

**BERNARDS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
BASKING RIDGE, NEW JERSEY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 13, 2000
EXECUTIVE SESSION 7:00 P.M.
REGULAR SESSION 8:00 P.M.**

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

I. Salute to Flag

II. Roll Call

PRESENT: Mr. Bernstein, Ms. Borushko, Ms. Bracaglia, Mr. Chiappetta, Ms. Daggett (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), Mr. Finazzo (arrived at 7:04 p.m.), Ms. Hagaman, Ms. Seitz, Ms. Woolford (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), Mr. Barcellona, Ms. Goger

ABSENT: None

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 Cedar Hill Annex.

IV. Executive Session - 7:01 p.m. - Board Conference Room

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bernards Township Board of Education shall meet in closed session to discuss the following: litigation; matters pertaining to specific personnel; 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. Seitz, seconded by Ms. Hagaman, and approved by all present, the Board recessed into closed executive session at 7:01 p.m.

On motion by Mr. Chiappetta, seconded by Mr. Finazzo, and approved by all present, the Board returned to public session at 8:01 p.m.

The Board reconvened the regular meeting in the Cedar Hill All-Purpose Room at 8:10 p.m.

V. Regular Session - Call to Order - 8:10 p.m. - Cedar Hill School All-Purpose Room

VI. Public Forum on Agenda Items

No comments were made.

VII. **Student Representative's Report**

VIII. **President's Report**

IX. **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Valerie Goger and the Administrative Cabinet presented a status report of the 1995-2000 Strategic Plan in regard to the following: administrative/organization; student achievement/curriculum; community relations and communications; facility and finance.

X. **Committee Reports**

Finance Committee

Chairperson Georgeann Borushko noted that the Finance Committee will meet on Tuesday, March 14th. The Public Hearing on the budget is scheduled for March 27th.

Personnel Committee

Chairperson Barry Bernstein discussed the creation of the position of Police Resource Officer and recommended acceptance of grant. A straw poll of the Board was taken as follows:

"Ayes" - Mr. Bernstein, Ms. Daggett, Mr. Finazzo, Ms. Hagaman, Ms. Seitz,

Ms. Woolford, Ms. Bracaglia

"Noes" - Mr. Chiappetta

"Abstain" - Ms. Borushko

Policy Committee

No report.

Curriculum Committee

Chairperson Patty Seitz noted that the Curriculum Committee will meet on March 17th.

Community Relations Committee

No report.

Interschool Council

Liaison Linette Hagaman noted that Interschool Council's next meeting is scheduled for March 27th .

New Jersey School Boards Association

No report.

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

Comments were made regarding class rank report scheduled for the March 27th meeting and K-5 survey of parents.

XII. **Board Forum**

Ms. Borushko inquired about the timeline for the elementary principals assuming their district-wide duties. The division of duties will be completed by the summer.

XIII. **Adjournment**

On motion by Mr. Finazzo, seconded by Ms. Seitz, and approved by all present, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Alexander
Assistant Board Secretary