

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

August 15, 2019

Executive Session – 6:30 p.m.

Public Meeting – 8:00 p.m.

Board of Education Office

Board Conference Room

I. CALL TO ORDER

On a motion by Mr. Tuma, seconded by Mrs. Fabriczi, and carried unanimously, the Board agreed to convene to public session at 6:34 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Board President, Theresa Joyce, who stated that the meeting was convened in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, the Sunshine Law; notices were sent to the *Courier News*, filed with the Township Clerk and posted in the Branchburg Township Schools.

The following members of the Board of Education were present: Zoltan Ambrus, Cathy Curcio, Kristen Fabriczi, Noah Horowitz, Theresa Joyce, Keerti Purohit (arrived 6:47 p.m.) and Charles Tuma.

The following members were absent: Laura DePrado and Olga Phelps.

Also present were: Superintendent of Schools Rebecca Gensel, Business Administrator/Board Secretary Theresa Linskey, Board Attorney David Rubin, Esq. (left at 8:00 p.m.), and Director of Student Services Tina Neely (left at 7:05 p.m.)

II. The Secretary called the roll.

III. CALL TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Tuma, seconded by Mrs. Fabriczi, and carried unanimously, the Board agreed to convene to Executive Session at 6:34 p.m. to discuss Student Matters and Legal Issues.

On a motion by Mr. Tuma, seconded by Mr. Ambrus, and carried unanimously, the Board agreed to adjourn Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

On a motion by Mrs. Fabriczi, seconded by Mrs. Purohit, and carried unanimously, the Board agreed to reconvene to public session at 8:06 p.m. with 20 members of the public present.

IV. The assembly saluted the flag.

V. Statement of Adequate Notice

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Gensel recognized three of the district's student artists whose artwork is displayed in the Board of Education Conference Room. The three artists attended the Board meeting with their families, and spoke about their artwork.

Ms. Gensel gave an update on the upcoming school year goals.

Ms. Gensel spoke about Suzanne Updegrave, the Gifted and Talented Teacher at Branchburg Central Middle School, who was named the Somerset County Teacher of the Year by the New Jersey Department of Education.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

VIII. GOVERNANCE

Motion by Mrs. Fabriczi, seconded by Mrs. Purohit that Items VIII.A. through VIII.C. be moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

On call of the vote, Items VIII.A. through VIII.C. were approved by Roll Call, with Mr. Horowitz abstaining on Item VIII.A. and Item VIII.B.

There was no Governance Committee report.

Mrs. Joyce spoke about Item VIII.C. listed on the agenda.

A. Approval of Minutes

It is recommended that the Board approve the Minutes of the Executive Session and Regular Meeting of July 18, 2019.

B. Approval of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Report			
Building	Incident #	Date	Discussion
SBS	SSDS# 075106	6/5/19	BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent that this incident did not meet the criteria of H.I.B. as defined in N.J.18A:37-14.

C. Adoption of 2019-2020 Board Goals

It is recommended that the Board adopt the 2019-2020 Board Goals.

IX. POLICY

There was no Policy Committee report.

X. DATA COMMITTEE

There was no Data Committee report.

XI. EDUCATION

Motion by Mr. Ambrus, seconded by Mr. Tuma that Items XI.A. through XI.H. be moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

On call of the vote, Items XI.A. through XI.H. were unanimously approved by Roll Call.

Mr. Horowitz spoke about the following:

- Dewey Decimal System at the Whiton Elementary School Library;
- Summer Curriculum Writing update; and
- Regulations for Intervention & Referral Services (I&RS).

The next Education Committee meeting is scheduled for September 11, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

A. Conferences/Travel

WHEREAS, the employees listed below are requesting Board of Education authorization to attend the conferences/workshops listed below; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the stated function was previously approved by the Chief School Administrator as work related within the scope of the work responsibilities of the attendee and within the funds budgeted for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the function was approved as promoting delivery of instruction or furthering efficient operation of the school district; and fiscally prudent;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes attendance at the stated conferences/workshops and reimbursement for the related expenses in accordance with Board policy on conference and workshop attendance.

