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**BARNEGAT BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**January 24, 2007  
Wednesday, 6:00 PM**

Barnegat High School  
180 Bengal Boulevard  
Barnegat, NJ 08005

**PUBLIC AGENDA**





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*OUR MISSION: The Barnegat Schools, in partnership with our community, nurture and educate our children to prepare for responsible citizenship and success in life.*

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS**

**1. JEAN COLLIER RECEIVES NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION**

The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards has awarded Jean Collier her certification to be an Early Childhood through Young Adulthood Exceptional Needs Specialist. We congratulate Ms. Collier on her certification and applaud her for her diligence and hard work as she pursued this achievement. Ms. Collier is the Resource Room teacher at the Robert L. Horbelt Elementary School.

**2. BARNEGAT SCHOOLS FEATURED ON CLASSROOM CLOSE-UP, NJ**

In November, students of Linda Schuler's Art classes were featured on the NJN's program *Classroom Close-Up, NJ*. The students were extended an invitation to participate in an art show sponsored by Toms River florist Accents by Narcissus. The program followed the students from the classroom where they created their artwork to the final unveiling of the pieces at the Toms River location. While the segment is not scheduled to re-air within the month, the district has a copy on file for those who wish to view it.

**3. FOOTBALL TEAM AND ATHLETIC STAFF HONORED BY OFFICIALS**

The Barnegat High School football team, Athletic Director John Germano and the Athletic Department staff have been voted one of the Top Shelf Award winners by the Shore Football Officials Association for their outstanding performance during the 2006 season. Extending his gratitude to the athletes and the athletic department, Association President Philip Senecke praised the group for their sportsmanship and attendance to the officials over the course of the season.

**III. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT**

The notice of this meeting has been forwarded to the *Asbury Park Press* and *The Beacon*, placed in the Municipal Building and filed with the Municipal Clerk, in conjunction with the Open Public Meeting Act N.J.S.A. 10:4-10.

**IV. ROLL CALL**

**V. EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION**

1. Request resolution for Executive Session at this point in the meeting of the Barnegat Township Board of Education on Wednesday, January 24, 2007, for the purpose of discussing personnel, terms/conditions of employment, contract negotiations, and/or pending or ongoing litigation.

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances exist, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Barnegat in the County of Ocean and State of New Jersey, as follows:

2. The public shall be excluded from discussion on the actions upon the hereinafter specified subject matter(s).
3. The general nature of the subject matter(s) to be discussed is listed in Executive Session, Executive Discussion and Executive Information.
4. It is anticipated at this time that the subject matters will be made public, if and when, confidentiality is no longer needed. Action may be taken.
5. This resolution shall become effective immediately.

**VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**VII. CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL**

**VIII. FLAG SALUTE**

1. Flag Salute

**IX. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND/OR ADDITIONS**

**X. PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS**

1. **BOARD OF EDUCATION HONORED BY O.C.E.A.N., INC.**

During July 2006, O.C.E.A.N., Inc. sponsored the “Shore It Up” Workcamp which provided substantial home repairs to low income, elderly and disabled residents of Ocean County. O.C.E.A.N., Inc. coordinated youth and adults from all over the country who wished to volunteer their time, energy and resources to work on homes needing repair within the community. These volunteers resided at Barnegat High School where they ate, slept, showered, and participated in religious and community activities. During the day, they were divided into six member work groups who completed various tasks at the homes in Ocean County.

The “Shore It Up” Workcamp was a great success that provided 41 homes with rehabilitation services including interior and exterior painting, step and porch repair, wheel chair ramp construction, gutter cleaning, mobile home underpinning, minor carpentry work, yard work and other miscellaneous tasks. Over 275 participants, representing nine states, worked on the homes which generated approximately 8,000 hours and \$84,164.58 in free labor. O.C.E.A.N., Inc. representatives Heather Mattos and Theodore Gooding are here to present Dr. McMahon and the Board with a plaque in appreciation of their work and generosity in helping getting this great cause accomplished by bringing the community together.

2. **STAR AWARDS AND OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARDS**

The success of the district is dependent upon a TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More) effort- each and every staff member, parent, student and citizen contributes to our success and to the success of our students. In order to instill that team spirit in our students, we created the Superintendent's Star Award. It was designed to provide positive reinforcement for all students whose efforts reflect teamwork. Students who contribute to the TEAM are recognized by their teachers and other staff members by having their names filled out on cards. Each month, one student in grades Kindergarten – 5th is randomly selected from all the cards submitted in the district to receive a bike, donated by Causeway Ford in Manahawkin, NJ in conjunction with the Barnegat Hobby and Bike Shop.

