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BASKING RIDGE, NEW JERSEY
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FEBRUARY 25, 2008
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FEBRUARY 25, 2008
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OAK STREET SCHOOL**

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by President Koch.

I. Salute to the Flag

II. Roll Call

PRESENT: Mr. Byrne, Ms. Carlsson, Mr. Carlucci, Mr. Koch, Ms. McGowan,
Ms. Smith, Ms. Stevens, Ms. Winter, Ms. Woolford

ABSENT: None

III. Regular Session – Call to Order – 7:12 p.m. – Oak Street School Cafeteria

IV. 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.

V. Student Representative's Report

VI. Construction Management Update

Dan Del Mar of Epic Management, Inc. updated the Board on construction at Ridge High School. He responded to Board questions regarding renovation of the current auditorium, seating capacity of gym or auditorium if needed for graduation and items remaining on the punchlist for other buildings.

VII. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Goger played an audio tape from radio station 98.3 acknowledging William Annin teacher Ann Aron as a "Magic Teacher." William Annin Assistant Principal Scott Graber nominated Ms. Aron for her contributions in the classroom.

1) Superintendent Valerie A. Goger provided a status report on the 2008-09 budget procedure. The district provided justification for a \$207,909 cap waiver to the County Business Administrator increasing it by \$300,000 to include additional staff. Bernards Township is the only district in Somerset County to have their cap waiver request reviewed in Trenton beginning on February 26. Dr. Goger spoke on maintaining elementary class size utilizing the district's guidelines, enrollment projections for the high school and the impact on its classes, the enrichment program and the administrative restructuring after the elimination of the Director of Guidance position. Next year the only cap waiver available to the district is 'other costs.'

Director of Curriculum Sean Siet reviewed college admission and acceptance data from the previous three years. A data comparison was made with and without the Director of Guidance position. He spoke on the potential elimination of early admission at the elite colleges and the district percentage rate of acceptance and matriculation at the Baron's top 65 colleges.

Dr. Goger answered questions raised by Board members and the public touching on reading coaches, athletics, utilities, supplies, staff development and staffing. She reviewed the process in the event the budget is defeated.

Ms. Smith stated under the proposed budget all programs have been maintained and additional staff has been included.

VIII. Public Forum on Agenda Items

Public comments included support for the hiring of six additional teachers at the high school, selectivity of colleges, reading teachers, having an additional play at the middle school, the enrichment program, differentiated instruction, class size guidelines at the elementary level and policies on volunteers and the criminal history review.

IX. Board Response

Board response included having two casts for the middle school play, course selection at the high school, reading specialists, below adequate spending, enrichment priorities, differentiated instruction vs. pullout and the procedure for determining elementary class size.

Interim Business Administrator Ron Smith updated the Board and the public on the upcoming school elections stating that two incumbents, Ms. McGowan and Ms. Smith, have filed petitions seeking another term along with three additional residents, Monique Loh, John Ryan and Kenneth Wilke.

X. Approval of Minutes

December 17, 2007 – Executive Session
December 17, 2007 – Regular Session
January 14, 2008 – Executive Session
January 14, 2008 – Regular Session
January 28, 2008 – Regular Session
February 11, 2008 – Executive Session
February 11, 2008 – Regular Session

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

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Carlsson, Mr. Carlucci, Ms. McGowan, Ms. Smith,
Ms. Stevens (except 1/14/08), Ms. Winter, Ms. Woolford (except
2/14/08), Mr. Koch
“Noes” - None
“Abstain” - Ms. Stevens (only 1/14/08), Ms. Woolford (only 2/14/08)

XI. Committee Reports

FINANCE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a list of disbursements dated February 25, 2008 consisting of warrants in the amount of \$8,650,186.35

- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education acknowledges receipt of January 2008 Financial Reports from the Board Secretary, the January 2008 Board Secretary's Monthly Certification of Budgetary Line Item Status, the monthly Investment Report for December, and the Treasurer of School Monies report for January 2008; and further, 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 line item transfers totaling \$1,096,872.10 to the 2007-08 school budget, list on file in the Board office.

- 4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve disposal of equipment/books, list on file in the Board office.

