

**BARNEGAT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
March 12, 2007
Monday, 7:00 PM**

Barnegat Township High School
180 Bengal Blvd.
Barnegat, NJ 08005

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

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT:

Mrs. Mitchell: This meeting of the Barnegat Township Board of Education for March 12, 2007 is called to order. The notice of this meeting has been forwarded to the Asbury Park Press and The Times Observer, 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.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Mr. Kostka
Mr. Bernstein
Mr. Sarno
Mrs. Germano
Mr. Houser
Mr. Minotti
Mrs. Taylor
Mrs. Lally, Vice President
Mrs. Mitchell, President

Also Present: Thomas C. McMahon, Ed.D., Superintendent
Brian Falkowski, Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Mr. Sarno
Mrs. Germano
Mr. Houser
Mr. Bernstein
Mr. Kostka
Mr. Minotti

Mrs. Taylor
Mrs. Lally
Mrs. Mitchell

FLAG SALUTE

Mrs. Mitchell led the Flag Salute

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND/OR ADDITIONS

Motion by Mr. Bernstein, seconded by Mrs. Lally, all in favor, none opposed. Motion passes.

PUBLIC SESSION

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.

BUDGET MEETING

FINANCE MOTIONS

1. BE IT RESOLVED to approve a preliminary school district budget for FY 2007-2008 School Year for submission to the County Superintendent as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
Total General Fund	\$ <u>41,623,241</u>	\$ <u>21,136,233</u>
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ <u>1,219,237</u>	\$ n/a
Total Debt Service Fund	\$ <u>3,317,579</u>	\$ <u>2,475,572</u>
Totals	\$ <u>46,160,057</u>	\$ <u>23,611,805</u>

2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to apply for a Commissioner's Adjustment of \$197,429 to the base tax levy for the FY 2007-2008 school budget for increases in special education costs over \$40,000 per pupil.
3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to apply for a Commissioner's Adjustment of \$2,000,945 to the base tax levy for the FY 2007-2008 school budget for incremental increases in costs of opening new facilities.

A motion to approve the Finance Motions was made by Mr. Bernstein, seconded by Mr. Minotti. Roll call: Mr. Bernstein, yes; Mr. Minotti, yes; Mr. Sarno, yes; Mrs. Germano, abstain; Mr Houser, abstained from the nurse portion of the budget; yes to Motions 1 through 3; Mr. Kostka, yes; Mrs. Taylor, yes; Mrs. Lally, yes; Mrs. Mitchell, yes. Motion carried.

EDUCATION – MOTIONS

1. MOTION TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EDUCATION EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR (ESY) PROGRAM FOR SUMMER 2007 FROM MONDAY, JULY 2, 2007 THROUGH MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2007 AS METS THE 30 DAY REQUIREMENT (CLOSING JULY 4TH), AT A LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED, AND FROM 8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. IN ACORDANCE WITH THE FOUR-HOUR REQUIREMENT FOR A TOTAL OF TEN (10) CLASSROOMS.

A motion to approve the Education Motion was made by Mr. Minotti, seconded by Mr. Bernstein. Roll Call: Mr. Sarno, yes; Mrs. Germano, yes; Mr. Houser, yes; Mr. Kostka, yes; Mrs. Taylor, yes; Mr. Bernstein, yes; Mr. Minotti, yes; Mrs. Lally, yes; Mrs. Mitchell, yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:50 p.m. by Mr. Minotti, seconded by Mr. Kostka, all in favor aye, none opposed. Motion carried.

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

Brian S. Falkowski, Board Secretary