Additionally, the Barnegat Board of Education would like to recognize one Barnegat High School student and one Russell O. Brackman Middle School student each month who exemplified teamwork by giving them each a gift certificate.

We hope to create a spirit that will flow from the classroom to the school, to the district and to the community as a whole.

These nine students have demonstrated excellence in their studies as well as goodwill toward others during the months of October, November and December 2006.

3. **ALL COUNTY/ALL SHORE FALL SPORTS AWARDS**

These student athletes have been named to or received honorable mentions from the All County/All Shore Fall Sports teams selected by the *Asbury Park Press* and the *Ocean County Observer*.

4. **THE MARCHING BENGALS WIN SOUTHERN REGIONAL'S “CAVALCADE OF BANDS”**

We extend congratulations to the Barnegat High School Marching Bengals, who competed in the Southern Regional High School “Cavalcade of Bands” on October 29, 2006. The Bengals took First Place in Group One as well as received Group One awards for Best Music, Best Percussion and Best Pit Crew.

5. **SPELLING BEE AWARDS**

Fifth-grader Hannah Glen and fourth-grader Maddy Harr have won first and second place respectively in the *Asbury Park Press/Home News Tribune* Spelling Bee held on January 3rd. Hannah will move on to the regional spelling bee following this win and Maddy will serve as an alternate in the future tournament.

6. **BARNEGAT HIGH SCHOOL ENGINEERING & DESIGN TEAM**

This year's Engineering and Design Team: Trevor Stoakes, Nicholas Freeman, Michael Siu, Frank Ciraulo, Zachary Rohan and Matt Mitchell, competed in the First Vex Challenge. **FIRST** is an acronym that means **F**or **I**nspiration and **R**ecognition of **S**cience and **T**echnology; and every year they host a multitude of robotic competitions for students in grades four (4) through (12). This year's team, under the guidance of their advisor, Mr. Brett Taylor, placed first in a practice competition in late November. Later, the team made it to the quarter finals of the New Jersey State Championship which was held at The College of New Jersey in December. This year's team has had great success up to this point, and they are looking forward to competing in Ocean County's Technology Consortium's Cardboard Canoe Race in May 2007.

7. **ROB DAVIS NAMED COACH OF THE WEEK BY THE NY JETS**

Congratulations go out to the Rob Davis, football coach at Barnegat High School for being named Coach of the Week by the New York Jets on November 13, 2006. Recognized for motivating his players to achieve and excellence in teaching the fundamentals of the game to the school's growing program, Mr. Davis was awarded \$1,000 to benefit the team and was presented with a certificate from the professional squad. We thank him for his continued efforts with our football teams and wish him well as he prepares for next year's season.

**XI. PUBLIC SESSION**

1. The Barnegat Township Board of Education appreciates and welcomes public comment, advice and suggestions especially when it is intended to assist/help the Board of Education. Please feel free to speak to the Board during the public session. Comments and discussion will be limited to one five (5) minute period per individual unless requested by the chairperson to continue on a point of clarification. Public comment at Special Meetings of the Board shall be related to the call of the meeting. In accordance with Board of Education Policy, each participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface their comments by an announcement of their name, address and group affiliation, if appropriate. Your anticipated courtesy to the members of the public and the Board is appreciated. Motion to open the meeting to public comments.

## **XII. PRESENTATIONS**

### **1. HIGH SCHOOL PROFICIENCY ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW**

Karen T. McKeon, District Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction, and Dr. Joseph J. Saxton, Jr., Principal of Barnegat High School, will present an overview of the New Jersey High School Proficiency Assessment (HSPA). This state examination will be administered to the Barnegat High School Junior class on March 5 – 8, 2007. The presentation will address the subject areas covered by the test and outline the district's efforts to prepare students for this exam. This is the first year the HSPA is being given in the Barnegat Township Schools as our district continues its expansion to a full Kindergarten through Grade 12 system.

## **XIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Motion to approve the Regular Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 22, 2006.
2. Motion to approve the Executive Session Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 22, 2006.