- 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:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Name of Conference:</u>	<u>Purpose of Conference:</u>	<u>Cost:</u>	<u>Conference Date:</u>
J. Ankiel	Univ. of Delaware Job Fair	Recruitment	\$390	4/15/08-4/16/08
H. Bilenker	Enhancing your Effectiveness as Reading Specialist	Maximize effectiveness as a "literacy coach"	\$195	4/3/08
M. Butler	How to be an Outstanding Communicator	Advanced communication skills	\$180	2/27/08
M. Butler	NJAPSA Directors Academy	Updated on IDEA & NJ Administrative Code	\$415	5/19/08-5/20/08
R. Cherdack	NJAAPT Meeting	New information on teaching high school physics	\$120	3/14/08-3/15/08

A. Ehrgott	American Revelation for Social Studies Teachers	Study of ideals shaping our country from Puritans to cold war	\$70	2/29/08
J. Garrity	NASP Convention	Current research & best practices in school psych.	\$240	2/6/08-2/7/08
J. Goodwin	Middle School Mathematics Exam	Review for exam to assist with in-class support	\$185	2/2/08-2/3/08
K. Lunny	Teaching Geometry w/ Geometer's Sketchpad	Learn features of Geometer's Sketchpad computer system	\$445	summer 2008
A. Lynn	Legal Issues & Concerns for School Nurses	Information to turnkey to all district nurses	\$50	3/11/08
P. Miller	Legal Issues & Concerns for School Nurses	Information to turnkey to all district nurses	\$105	3/11/08
S. Mollica	HSPA Testing	No Child Left Behind	\$395	3/4/08-3/6/08
R. Muraview	NJACAC Admissions Symposium	Updated information on college admissions	\$20	4/10/08
J. O'Connell	How to be an Outstanding Communicator	Advanced communication skills	\$180	2/27/08
M. Palumbo	NCTM Conference	Instructional technology as it applies to mathematics	\$1,875	4/8/08-4/12/08
uuK. Pecoraro	Professional Learning Communities	To promote the building & extending of a professional community at LCS	\$425	4/14/08-4/15/08
S. Siet	Landmark Education – The Forum	Hone communication skills & presentation techniques	\$490	2/22/08-2/24/08
K. VanDerStad	2008 Annual Spring Conference	Updated information on college counseling issues & procedures	\$440	5/12/08-5/13/08
L. Vitale	How to be an Outstanding Communicator	Advanced communication skills	\$180	2/27/08
E. Wilson	Guided Interactivities Modeled Writing	New tools to incorporate into writing program	\$195	2/27/08
K. Winkler	Enhancing your Effectiveness as Reading Specialist	Maximize effectiveness as a “literacy coach”	\$195	4/3/08
K. Zuchowski	START w/Prevention Intervention Before Assessment	Expand knowledge of response-to-intervention approach	\$150	3/10/08

6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following out-of-district placement for the 2007-08 school year:

<u>Student #:</u>	<u>School/Placement Type:</u>	<u>2007-08 Tuition:</u>
301831	Hunterdon Learning Center/Initial/1/16/08–6/30/08	prorated \$19,536

7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept **FY 2008 IDEA** monies in the amount of:

IDEA – Basic	\$1,069,440
Preschool	44,227

8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept **FY 2007 IDEA** monies in the amount of:

IDEA – Basic	\$1,016,566
Preschool	43,874

9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby authorize the Board Secretary to conduct a drawing on Wednesday March 5, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Education building for position on the ballot for the 2008 annual school board election.

10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby designate the following locations as official polling sites for the 2008 annual school board elections to be held on Tuesday, April 15, 2008, between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

- Basking Ridge Firehouse – Districts 2, 4, & 7
- Liberty Corner Firehouse – Districts 12 & 14
- Fellowship Village – Districts 16 & 20
- Hills Recreation Center – Districts 21,22,23 & 24
- Bernards Township Community Center – Districts 9,10 & 17
- Ridge Oak Senior Housing – District 3
- Bernards Township Library – Districts 1 & 6
- Society Hill at Bernards II Clubhouse – Districts 13 & 18
- Somerset Hill Lutheran Church – Districts 5 & 8
- Spring Ridge Clubhouse – Districts 11,15 & 19

11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a donation of \$1,500 to the Bernards Township SCOP Team for Project Graduation BASH 2008.

