

*Barnegat Township  
School District*

**BARNEGAT BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**March 10, 2009  
Tuesday, 6:30 PM**

Barnegat High School  
180 Bengal Blvd.  
Barnegat, NJ 08005

*OUR MISSION: The Barnegat Schools, in partnership with our community, nurture and educate our children in accordance with all core curriculum content standards to prepare them for responsible citizenship and success in life.*

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Houser: I hereby call this Barnegat Board of Education meeting to order.

## **II. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT**

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

## **III. ROLL CALL**

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| Mr. Adorno    | Present |
| Mr. Davis     | Present |
| Mrs. Mitchell | Present |
| Mrs. Pilovsky | Present |
| Mrs. Sarno    | Present |
| Mr. Scully    | Present |
| Mrs. Taylor   | Present |
| Mrs. Becker   | Present |
| Mr. Houser    | Present |

Also Present: Mr. Robert Mahon, Interim Superintendent  
Mr. Dean Allison, Business Administrator  
Mr. Ben Montenegro, Board Attorney

## **IV. FLAG SALUTE**

Mr. Houser: Would everyone please stand up for the Flag Salute?

All: Pledge of Allegiance

## **V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND/OR ADDITIONS**

Mr. Houser: We are going to go on to the Approval of Agenda and/or Additions with the removal of #1 under Approval of Minutes and removal of Facility/Transportation Committee Motion numbers 1, 2 and 3. Do we have a Motion?

Mrs. Mitchell: So Moved

Mrs. Taylor: Second

Mr. Houser: Discussion? All those in favor signify by saying Aye.

All: Aye

Mr. Houser: Opposed? Motion carried.

## VI. AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Houser: We will move on to Awards and Presentations. Dr. Saxton?

Dr. Saxton: It is my pleasure and great honor to introduce the Students of the Month for February. Is Serena Badro here? She is not but we are going to talk about her anyway.

### Barnegat High School Students of the Month - February 2009

- **Freshman: Serena Badro**

Serena is a very confident young lady. Her enthusiasm and focus are rare among Freshmen. She always has a positive attitude, her work is always done, and she is well prepared for class as well as her various sports and clubs.

Serena Badro, the Freshman, Student of the Month. Rapinder Kaur? She could not make it tonight. Rupinder is our Sophomore Student of the Month for February.

- **Sophomore: Rupinder Kaur**

Rupinder has a strong work ethic and is an extremely conscientious student. She constantly seeks advice to improve. She is sweet spirited and always willing to lend a helping hand.

That is our Sophomore Student of the Month, Rupinder Kaur. I know Kerry is here. Our Junior February Student of the Month is Kerry Kunze. Kerry, come on up. As you can see Kerry does professional ballroom dancing. This is what the teachers had to say about Kerry this month.

- **Junior: Kerry Kunze**

Kerry is a wonderful individual. She is always cheerful and positive in class and out. She works hard to earn her grades. She participates in PROS and is a great role model for all of the young ladies in this school.

February Student of the Month, Junior Kerry Kunze. Our senior student of the month is also here, Lacy Bishop. Lacy can you come forward please. This is what the teachers had to say about Lacy.

- **Senior: Lacy Bishop**

Lacy is a positive young lady who continually goes out of her way to help those

around her. Although she has experienced personal hardships, she continues to come to school with a smile on her face.

Our senior Student of the Month for February, Lacy Bishop. And we do have a late arrival, Rupinder Kaur, come on up. Here is what the teachers had to say about Rupinder again.

- **Sophomore: Rupinder Kaur**

Rupinder has a strong work ethic and is an extremely conscientious student. She constantly seeks advice to improve. She is sweet spirited and always willing to lend a helping hand.

Let's give her a round of applause.

Mr. Houser: Mr. Doviak can you please come up?

Mr. Doviak: Good Evening. I just wanted to come here tonight to recognize a couple of our athletes for the winter track and field season. This is Coach Patterson and I am Coach Doviak. Both Doug Falk and Lindsey DeTroia competed in the high jump at New Jersey State Meet of Champions this past February and they capped yet another successful season for the winter track and field program. Doug took second at the Ocean County Championships along the way and he captured the South Jersey Group II State Sectional Championship title. That is the third straight year that an athlete at Barnegat High School has accomplished that feat. His jump of 6' 2" is a school record and also placed sixth at the Group II State Championship meet to qualify for the State final and eventually 13<sup>th</sup> in the state final itself. Come up, Doug and congratulations.

We have another athlete that we would like to recognize, Lindsey DeTroia. Lindsey took 3rd at the Ocean County Championships and 2nd at the South Jersey Group II meet, tying her personal best with a school record jump of 5' and that is also a personal best. She then placed 7th at the Group II Championships to earn a spot in the New Jersey State Final where she eventually finished 18th overall. So, congratulations, Lindsey, come on up.

I just wanted to thank everyone who was involved, the coaching staff, the administration, the Athletic Director, for really making it easy for us this indoor season. They did a great job and also to working with individuals such as Doug and Lindsey and the rest of the staff. They made it a tremendous experience for all of us and we just want to thank them and once again congratulate Lindsey and Doug as well as their parents. Thanks a lot, great job.

Mr. Houser: May we please have Mr. Oravets, Mr. Karp and Mr. Aviles come up please?

Mr. Oravets: On behalf of the coaching staff and the Barnegat Wrestling team I would like to thank, of course, the Board of Education for providing us with the opportunity to have a successful wrestling season. I would also like to thank the administration, especially Mr. Germano and Mrs. Susan Perugini for their support throughout our long season. Without that support we would not have been able to have the success we have had this year. I would also

like to thank everyone who is involved with Barnegat wrestling including our middle school team and our recreation team that we have doing an open mat right now as we speak.