Conferences/Workshops	Employee/ Account Number	Date(s)	Registration Fee	Hotel	Meals /Exp.	Tolls/Parking /Mileage	Total
NJ Association of School Business Officials Legislative and Legal Update Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Theresa Linskey 11-000-251-580-01-585	9/24/19	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$24.47	\$124.47
NJ Association of School Business Officials Legislative and Legal Update Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Donna Eckel 11-000-251-580-01-585	9/24/19	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$18.94	\$118.94

Conferences/Workshops (continued)	Employee/ Account Number	Date(s)	Registration Fee	Hotel	Meals /Exp.	Tolls/Parking /Mileage	Total
NJ Association of School Business Officials Office of Comptroller/State Reports Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Theresa Linskey 11-000-251-580-01-585	10/8/19	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$24.47	\$124.47
NJ Association of School Business Officials Office of Comptroller/State Reports Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Donna Eckel 11-000-251-580-01-585	10/8/19	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$18.94	\$118.94
NJ Association of School Business Officials Tax Sheltered Annuities Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Theresa Linskey 11-000-251-580-01-585	11/21/19	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$24.47	\$124.47
NJ Association of School Business Officials Tax Sheltered Annuities Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Donna Eckel 11-000-251-580-01-585	11/21/19	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$18.94	\$118.94
NJ Association of School Business Officials Pensions Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Theresa Linskey 11-000-251-580-01-585	1/22/20	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$24.47	\$124.47
NJ Association of School Business Officials Pensions Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Donna Eckel 11-000-251-580-01-585	1/22/20	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$18.94	\$118.94
NJ Association of School Business Officials Purchasing Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Theresa Linskey 11-000-251-580-01-585	3/19/20	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$24.47	\$124.47
NJ Association of School Business Officials Purchasing Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Lia Carrier 11-000-251-580-01-585	3/19/20	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$28.07	\$128.07
NJ Association of School Business Officials Audit Review Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Theresa Linskey 11-000-251-580-01-585	4/28/20	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$24.47	\$124.47
NJ Association of School Business Officials Audit Review Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Donna Eckel 11-000-251-580-01-585	4/28/20	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$18.94	\$118.94
Autism New Jersey Annual Conference Atlantic City, NJ	Arianna Bellafore 11-000-223-580-08-144-090	10/17/19- 10/18/19	\$500.00	\$84.00	N/A	N/A	\$584.00
Public School Purchasing New Brunswick, NJ	Lia Carrier 11-000-251-580-01-585	10/9/19 10/16/19	\$453.00	N/A	N/A	\$28.14	\$481.14
NJ Association of School Business Officials Administrative Assistant Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Cathy DiCosimo 11-000-251-580-01-585	5/12/20	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$16.07	\$116.07
HIB and the Changing Legal Landscape -- Webinar Branchburg, NJ	Rebecca Gensel 11-000-230-580-01-303	8/26/19	\$40.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$40.00
Applied Behavior Analysis Teaching Strategies Hamilton, NJ	Jodi Harwood 11-000-219-580-03-001-999	10/24/19- 10/25/19	\$250.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$250.00
Association of Mathematics Teachers Conference Plainsboro, NJ	Michele Jordan 11-000-223-580-04-144-020	10/25/19	\$179.95	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$179.95
NJ Association of School Business Officials Long Range Facilities Plan Workshop Robbinsville, NJ	Theresa Linskey 11-000-251-580-01-585	8/22/19	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$17.39	\$17.39
NJ Association of School Business Officials Negotiating Your Health Benefits / Procuring Insurances Workshop Rockaway, NJ	Theresa Linskey 11-000-251-580-01-585	12/10/19	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$24.47	\$124.47
Why We Bully: Understanding HIB Characteristics New Brunswick, NJ	Meredith Molinaro N/A	8/13/19	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Legal One Discrimination Law and the Affirmative Action Officers Monroe Township, NJ	Matthew Ross 11-000-240-580-02-000-020	8/20/19	\$150.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$150.00

