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SEPTEMBER 12, 2011  
REGULAR SESSION 7:00 P.M.  
WILLIAM ANNIN MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**I. Salute to Flag**

**II. Roll Call**

PRESENT: Mr. Byrne, Ms. Carlsson, Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel, Ms. McGowan,  
Ms. McKeon, Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn, Ms. Wooldridge

ABSENT: None

**III. Regular Session – Call to Order – 7:00 p.m. – William Annin Middle School Auditorium**

**IV. Statement of Public Notice**

This was 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**

Ridge High School Student Government Secretary Caroline Graff updated the Board on the September 21 & 22 class elections, plans for homecoming and pep rally to be held in October.

#### **VI. Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Valerie A. Goger updated the Board on the successful start of the school year. She reviewed the changes in enrollment with 159 students leaving district in June, the return of 22 former students, continued growth at the high school, declining enrollment at the middle school while the elementary buildings' enrollment remained flat or decreased. In the past three years Mount Prospect School's enrollment has declined by 108 students. It is anticipated that Ridge High School's enrollment will peak in 2013. Registration was extremely busy between August 17 and the first day of school enrolling 140 students. Class size in the four elementary buildings vary while the middle and high school class size is quite large.

Somerset County Educational Services Commission Superintendent Harold Dunsavage addressed the Board regarding the unusual number of transportation issues at the start of the school year. He explained, with the addition of several new roads over the past few years, it was necessary to have Bernards Township remapped in the Commission's routing software. Unfortunately issues occurred with the software the Commission utilized and pre-existing stops were removed. The Commission is meeting with representatives of the software company, Tyler Technologies, to straighten out the issues. An e-mail address ([baskingridge@sc.esc.k-12.nj.us](mailto:baskingridge@sc.esc.k-12.nj.us)) has been established for parents to directly contact his office with problems. As issues are resolved, new bus passes will be sent and ultimately all students (even those having no changes to times/stops) will receive a bus pass verifying information.

Mr. Dunsavage reassured the Board that an incident such as this will not occur in the future. Due to the hurricane and additional flooding prior to the start of school, road closures made 100% compliance of dry runs impossible. In the future, dry runs will be mandated and completed prior to the start of school. Communication updating parents on new bus passes being sent will be through the district FridayFolder.

Comments by the members of the public included the efficiency of bus routes within the Hills, buses not having full loads, drivers not knowing routes and high school students arriving late and needing to obtain passes.

#### BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following overnight **Ridge Forensics tournament trips** for the 2011-12 school year:

9/23/11-9/25/11	Yale University, New Haven, CT
9/30/11-10/1/11	Monticello High School, Monticello, NY
10/14/11-10/14/11	Bronx High School of Science, New York, NY
10/28/11-10/30/11	Beltway Invitational (Walt Whitman HS), Bethesda, MD
11/4/11-11/6/11	Apple Valley High School, Apple Valley, MN
11/11/11-11/12/11	Hendrick Hudson High School, Montrose, NY
11/18/11-11/21/11	Glenbrooks High School, Chicago, IL
12/1/11-12/4/11	Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
12/2/11-12/5/11	George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
12/16/11-12/17/11	The Blake School, Minneapolis, MN
1/6/12-1/9/12	Myers Park High School, Charlotte, NC
1/13/12-1/14/12	Lexington High School, Lexington, MA

On motion by Ms. McKeon, seconded by Mr. Koch, Item #1 was approved by all present.

#### VII. Board Presentation

1) Director of Curriculum Sean Siet presented the **Fall Testing Report**. Tonight's presentation focused on district standardized test results. In January, the 2011 student profile (college matriculation & AP classes) as well as guidance overview report will be presented.

Mr. Siet reviewed the NJ assessments, state testing parameters, and a breakdown of Reading and Math NJASK and HSPA testing with sample prompts and problems. Priorities for the future include ongoing local assessment, measurable building objectives, alignment of staff development with needs of district and use of multiple measures of

performance. Improvement of instruction will continue through a focus on literacy, reading specialists and training, and staff development with the ultimate goal being to leave no child behind.

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

No comments were made.

### **IX. Approval of Minutes**

July 25, 2011 – Regular Session Minutes

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

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

### **X. Committee Reports**

#### **FINANCE**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a list of disbursements dated August 29, 2011 consisting of warrants in the amount of \$8,184,087.65.

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the July 2011 Financial Reports from the Board Secretary, the monthly Investment Report for July 2011, and the Treasurer of the School Monies Report for July 2011.

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 July 2011 line item transfers totaling \$137,964 to the 2011-12 school budget, list on file in the Board office.

4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the following donations from the **Oak Street School PTO** for the school assemblies listed below:

<u>School Assembly:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
Franklin Institute	\$1,150
Kit's Interactive Theatre	\$1,200
Hollyrock Entertainment	\$1,025

5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **out-of-district placements** for the 2011-12 school year:

<u>Student #:</u>	<u>Tuition:</u>	<u>ESY:</u>
202633		\$7,652.40
304055		\$13,188.00
202693	\$80,466.00	\$13,188.00
200941	\$53,820.00	\$5,980.00
204038	\$46,639.80	
201082	\$73,384.22	\$8,467.41
200500	\$40,248.00	
120091	\$46,679.64	\$7,652.40
200332	\$48,929.40	
203556	\$48,929.40	
301282	\$39,864.60	\$4,429.40
303304	\$60,067.80	\$10,011.30
200355	\$100,800.00	\$22,400.00
301286	\$78,865.20	\$12,267.92
122018	\$46,436.00	
301291	\$98,060.00	\$19,612.00
203506	\$114,760.00	\$19,612.00
302691	\$74,239.00	\$11,910.00

6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the following out-of-district students for the 2011-12 school year:

<u>Student #:</u>	<u>School District:</u>	<u>Annual Tuition Received :</u>
203071	Somerset Hills Public School District	\$32,378
303876	Watchung Hills Regional School District	\$11,984

304513 North Plainfield Borough School District \$64,271

7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept a donation from the **Ridge Runners** in the amount of \$4,219.10 to purchase a shed to store track equipment.