12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following change orders to the Ridge High School project:

<u>Change Order #:</u>	<u>Contractor:</u>	<u>Background:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
27-GC39A	Seacoast Builders	Added roof drain existing room 214	\$3,738
27-GC53	Seacoast Builders	Provide new enclosure and concrete base	\$10,123
27-GC55	Seacoast Builders	Added lockers to accommodate student backpacks	\$(947)
27-GC57	Seacoast Builders	Additional set of exterior concrete stairs w/handrails at northeast	\$34,116

		corner of classroom	
27-GC58	Seacoast Builders	Added timber (steel) guide rails in parking areas	\$48,304 (\$40,195)
27-MC6	Mechanical Degrees, Inc.	Added ductwork to room 952 unit ventilator	\$4,625
27-MC7a	Mechanical Degrees, Inc.	Ductwork, 2 fire dampers, 2 roof covers, first air intake and exhaust caps added to the existing weight room unit ventilator	\$14,803
27-SS5	Cherry Steel Corp.	Added two roof curbs, fresh air intake and exhaust cap to existing weight room	\$1,748

A motion was made by Ms. Smith, seconded by Ms. Carlsson to approve Finance Committee items.

On motion by Mr. Carlucci, seconded by Ms. Carlson an amendment to Item #12 Change Order #27-GC58 replacing timber guide rails with steel guide rails reducing the cost from \$48,304 to \$40,195 was approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Carlsson, Mr. Carlucci, Ms. McGowan, Ms. Smith,
Ms. Stevens, Ms. Winter, Ms. Woolford, Mr. Koch
“Noes” - None
“Abstain” - None

Items #1-12 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Carlsson, Mr. Carlucci, Ms. McGowan, Ms. Smith,
Ms. Stevens, Ms. Winter, Ms. Woolford, Mr. Koch
“Noes” - None
“Abstain” - None

PERSONNEL

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Joan White** LDTC Ridge High School effective June 30, 2008, with regret for the purpose of retirement.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Kim Barbacci** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School effective February 8, 2008.
- 3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid child care leave for **Allyson Blanford** Language Arts Teacher William Annin Middle School effective September 3, 2008 through September 8, 2008 utilizing 4 personal illness days then an unpaid federal family leave effective September 9, 2008 through December 1,

2008 then an unpaid child care leave effective December 2, 2008 through January 31, 2009 returning February 2, 2009.

4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid child care leave for **Katherine Donahue** Special Education Teacher William Annin Middle School effective May 9, 2008 through June 30, 2008 utilizing 22 personal illness days then an unpaid federal family leave effective September 1, 2008 through November 14, 2008 then an unpaid child care leave effective November 15, 2008 through January 31, 2009 returning February 2, 2009.

5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid child care leave for **Jaclyn Ryan** Instructional Support Teacher Cedar Hill School effective May 9, 2008 through June 13, 2008 utilizing 23 personal illness days then an unpaid federal family leave effective June 14, 2008 through June 30, 2008.

6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid child care leave for **Christina Miller** Science Teacher William Annin Middle School effective May 28, 2008 through June 30, 2008 utilizing 13 personal illness days then an unpaid federal family leave effective September 1, 2008 through November 30, 2008 then an unpaid child care leave effective December 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following change in assignments and/or locations:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Karen Bessin	.6 Japanese Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 19 BA+30 \$41,705 effective September 1, 2007 through January 31, 2008	.8 Japanese Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 19 BA+30 \$55,607 effective February 1, 2008 through June 30, 2008
Theresa Brandle	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$19.36 per hour 3 hours per day effective September 5, 2007 through June 12, 2008	School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$19.36 per hour 3 hours per day effective September 5, 2007 through June 12, 2008 and an Instructional Aide Liberty Corner at salary of Step 1 \$21.15 per hour 1 hour per day effective February 4, 2008 through June 12, 2008
Carleen Kane	Instructional Aide MP Pals Program at a salary of Step 5 \$23.81 per hour 6.5 hours per day 149 days effective September 5, 2007 through June 12, 2008	Instructional Aide MP Pals Program at a salary of Step 5 \$23.81 per hour 6.5 hours per day 85 days effective September 5, 2007 through February 14, 2008 then an Instructional Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 5

		\$23.81 per hour 7.5 hours per day 78 days effective February 15, 2008 through June 12, 2008
Jessica Derosé	Grade Level Leader K Oak Street School 9/07-06/08 \$1,893	Grade Level Leader K Oak Street School 9/07-01/08 \$1,135
Danielle Pizzigoni	Kindergarten Teacher Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$209 per diem effective January 2, 2008 through March 28, 2008	Kindergarten Teacher Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$209 per diem effective January 2, 2008 through end of assignment