Tonight we have the opportunity to honor four young men who had the opportunity this year to win over 20 matches. The first gentleman is Ryan Fogarty. Ryan placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Red Bank Regional Buc Classic this year and finished with 22 wins and 10 losses. The next gentleman, Tony Frigon. Tony placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Red Bank Regional Buc Classic and finished the season with 23 wins and 7 losses. Tony? Our only senior wrestler with this honor, Brian Riccitelli placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Red Bank Regional Buc Classic and finished the season with 21 wins and 12 losses. Brian? Our last wrestler with this honor is Shane Herring. Shane was a champion at the Red Bank Regional Buc Classic and finished the season with 30 wins and 4 losses. Shane is 34 wins away from becoming a part of New Jersey Wrestling's very prestigious 100 win club. Shane? Shane is also receiving a plaque tonight for becoming Barnegat High School's first ever District 24 Champion at 140 lbs. by pinning a wrestler from Southern Regional High School in the finals.

These young men participated on a team that took second at the Bordentown Patriot Dual Meet Tournament, placed third at the Red Bank Regional Buc Classic, finished 9th in the District 24 tournament, took 6th place in the Shore Conference Class B-South, and finished with the most wins in Barnegat High School History with 16 wins and 12 losses. Thank you for this opportunity tonight to honor the wrestling team and especially the young men who racked up over 20 wins this year.

Mr. Houser: Mr. Nichol?

Mr. Nichol: I want to thank also Mr. Fiorentino and our newest addition, Mr. Toddings, for sharing with me the Students of the Month who have already been recognized in front of their peers for everything they did not only this month, but everything they have done in the past couple months, couple days, couple years not only in the classroom, on the court, in the field and outside of school. With that our sixth grade students are Emily Miller, is she here? Come on down and Nikki Casertano, Nikki? I am going to ask everyone to stay up here for a group shot.

For seventh grade, Thomas Kampo and my favorite Rutgers fan, Shannon Di Grazio. For eighth grade, Michael DiGirolamo and Victoria Walker.

## **VII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

Mr. Houser: We are going to move on to the Student Representative.

The district has initiated participation of students as student representatives at Board Meetings to offer insight into district and student community highlights, activities and issues.

Please welcome our guests High School Representative: Jose Arroyo

The Board of Education would also like to welcome Jose's parents: Mr. & Mrs. Arroyo.

Jose Arroyo: Good Evening, my name is Jose Arroyo and I am the Executive Vice President of Student Government. There are many events that have occurred in the High School recently that have been a success and there are many upcoming events that we hope to be a success as well. On February 26 Barnegat High School hosted its fourth annual Rumble in the Jungle. Rumble in the Jungle is a competition between the black team with last names A-L and the orange team with last names M-Z which include field events such as an obstacle course, crab soccer, relay race, Simon Says and many more. This year the black team won for the fourth year in a row and stays undefeated. On February 28 the Optimist Club hosted its first annual pro-wrestling event which took place in our very own gym. They raised over \$2,000 in this event and had a very successful night.

Last week during HSPA testing all the senior guys involved in Mr. Bengal had their first few practices. For those of you who do not know what Mr. Bengal is, it is a male pageant where senior boys are nominated for certain titles such as Mr. Basketball, Mr. French and Mr. History just to name a few. They all compete against each other and at the end of the night someone is crowned Mr. Bengal. Mr. Bengal will take place on April 23 at 7:00 p.m. I would also like to point out to the Board that the half-day schedule during HSPA week worked out very well for both students and teachers. We hope that the schedule stays like that for years to come.

A couple of upcoming events include Barnegat Idol and the International Dinner. Based on the popular TV show American Idol, the junior class and the Chorus Club are hosting the first annual Barnegat Idol. Barnegat Idol is a singing competition between our very own students and teachers. Barnegat Idol will take place this Thursday, March 12 in the auditorium. Sponsored by the World Language Club, the International Dinner will take place on Thursday, March 19. The International Dinner will offer meals, desserts and drinks from many different cultures. The money raised at this event will go to the World Language Scholarships given to seniors who desire to pursue a language in college. I would like to thank the Board for all of your support. Thank you.

### **VIII. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

Mr. Houser: We are going to move on to the President's comments. Based on our budget planning we believe that if our state aid remains exactly the same as last year and we receive the federal stimulus aid as projected our budget planning so far indicates that the Barnegat School district will not have a tax increase. The school district budget cannot be adopted until the state aid figures are released by the State of New Jersey which is scheduled to take place on March 12, 2009.

The Barnegat School District is looking for members of the community to serve on a newly forming Safe Routes to School Advisory Committee. The goals of the New Jersey Safe Routes to School Program and members of the committee will be to work together with professionals and district staff to review our district and make recommendations for improvements and ultimately apply for grants that will benefit the entire community and enhance safety around our schools. The desired outcome of this federal and state initiative is to create safe routes for pedestrian and bicycle traffic to and from schools in the community, to encourage a healthy active lifestyle that improves childhood health and reduces obesity, decrease traffic congestion, improve air quality

and reduce fuel consumption, advance community safety and accessibility and improve partnership among the schools, municipality, parents and outside organizations. The Board of Education welcomes members of the community to submit a letter of interest to the Board office to the attention of the Shared Services Committee by Wednesday, April 1.

The last item I have for you tonight deals with an issue in which Barnegat School District contracts have been allegedly given out that have my signature as President of the Barnegat Board of Education. I did not authorize anyone to stamp my name or sign my name to any of these contracts. The contracts have been falsified. Anyone who is involved in the falsification of these contracts will be prosecuted to the fullest. I would ask you that if you were given a copy of a contract with my name on it, would you please contact me with the name of the person who has given you that contract and to please provide me with a copy so that I can make sure that the name of the person or persons in the contract can be given to the proper authorities. With that I will move to Public Session.