8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the **IDEIA Carry-Over Application** from FY2009 in the amount of \$9,959.

9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept a donation from the **Cedar Hill School PTO** in the amount of \$1,000 to provide landscaping of the garden adjacent to the Child Study Team office.

10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept a donation from the **Ridge High School Band Association** in the amount of \$5,973 to purchase a new trailer.

On motion by Ms. McGowan, seconded by Mr. Byrne, Items #1 through 9 were approved by the following roll call vote:

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

## PERSONNEL

### BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Kimberly Boyko** Science Teacher William Annin Middle School effective on or before October 19, 2011.

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Valerie DeLaura** .4 French Teacher Ridge High School effective July 26, 2011.

3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Julianne Kearns** Occupational Therapist Cedar Hill School effective on or before September 30, 2011.

4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Jennifer Hildeman** Occupational Therapist .6 Oak Street School effective on or before October 15, 2011.

- 5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Debbie Lingel** Music Teacher Oak Street School effective on or before October 2, 2011.
- 6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Mark Mautone** Special Education Teacher Mount Prospect School effective on or before September 20, 2011.
- 7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Timothy Quimby** Language Arts Teacher William Annin Middle School effective on or before October 16, 2011.
- 8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **LeAnn Kenny** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School effective August 4, 2011.
- 9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Donna Fimiani** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School effective August 4, 2011.
- 10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Matthew Laubscher** Instructional Aide Ridge High School effective on or before September 30, 2011.
- 11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Andrea Mongno** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School effective on or about October 4, 2011.
- 12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Nicole Diamant** Special Education Teacher/Instructional Aide William Annin Middle School effective on or about October 7, 2011.
- 13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the following **extracurricular resignations** 2011-12 school year:

Cody Holody	Assistant Band
Kyla Mendes	Head Gymnastics
Toby Sperber	Math League MP
Larry Migliore	Assistant Musical WAMS
Linda Riccobono	RPO – RHS
Lauren McManus	Assistant Gymnastics

14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid child care leave for **Ann Suter** LDTC Ridge High School effective October 24, 2011 through December 6, 2011 utilizing 28 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave effective December 7, 2011 through January 31, 2012 running concurrently with Federal Family leave effective December 7, 2011 through January 31, 2012 returning February 1, 2012.

15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **change in assignments and/or locations** for the 2011-12 school year:

<b><u>Name:</u></b>	<b><u>From:</u></b>	<b><u>To:</u></b>
Michael Levy	Assistant Girls Volleyball \$3,798	Assistant Girls Volleyball \$4,895
Joanne Milot	Head Girls Volleyball \$5,756	Head Girls Volleyball \$7,417
Kaitlin Liszewski	Special Education Teacher .5 Liberty Corner/.5 Mount Prospect Schools	Special Education Teacher 1.0 Mount Prospect School
Katherine Cass	Assistant Marching Band \$3,338	Assistant Marching Band \$2,225
Kristen Meyers	Liberty Corner School	Oak Street School
Marilyn Askin	Cedar Hill School	Mount Prospect School
Brian Darling	Mount Prospect School	Cedar Hill School
Drew Greco	Mount Prospect School	Ridge High School
Elyssa Martino	Cedar Hill School	Mount Prospect School
Amanda Mitchell	Mount Prospect School	Cedar Hill School
Emma Lamparello	Summer Evaluations \$430.30 per diem	Summer Evaluations \$455.40 per diem
Maria Mensinger	Summer Evaluations \$319.05 per diem	Summer Evaluations \$354.50 per diem
Jennifer Kaltenbach	A paid child care leave effective September 19, 2011 through September 30, 2011 utilizing 9 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave effective October 1, 2011 through November 12, 2011 running concurrently with Federal Family Leave effective October 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 returning February 1, 2012	A paid child care leave effective September 19, 2011 through October 21, 2011 utilizing 24 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave effective October 24, 2011 through December 2, 2011 running concurrently with Federal Family Leave effective October 24, 2011 through January 13, 2012 returning February 1, 2012

