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- I. **Regular Session – Call to Order – 6:00 p.m. – Ridge High School Main Office Conference Room**
- II. **Salute to Flag**
- III. **Roll Call**

PRESENT: Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel, Ms. McGowan,
Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn, Ms. Wooldridge, Mr. Markarian,
Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Siet

ABSENT: Ms. McKeon

- IV. **Executive Session – 6:02 p.m. – Ridge High School Main Office Conference Room**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bernards Township Board of Education met in closed session to discuss: negotiations; litigation; matters pertaining to specific personnel; confidential student matters; 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. Cwerner, seconded by Ms. Kusel, and approved by all present, the Board recessed into closed executive session at 6:02 p.m.

On motion by Ms. Sherwyn, seconded by Ms. Shah, and approved by all present, the Board returned to public session at 6:55 p.m.

The Board reconvened the regular meeting in the Ridge High PAC at 7:35 p.m.

The delay between 6:55 p.m. and 7:35 p.m. was caused by the fire alarm going off at Ridge High School, the all clear to re-enter the building was issued by the fire department at 7:30 p.m.

V. **Regular Session – Call to Order – 7:35 p.m. – Ridge High School PAC**

VI. **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. Any Board responses to public comment will be addressed during Board Forum, or during committee reports.

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.

VII. Student Representative

Ray Abbiatici represented the Ridge High School Student Government. He updated the Board on activities at the high school including Pennies for Patients which raised \$600 for Leukemia, planning activities for the XFactor on March 21, and Mr. Ridge on April 18.

VIII. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Nick Markarian apologized for the delay in the start of tonight's meeting due to a fire alarm situation.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the **Ridge High School Marching Band** trip to Orlando, Florida to participate in Disney's "Magic Music Day" November 7, 2013 – November 10, 2013.

Supervisor of Fine and Practical Arts Michael Fackelman and Marching Band Director Dan Zugale responded to questions from the Board including:

- What events the band would participate in while in Florida (will audition to march down Main Street & participate in various workshops with professionals)
- Chaperones (only staff members, no parents)
- The cost of trip is based on participation & would monies be refundable if not a sufficient number of students were able to participate (would only participate if a sufficient number of students agreed & there would be a deadline date for full refund)
- Will this be an annual trip (once every four years),
- Security (will hire private security to monitor students)
- Strict curfew for students (they will go in a group, not individually)

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby affirm receipt of the **HIB Report** dated March 4, 2013.

Superintendent Nick Markarian noted recent high school highlights:

- Success of the play, Legally Blonde
- Hockey Team won first round of quarter finals 6-5
- Forensics Team are State Champions for the 12th year
- Basketball Team playing in its first NJSIAA playoff game in 40 years

On motion by Ms. Kusel, seconded by Ms. Shah, Items #1 & 2 were approved by the following vote:

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

IX. Board Presentations

1) Language Arts Presentation

Supervisor of Language Arts David Hunscher presented an overview of the Common Core Standards in English Language Arts explaining it is a response to a national study of literacy rates for 8th grade students. The survey concluded that students had not sufficiently moved forward. Mr. Hunscher’s presentation included the following information:

- Major strands of standards (reading, writing, speaking & listening skills, language standards)
- Critical advances (range of texts, a steady increase of complex texts, writing effectively, speaking as related to writing & reading, use of language effectively)
- Measurement of what students have read through complexity, evidence, & knowledge
- Type of texts broken down by literary & informational percentages from grade 4 through grade 12
- Writing purposes (persuade, explain, convey experience) to be used throughout the day
- Explanation of PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers) frameworks
- PARCC informational text, selected writing & reading standards
- Conclusions and targeted areas for revision

Click [here](#) to view presentation

2) 2013-14 School Budget Presentation

Business Administrator Rod McLaughlin presented an overview of the 2013-14 school budget highlighting the following:

- State aid 2009-10 through 2013-14
- A 5-year history of local taxes

- 2013-14 anticipated tax increases
- Anticipated budget expenditures
- General operating budget – current budget, proposed budget, & percent of change
- Instruction – proposed budget, percent of change
- General education – breakdown by schools & teachers/supplies
- Special education – breakdown by categories
- Support services – breakdown by area

Superintendent Nick Markarian spoke on the items the budget does contain and explained what the \$1.5M increase in state aid would cover. The majority of the aid would be utilized for salary increases (capped at 2%) and the potential of a 5% increase in health benefits. With creative utilization of maintenance revenue, the district will be able to maintain programs such as the nine-period day at the high school, the middle school team teaching concept, and full day kindergarten. The only anticipated growth positions will be in special education to meet IEP requirements.