## **IX. PUBLIC SESSION**

In accordance with Board of Education Policy, each participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface their comments by and announcement of their name, address and group affiliation, if appropriate. Your anticipated courtesy to the members of the public and the Board is appreciated. May I have a Motion to move to Public Session?

Mrs. Pilovsky: So Moved

Mr. Scully: Second

Mr. Houser: Discussion? All those in favor signify by saying Aye.

All: Aye. Opposed? Motion carried.

Mr. Houser: Anyone wish to speak?

Mrs. Maryann Clemente, 565 East Bay Ave.: The first thing I would like to ask the Board, there has been a lot of publicity in the papers recently regarding schools that are not K-12 consolidating. This is a wonderful idea. I think it is something I have been speaking long and hard on in terms of not only the schools but also the municipalities. The municipalities are not under your purview but certainly the schools are. Have we made any attempts to contact Waretown that maybe open negotiations for them to join our school system. Our school system is certainly not full to capacity, we have room and why would we not entertain that as an alternative?

Mr. Houser: What we would prefer you to do is give us all the questions and then we take your seat and we will respond to them all. If we do not have an answer we will get back to you on the information.

Mrs. Clemente: You are clear on that topic?

Mr. Houser: Yes

Mrs. Clemente: The second topic I wanted to talk about had to do with recycling in the schools. As you know I am the Chairperson of the Climate Action Commission and we have been working long and hard. Karen McKeon has been our contact at the schools for the most part, particularly on the poster contest and the recycling. One of the members of my Committee, and Lisa is on the Committee as well as one of the teachers, but what I have been led to understand is that recycling is going to be a hard process to get going but the containers are not in all the school classrooms and there are no containers in teachers' rooms and where photocopies are done. This is going to be a bottom line hit to our expenses. Not only will it reduce our tipping fee on the trash, it is going to increase our recycling pay back from the county. So we really need to get on board and I had called Mr. Mahon back in February and asked for a meeting because that was what was suggested to me and his secretary called me back a week later and asked me why I wanted to speak with the Superintendent and I told her and she said we are doing that. I told her I would still like to have a meeting with Mr. Mahon so that we can go over the project that we have been involved in and I have not heard anything. I would still like to do that if you don't mind, Superintendent. I would like to make sure the message gets to you. I don't know if the message had even gotten to you. If at all possible I would love for your secretary to call me and set up an appointment to come in and speak about some of the things we noticed in trying to get the recycling done.

The third thing is that I am also the secretary for the League of Women Voters and we are sponsoring a wind energy forum and it is going to be held at the Brackman auditorium on March 19. Unfortunately, it is the same night as your International Dinner that is being held here. We are hoping for participation from some of the high school students. I am working with Karen on that and we are hoping for some students from Southern Regional to also participate. The reason I am bringing it up here is to encourage all of you guys as well as township members to attend. I think it is going to be an exciting forum on wind energy. We have four speakers coming, one Mr. Matt Elliott, is coming from Environment New Jersey and he is going to be speaking on offshore wind. Then Rick Dovey from Atlantic County Utilities Authority to talk about the wind farm and solar fields they have down in Atlantic City and John Spodiforo to speak about what they are doing in Stafford in terms of wind and James Fry who is going to talk to us about what Ocean Gate is doing. I am also going to try and have one of the people from Rowan come and talk about the anemometer we are trying to get put up in Barnegat. That is it, are you going to answer my questions?

Mr. Houser: Yes, take your seat; I don't want to make you stand there.

Mrs. Clemente: Oh so I can't reply?

Mr. Houser: You can come back next month and like I said if I don't have a response we will get it.

Mrs. Clemente: I will let you hear me..



Mr. Houser: In regard to the question on Waretown, I have actually been corresponding with Regis Sweeney who is the President of the Waretown Board of Education. She has actually left me two voicemails in the last couple of days to try to meet so we can get our Business Administrator and their Business Administrator together to talk about Shared Services so we are looking to do that. We actually met with Southern last week to go through what Southern has in regard to Shared Services and we talked about many, many, many different things we could do together in shared services so we are looking to do those things in all the area towns as much as possible. We are also doing it with the Township and we met with them two weeks ago and we have another meeting scheduled at the end of the month to review many items we could do together for shared services with the Township of Barnegat for the good of the community.

In regard to recycling, Mr. Mahon.

Mr. Mahon: I did get the message. I have been tied up with the budget. I have your note on my desk, Mary told me about it and I do intend to call you and sit down and talk about.

As far as the reorganization of the County, the County Superintendent has put together a tentative reorganization of all the schools in the County in a K-12 format and Ocean Township or Waretown was included in that and one of the possibilities was that they would become part of Barnegat Township, but there was also another school district where they have a relationship right now and that was another option so he is moving ahead with those and I think it is a good thing that our Board will be talking to Waretown to find out what their interest is in it.

Mr. Houser: Do we have anyone else who would like to speak?

Mr. Scott Bilker, 7 Driftwood Court: First of all I appreciate the back and forth dialogue at Public Session, I think we had it before but I am not sure if it still exists from your last response but anyway. I also appreciate the promptness of the Agenda being posted online. This morning while I was reviewing the Agenda I noticed a small mention in the Executive Session for tonight about interviews of the Superintendent so I have one simple question I need answered before I even continue which is Mr. Houser, do you intend to hire a Superintendent tonight?

Mr. Houser: Could you repeat the question?

Mr. Bilker: Do you intend to hire a Superintendent tonight?

Mr. Houser: Tonight? No.