Barbara Vega-Mercado Anna Chianese	Cedar Hill School Special Education Teacher Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 1 MA \$51,880 effective September 1, 2011 though January 31, 2012 as a maternity replacement for Joy Armitage. Salary prorated to reflect actual dates to \$25,940	Mount Prospect School Special Education Teacher Primary ABA Cedar Hill School at salary of Step 1 MA \$51,880 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012
Kelly Flannigan	Special Education Teacher Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 2 BA \$46,410 effective September 1, 2011 through November 30, 2011 as a maternity leave replacement for Stephanie Jarecke, salary prorated to reflect actual dates to \$14,262	Special Education Teacher Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 2 BA \$46,410 effective September 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012 as a maternity replacement for Joy Armitage. Salary prorated to reflect actual dates to \$23,205
Kelly Flannigan	Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 3 \$25.00 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective December 1, 2011 through June 22, 2012	Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 3 \$25.00 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective February 1, 2012 through June 22, 2012
Cecelia Beekman	Instructional Aide Ridge High School Media Center at a salary of Step 1 \$23.93 per hour 7.5 hours per day 183 days effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012	Instructional Aide Ridge High School Media Center at a salary of Step 1 \$23.93 per hour 7 hours per day 183 days effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012
Karen Gorczakowski	Instructional Aide Ridge High School Media Center at a salary of Step 2 \$24.43 per hour 7 hours per day 183 days effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012	Instructional Aide Ridge High School Media Center at a salary of Step 2 \$24.43 per hour 7.5 hours per day 183 days effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012
Bob Benthien	.4 Physical Education Teacher Mount Prospect & Oak Street Schools at a salary of Step 20a BA \$76,610 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, salary prorated to \$30,644 to reflect .4 status.	.7 Physical Education Teacher Mount Prospect & Oak Street Schools at a salary of Step 20a BA \$76,610 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, salary prorated to \$53,312 to reflect .7 status

Cassandra Kiesling	.3 Music Teacher Mount Prospect & Oak Street Schools at a salary of Step 2 BA \$46,410 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, salary prorated to \$13,923 to reflect .3 status	.4 Music Teacher Mount Prospect & Oak Street Schools at a salary of Step 2 BA \$46,410 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, salary prorated to \$18,564 to reflect .4 status
Lisa Roman	.2 Art Teacher Mount Prospect & Oak Street Schools at a salary of Step 5 BA \$48,660 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, salary prorated to \$9,732 to reflect .2 status	.4 Art Teacher Mount Prospect & Oak Street Schools at a salary of Step 5 BA \$48,660 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, salary prorated to \$19,464 to reflect .4 status
Rosemary DeFilippis	Grade 3 Teacher Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 4 MA \$54,140 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Katie Moebius	Grade 3 Teacher Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 4 MA \$54,140 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012
Dana VanDyke	Instructional Aide Cedar Hill School	Instructional Aide William Annin Middle School
Linda Blaber	Instructional Aide Cedar Hill School	Instructional Aide Ridge High School
Chris Gemra	Instructional Aide William Annin Middle School 6.5 hours	Instructional Aide Ridge High School 7 hours
Linda Blaber	Instructional Aide Ridge High School 6.5 hours	Instructional Aide Ridge High School 7.0 hours

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Rebecca Cobb** Science Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$45,910 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing - mentoring required

17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Alexis DeVita** Special Education Teacher Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 3 BA \$47,160 effective September 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Chris Szrom. Salary prorated to \$23,580 to reflect dates.

- 18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Candace Draskovich** Instructional Support Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 3 MA \$53,290 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Gabrielle Cavagnaro.
- 19) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Andrew Garfinkel** .4 French Teacher Ridge High School at a salary of Step 2 D \$57,155 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. Salary prorated to \$22,826 to reflect .4 status. Certificate of Eligibility – mentoring required.
- 20) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Jill Hanley** Language Arts Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$45,910 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 as a maternity leave for Kate Clark. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing-Mentoring required.
- 21) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Julie Ann Howlett** Science Teacher Ridge High School at a salary of Step 1 MA \$51,880 effective September 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Jen Kaltenbach. Salary to be prorated to \$25,940 to reflect actual dates worked. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing - mentoring required.
- 22) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Amanda Hughes** Grade 5 Teacher Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 5 BA \$48,660 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.
- 23) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Cynthia Kwalwasser** Occupational Therapist Cedar Hill and Mount Prospect Schools at a salary of Step 22 MA \$86,060 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.
- 24) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Amy Lieberwirth** Special Education Teacher Ridge High School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$45,910 effective September 1, 2011 through December 1, 2011 as a maternity leave replacement for Stephanie Jarecke. Salary to be prorated to \$13, 773 to reflect actual work dates. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing-Mentoring required.
- 25) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Jessica Molesky** Science Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$45,910 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing – Mentoring Required.
- 26) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Kelly Paprocki** Speech Therapist .6 Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 8 MA \$58,375 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 salary prorated to \$35,025 to reflect .6 status.

27) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Heather Rolandelli** .5 Special Education Liberty Corner School at a salary of Step 6 BA \$49,660 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 salary prorated to \$24,830 to reflect .5 status.

28) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Meredith Rymer** Music Teacher Oak Street School at a salary of Step 12 MA \$63,350 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

29) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Isis Sarnowski** Kindergarten Teacher Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 2 MA \$52,445 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Katie Moebius.

30) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Meaghan Schweers** Grade 2 Teacher Oak Street School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$45,910 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Allison HoAire. Certificate of Eligibility w/Advanced Standing-Mentoring required.

31) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Elizabeth Stoddard** Special Education Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 2 BA \$46,410 effective October 17, 2011 through January 31, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Becky Bollaro. Salary prorated to \$16,244 to reflect actual dates worked.

32) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Stephan Bennett** Instructional Aide Ridge High School at a salary of Step 1 \$23.93 per hour 7.5 hours per day 183 days effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012.

33) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Jennifer D'Armiento** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 1 \$23.93 per hour 7.5 hours per day 183 days effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012.

34) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Kathy Lawenda** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 1 \$23.93 per hour 7.5 hours per day 178 days effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012 as a maternity leave replacement for Adele Marky.

35) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Pam Luthy** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 4 \$25.62 4 hours per day effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012 and a School Aide at a salary of \$21.89 per hour 1 hour per day effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012.

- 36) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Kelly Miller** Instructional Aide Ridge High School at a salary of Step 1 \$23.93 per hour 7.5 hours per day 183 days effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012.
- 37) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Louis Puoplo** Instructional Aide Ridge High School at a salary of Step 1 \$23.93 per hour 7.5 hours per day 181 days effective September 12, 2011 through June 22, 2012.
- 38) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Kathy Sjolund** Instructional Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 5 \$26.29 per hour 7.5 hours per day 183 days effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012.
- 39) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Laura Sullivan** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 1 \$23.93 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012.
- 40) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Allison Twohig** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 1 \$23.93 per hour 7.5 hours per day 183 days effective September 8, 2011 through June 22, 2012.
- 41) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Antoinette Di Nizo** Accounts Payable/Accounting Associate Business Office at a salary of \$55,000 effective October 6, 2011 through June 30, 2012 salary to prorated to reflect start date.
- 42) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Beth Calabrese** Occupational Therapist District at a salary of \$70 per hour effective 2011-12 school year.
- 43) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **salary guide advancements** for the 2011-12 school year effective September 1, 2011:

	<b><u>Last Name:</u></b>	<b><u>First:</u></b>	<b><u>From:</u></b>		<b><u>To:</u></b>	
WA	Cascarelli	Tara	8 BA	\$51,660	8 MA	\$58,375
RH	Centore	Mary	11 BA	\$54,860	11 BA+30	\$58,700
WA	Ehrgott	Aileen	6 BA	\$49,660	6 MA	\$56,115
WA	Griffiths	Chad	13 BA	\$57,260	13 BA+30	\$61,270
RH	Hendershot	Steven	13 MA	\$64,705	13 MA+30	\$69,410
RH	Hoffman	Megan	7 MA	\$57,245	7 MA+30	\$61,385
MP	Kagel	Michelle	14 BA+30	\$63,250	14 MA	\$66,795
LC	Kane	Sherrie	4 BA	\$47,910	4 BA+30	\$51,265
MP	Kizoulis	Antonia	7 BA	\$50,660	7 MA	\$57,245
RH	Lombardo	Cassandra	6 BA	\$49,660	6 MA	\$56,115
RH	Maltz	Adena	4 BA	\$47,910	4 BA+30	\$51,265
RH	McCarthy	Jacqueline	7 BA	\$50,660	7 BA+30	\$54,205

RH	Mongno	Megan	5 MA	\$54,985	5 MA+30	\$58,980
CH	Newton	Tracy	8 BA+30	\$55,275	8 MA	\$58,375
RH	Papanikolaw	Christie	5 BA	\$48,660	5 BA+30	\$52,065
MP	Paul	Kathryn	6 BA	\$49,660	6 MA	\$56,115
RH	Piper	Dawn	9 MA	\$59,505	9 MA+30	\$63,810
RH	Quimby	Janine	4 BA	\$47,910	4 BA+30	\$51,265
RH	Riccobono	Linda	5 MA	\$57,734	5 MA+30	\$61,929
MP	Richardson	Corey	12 BA+30	\$59,985	12 MA	\$63,350
WA	Romanyshyn	Robert	15 MA	\$68,885	15 MA+30	\$73,840
WA	Russell	Ed	19a MA	\$80,360	19a MA+30	\$87,860
OS	Szajowski	Kathryn	6 BA	\$49,660	6 MA	\$56,115
RH	Valera	Linda	20a BA+30	\$89,639	20a MA	\$94,666

44) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **extracurricular assignments** for 2011-12 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Stipend/Longevity:</u>
Steve Isaacs	Special Education-Webmaster	\$3,931/5 years/1 point/\$198
Christian O'Brien	Peer Leadership 6 <sup>th</sup>	\$2,266/6 years/1 point/\$198
Rachel Sharpe	Peer Leadership 7 <sup>th</sup>	\$2,266/8 years/1 point/\$198
Jen Fowler	Peer Leadership 8 <sup>th</sup>	\$2,266/3 years/0 points/\$0
Joe Kirk	Assistant Marching Band	\$1,113/0 years/0 points/\$0
Brad McClain	A.M. Proctor WAMS	\$7.25 per day/none
Rebecca Murphy	Grade Level Leader-3 MP	\$2,067/none
Kathryn Paul	Grade Level Leader-Sp. Ed MP	\$2,067/none
Larry Migliore	Musical Director	\$4,162/9 years/1 point/\$198
Jackie Treanor	RPO-RH	\$2,265/none
Lynne Coyne	Model UN	\$2,097/N/A
Lynne Coyne	Assistant Debate Forensics CFL	\$1,626/N/A
Lynne Coyne	Assistant Debate Forensics NFL	\$1,626/ N/A
Lynne Coyne	Assistant Debate Forensics National Circuit	\$1,626/ N/A
Mary O'Leary	Grade Level Leader-K CH	\$2,067/none
Kristin Smerillo	Grade Level Leader-1 CH	\$2,067/none
Dana Stern	Grade Level Leader-2 CH	\$2,067/none
Krissy Uhler	Grade Level Leader-3 CH	\$2,067/none
Kerry Sedorak	Grade Level Leader-4 CH	\$2,067/none
Cindy Cicchino	Grade Level Leader-5 CH	\$2,067/none
Kelly Ambrozy	Grade Level Leader-Spec. Ed CH	\$2,067/none
Cindy Cicchino	Mini Unit Director	\$4,134/9 years/\$198
Niall Caldwell	A.M. Proctor CH	\$1,133/5 years/1 point/\$198
Diana Koeckert	A.M. Proctor CH	\$1,133/1 year/0 points/\$0
Cathy Cheo-Isaacs	Webmaster CH	\$3,931/5 years/1 point/\$198