8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following salary guide advancements for the 2007-08 school year effective March 1, 2008:

<u>School:</u>	<u>Name:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>	<u>To Step:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>
OS	Sloane Castleman	12 BA+30	\$56,249	12 MA	\$59,298
WA	Aldamarie Ciavola	10 MA	\$56,276	10 MA+30	\$60,667
RH	Kristen Lunny	4 MA	\$49,972	4 MA+30	\$53,870
MP	Kerry Linstra	13 BA	\$53,963	13 BA+30	\$57,740
WA	Mary Henry	16 BA	\$59,207	16 MA	\$66,786
WA	Rebecca Bollaro	9 MA	\$55,173	9 MA+30	\$59,477
MP	Margaret Greaney	3 BA	\$43,433	3 BA+30	\$46,473
WA	Germaine Ogitis	7 BA+30	\$50,304	7 MA	\$53,030
RH	Sarah John	7 BA	\$47,013	7 BA+30	\$50,304
RH	Michael Gilmore	21 BA	\$76,823	21 MA	\$86,643
WA	Katherine White	7 MA	\$53,030	7 MA+30	\$57,168
RH	Paula Costlow	3 BA (.8)	\$34,746	3 BA+30 (.8)	\$37,178
RH	Kara Seaton	8 BA	\$47,953	8 BA+30	\$51,310
WA	Deirdre Shaughnessy	1 BA	\$41,746	1 MA	\$47,089
CH	Kristin Smerillo	9 MA	\$55,173	9 MA+30	\$59,477

9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Jessica Derosé** Grade 2 Teacher Oak Street School at a salary of Step 5 BA \$45,187 effective May 5, 2008 through June 30, 2008 as a maternity leave replacement for Allison Cohen.

10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Paul McLaughlin** Science Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$41,746 effective March 12, 2008 through June 13, 2008 as a maternity leave replacement for Joanne Layton.

11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the emergent hiring of **Jessica Silva** Kindergarten Teacher Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 1 MA \$47,089 effective March 10, 2008 through June 30, 2008 as a maternity leave replacement for Mary O’Leary.

12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Carol Floegel** Special Education Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of \$209 per diem effective February 7, 2008 through end of assignment as a medical replacement.

13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the emergent hiring of **Marilyn Kovacs** School Aide Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$19.36 per hour 3 hours per day 77 days effective February 18, 2008 through June 12, 2008.

14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Anne Duque** Permanent Substitute William Annin Middle School at a salary of \$90 per diem effective February 19, 2008 through June 12, 2008.

15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Vito DiStefano** Permanent Substitute Ridge High School at a salary of \$90 per diem effective March 12, 2008 through June 13, 2008

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Robert Simon** Permanent Substitute William Annin Middle School at a salary of \$90 per diem effective February 20, 2008 through June 12, 2008.

17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Maggie Davignon** Grade 1 Teacher Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$209 per diem effective February 21, 2008 through April 9, 2008 as a medical leave replacement.

18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Tammy Torson** Art Teacher Cedar Hill at a salary of \$209 per diem effective January 10, 2008 through March 31, 2008.

19) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Sandy Salvo** secretarial temp services at a salary of \$12 per hour effective February 19, 2008 through end of assignment.

20) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following individuals to the extracurricular assignments listed below for 2007-08 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Position:</u>	<u>Stipend/Longevity:</u>
Jacqueline Smith	.5 Assistant Musical Set Painter WAMS	\$1,572
Betsy Wallace	Grade Level Leader K OS 02/08-06/08	\$ 758

21) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following individuals in assignments listed for home based students for the 2007-08 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Hourly Rate:</u>
Jessica Carabello	Instructional Aide	\$30
Michelle Hayes	Instructional Aide	\$30
Carleen Kane	Instructional Aide	\$30

Ann Aron	Teacher	\$60
Amy Arthur	Instructional Aide	\$30
Kristen Gorsky	Instructional Aide	\$30

22) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following student interns for the 2007-08 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>College/University:</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher:</u>
Phil Peluso	Kean	Guidance/Eric Rauschenberger LC, Ruthann Dein RH, Elaine Matteo WA 02/18/08-06/13/08
Lisa Bernice	College of New Jersey	Elementary/Sheri Jakubowski MP 03/10/08-05/02/08
Mallary Zieger	County College of Morris	Elementary/Katie Wilson CH 02/12/08-05/02/08

23) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following substitute teachers for 2007-08 school year at a salary of \$80 per day and \$120 per day for substitute nurses:

Jessica Silva+
Laurie Madden+*
Elizabeth Carter+*
Fran Goldberg +*
Mary Wear+*
Theresa Pensak +*
Lorraine Waldron+*

*Subject to County Approval
+Subject to Fingerprint Clearance

24) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following coaching staff at William Annin Middle School 2007-08 School year for activity listed:

Derek Ressa	Baseball
Janine Fela	Softball
Patrick Vreeland	Boys Lacrosse
Meredith Batcha	Girls Lacrosse
Susan Wargo	Track & Field
Sarah Mahoney	Track & Field
Frank Locascio	Track & Field

25) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following student coaching volunteers at William Annin Middle School

Bennett Radinovic	Baseball
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Megan Heaslip	Softball
Erik Hughes	Boys Lacrosse
Sam Fino	Track & Field

26) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Michelle Quat** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 1 \$21.15 per hour 7.5 hours per day 72 days effective February 25, 2008 through June 12, 2008.

27) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following substitute teachers for 2007-08 school year at a salary of \$80 per day and \$120 per day for substitute nurses:

Jody Cohen*+
Jessica Beach*+

*Subject to County Approval
+Subject to Fingerprint Clearance

28) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following student interns for the 2007-08 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>College/University:</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher:</u>
Kristin Pignio	Montclair	Elementary/Jenna Hoyt LC 3/03/08-05/22/08
Jamie Kohn-Gluckman	RVCC	Elementary/Melissa Jain MP 03/03/08-05/22/08

29) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the emergent hiring of **Andrea Mongno** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 1 \$21.15 per hour 7.5 hours per day 72 days effective March 10, 2008 through June 12, 2008.

30) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve **Alexis Sous** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School PALS Program at a salary of Step 1 \$21.15 6.5 hours per day 59 days effective February 26, 2008 through June 12, 2008.

On motion by Ms. Winter, seconded by Ms. Carlsson Items #1-30 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Carlsson, Mr. Carlucci, Ms. McGowan, Ms. Smith,
Ms. Stevens, Ms. Winter, Ms. Woolford, Mr. Koch

“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: M 3125 Employment of Teaching Staff Members
- b) Policy File Code: M 4125 Employment of Support Staff Members
- c) Policy File Code: 9180 School Volunteers

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following policies on second reading & adopt said policies:

- a) Policy File Code: 0168 Recording Board Minutes
- b) Policy File Code: M 2230 Course Guides
- c) Policy File Code: M 3218 Teaching Staff Members Substance Use
- d) Policy File Code: M 4218 Support Staff Members Substance Use
- e) Policy File Code: M 5111 Eligibility of Nonresident Pupils
- f) Policy File Code: 5470 Photographs of Pupils
- g) Policy File Code: M 5512 Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying and Hazing
- h) Policy File Code: 5513.1 Materials/Service Fees, Fines, Charges
- i) Policy File Code: M 6810 Financial Objectives
- j) Policy File Code: M 8670 Transportation of the Disabled
- k) Policy File Code: 9150 School Visitors

A motion was made by Ms. McGowan, seconded by Ms. Woolford to approve Policy Committee items.

Chairperson Susan McGowan reported on the committee's recommendation regarding paper and electronic communication to the Board.

Items #1 & 2 were approved by the following roll call vote:

- “Ayes” - Mr. Byrne (except Item #2 c & d), Ms. Carlsson, Mr. Carlucci, Ms. McGowan, Ms. Smith, Ms. Stevens, Ms. Winter, Ms. Woolford, Mr. Koch
- “Noes” - Mr. Byrne (only Item #2 c & d)
- “Abstain” - None

Comments were made regarding Item #1 a-c and Item #2 c & d and the procedure for individuals to e-mail Board of Education members either individually or as a group.

XII. Public Forum on Other Than Agenda Items

XIII. Board Forum

1) Ms. Smith updated the Board on an information session she, Ms. Carlsson and Ms. Winter attended through NJSBA to meet Trudy Doyle, Executive County Superintendent. She reviewed topics covered including budget cap waivers, non-operational districts, consolidation of school districts, approval of travel and reducing costs throughout the state.

XIV. Adjournment

On motion by Ms. Woolford, seconded by Mr. Byrne, and approved by all present, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Ronald Smith
Interim Board Secretary