Mr. Bilker: Alright then, that was my only question.

Mr. Houser: I am not sure if you are aware of the regulations that basically now state that the Board cannot hire any Superintendent until the contract has actually been negotiated between the school district, the board attorney involved and the Superintendent so the only thing we are doing at this point is interviewing Superintendents. What will happen is if the Board decides they do have a candidate then the negotiation process has to take place per the new NJ State regulations

and then the public will be notified at that time and there will be a Special Meeting and the Board at that time will be voting for a Superintendent.

Mr. Bilker: Alright, I just didn't know where you were in the process and that was what I was looking for. Thank you.

Mrs. Becker: I just want to apologize I don't know if you know but whatever is happening with the microphone it is hard for us to hear, it is almost like it is projecting out and not towards us.

Mr. Bilker: Better if I speak without the mike.

Mr. Houser: That is why I apologize for making you repeat yourself, but it is horrible to hear up there so we may want to just cut it. Anyone else? Mrs. McKeon, I apologize, but I can't see nor hear up here.

Mrs. McKeon: Ok, then I am not going to use this. Brian Shanley and I met with all of the Principals. My name is Karen McKeon and I am district supervisor of curriculum instruction and like I said Brian and I met with all the building principals and as far as recycling bins are concerned the principals if they had any questions regarding recycling bins they were supposed to request them of Mr. Shanley. As far as I am concerned based on my conversations with the principals, they do have the recycling bins and it will take some time for the students as well as the teachers to get back into the recycling mode. So, bear with them but the bins are in place.

Mr. Houser: Thank you. Mr. Germano?

Mr. Germano: I am John Germano, Athletic Director, and I just wanted to real quickly let you know that our winter sports seasons have come to a close and all of our programs had really, really strong seasons and excellent cooperation and I just wanted to let you know they did a great job. Our cheerleaders were third in Ocean County and in the State and we are very excited about that and we are going to try and get a lot more up on the website. I just wanted to let everybody know if you want to see how we are doing and one of the things that came to my mind that I just wanted to let everyone know, when we had our snow days I posted everyday on the website under news and notes to keep everybody going with our State games. If you can help me get the word out or help me get the word out that we are going to try and keep updates and Jon Jones did a terrific job in giving us a news and notes section where we can keep everybody abreast of what is going on athletically. Again, thank you and we had an awesome winter season and spring is started and I can't wait to see that. Thank you.

Mr. Houser: Thank you. Anyone else? Seeing no one can we have a Motion to close public session?

Mrs. Pilovsky: So Moved

Mrs. Taylor: Second

Mr. Houser: All those in favor signify by saying Aye.

All: Aye. Opposed? Motion carried.

## **X. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Houser: We will move on to the approval of the Minutes. Motion to approve Minutes, Item #2; we removed Item #1 from the Agenda. May I have a Motion?

Mrs. Taylor: So Moved

Mrs. Sarno: Second

Mr. Houser: Discussion?

Mr. Davis: What was the reason why Item #1 was removed?

Mr. Montenegro: The Minutes as presented had some items in there that need to be redacted. They had personnel information that should not be in the Minutes as they are at this point in time.

Mr. Davis: OK.

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| Mr. Adorno:   | Yes     |
| Mr. Davis:    | Yes     |
| Mrs. Mitchell | Abstain |
| Mrs. Pilovsky | Yes     |
| Mrs. Sarno    | Yes     |
| Mr. Scully    | Yes     |
| Mrs. Taylor   | Yes     |
| Mrs. Becker   | Yes     |
| Mr. Houser    | Yes     |

1. Motion to approve the Executive Session Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 10, 2009.
2. Motion to approve the Regular Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 10, 2009.

## **XI. BOARD GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MOTION**

Mr. Houser: Moving on to Board Governance Committee Motions. Motion to approve the second reading of the following policies:

| #    | Section       | Title              | Type     |
|------|---------------|--------------------|----------|
| 4216 | Support Staff | Dress and Grooming | Revision |

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|---------|--------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 5331    | Pupils | Management of Life-Threatening Allergies in Schools | Mandated Revision |
| 5512.01 | Pupils | Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying              | Mandated Revision |
| 5000    | Pupils | Table of Content                                    | Revision          |

Mr. Houser: Do we have a Motion?

Mrs. Taylor: So Moved

Mrs. Pilovsky: Second

Mr. Houser: Discussion? Roll Call.

Mr. Adorno        Yes  
 Mr. Davis        Yes  
 Mrs. Mitchell    Abstain on 1 and yes on 2  
 Mrs. Pilovsky    Yes  
 Mrs. Sarno        Yes  
 Mr. Scully        Yes  
 Mrs. Taylor       Yes  
 Mrs. Becker      Yes  
 Mr. Houser        Yes

Mr. Houser: Motion to approve the first reading of the following policies:

| #      | Section        | Title                                                    | Type               |
|--------|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1220   | Administration | Employment of Chief School Administrator                 | Mandatory Revision |
| 2460   | Programs       | Special Education                                        | Mandatory Revision |
| 2467   | Programs       | Special Education – Surrogate Parents and Foster Parents | Mandatory Revision |
| 0142.1 | By-Laws        | Nepotism                                                 | Mandatory Revision |
| 6470   | Finance        | Payment of Claims                                        | Mandatory Revision |
| 6471   | Finance        | School District Travel                                   | Mandatory Revision |

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|------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 6510 | Finance   | Payroll Authorization                           | Mandatory Revision |
| 6830 | Finance   | Audit and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report | Mandatory Revision |
| 9120 | Community | Public Relations Program                        | Mandatory Revision |

The above policies are mandatory revisions for the first reading.

Mr. Houser: Do we have a Motion?