Cathy Cheo-Isaacs	Technology Specialist CH	\$4,437/5 years/1 point/\$198
Niall Caldwell	Intramural Coordinator CH	\$2,355/3 years/0 points/\$0
Lauren McManus	Head Gymnastics	\$7,417/0 years/0 points/\$0
Lauren Kohut	Assistant Gymnastics	\$4,895/0 years/0 points/\$0

45) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve various assignments for the 2011-12 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Stipend:</u>
Colin Simpson	Co-Director William After School Program	\$8,500
Marissa Fuellhart	Co-Director William After School Program	\$8,500
Christopher Szeluga	Student Worker PAC	\$10 per hour
Carol Deitchman	Transition Coordinator: Autistic Program Grades 6 – Post Graduates	\$11,000
Ken Cherry	Transition Coordinator: Cognitively Impaired Program Grades 6 – Post Graduates	\$11,000

46) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **Permanent Substitutes** for the 2011-12 school year at a per diem rate of \$90:

Nick Adamo	Ridge High School
Peter Daut	Ridge High School
Lynne Coyne	Ridge High School (9/19/11-6/22/12)
Phil Gakos	Ridge High School (9/19/11-6/22/12)
Allison Johnson	Oak Street School (1/3/12-6/22/12)
Susan Marks	Oak Street School (10/18/11-12/23/11)
Elizabeth Stoddard	William Annin (9/6/11-10/14/11)
Carol Floegel	William Annin Middle School
Joanne Russak	William Annin Middle School (10/17/11-6/22/12)
Bridget Ritchkoff	William Annin Middle School
Beth Fain	Liberty Corner School

47) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **mentors** for the 2011-12 school year, mentoring fee to be paid by the provisional teacher:

<u>Provisional Teacher:</u>	<u>Position:</u>	<u>Mentor:</u>	<u>Payment:</u>
Heidi Fox	Business (20 weeks)	Fran Calvaruso	\$366
Catherine Beers	Language Arts	Christie Papanikolaw	\$550
Danielle Sisto	Special Education	Michaela Stoudemayer	\$550
Stephanie Stranz	Biology	Cindy Athanasiou	\$550
Maria Prettyman	Special Education	Chiara Kupiec	\$550
Matthew Lyons	Special Education	Brian Scott	\$550
Julie Ann Howlett	Biology	Ray Schnell	\$550

Mark Galesi	Math	Tara Chung	\$550
Olivia Kyzima	Language Arts	Amberly Roio	\$550
Christine McLaughlin	Language Arts	Marissa Fuellhart	\$550
Victoria Sikora	Art	Stephanie Moench	\$550
Evona Mozulay	Science	Dina German	\$550
Nicole Diamant	Special Education	Kelly Bramwell	\$550
Joe Kirk	Music	Kate Whiteley	\$550
Julian Planer	Autistic	Pam Agodon	\$550
Anna Chianese	Autistic	Colleen Nejme	\$550
Meaghan Schweers	Kindergarten (20 weeks)	Stephanie Corcoran	\$366
Nicole Moinhois	Special Education	Katherine Lech	\$550
Cassandra Kielsing	Music	Lyndsey Schaefer	\$550
Amy Lieberwirth	Special Education	Megan Milde	\$550
Jessica Molesky	Science	Rich Hartman	\$550
Jill Hanley	Language Arts	Ally Blanford	\$550
Rebecca Cobb	Science	Chris Swanson	\$550
Andrew Garfinkel	French	Lisa Howard	\$550

48) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following staff for **At Home Programs** effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>
Marie Petti	Instructional Aide	\$26.29 per hour
Elizabeth Schmitt	APE Teacher	\$60.00 per hour
James DeTata	APE Teacher	\$60.00 per hour
Roxy Lungu	Instructional Aide	\$23.10 per hour
Kimberly Boley	Instructional Aide	\$23.10 per hour
Dominick Cataudella	Instructional Aide	\$23.10 per hour
Joanna Ginder	Instructional Aide	\$23.10 per hour
Justine Rolandelli	Instructional Aide	\$25.00 per hour
Lauren Taylor	Instructional Aide	\$23.79 per hour
Nicole Paterno	Instructional Aide	\$24.43 per hour
Michelle Ebert	Instructional Aide	\$25.62 per hour
Shawn Leddy	Instructional Aide	\$25.00 per hour
Michelle Hayes	Instructional Aide	\$25.62 per hour
Matt Lyons	Instructional Aide	\$24.43 per hour
Serena Packowski	Instructional Aide	\$25.62 per hour
Debbie Roberts	Instructional Aide	\$26.29 per hour
Lore Diaz	Instructional Aide	\$25.62 per hour
Matthew Sullivan	Instructional Aide	\$23.10 per hour
Kristen Wallace	Instructional Aide	\$26.29 per hour
Annie Forgione	Teacher	\$60 per hour
Christian O'Brien	Teacher	\$60 per hour

