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

I. Salute to Flag

II. Roll Call

PRESENT: Ms. Borushko, Mr. Byrne (arrived at 7:06 p.m.), Ms. Bracaglia,
Mr. Carlucci, Mr. Finazzo (arrived at 7:29 p.m.), Mr. Miller,
Ms. Seitz, Ms. Woolford

ABSENT: Mr. Chiappetta

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 – 7:01 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. Woolford, seconded by Mr. Carlucci, and approved by all present, the Board recessed into closed executive session at 7:05 p.m.

On motion by Ms. Seitz, seconded by Mr. Carlucci, and approved by all present, the Board returned to public session at 7:59 p.m.

The Board reconvened the regular meeting in the Cedar Hill All-Purpose Room at 8:02 p.m.

V. **Regular Session - Call to Order - 8:02 p.m. - Cedar Hill School All-Purpose Room**

VI. **Public Forum on Agenda Items**

No comments were made.

VII. **Student Representative's Report**

Student Representative Ford Shaw reported on the success of the Ridge High School play, "Footloose," and the startup of spring sports.

VIII. **President's Report**

IX. **Superintendent's Report**

1) The Board, administration and members of the public discussed the 2002-03 School Budget.

X. **Committee Reports**

Finance Committee

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the initial budget for submission to the Somerset County Superintendent of Schools for approval to advertise prior to the Public Hearing on March 25, 2002 and that the Business Administrator be authorized to make revisions as required:

Maximum Permitted Net Budget	
Before Spending Growth Limitation Adjustments	\$47,019,307
Changes in Enrollment	\$2,055,037
Capital Outlay Expenditures	\$202,386
Non-Remote Transportation Costs	\$181,167
Special Education Costs in Excel of \$40,000	\$141,357
Banked Cap	\$816,774
Proposed 2002-2003 Net Budget	\$50,416,028

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

“Ayes” - Ms. Borushko, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Carlucci, Mr. Finazzo, Ms. Seitz,
Ms. Woolford, Ms. Bracaglia
“Noes” - Mr. Miller
“Abstain” - None

Personnel Committee

Chairperson Patty Seitz reported that Administrative negotiations are continuing.

Policy Committee

Chairperson Ann Marie Woolford reported the next Policy Committee will be held on Thursday, April 4, with a review of NJSBA policies.

Curriculum Committee

Chairperson Georgeann Borushko reported discussion of the AP Psychology course at the February meeting. The International Baccalaureate Program and Honors Physics were reviewed at the March meeting.

Technology Committee

No report.

Interschool Council

Liaison Georgeann Borushko reported on the discussion of the school calendar held at the previous Interschool Council meeting.

New Jersey School Boards Association

No report.

XI. Public Forum on Other Than Agenda Items

Comments were made regarding the Excel Program.

XII. Board Forum

Comments were made regarding the S.E.M. model.

XIII. Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Finazzo, seconded by Mr. Carlucci, and approved by all present, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Alexander
Assistant Board Secretary