## **XIV. CORRESPONDENCE**



**XV. FINANCE – MOTIONS**

1. MOTION TO RATIFY DECEMBER BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$163,402.13, NOVEMBER PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$280,284.50 AND NOVEMBER H/W CHECKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$164,614.92 (DECEMBER CAFETERIA BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$85,684.29 ARE INCLUDED IN THE DECEMBER BILL AMOUNT).
2. MOTION TO APPROVE JANUARY BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500,331.69, DECEMBER PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,025,460.53 AND DECEMBER H/W CHECKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,354.82 (JANUARY CAFETERIA BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$107,940.15 ARE INCLUDED IN THE JANUARY BILL AMOUNT).
3. MOTION TO APPROVE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION'S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION BUDGETARY MAJOR ACCOUNT/FUND STATUS FOR NOVEMBER 2006.
4. MOTION TO APPROVE THE BOARD SECRETARY'S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION BUDGETARY LINE ITEM STATUS FOR NOVEMBER 2006.
5. MOTION TO APPROVE THE BOARD SECRETARY'S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION BUDGETARY LINE ITEM STATUS FOR NOVEMBER 2006.
6. MOTION TO APPROVE THE BALANCE SHEET (A148) MONTHLY REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR OCTOBER 2006.
7. MOTION TO APPROVE THE BALANCE SHEET (A148 & A149) MONTHLY REPORT OF THE TREASURER AND SECRETARY FOR NOVEMBER 2006.
8. MOTION TO APPROVE APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS.
9. MOTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT FOR WEB HOSTING WITH SCHOOLWIRES.COM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,550.00.
10. MOTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT FOR EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE SERVICES INSURANCE WITH COMPASS HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6.50 PER EMPLOYEE PER MONTH.





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11. MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING OOD PLACEMENT, PAY TUITION AND PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION AS NOTED FOR THE 2006-2007 SCHOOL YEAR.

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STUDENT	PLACEMENT	TUITION
DJB	Education Academy	\$17,035.20
BS	Alpha School	\$22,223.76

12. MOTION TO BID FOR CAFETERIA SERVICES FOR SCHOOL YEARS 2007-2008 THROUGH 2011-2016.



**XVI. EDUCATION – INFORMATION**

1. K-5 Curriculum Council Minutes – October 11, November 14, 2006 and December 13, 2006  
6-8 Curriculum Council Minutes – November 1 and December 6, 2006  
9-12 Curriculum Council Minutes – October 18, 2006

2. KIDS-ON-KAMERA

Barnegat Township Schools will again participate in Kids-on-Kamera thanks to the parent volunteers organized by Tisha Tompkins, PTA parent, and the cooperation of the Barnegat Police Department on the following dates:

February 20 & 21	LMDS	February 6	ROBMS
February 26	LMDS Make-ups	February 16	CSCS Make-ups

Notices will go home as all children participating in Kids-on-Kamera must have written permission from their parents. The schedule reflects a change in this program; half the schools will be done each year due to the time involved and the limited number of volunteers available.

3. READ ALOUD – March 2, 2007  
Invited members of our community read stories to our children in Grades K-2.
4. Kindergarten Presentation:  
Dr. Anthony Coletta will again be our keynote speaker for incoming kindergarten parents at the pre-registration at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 19, 2007 in ROBMS Auditorium.

Kindergarten Registration – April 24 and 25

5. Young Authors Conference for Grades K-2 – May 22 – Guest Speaker Lisa Funari-Willever  
Young Authors Conference for Grades 3-5 – May 23 – Guest Speaker Ed Meyers  
Young Authors Conference for Grades 6-8 – May 24 – Guest Speaker Sally Keehn
6. In 2003, New Jersey had launched a state-wide initiative to involve teachers and school districts in the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) certification process.

Gaining national certification is the highest honor that can be bestowed on a member of the teaching profession. **Jean Collier** pursued certification and was awarded recognition in 2006. Presently, another teacher has started the process of going through the support classes and will continue to pursue certification.



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Interest in Board Certification is now growing in the County as other school districts (Lacey, Central and Toms River) also have teachers achieving certification.

7. Approve Hiring of Site Coordinator and Teachers for **Training** for Virtual High School Program as Approved at November 2006 Board Meeting

Approve hiring the following site coordinator and teachers for training for the Virtual High School Program. The virtual high school program was approved at the November 2006 Board Meeting.