Maggie Marino	Teacher	\$60 per hour
Nashwa Emara	Teacher	\$60 per hour
Wade Molinari	Teacher	\$60 per hour
Tamara Purwin	Teacher	\$60 per hour
Megan Grillo	Teacher	\$60 per hour
Michele Lenzi	Teacher	\$60 per hour
Shannon Shaw	Teacher	\$60 per hour
Cheryl Zuppa	Teacher	\$60 per hour
Nicole Moinhos	Teacher	\$60 per hour
Tyler Shaw	Instructional Aide	\$24.43 per hour
Vanessa Ryan	Instructional Aide	\$25.00 per hour
Rosalia Carabello	Instructional Aide	\$24.43 per hour
Lashanda Wilson	Instructional Aide	\$25.62 per hour
Barbara Lombardi	Instructional Aide	\$23.79 per hour
Jason Aurichio	Instructional Aide	\$25.62 per hour
Barbara Lombardi	Instructional Aide	\$23.79 per hour

49) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **teachers** to staff the **Before/After Care Program** for the 2011-12 school year at a salary of \$50 per diem AM and \$50 per hour PM:

Amy Lynn	Diana Koeckert	Krissy Uhler
Steve Isaacs	Sharon Licari	Pam Agodon
Tim Bouton	Jill Burt	Jen Cali
Ali Ciavola	Anita DeAngelis	Dina German
Sam Kadin	Laura Nichols	Jon Ost
Dave Peterson	Amberley Roio	Adam Torrisi
Melanie Turtur	Suzy Wargo	Christine White
Becky Bollaro	Brenda Bruni	Kim Gavin
Steve Isaacs	Jennifer Lamberti	Matthew Lyons
Ruth Tauriello	Brigitte Ritchkoff	Maggie Davignon
Elizabeth Messier		

50) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **instructional aides** to staff the **Before/After Care Program** for the 2011-12 school year at a salary of \$24 per hour:

Erin Giacchi	Vivian Miesner	Carol Floegel
Joanne Russak	Brian McCarthy	Chris Sosanie
Cindy Hemmer	Dana VanDyke	Darlene Persak
Fern DiMeglio	Judy Penino	Marguerite Le Boeuf
Mary Hodgson	Maureen Palestrini	Will Rope
Joan Meyers		

51) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following individuals as **aides** in the district **After Care Program** at a rate of \$12 per hour for the 2011-12 school year:

Mitchel Henthorn	Kayla Burin	Kelly Scharff
Patricia Heaslip	Ji Yeun Shin	Carleen Foley
Krishna Trambadia	Pablo Cardenas	William Sellitti
Danielle Spina	Joshua Torres	Frankie Errico
Ruthie Robinson	Emily Wolk	Emily Peters
Onma Syed	Arielle Downey	Emily Santoro
Larry Liao	Jenny Litkey	Alanah Tormey
Allison Spiller	Natalie Pensak	Kaitlyn Vermillion
Julie Bottini	Leroy Sutherland	Diane Ragsdale
Kayla Burcin	Pablo Cardenas	Mitchell Henthorn
Kelly Scharff	Adam Connelly	Zack Bond
Marisa Dour	Brianna Gardner	Ryan Gunning
Alex Herrington	Sydney Lynn	Kimbery McCurnin
Vicki Ravaioli	Brian Woolford	Sarah Miesner
Adam Connolly	Carly Trainor	Rachel Guerreiro
Jenna Leo	Sara Neillands	Meredith Buzin
Katie Rocci	Sara Schneider	Christian Ciullo
Jeanna Laham	Arathi Elango	Emily Griffin
Kat Pallotta	Casey Pearson	Sean Polese
Meghan Quinn	Charlotte Upham	

52) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following individual for the **2011 Special Education Extended School Year**:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Payment per hour:</u>
Anita DeAngelis	Sub Nurse	\$55

53) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following staff members for payment of **mentoring services** on August 31, 2011, 2 hours at a salary of \$50 per hour:

Fran Calvaruso	Dina German
Christie Papanikolaw	Kelly Bramwell
Michaela Stoudemayer	Kate Whiteley
Chiara Kupiac	Colleen Nejme
Ray Schnell	Stephanie Corcoran
Tara Chung	Lyndsey Schaefer
Amberly Roio	Megan Milde
Marissa Fuellhart	Rich Hartman

Stephanie Moench                      Ally Blanford  
Chris Swanson                          Lisa Howard

54) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following parent funded **Summer Activities** staff for the summer 2011:

<u>Last:</u>	<u>First:</u>	<u>School:</u>	<u>Course:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>
Fico	John	LC	Fun & Games	\$827.00

55) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Staff College** instructors for the 2011-12 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Course:</u>	<u># of Hours:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>
Debbie Karuppan	American Heart Association CPR	18	\$900
Kimberly Clark	American Red Cross CPR & First Aid Certificate	3	\$150
Barbara Erickson	American Red Cross CPR & First Aid Certificate	3	\$150
Don Kober	Book Chat: Just Let Me Lie Down	6	\$300
Meredith Ross	Book Talk: Odd Girl Out	3	\$150
Barbara Bush	Burnout II	12	\$600
Thomas Napier	College Recommendations	1	\$50
Julia Beyer	College Recommendations	1	\$50
Meredith Ross	Differentiation of Instruction for the Special Needs Child	6	\$300
Barbara Bush	Interviewing Skills for Risk Assessment	18	\$900
Katherine Horbatt	Introduction to Writer's Workshop	12	\$600
Merle Preston	Mentoring the Special Ed. Student at Ridge High School	6	\$300
Barbara Bush	Suicide Prevention I	3	\$150
Barbara Bush	Suicide Prevention II	3	\$150
David Yastremski	The Ethics of Teaching	6	\$300
Julie Beyer	Tips & Strategies for Co-Teaching	9	\$450
Thomas Napier	Tips & Strategies for Co-Teaching	9	\$450
Rachel Golum	Understanding Adolescent Development	9	\$450
Robert Russo	Wellness	18	\$900
Denise Callaway	Word Nerds	9	\$450
Susan Lieb	Word Nerds	9	\$450
Jennifer Raphael	Academic Integrity and the Culture of Cheating	9	\$450