Mrs. Taylor: So Moved

Mrs. Becker: Second

Mr. Houser: Discussion? Roll Call

Mr. Adorno        Yes  
Mrs. Davis        Yes  
Mrs. Mitchell     Yes  
Mrs. Pilovsky     Yes  
Mrs. Sarno        Yes  
Mr. Scully         Yes  
Mrs. Taylor        Yes  
Mrs. Becker        Yes  
Mr. Houser        Yes

## **XII. BOARD GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE INFORMATION:**

A. The policies listed below have been abolished per Strauss Esmay Associations:

| #       | Section | Title                                  | Type      |
|---------|---------|----------------------------------------|-----------|
| 0147    | By-Law  | Board Member Travel Expenses           | Abolished |
| 0147A   | By-Law  | Board Member Travel Expenses           | Abolished |
| 0147.1  | By-Law  | Board Member Compensation and Expenses | Abolished |
| 0147.1A | By-Law  | Board Member Compensation and Expenses | Abolished |
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| 3440   | Teaching Staff | Travel Expenses | Abolished |
| 3440.1 | Teaching Staff | Job Expenses    | Abolished |
| 4440   | Support Staff  | Travel Expenses | Abolished |
| 4440.1 | Support Staff  | Job Expenses    | Abolished |

The above policies have been abolished.

### **XIII. FINANCE COMMITTEE MOTIONS**

Mr. Houser: Moving on to Finance Committee Motions, Motions to approve Finance Committee Motions #1-12.

Mrs. Pilovsky: So Moved

Mrs. Becker: Second

Mr. Houser: Roll Call

Mr. Adorno            Yes  
Mr. Davis             Yes  
Mrs. Mitchell        Yes  
Mrs. Pilovsky        Abstain on March bill for Academy Security; yes on everything else  
Mr. Sarno             Yes  
Mr. Scully            Yes  
Mrs. Taylor          Yes  
Mrs. Becker          Yes  
Mr. Houser            Abstain on #9, yes on everything else.

1. MOTION TO APPROVE MARCH BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,427,615.46; FEBRUARY PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,674,102.27.
2. MOTION TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY REPORT OF THE TREASURER (A-149) FOR JANUARY, 2009.  
  
MOTION TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY REPORT OF THE SECRETARY (A-148) FOR JANUARY, 2009.
3. MOTION TO APPROVE APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS FOR JANUARY, 2009.
4. APPROVE THE BOARD SECRETARY'S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION: LINE ITEM STATUS FOR JANUARY, 2009
5. APPROVE THE BOARD SECRETARY'S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION: BUDGETARY MAJOR ACCOUNT/FUND STATUS FOR JANUARY, 2009.

6. MOTION TO APPROVE HANDCHECKS WRITTEN FOR FEBRUARY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$123.41.
7. MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION STUDENTS:

| <b>STUDENT</b> | <b>SCHOOL</b> | <b>DURATION</b>                              |
|----------------|---------------|----------------------------------------------|
| PD             | ROBMS         | 1-23-09 TO 3-23-09                           |
| DB             | RLHS          | 2/6/09 until further notice                  |
| KV             | BHS           | 10/16/08 until 1/16/09 extended until 5/2/09 |
| JS             | JTDS          | 2/17/09 for 3 to 6 months                    |
| EW             | BHS           | 2/18/09 to 3/19/09                           |
| AC             | BHS           | 2/13/09 to 3/26/09                           |
| AB             | BHS           | 9/30/08 extended until further notice        |
| JS             | BHS           | 2/2/09 extended to 3/30/09                   |
| KL             | BHS           | 2/9/09 to 4/9/09                             |
| JR             | BHS           | 2/23/09 to 3/24/09                           |
| ES             | BHS           | 2/18/09 to 4/18/09                           |

8. MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING WORKSHOPS

| NAME             | SCHOOL  | WORKSHOP TITLE                         | DATE         | LOCATION     | WORKSHOP FEE | MILEAGE  | TOLLS /PARKING | TOTAL    |
|------------------|---------|----------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
| E. Ellis         | Edwards | Successful Special Education Practices | 3/10/09      | Trenton, NJ  | \$149.00     | \$58.30  |                | \$207.30 |
| T. Topoleski     | Donahue | School Safety and Security Workshop    | 3/27/09      | Trenton, NJ  | \$149.00     | \$33.00  |                | \$182.00 |
| Deann Bucella    | ROBMS   | NJ Biology Test Training               | 3/24-25/2009 | Monroe Twp.  | \$0.00       | \$65.47  | \$0.00         | \$ 65.47 |
| Brett Taylor     | BHS     | NJ Biology Test Training               | 3/24-25/2009 | Monroe Twp.  | \$0.00       | \$65.47  | \$0.00         | \$ 65.47 |
| Linda Nelson     | CSCS    | Reading & Writing Conf.                | 4/3/2009     | Somerset     | \$195.00     | \$69.30  | \$3.00         | \$267.30 |
| Chris Aviles     | BHS     | Motivating the Unmotivated             | 3/24/2009    | Voorhees     | \$199.00     | \$48.40  | \$0.00         | \$247.40 |
| Brenda Cook      | BHS     | Safety & Health Training               | 3/17/2009    | Sewell       | \$0.00       | \$65.91  | \$6.00         | \$ 71.91 |
| Maureen Tyrell   | LMDS    | Practical Strategies                   | 4/16/2009    | Cherry Hill  | \$199.00     | \$47.85  | \$0.00         | \$246.85 |
| Sandra Stout     | BHS     | Asperger's Syndrome                    | 3/13/2009    | Philadelphia | \$209.00     | \$67.50  | \$30.00        | \$306.50 |
| Susan Perugini   | BHS     | NJSIAA Athletic Asst.                  | 4/23/2009    | Mercerville  | \$0.00       | \$82.50  | \$1.40         | \$ 83.90 |
| Dayna Angelozzi  | BHS     | BioConnect                             | 3/27/2009    | Piscataway   | \$0.00       | \$79.90  | \$15.50        | \$ 84.50 |
| Margaret Raylman | BHS     | NJTESOL/NJBE Conf.                     | 5/19-20/2009 | Somerset     | \$225.00     | \$138.60 | \$6.00         | \$369.60 |