Cara Walters, Site Coordinator  
Michael Bruno and Lesley-Ann Thomson, Teachers

8. It has been decided that the ninth and tenth grades will take the NJPASS test in SY06-07 rather than the Terra Nova

**GRADE NINE AND TEN TESTING**

**New Jersey PASS** -- For all ninth and tenth-grade students

March 12, 13, 14 and 15 Regular Testing (Mathematics and Language Arts Literacy)

March 19, 20, 21 and 22 Make-up Testing (Mathematics, Language Arts)

**XVII. EDUCATION – MOTIONS**

1. Motion To Approve Affirmative Action Officer Team For Comprehensive Equity Plan

The Comprehensive Equity Plan requires that an Affirmative Action Officer Team be authorized to implement the plan over a three-year period of time, submit an annual Statement of Assurance of its implementation and progress, and complete the District Performance Review in the NSQSAC. The following individuals have been named to the team: Dr. Joseph T. Donahue, Sue Burgess, Michele Cucinotta, Joanne Lynch-Blaney, Brian Shanley and Helen Behrens.

2. Motion to Approve Thomas Kostka, Board Member, to Governor's Teacher's Recognition Program Selection Committee

A Board Member is needed to serve as a volunteer for the 2006-2007 School Year Governor's Teacher's Award Committee. This motion formalizes the selection process.



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3. Motion To Approve Half Day Schedule For Juniors At BHS During The Week Of HSPA Testing

The testing schedule for New Jersey Statewide Assessments FOR SY 2006-07 was included in the October Board Education Information Section. It is being recommended that the Juniors at BHS come to school on a half-day schedule instead of full day during the week of March 5 through 8.



**XVIII. PERSONNEL – INFORMATION**

1. NOTIFICATION OF RETIREMENT – BASIC SKILLS TEACHER – LMDS – SY 2006-2007
2. NOTIFICATION OF RETIREMENT – KINDERGARTEN TEACHER – CSCS – SY 2007-2008
3. NOTIFICATION OF RESIGNATION – BUSINESS TEACHER – BHS – SY 2006-2007
4. NOTIFICATION OF RESIGNATION – FULL-TIME CUSTODIAN – SY 2006-2007
5. NOTIFICATION OF RESIGNATION – INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORTS ADVISOR – ROBMS – SY 2006-2007
6. NOTIFICATION OF MATERNITY LEAVES (5) – SY 2006-2007
7. NOTIFICATION OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY – FULL-TIME INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE – SY 2006 – 2007
8. NOTIFICATION OF MEDICAL LEAVES OF ABSENCE WITH PARTIAL PAY – TEACHERS (2) – BHS – SY 2006-2007
9. NOTIFICATION OF MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITH PAY – FULL-TIME INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE – SY 2006-2007
10. NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE IN MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY – PART-TIME INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE – SY 2006-2007

**XIX. PERSONNEL - MOTIONS**

1. APPROVE HIRING SUBSTITUTE SUPPORT STAFF (4) – SY 2006-2007
2. APPROVE CASUAL PER DIEM BUS DRIVER – SY 2006-2007
3. APPROVE HIRING CERTIFIED SUBSTITUTE STAFF (34) – SY 2006-2007
4. DENY BEA GRIEVANCE 06/07-1 LEVEL 3 – SY 2006-2007
5. APPROVE HIRING COMMUNICATIONS LIASON – SY 2006-2007
6. APPROVE HIRING FULL-TIME CUSTODIANS (4) – SY 2006-2007



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7. APPROVE EMERGENT HIRE OF FULL-TIME CUSTODIAN – SY 2006-2007
8. APPROVE HIRING BASIC SKILLS TEACHER – LMDS – SY 2006-2007
9. APPROVE AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES – LMDS – SY 2006-2007
10. APPROVE PTA VOLUNTEER – LMDS – SY 2006-2007
11. APPROVE HIRING LITERARY CLUB ADVISOR – ROBMS – SY 2006-2007
12. APPROVE HIRING HSPA/GEPa PREP AFTER-SCHOOL ASSISTANCE PERSONNEL – ROBMS/BHS – SY 2006-2007
13. APPROVE HIRING INDEPENDENT STUDY FOR CALCULUS TEACHER – BHS – SY 2006-2007
14. APPROVE EMERGENT HIRE OF BUSINESS TEACHER – BHS – SY 2006-2007
15. APPROVE PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE POSITION – SY 2006-2007
16. RESCIND HIRING – ATHLETIC PERSONNEL – ROBMS – SY 2006-2007
17. APPROVE HIRING ATHLETIC PERSONNEL – SY 2006-2007
18. APPROVE HIRING ADULT SCHOOL PERSONNEL – SY 2006-2007
19. APPROVE HIRING FAMILY MATH/SCIENCE PROGRAM PERSONNEL – SY 2006-2007



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**XX. NEW BUSINESS**

**XXI. OLD BUSINESS**

**XXII. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

**XXIII. ADJOURNMENT**

1. The next Barnegat Township Board of Education Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 28, 2007.



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