Emily Lipnick	Add Pizzazz to your PowerPoints & Turn Them Into Transparent Teaching Tools	6	\$300
James Buist	District Data Base Programs	16	\$800
Tricia Manies	Interesting Interactive Ideas	9	\$450
Maureen O'Neil	Interesting Interactive Ideas	9	\$450
Deborah Goetjen	Intro. to Destiny Library Catalog	6	\$300
Deborah Goetjen	Introduction to Glogster	9	\$450
Deborah Goetjen	Introduction to NoodleTools	3	\$150
Steve Isaacs	Introduction to Online Teaching & Learning	12	\$600
Steve Isaacs	Moodle	12	\$600
Steve Isaacs	Shift Happens	6	\$300
Fran Calvaruso	Transitioning to Office	18	\$900
Steve Isaacs	Web 2.0 – Digital Storytelling	6	\$300
Steve Isaacs	Web 2.0 Visual Literacy	6	\$300
David Yastremski	Classroom Management	15	\$750
David Yastremski	Essential Elements of Instruction K - 12	15	\$750
Kristin Bobowicz	Learn to Differentiate Instruction Through Teaching Styles/Learning Styles	15	\$750
Joanne Hozeny	Essential Elements of Instruction K - 12	15	\$975

56) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **student interns** for the 2011-12 school year:

<b><u>Name:</u></b>	<b><u>College/University:</u></b>	<b><u>Cooperating Teacher:</u></b>
Mark Huang	Kean	Siobhan Devlin/Physical Education RHS 10/24/11-12/19/11
Molly Hampsey	Rutgers	Carol Dory Beadle/Music LCS 1/17/12-3/2/12
Molly Hampsey	Rutgers	Barbara Retzko/Music RHS 3/5/12-04/27/12
Allison Sokoloski	Rutgers	Rachel Golum/MAP RHS 9/12/11-12/20/11

57) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **substitute teachers and/or nurses** for the 2011-12 school year at a salary of \$80 per diem for substitute teachers and \$120 per diem for substitute nurses:

Rosanna Appio  
Edga Blankman  
Deslyn Phillip

58) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a list of **volunteers** for 2011-12 Forensics Team on file at Board Office.

59) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **volunteers** for the 2011-12 school year:

<u>Name:</u>		<u>Activity:</u>
Mayumi Furutsu	William Annin & Ridge High	Japanese
Rita Woodring	Ridge High	Competition Cheerleading

60) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following instructional aides to attend training on September 6, 2011 for 2.5 hours at their 2011-12 hourly rate:

Alicia Allen	Serena Paczkowski
Amy Arthur	Nicole Paterno
Marilyn Askin	Christopher Pereira
Jason Auricchio	Michael Perkowski
Patricia Blath	Marie Petti
Jamie Boyce	Amanda Pikarsky
Anne Boyle	Jennifer Presutto
Mary Brinkworth	Barbara Roberts
Lesley Caffery	Debbie Roberts
Rosalia Carabello	Vanessa Ryan
Jeanine Contreras	Peter Samila
Jennifer D'Armiento	Amanda Scheick
Katie Darby	Michael Schmidt
Brian Darling	Sylvia Sekula
Sarah Dawson	Tyler Shaw
Teresa Delia	Kathleen Sjolund
Lore Diaz	Christine Sosanie
Michelle Ebert	Laura Sullivan
Carlos Espinoza	Natalia Szmackinski
Patty Finer	Laurie Tortorelli
Michelle Giordano	Allison Twohig

Drew Greco	Amanda Villamar
Michelle Hayes	Kristen Wallace
Megan Hunt	LaShanda Wilson
Lisa Landy	Matthew Laubscher
Shawn Leddy	Elyssa Martino
Mario Licata	Lauren McManus
Chet Lawson	Barbara Mercado
Amanda Mitchell	Roseann Montemurro-Franchino
Kathy Lawenda	Stephen Bennett
Kelly Miller	Stephanie Diaz

61) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the staff listed below to **2011 summer curriculum writing** at \$150 per day:

<u>Last Name:</u>	<u>First:</u>	<u>Curriculum Title:</u>	<u># of Days:</u>	<u>Stipend:</u>
Davis	Paul	Latin 4/5	5	\$750
DeVleeschouwer	Alexandra	Grade 4/5 Social Studies	5	\$750
Moran	Megan	K-2 Math Curriculum	1	\$150
Persily	David	K-2 Math Curriculum	1	\$150
Persily	Amy	K-2 Math Curriculum	1	\$150
O'Neil	Maureen	K-2 Math Curriculum	1	\$150
VanPelt	Megan	K-2 Math Curriculum	1	\$150
Koeckert	Diana	K-2 Math Curriculum	1	\$150
Vena	Terry	K-2 Math Curriculum	1	\$150
Somers	Sandra	K-2 Math Curriculum	1	\$150
Staats	Teresa	Health 9, 11, 12	1	\$150
Clark	Kimberly	Health 9, 11, 12	1	\$150
Hoffman	Megan	Project Adventure	1	\$150
Lime	Kathy	Project Adventure	1	\$150
Scully	Sloan	Latin 4/5	1	\$150
Vreeland	Patrick	Latin 4/5	1	\$150
Roio	Amberley	Communication Arts 7	2	\$300
Batcha	Hillary	Communication Arts 7	2	\$300

62) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid child care leave for **Christine Szrom** Special Education Teacher Mount Prospect School effective September 19, 2011 through November 17, 2011 utilizing 40 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family Federal Leave effective November 18, 2011 through December 30, 2011 running concurrently with Federal Family Leave effective November 18, 2011 through January 31, 2012 returning February 1, 2012.

63) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Denise Druce** Grade 2 Teacher Mount Prospect School at a salary of Step 4 BA \$47,910 effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

64) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Dorothy Vignali** Instruction Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 1 \$23.93 per hour 7.5 hours per day 181 days effective September 12, 2011 through June 22, 2012.

On motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Ms. McKeon, Items #1 through 64 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes”- Mr. Byrne, Mr. Koch, Ms. Kusel, Ms. McGowan, Ms. McKeon,  
Ms. Shah, Ms. Sherwyn, Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. Carlsson

“Noes” - None

“Abstain” - None

### **AD HOC FACILITIES**

#### **BE IT RESOLVED THAT**

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby authorize the school business administrator to renew the **shared services agreement with the Municipality of Bernards Township**. The shared services agreement will provide engineering and purchasing services for site work done by the Municipality of Bernards Township for the Bernards Township School District.

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve Change Order GC-1 for Safeway Contracting as follows:

Set up all necessary scaffold and protection required to cut and point existing masonry along North Wall above roof line, wash and clean wall, apply water repellent: \$17,000;  
set up all necessary scaffold and protection required to cut and point existing active masonry chimney above roof line, wash and clean wall, apply water repellent: \$6,500;  
furnish and install two sheet metal enclosures over chimney openings and seal watertight: \$2,400.

Total Addition: \$25,900

On motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Ms. Sherwyn, Items 1 & 2 were approved by the following roll call vote:

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

**CURRICULUM**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following textbooks for purchase and use 2011-12 school year:

<b><u>Book:</u></b>	<b><u>Course:</u></b>	<b><u>Publisher:</u></b>	<b><u>Quantity/Cost:</u></b>
Environmental Science for AP	AP Environmental Science	WH Freeman & Company	119/\$16,522.90
Environmental Science, Foundations & Applications	CP Environmental Science	WH Freeman & Company	135/\$17,189.55
The Western Heritage Since 1300	AP European History	Pearson Prentice Hall	52/\$5,838.96
Economics	History of US Government & Economics	Pearson Prentice Hall	222/\$20,112.80
Life I Science	Grade 7 Life Science	McGraw Hill	500/\$42,075.00
United States History: Civil War to the Present, 2012	Grade 6 Social Studies	Holt	435/\$35,480.78

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

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

## **POLICY**

### **BE IT RESOLVED THAT**

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve placement of the following children of staff members in the grade listed for the 2011-12 school year.

William Surett (child of Kimberly Surett)	Kindergarten Mount Prospect School
Mia Surett (child of Kimberly Surett)	Kindergarten Mount Prospect School
Exene Karros (child of Wendell Jeffrey)	Grade 10 Ridge High School

On motion by Ms. Kusel, seconded by Mr. Koch, Item #1 was approved by the following roll call vote:

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

### **Community Relations**

Chairperson Audrey Sherwyn stated the Community Relations Committee met today with the PTO Advisory Board. She advised the Board the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Cedar Hill Library is Thursday, September 15 at 11:00 a.m. Ms. Sherwyn distributed a list of PTO meetings, by building, and requested that interested Board members contact her to schedule attendance at specific meetings.

### **Liaison Reports**

Ms. Sherwyn reported on the Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, Municipal Alliance meeting. Projects underway include a Teen Volunteer Fair, Youth Summit Day, scheduling of dialogue nights, and continuing the interactive sessions at Ridge High. Ms. Forgione and Ms. Kelly will report at the November 14 Board meeting on the coffees held during the 2010-11 school year.

## **XI. Board Forum**

1) Discussion of Student Stressors

The Board briefly discussed student stressor concerns, implementing the right kind of homework, improving the culture of the schools, students adjusting to stress, and homework being linked to the quality of learning while not decreasing the rigor of education.

Superintendent Valerie A. Goger reviewed the district inservice day and discussion groups held after staff viewed portions of the film, *Race to Nowhere*. She stated the administration facilitated breakout groups and are currently compiling feedback from these sessions. She stated this is a year-long initiative with input being gathered from staff, parents and students through surveys. Dr. Goger explained the development process for surveys and the importance of having questions stated in such a manner as to not solicit a desired response. Suggestions will be gathered from areas including building PACs, National Honor Society, student government, staff, and the Board. While this initiative is K-12, the concentration will be on grades 6-12.

It was decided that this item will be ongoing under Board Forum.

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

A comment was made regarding the student stressor survey and distinguishing between homework issued in CP vs. AP/Honors classes.

## **XIII. Adjournment**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Nick Markarian  
Board Secretary