Click [here](#) to view presentation

X. **Public Forum on Agenda Items**

Comments were made regarding the proposed 2013-14 school calendar, and the status of the Ridge High School Task Force and speed zones.

XI. **Approval of Minutes**

January 28, 2013 – Executive Session Minutes

January 28, 2013 – Regular Session Minutes

February 11, 2013 – Executive Session Minutes

February 11, 2013 – Regular Session Minutes

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

- “Ayes” - Mr. Byrne (except January 28 Regular & Executive Sessions),
Ms. Cwerner, Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel (except February 11 Regular &
Executive Sessions), Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn, Ms. Wooldridge,
Ms. McGowan
- “Noes” - None
- “Abstain” - Mr. Byrne (only January 28 Regular & Executive Sessions),
Ms. Kusel (only February 11 Regular & Executive Sessions)

XII. Committee Reports

FINANCE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a list of disbursements dated March 4, 2013 consisting of warrants in the amount of \$6,431,172.77.
 - 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the January 2013 Financial Reports from the Board Secretary, the monthly Investment Report for January 2013, and the Treasurer of the School Monies Report for January 2013.
- 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 January 2013 line item transfers totaling \$621,877.34 to the 2012-13 school budget, list on file in the Board office.
 - 4) 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 2012-13 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Name of Conference:</u>	<u>Cost:</u>	<u>Date(s):</u>
R. Shello	DAANJ Annual Workshop	\$560	3/17/2013-3/21/2013
D. Karuppan	N.J. Sate School Nurses Association Conference	\$200	3/9/2013
J. Hozeny	Rutgers University 45 th Annual Reading & Writing Conference	\$175	4/12/2013
R. McLaughlin	Internal Control Essentials for Financial Managers, Accountants and Auditors - NJSCPA	\$289	3/22/2013
R. McLaughlin	Financial Forecasting and Management Decisions - NJSCPA	\$289	4/19/2013
K. Fox	NWEA Annual Conference – Fusion	\$2,180	6/26/2013-6/28/2013
J. Kaltenbach	College Board AP Biology Inquiry Training	\$200	5/5/2013

B. Retzko NAFME Eastern Division \$565 4/4/2013-4/7/2013
 Conference

- 5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept a donation from the **Ridge High PTO** in the amount of \$13,637 to purchase a laser cutter for the tech arts program.

- 6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve services for student #203506 from September 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 at Douglass Outreach in the amount of \$29,200.
- 7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve services for student #201082 from September 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 at Douglass Outreach in the amount of \$24,800.

- 8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve services for student #200256 from September 13, 2012 to June 30, 2013 at Somerset Hills Physical Therapy in the amount of \$6,000.

- 9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve home instruction services for student #203900 from February 5, 2013 to June 30, 2013 at Stepping Forward Counseling Center LLC in the amount of \$75 per hour for 10 hours per week.

- 10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a contract with **Dr. Randi Sarokoff, BCBA-D** to provide educational consultation services at a rate of \$150 an hour not to exceed \$115,000 for the 2012-13 school year.

- 11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a contract with **Casi M. Healey, MA, BCBA** to provide educational consultation services at a rate of \$90 an hour not to exceed \$26,000 for the 2012-13 school year.

- 12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the sale of the following items which are outmoded in design, construction or in need of extensive repair on GovDeals.com:

<u>Items:</u>	<u>Quantity:</u>
Mini Cassette Recorders	12
Cassette Recorders	4
Microfilm	6
Record Player	1
Electric Microscope	1
Piano	1
Copier	1

13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve **Oak Street PTO** to raise funds in the amount of \$45,000 for installing electric services for air conditioners in nine classrooms.

