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

I. Salute to Flag

II. Roll Call

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

ABSENT: Ms. Seitz

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. Executive Session – 7:02 p.m. – William Annin Middle School Faculty Dining Room

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bernards Township Board of Education shall meet in closed session to discuss the following: negotiations; acquisition of land; 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 Mr. Koch, seconded by Ms. Woolford, and approved by all present, the Board recessed into closed executive session at 7:02 p.m.

On motion by Ms. Woolford, seconded by Ms. Smith, and approved by all present, the Board returned to public session at 7:20 p.m.

The Board reconvened the regular meeting in the William Annin Middle School Auditorium at 7:20 p.m.

V. Sexual Harassment Training – 7:22 p.m. – Assistant Superintendent Regina Rudolph – William Annin Middle School Auditorium

VI. Regular Session – Call to Order – 8:00 p.m. – William Annin Middle School Auditorium

VII. Student Representative’s Report

Student Representative Chris Brown reported on the Hurricane Katrina relief effort, homecoming and pep rally preparation, opening day at Ridge High School and cafeteria options.

VIII. Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent Valerie A. Goger reported on opening day activities, the district mission statement, new teacher orientation, and the opening day enrollments.

- 1) Director of Student Personnel Services Greg Youngman and Dr. Kirk Harlow presented the results of the Student Stressors Task Force survey.
- 2) Director of Special Services Monica Butler and 9-12 Supervisor of Special Services Jean O’Connell-Ulichny gave a presentation on the district’s autistic program.

IX. Open Board Items

The following items were reviewed:

- 1) Business Administrator will provide state formula for calculating special education tuition.
- 2) Finance Committee will draft process for budget review.
- 3) Report on Autistic program.

4) Document indicators for review of programs.

X. Public Forum on Agenda Items

No comments were made.

XI. Committee Reports

Finance Committee

Chairperson William Koch updated the Board on open issues including budget preparation and the Finance Committee agenda.

Personnel Committee

Chairperson Ann Maria Woolford presented the 2005-06 Certified Nursing Plan to the Board informing them by school of the enrollment and the nursing staff. Each K-5 school has a certified nurse, William Annin Middle School has a certified nurse and a registered nurse, and Ridge High School has two certified nurses.

Policy Committee

Chairperson Louis Carlucci reported that the committee would be meeting to discuss policy revisions.

Curriculum Committee

The next meeting of the Curriculum Committee is scheduled for September 16, 2005.

Community Relations

Chairperson Lisa Winter met with PTO presidents to discuss school issues and the school referendum.

New Jersey School Boards Association

Ms. Smith reported on pending legislation.

Technology

Ms. Stevens discussed the district website, 3-Year Technology Plan and videotaping of Board meetings.

XII. Public Forum on Other Than Agenda Items

No comments were made.

XIII. Board Forum

Comments were made regarding the sound quality on Channel 22, SAT scores, student stressors presentation, new teacher orientation, future of science and technology programs, the development process for Board goals, new Board member orientation, Board communications, hurricane relief efforts, and letter of appreciation to Chief Kelly.

XIV. Adjournment

On motion by Ms. Stevens, seconded by Mr. Koch, and approved by all present, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Murray II
Board Secretary