#### 9. MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING OOD PLACEMENTS

| STUDENT | PLACEMENT                                               | TUITION                             | TRANSPORTATION |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| JH      | Southern Regional School District                       | \$36,500                            | N/A            |
| EM      | East Mountain School at Carrier Clinic (DYFS placement) | \$45,208 SY (Commenced on 11-19-09) | N/A            |

10. MOTION TO APPOINT DEAN ALLISON AS PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER (P.A.C.O.) AS PER NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, DIVISION OF PUBLIC CONTRACTS EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR 2008-2009.

11. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BID FOR THE FIELD HOUSE CONSTRUCTION FROM BTW ENTERPRISES FOR \$110,900 BASE PRICE AND \$1,550 FOR ALTERNATE 2 ADDITIONAL MATERIAL.

#### XIV. EDUCATION COMMITTEE – INFORMATION

- a. John Jones has put together a survey of network information. Because policies are involved in this survey it will be forwarded to the Governance Committee.



Since it is information that the Technology Committee will find useful, it will also be forwarded to the Technology Committee.

- b. There has been a request that graduate classes for faculty be offered through Chapman University, which is accredited, be held at the high school. This was approved and Karen McKeon will have the person running this course. A request for "Use of Facilities" through the normal channels and providing liability insurance will be necessary.
- c. The ROTC has requested permission to hold a presentation for middle school students in order to recruit potential candidates. The committee has no problem with this request.
- d. The 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation evening is scheduled for Tuesday, May 5, at 7:00 PM at ROBMS. Sixth grade students at ROBMS will have an early dismissal day at 11:48 am on May 29 in order to accommodate the 5<sup>th</sup> grade visit. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will visit ROBMS on Friday, May 29, at approximately 12:10 pm. Fifth grade students will resume their normal day at their respective buildings upon completion of the program at ROBMS. Also, the 9<sup>th</sup> grade orientation has been approved although no date has yet been set.
- e. Kindergarten Orientation and registration dates have been set. Registration will be held during the week of April 6<sup>th</sup> at the Joseph T. Donahue School. Kindergarten teachers and nurses will register students. Information for Kindergarten parents will be March 23, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. More information will follow.
- f. Learnia testing for Grades 3-8 is up and running. Pre and post tests will be completed next week.
- g. There have been representatives chosen for each school-wide professional development plan. The following teachers are representatives.
  - ◆ BHS – Melissa Infurna
  - ◆ ROBMS – Kimberly Bopp
  - ◆ CSCS – Karen Harr
  - ◆ JTDS – Samantha Farias
  - ◆ LMDS – Michele Cucinotta
  - ◆ RLHS – Judith Chadwick

These representatives will create the school-wide plan for next year and work closely with a collaborative team, which will include teachers and administration. Each building will also be responsible for the collection of data for their school-wide plan based on action plans. The teachers' will gather information based on student testing results as well as clusters and strands that need to be perfected for professional growth. PDPs will no longer be developed

at the grade level or by discipline. The textbook inventories are being done school-wide. There may be a need to shift some textbooks from one school to another.

- h. Students and teachers from the high school World Language department will present various options available to future high school students. Fifth graders will be provided with several opportunities after leaving the middle school. High school students will demonstrate the languages available to them.
- i. Leslie Thomson is coordinating a Civil War Re-enactment for grades 7 and 10 to be held at the high school. Students from Brackman will be transported to the high school for this event. (Date to be announced).
- j. The state requires that all high school students must take the End-of-Course Biology and Algebra I assessments prior to graduation. Algebra II is another end-of-course assessment in which the state is contemplating as a requirement. As of now, Civics is no longer required but will still be offered at the high school. Personal Finance will also be offered as a half-year course to fulfill yet another mandate. Within the next few weeks this information will be added to the curriculum guide for next year.

## XV. EDUCATION COMMITTEE MOTIONS

Mr. Houser: We will move on to Education Committee Motions. Motion to approve Education Committee Motions 1 and 2.

Mrs. Taylor: So Moved

Mrs. Pilovsky: Second

Mr. Houser: Discussion? Roll Call.

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| Mr. Adorno    | Yes |
| Mr. Davis     | Yes |
| Mrs. Mitchell | Yes |
| Mrs. Pilovsky | Yes |
| Mrs. Sarno    | Yes |
| Mr. Scully    | Yes |
| Mrs. Taylor   | Yes |
| Mrs. Becker   | Yes |
| Mr. Houser    | Yes |

1. Revised calendar for the **2009-2010** school year. Correction – inadvertently left off the total number of teacher days from the calendar (186\* days - includes 2 snow days) and added a notation for the **early dismissal** day on March 26, 2010. (The addition/change on this

calendar does not effect the length of the students' school year (182\* days - includes 2 snow days).