14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Liberty Corner School Site Improvements** contract change order for Jads Construction Co.:

<u>Change:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
Credit for chain link fence not installed. Board of Education to reinstall PVC-coated fence.	\$12,750

15) BE IT RESOLVED that the tentative budget be approved for the 2013-2014 School Year using the 2013-2014 state aid figures and the Secretary to the Board of Education be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	DEBT SERVICE	TOTAL
2013-14 Total Expenditures	\$86,949,699	\$1,393,833	\$5,859,670	\$94,203,202
Less: Anticipated Revenues	<u>\$9,576,257</u>	<u>\$1,393,833</u>	<u>\$354,304</u>	<u>\$11,324,394</u>
Taxes to be Raised:	<u>\$77,373,442</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$5,505,366</u>	<u>\$82,878,808</u>

And to advertise said tentative budget in the Courier News in accordance with the form suggested by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held at the Ridge High School Performing Arts Center in Basking Ridge, New Jersey on March 28, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2013-2014 School Year.

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby adopt the following resolution for out-of-district and intra-district travel 2013-14:

Whereas, the State of New Jersey has enacted P.L. 2007 An Act Concerning School District Accountability requiring boards of education to annually approve the total amount of funds budgeted for travel and conferences for all faculty, staff, administration and board members, and

Whereas the ACT became effective on March 15, 2007, and requires prior approval of all travel and conference costs before they are incurred, and

Whereas there are three categories of travel and conferences that faculty, staff, administrators, and board members generally attend, including routine meetings held on annually scheduled dates, meetings of an emergent nature with little prior notice, and meetings/conferences that can be scheduled with at least several weeks' notice, and

Whereas it is practical to anticipate as many activities as possible, and receive annual approval for those and monthly approvals for unanticipated activities,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following budget amounts are acknowledged and costs of travel and conferences are approved for the 2013-14 school year:

Total amount budgeted for travel and conferences 2013-14: \$80,000

Intra-district business mileage for administrators, and where required, for members of the faculty and staff, including but not limited to faculty who teach in more than one school, child study team members, secretaries, etc. at the rate authorized by the Annual State Appropriations Act in effect at the time of travel at a cost not to exceed \$1,500 per person annually

Out-of-district business travel for administrators to attend professional meetings/conferences affiliated with, but not limited to, the NJ Department of Education, the County Superintendent of Schools, the Morris-Union Jointure Commission, professional organizations, etc. at the rate authorized by the Annual State Appropriations Act in effect at the time of travel at a cost not to exceed \$1,500 per person annually, and an individual conference expense not to exceed \$150

Out-of-district business travel for faculty and staff to attend conferences and professional development opportunities as approved by the superintendent at the rate authorized by the Annual State Appropriations Act in effect at the time of travel and an individual conference expense not to exceed \$150

Out-of-district business travel for members of the Board of Education to attend professional meetings/conferences affiliated with, but not limited to, the New Jersey School Boards Association, the Somerset County School Boards Association, etc. at the rate authorized by the Annual State Appropriations Act in effect at the time of travel and at a conference cost not to exceed \$1,500 per person annually.

On motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Ms. Kusel, Items #1 through 16 were approved by the following roll call vote:

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

Mr. Koch mentioned the Board Finance Committee will meet with the Ridge Sports Foundation on March 14 to review a joint project at the high school. He briefly reviewed agenda items and thanked the Ridge High PTO for its donation of a laser cutter, and the Oak Street PTO on its plan to fundraise for electrical services in association with an air conditioning project.

PERSONNEL

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Debbi Black** Science Teacher William Annin Middle School effective April 26, 2013, for the purpose of retirement, with regret.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Laura Sullivan** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School effective on or before March 1, 2013.
- 3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Erik Mathisen** Freshman Baseball effective February 14, 2013.
- 4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve an intermittent New Jersey Family Leave for **Pamela Burns** School Aide Oak Street School effective February 26, 2013 through June 26, 2013.
- 5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Change in Assignments and/or Locations** for the 2012-13 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Kristin Smerillo	Grade Level Leader Grade 1 Cedar Hill \$2067.00	Grade Level Leader Grade 1 Cedar Hill \$1,033.50 September, 2012 – January, 2013

Judy Peninno	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$22.32 per hour 3 hours per day effective September 6, 2012 through June 26, 2013	School Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of \$22.32 per hour 4 hours per day effective February 11, 2012 through end of assignment
Sean Ulichney	Freshman Softball Coach \$5,756 1 year/0 points/\$0	Freshman Baseball Coach \$5,756 1 year/0 points/\$0

6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Lauren Kole** Occupational Therapist .5 Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 19 MA \$77,815 effective March 6, 2013 through June 30, 2013. Salary to be prorated to reflect .5 status and the start date.

