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

**I. Salute to Flag**

**II. Roll Call**

PRESENT: Mr. Byrne, Mr. Carlucci, Mr. Koch, Ms. McGowan, Ms. Seitz,  
Ms. Smith, Ms. Stevens, Ms. Winter, Dr. Goger, Mr. Murray,  
Ms. Rudolph

ABSENT: Ms. Woolford

**III. 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.

**IV. Oak Street School Tour of Building – 7:00 p.m. – Principal Jane Costa**

**V. 7<sup>th</sup> Grade REACH Class “Project Citizen” – 7:30 p.m. – Oak Street School Gymnasium**

Mr. Isaacs presented an overview of “Project Citizen” a 7<sup>th</sup> grade project through the REACH Class with student participants.

**VI. Regular Session – Call to Order – 8:00 p.m. – Oak Street School Gymnasium**

**VII. Student Representative’s Report**

No report.

### VIII. Superintendent's Report

- 1) Note: Due to prior commitments, the Ridge High School Certamen Team members were unable to attend the meeting.

**Hannah Barkley**  
**Jamie Cooney**  
**Aaron Hershkowitz**  
**Justin Lo**  
**Alasdair Wilkins**

- 2) William Annin Middle School Principal Frank Howlett and Ridge High School Assistant Principal Scott Thompson spoke on the success of the Destination Imagination program and awarded Certificates of Achievement to the following students:

William Annin	<b>Waverly Langston</b>
Dizzy Derby	<b>Shannon McNamara</b>
	<b>Peter Vogel</b>
	<b>Susanne Vogel</b>
	<b>Christopher Winter</b>
	<b>Veronica Wittrup</b>

William Annin	<b>Audrey Decker</b>
Challenge:	<b>Allison Douglis</b>
Live! It's RaDIo DI	<b>Nithya Gandham</b>
	<b>Leah Horowitz</b>
	<b>Meaghan O'Toole</b>
	<b>Kathleen Shim</b>
	<b>Saniya Waghray</b>

Ridge High School	<b>Bharat Ayyar</b>
Challenge:	<b>Paul Bennett</b>
Improving Along!	<b>Sarah Carpenter</b>
	<b>Maja Falcon</b>
	<b>Jacki Fogel</b>
	<b>Mark Perkowski</b>
	<b>Caroline Stork</b>

- 3) Oak Street School Principal Jane Costa and Assistant Principal Laura Schneider spoke on test scores, various activities and programs within their building, enrollment, and staffing.

4) Principal Jane Costa recognized the following Oak Street School PTO co-presidents for the 2004-05 school year:

**Muffy Rowe**  
**Staci Sycoff**

5) Superintendent Valerie A. Goger reported on elementary enrollment and staffing projections. The enrollment has been frozen at June 13 and it is not necessary to proceed with the Mount Prospect redistricting option.

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

Comments were made regarding the Destination Imagination program and the New Jersey Association for Gifted Children.

#### **X. Committee Reports**

##### **Finance Committee**

Chairperson William Koch spoke on projections for planning purposes and forecasting of new programs.

##### **Personnel Committee**

No report.

##### **Policy Committee**

Chairperson Lou Carlucci stated that 5 policies have been reviewed by the committee and will be placed on the June 20 agenda for adoption on first reading.

##### **Curriculum Committee**

No report.

##### **Community Relations**

Chairperson Lisa Winter reported on the continuation of meetings with the co-presidents of the various school PTOs, contacting state legislators regarding Bill 1701, school aid and the Garden State Coalition.

##### **New Jersey School Boards Association**

No report.

#### **XI. Public Forum on Other Than Agenda Items**

Comments were made regarding the modification of the "Battle of the Books" program and temperature conditions in the classrooms.

**XII. Board Forum**

Comments were made regarding the “Battle of the Books” program, air conditioning of classrooms, alternate funding sources, Verizon support, PTO support, BT Educational Foundation, Board committee process, calendars, e-mail procedures and student trips. A discussion took place regarding Board member requests for information from administrators.

**XIII. Adjournment**

On motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Ms. Winter, and approved by all present, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Murray II  
Board Secretary