2. Additions to the Field Trip List:

- a. Liz Hults just received a Shakespeare Festival opportunity for our Thespian group to go to Mahwah High School for a performance-based field trip of the Bards' work. The event is scheduled for April 23<sup>rd</sup>. There is a \$25 registration fee for the group, which consists of 50 students. A bus is available for that day. The trip information has been forwarded to and approved by the Finance Committee. Motion to add Mahwah High School to the approved field trip list.
- b. The Thespian Group has requested permission to go to a competition and workshop at Rutgers, New Brunswick. The students will be staying at the Comfort Suites, New Brunswick. Kerri DeBari, Drama teacher, will be chaperoning the group. There will be no cost to the district as students will be responsible for the cost of the trip. Motion to add both Rutgers and Comfort Suites, New Brunswick, to the approved field trip list.

**XVI. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – INFORMATION**

A. NOTIFICATION OF RESIGNATION – SECURITY GUARD – SY 2008-2009

*Robert Peck, Security Guard, has submitted his letter of resignation effective June 30, 2009.*

B. NOTIFICATION OF RESIGNATION – COACH – ROBMS – SY 2008-2009

*Thomas Duralek, Head Baseball Coach at the Brackman School, has submitted his letter of resignation effective February 19, 2009.*

C. NOTIFICATION OF MEDICAL LEAVES OF ABSENCE (2) – CERTIFIED STAFF – SY 2008-2009

*Catherine Romano, Social Studies Teacher at the Brackman School, has submitted notification of a medical leave of absence for maternity purposes effective February 17, 2009 with a tentative return-to-work date of May 11, 2009.*

*Kimberly Burke, Guidance Counselor at the Brackman School, has submitted notification of a medical leave of absence for maternity purposes effective May 8, 2009 with a tentative return-to-work date of July 1, 2009.*

D. NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE IN LEAVE OF ABSENCE – CERTIFIED STAFF – 2008-2009

*Laura D'Agostino, Behavioral Disabilities Teacher at the Horbelt School, has submitted notification of a change in her leave of absence effective date from*

*March 2, 2009 to February 2, 2009. Her tentative return-to-work remains August 17, 2009.*

**E. NOTIFICATION OF MEDICAL LEAVES OF ABSENCE (2) – NON-CERTIFIED STAFF – SY 2008-2009**

*Kimberly Rady, Buildings & Grounds Secretary, has submitted notification of a medical leave of absence effective March 30, 2009 with a tentative return-to-work date of April 20, 2009.*

*Robert Cicchetti, Transportation Driver, has submitted notification of a medical leave of absence effective March 4, 2009. A tentative return-to-work date will follow.*

**F. NOTIFICATION OF MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE RETURN-TO-WORK DATE – CERTIFIED STAFF – SY 2008-2009**

*Karen Brodwater, Math Teacher at the Brackman School, has submitted notification of her medical leave of absence tentative return-to-work date effective June 30, 2009.*

**XVII. PERSONNEL – MOTIONS**

Mr. Houser: Moving on to Personnel Committee Motions, Motion to approve Personnel Committee Motions #1-6. May I have a Motion?

Mrs. Pilovsky: So Moved

Mrs. Sarno: Second

Mr. Houser: Discussion? Roll Call.

|               |                                       |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| Mr. Adorno    | Yes                                   |
| Mr. Davis     | Yes                                   |
| Mrs. Mitchell | No on #2, yes on everything else      |
| Mrs. Pilovsky | Yes                                   |
| Mrs. Sarno    | Yes                                   |
| Mr. Scully    | Yes                                   |
| Mrs. Taylor   | Yes                                   |
| Mrs. Becker   | Yes                                   |
| Mr. Houser:   | Abstain on #2, yes to all the others. |

**1. APPROVE HIRING SUBSTITUTE STAFF (18) – SY 2008-2009**

*Motion to approve hiring the following as Substitute Staff for the 2008-2009 school year:*

Certified Staff

1. *Erskine, Robert – Applying for Substitute Certificate*
2. *Federovitch, Elizabeth – Applying for Substitute Certificate - Nurse*
3. *Herring, Nicholas – Applying for Substitute Certificate*
4. *Maier, Joseph – Applying for Substitute Certificate*
5. *Anderson, Susan – Substitute Certificate*
6. *Franzwick, Diana – Substitute Certificate*
7. *Freeth, Donald – Substitute Certificate*
8. *Mantie, Edmund – Substitute Certificate*
9. *Mahan, Joseph – Certified Substitute*
10. *Quartello, Joanne – Certified Substitute*
11. *Thompson, Michael – Certified Substitute*
12. *Williams, Donald – Certified Substitute*

Support Staff

13. *Cudnik, Maureen – Secretary, Library Tech & Instructional Aide*
14. *D'Amico, Michael – Security Officer*
15. *Dubiel, Ryan – Security Officer*
16. *Holohan, Karen – Secretary, Library Tech & Instructional Aide*
17. *Herring, Kathleen – Library Tech & Instructional Aide*
18. *Murray, Joseph – Security Officer*

2. APPROVE TERMINATION – FULL-TIME CUSTODIAN – SY 2008-2009

*Motion to approve the termination of Clarimar Quidgley, Full-time Custodian effective February 11, 2009.*

3. APPROVE NON-CERTIFIED STAFF TRANSFER – SY 2008-2009

*Motion to approve the voluntary non-certified staff transfer of Sharon Addonizio from Traffic Safety Aide/Greeter at LMDS to Mail Courier. DOE: March 11, 2009. Salary: \$9.21/hr step 5.*

4. APPROVE HIRING ELEMENTARY BEHAVIORAL DISABILITIES TEACHER FILLING LEAVE OF ABSENCE – RLHS – SY 2008-2009

*Motion to approve hiring Debra Majewski as Elementary Behavioral Disabilities Teacher filling leave of absence for the Horbelt School for the 2008-2009 school year. DOE: March 11, 2009. Salary: \$42,000 Step 1/BA (pro-rated).*