7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Elizabeth Nelson** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 1 \$24.20 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective February 18, 2013 through June 26, 2013.

8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Kimberly Bernardo** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 1 \$24.20 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective November 27, 2012 through June 26, 2013.

9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Emily Bahlinger** Instructional Aide William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 1 \$24.20 per hour 6.5 hours per day effective March 5, 2013 through June 26, 2013.

10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Leslie Santoro** School Aide Ridge High School at a salary of \$22.32 per hour 4 hours per day effective March 5, 2013 through June 26, 2013.

11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Salary Guide Advancements** for the 2012-13 school year effective March 1, 2013:

<u>School:</u>	<u>Last:</u>	<u>First:</u>	<u>From:</u>		<u>To:</u>	
RH	Benitz	Fran	21 BA	\$81,365	21 BA+30	\$86,956
RH	Friedberg	Adena	5 BA+30	\$52,065	5 MA	\$54,985
MP	Machnowski	Dorothy	14 BA+30	\$63,250	14 MA	\$66,795
CH	Edwards	Melissa	11 MA	\$61,990	11 MA+30	\$66,480
RH	Kuscenko	Daria	21 BA	\$81,365	21 MA	\$91,580
OS	Valles	Catherine	5 MA	\$54,985	5 MA+30	\$58,980

12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following various assignments for the 2012-13 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>
Allison Greer	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Jonathan Ost	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Renee Kiernan	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Mary Grace Mullins	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Brooke Zammit	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Marsha Scheffler	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Samantha Pelletier	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Carolyn Latkovich	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Maggie Davignon	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Colette Clark	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Laura Nichols	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Sherri Kane	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Jillian Planer	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Patrick Vreeland	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Kerry Linstra	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Erica Cranden	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Daria Pizutto	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Derek Boudreau	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
John McCarthy	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Sarah Gavarny	Immigrant Tutor	\$60.00 per hour
Sherri Kane	At Home Program	\$60.00 per hour
Christian O'Brien	After School Activities	\$50.00 per hour
Sarah Post	After School Care Program	\$12.00 per hour
Mary Beth Gakos	Math Competition Exam Proctors	\$30.00 per hour
Pat Gambino	Math Competition Exam Proctors	\$30.00 per hour
Jackie Geiger	Math Competition Exam Proctors	\$30.00 per hour
Victoria Thornton	Math Competition Exam Proctors	\$30.00 per hour
Teresa Delia	After School Care Program	\$24.00 per hour

13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **Extracurricular Assignments** for the 2012-13 school year:

<u>School:</u>	<u>Staff Member:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Stipend:</u>	<u>2012-13 Longevity:</u>
CH	Libby Freisen	Grade 1 Level Leader February, 2013-June, 2013	\$1,033.50	None
WA	Diane Ragsdale	DC Chaperone	\$350.00	None
RH	Jim O'Connor	Assistant Boys' Track	\$5,756	N/A
RH	Charles Poris	Assistant Boys' Track	\$5,756	N/A
RH	Nicole Gilhuley	Assistant Girls' Track	\$5,756	N/A

RH	Nicol Traynor	Assistant Girls' Track	\$5,756	N/A
CH	Lyndsey Schaefer	Drama Club Director	\$1,800	N/A
CH	Justine Rolandelli	Drama Club Assistant	\$1,600	N/A
CH	Kimberley Ace	Drama Club Assistant	\$1,600	N/A
CH	Alexandra DeVleeschouwer	Drama Club Assistant .5	\$ 800	N/A

14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **At Home Program Staff** at a salary of \$30 per hour effective January 1, 2013 through June 30, 2013:

Justine Rolandelli	Danielle Limoncelli
Kelly Miller	Serena Paczkowski
Rosalia Carabello	Marilyn Askin
Marie Petti	Katie Darby
Kristen Wallace	Samantha Suckno
Tyler Shaw	Lashanda Parrish
Jessica Carabello	Jennifer D'Armiento
Drew Greco	Laura Sullivan
Christopher Pereira	

15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **mentors** for the 2012-13 school year, mentoring fee to be paid by the provisional teacher:

