Barnegat Township School District

BARNEGAT BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING

September 8, 2011
Thursday, 6:00 PM

Barnegat High School
180 Bengal Blvd.
Barnegat, NJ 08005

PUBLIC AGENDA

Our collective mission is to nurture and educate our children in accordance with all curriculum standards to prepare them for responsible citizenship and success in life.

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

II. **OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT**

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

III. **ROLL CALL**

IV. **FLAG SALUTE**

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

VI. **PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

VII. **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 comment.

VIII. **INTERVIEW OF PROSPECTIVE BOARD MEMBER**

1. Interview of candidates for the vacant board position. **Public may not comment during this portion of the meeting.**

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

Request a resolution for Executive Session at this point in the meeting of the Barnegat Township Board of Education on Thursday, September 8, 2011 for the purpose of discussing confidential student information, personnel items, contracts and/or 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:

The public shall be excluded from discussion on the actions upon the hereinafter specified subject matter(s): student information, personnel/contracts, and/or litigation.

The general nature of the subject matter(s) to be discussed is listed under Executive Discussion.

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.

X. EXECUTIVE DISCUSSION

XI. ROLL CALL

XII. OLD BUSINESS

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled date for the Barnegat Township Board of Education meeting is Tuesday, September 20, 2011. The meeting will be held at 6:30 pm in Barnegat High School.

CODE OF ETHICS
Board of Education

A school board member shall abide by the following Code of Ethics for School Board Members:

1. I will uphold and enforce all laws, state board rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.

2. I will make decisions in terms of educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex or social standing.

3. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.

4. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.

5. I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the board.

6. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.

7. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.

8. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.

9. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.

10. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

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