5. APPROVE EMERGENT HIRE OF SPANISH TEACHER PENDING CERTIFICATION – BHS – SY 2008-2009

*Motion to approve the emergent hire of Katherine Melanson as Spanish Teacher pending certification for Barnegat High School for the 2008-2009 school year. DOE: To Be Determined. Salary: \$42,000 Step 1/BA (pro-rated).*

6. APPROVE HIRING COACHES (3) – ROBMS/BHS – SY 2008-2009

*Motion to approve hiring the following as Coaches for the Brackman School and Barnegat High School for the 2008-2009 school year. Stipend: as per negotiated salary guide.*

ROBMS

*Anthony Migliaro, Head Baseball Coach (Duralek)*

*Greg Ryan, Assistant Baseball Coach (Smith)*

BHS

*Stacy Hoffman, Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach*

**XVIII. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

1. *Motion to approve the revised XTC Consulting proposal for Telecommunications Consulting and Billing Audit. (attachment in Committee report section)*

Mr. Houser: Moving on to Building and Grounds Committee. Motion to approve Building and Grounds Committee Motion #1. Do we have a Motion?

Mrs. Pilovsky: So Moved

Mr. Davis: Second

Mr. Houser: Discussion? Roll Call

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| Mr. Adorno    | Yes |
| Mr. Davis     | Yes |
| Mrs. Mitchell | Yes |
| Mrs. Pilovsky | Yes |
| Mrs. Sarno    | Yes |
| Mr. Scully    | Yes |
| Mrs. Taylor   | Yes |
| Mrs. Becker   | Yes |
| Mr. Houser    | Yes |

**XIX. FACILITIES / TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MOTIONS**

Mr. Houser: With regard to the Facilities/Transportation Committee Motions they have been removed from the Agenda.

1. *Motion to approve the BHS Families in Need Organization to use the BHS field & cafeteria for their Easter Egg Hunt fundraiser. Current policy states labor and*

*usage fees apply, the recommendation from the Facilities/Transportation committee is to charge for labor only. (Tentative date: 03/28/09)*

2. *Motion to approve Southern Ocean County Hospital to use the BHS gym on March 27, 2009 for a fun-raising event for Anthony Fusco, with the recommendation from the Facilities/Transportation committee not to charge Southern Ocean County Hospital for this event.*
3. *Motion to approve the Barnegat Recreation Basketball Club to use the BHS gym on March 14, 2009 from 6:00 – 10:00 pm, for a fun-raising event. Current policy states labor and usage fees apply, the recommendation from the Facilities/Transportation committee is to charge for labor only.*

## **XX. EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION**

Request resolution for Executive Session at this point in the meeting of the Barnegat Township Board of Education on Tuesday, March 10, 2009 for the purpose of personnel/contracts.

**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:

The public shall be excluded from discussion on the actions upon the hereinafter specified subject matter(s) personnel/contracts.

The general nature of the subject matter(s) to be discussed is listed in Executive Session, Executive Discussion and Executive Information.

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.

This resolution shall become effective immediately.

## **XXI. EXECUTIVE DISCUSSION**

1. KL legal issues
2. Interviews Superintendent Candidates

Mr. Houser: At this time may I have a Motion to go into Executive Session?

Mrs. Becker: So Moved

Mrs. Sarno: Second

Mr. Houser: All those in favor signify by saying Aye.

All: Aye

Mr. Houser: Opposed? Motion carried. We are going to be quite a while, probably at least an hour in Executive Session, so we will be a quick as possible but we are interviewing and we do expect this to take some time. Thank you.

## **XXII. ROLL CALL**

Mr. Houser: I would like to call the meeting back to order. Roll Call

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| Mr. Adorno    | Present  |
| Mr. Davis     | Present  |
| Mrs. Mitchell | Absent   |
| Mrs. Pilovsky | Present  |
| Mrs. Sarno    | Present  |
| Mr. Scully    | Present  |
| Mrs. Taylor   | Present  |
| Mrs. Becker   | Present  |
| Mr. Houser    | Present. |

## **XXIII. OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Houser: Is there any Old Business? Seeing none, we will move on to New Business.

## **XXIV. NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Houser: Under New Business we have a Motion to approve Southern Ocean County Hospital to use the Barnegat High School gym on date to be determine subject to availability for a fund raising event for Anthony Fusco. Do we have a Motion?

Mrs. Becker: So Moved

Mr. Adorno: Second

Mr. Houser: Any discussion? Roll Call

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| Mr. Adorno    | Yes |
| Mr. Davis     | Yes |
| Mrs. Pilovsky | Yes |
| Mrs. Sarno    | Yes |
| Mr. Scully    | Yes |



Mrs. Taylor            Yes  
 Mrs. Becker            Yes  
 Mr. Houser            Yes

Mr. Houser: May I have a Motion to approve the Barnegat Recreation Basketball Club to use the Barnegat High School gym on date to be determined subject to availability for a fund raising event. Current policy states labor and usage fees apply. May I have a Motion?

Mrs. Taylor: So Moved

Mr. Davis: Second

Mr. Houser: Discussion? Roll Call

Mr. Adorno            Yes  
 Mr. Davis            Yes  
 Mrs. Pilovsky        Yes  
 Mrs. Sarno            Yes  
 Mr. Scully            Yes  
 Mrs. Taylor            Yes  
 Mrs. Becker            Yes  
 Mr. Houser            Yes

## **XXV. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Houser: Moving on to Interim Superintendent's Comments.

Mr. Mahan: I pass.

## **XXVI. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Houser: May I have a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:53 p.m.

Mrs. Taylor: So Moved

Mrs. Pilovsky: Second

Mr. Houser: All in favor say Aye.

All: Aye

Respectfully submitted,

Dean Allison, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