<u>Provisional Teacher:</u>	<u>Position:</u>	<u>Mentor:</u>	<u>Payment:</u>
Samantha Pelletier	Instructional Support	Kelly Winkler	\$366.00
Brittany Pinkham	Special Education	Pam Agodon	\$366.00

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **student interns** for the 2012-13 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>College/University:</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher:</u>
Betty Dickinson	RVCC	Various Dates/School Nurse
Kathleen Jones	William Patterson	Janean McElyea Oak Street School 2/4/13-4/29/13 Physical Education
Ala Hassan	Rutgers	Bill Tracy/Kim Clark Ridge High School 2/13/13-5/20/13 MAP
Shalloma Solomon	RVCC	Rachel Golum Ridge High School Various Dates/School Nurse Patricia Miller Ridge High School

17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **volunteers** for the 2012-13 school year:

Annette Colbertaldo Ski Racing
 Brian Hedgecock Baseball

18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **substitute teachers and/or nurses** for the 2012-13 school year at a salary of \$80 per diem for substitute teachers and \$120 per diem for substitute nurses:

Kyle Cope
 Christina Miller
 Karla Brennan
 Brian Fletcher
 Matthew Potter
 Ashley Chandler
 Karienne Zylka

On motion by Ms. Sherwyn, seconded by Ms. Kusel, Items #1 through 18 were approved by the following roll call vote:

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

POLICY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby adopt on second reading the following **2013-14 School District Calendar**:

		Students	Staff
SEPTEMBER 2013		16	18
Wednesday the 4 th	In-Service Day – Staff Reports		
Thursday the 5 th	Closed – Rosh Hashanah		
Friday the 6 th	In-Service Day – Staff Reports		
Monday the 9 th	Students Report		

OCTOBER 2013		23	23
NOVEMBER 2013		17	17
Thursday the 7 th	Closed – NJEA Convention		
Friday the 8 th	Closed – NJEA Convention		
Wednesday the 27 th	Abbreviated Schedule – Thanksgiving Recess		
Thursday the 28 th	Closed – Thanksgiving Recess		
Friday the 29 th	Closed – Thanksgiving Recess		
DECEMBER 2013		15	15
Monday the 23 rd	Closed – Winter Recess		
Tuesday the 24 th	Closed – Winter Recess		
Wednesday the 25 th	Closed – Christmas		
Thursday the 26 th	Closed – Winter Recess		
Friday the 27 th	Closed – Winter Recess		
Monday the 30 th	Closed – Winter Recess		
Tuesday the 31 st	Closed – Winter Recess		
JANUARY 2014		22	22
Wednesday the 1 st	Closed – New Year’s Day		
FEBRUARY 2014		18	18
Monday the 17 th	Closed – Mid-Winter Recess		
Tuesday the 18 th	Closed – Mid-Winter Recess		
MARCH 2014		21	21
APRIL 2014		16	16
Monday the 7 th	Closed – Spring Recess		
Tuesday the 8 th	Closed – Spring Recess		
Wednesday the 9 th	Closed – Spring Recess		
Thursday the 10 th	Closed – Spring Recess		
Friday the 11 th	Closed – Spring Recess		
Friday the 18 th	Closed – Good Friday		
Barring unusual circumstances, snow days in excess of three will be made up during the spring recess beginning with Friday, April 11 th .			
MAY 2014		20	21
Friday the 23 rd	In-Service/Flex Day – Staff Reports		
Monday the 26 th	Closed – Memorial Day		

JUNE 2014		15	16
Thursday the 19 th	Graduation – William Annin Middle School		
Thursday the 19 th	Abbreviated Schedule – Grades K-12 Students		
Friday the 20 th	Graduation – Ridge High School		
Friday the 20 th	Abbreviated Schedule K-12 – Last Day Students		
Monday the 23 rd	Last Day for Staff		
		TOTAL: 183	187

Superintendent Nick Markarian stated the start & end date for teachers cannot be dictated, it is a negotiable item. Two full in-service days are needed to complete staff training on the new evaluation process initiated by the State. This training is required prior to the start of the 2013-14 school year.

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

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

XIII. Public Forum on Other Than Agenda Items

Comments were made regarding Option II at the high school.

XIV. Board Forum

Comments were made regarding the recent performance of Legally Blonde at Ridge High School, the 25 mph speed limits by schools, and Option II at the high school.

XV. Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Ms. Shah, and approved by all present, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rod McLaughlin
Board Secretary