King

February 2015

Monday the 23 rd	Closed – Mid-Winter Recess
Tuesday the 24 th	Closed – Mid-Winter Recess
Wednesday the 25 th	Closed – Mid-Winter Recess
Thursday the 26 th	Closed – Mid-Winter Recess
Friday the 27 th	Closed – Mid-Winter Recess

March 2015**April 2015**

Friday the 3 rd	Closed – Good Friday
Monday the 13 th	Closed – Spring Recess
Tuesday the 14 th	Closed – Spring Recess
Wednesday the 15 th	Closed – Spring Recess
Thursday the 16 th	Closed – Spring Recess
Friday the 17 th	Closed – Spring Recess
Snow days in excess of three will be made up during the spring recess beginning with	

Friday, April 17.

May 2015

Friday the 22nd

In-service day – Staff Reports

Monday the 25th

Closed – Memorial Day

June 2015

Thursday the 18th

Abbreviated Schedule – Grades 9-12 Students

Friday the 19th

Abbreviated Schedule – Grades 6-12 Students

Monday the 22nd

Abbreviated Schedule – Grades 6-12 Students

Tuesday the 23rd

Graduation – William Annin School

Tuesday the 23rd

Abbreviated Schedule – Grades K-12 Students

Wednesday the 24th

Graduation – Ridge High School

Wednesday the 24th

Abbreviated Schedule – Grades K-12 Last Day for Students

Thursday the 25th

Last Day for Staff

On motion by Ms. Kusel, seconded by Mr. Koch, Items #1 & 2 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne (except Item #1a), Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel, Ms. McGowan,
Ms. McKeon, Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn, Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. Carlsson
“Noes” - Mr. Byrne (only Item #1a)
“Abstain” - None

XII. Board Forum

1) Discussion of Student Stressors

Dr. Goger stated that a report on the homework survey results will be posted on the website shortly.

XIII. Public Forum on Other Than Agenda Items

Comments were made on policies under consideration for first reading.

XIV. Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Koch, and approved by all present, the meeting was adjourned by 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nick Markarian
Board Secretary