B. Approval of 2019-2020 Out of District Programs							
Program/Location	Account Number	Student ID #	ESY Tuition	ESY Dates	SY Tuition	SY Dates	Total Cost
Somerset Hills Learning Institute Bedminster, NJ	11-000-100-566-03-109-000	3092350853	\$16,605.90	7/3/19- 8/16/19	\$99,635.40	9/3/19- 6/12/20	\$116,241.30
Cornerstone Day School Mountainside, NJ	11-000-100-566-03-109-000	1394971305	N/A	N/A	\$86,358.80	8/20/19- 6/26/20	\$86,358.80

C. Approval of State Certified Sign Language Interpreter				
Name	Account Number	Rate Per Hour	Date	Discussion
Tiffany Mosquera	11-000-219-320-03-181-340	\$65 (not to exceed \$650 total)	9/1/19-6/30/20	Sign Language Interpreter for Parent/Family events and presentations

D. Approval of Revision of Out of District Program					
Program/Location	Student ID#	SY Tuition From	SY Tuition To	SY Dates	Discussion
The Lewis School Princeton, NJ	3790598139	\$45,081	\$45,801	9/5/18-5/24/19	Change of services

E. Approval of Field Trip			
Trip	Teachers	Grade	Purpose
Lord Sterling Environmental Education Center Basking Ridge, NJ	Judy Buffa 2 nd Grade Teachers	2	Hands on learning experience for students to explore different habitats and ecosystems.

F. Approval of Contract for Physical Therapist						
Vendor	Account Number	Evaluations	Sessions	Dates	Total	Discussion
Kari Woodell	11-000-216-320-03-456-800	10	350	9/1/19-6/30/20	\$17,750	Evaluations at \$200 Sessions at \$45

G. Approval of Vendor				
Vendor	Account Numbers	Cost	Dates	Discussion
Leah McMorrow	11-000-219-320-03-181-340	\$550 per evaluation \$100 per hour for parent meeting \$75 per hour CST staff meeting	8/26/19- 6/30/20	Educational Evaluations, parent meetings and CST staff meetings on an as needed basis.

H. Approval of Acceptance of Out of District Student			
Sending District	Student ID #	Tuition	Effective Dates
Milltown School District, Milltown, NJ	4259684500	\$60,909.59	9/5/19-6/30/20

XII. HUMAN RESOURCES

Motion by Mr. Ambrus, seconded by Mr. Horowitz that Items XII.A. through XII.L., be moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

On call of the vote, Items XII.A. through XII.L., were unanimously approved by Roll Call, with Mrs. Fabriczi abstaining on Item XII.B. and Item XII.G.

There was no Human Resources Committee report.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 5, 2019, if needed.

A. Approval of 2019-2020 School Improvement Panels

It is recommended that the Board approve the following School Improvement Panels to ensure, oversee and support the implementation of the District's evaluation, professional development and mentoring policies.

Whitton Elementary School	Stony Brook Elementary School	Central Middle School
Michelle Dooley	Frank Altmire	Matthew Barbosa
Melissa Francescone	Kristen Kries	Marie Cinque
Lauren Hall	Rachael Johnston	Danielle Puglisi
Kristen Kries	Toni Burke	Matthew Ross
Heather Lilly	Dianne Litts	
Chelsea Smith		
Danielle Shober		

B. Approval of Personnel						
Name	Account #	Position	Step/Level	Salary *	Dates	Discussion
Antonio Arce	11-130-100-101-01-021-020	Leave Replacement-Social Studies Teacher	I/BA	\$56,815.00	9/1/19-6/30/20	Leave replacement for Michael Simko
Lauren Nicolai	11-000-219-104-01-171-340	District Behaviorist	17/182	\$71,701.00	9/1/19-6/30/20	Replacing Allison Eby
Carolyn Girvan	11-000-270-161-01-470	Bus Driver 4.75 hours per day	I/NA	\$28.22 per hour	9/1/19-6/30/20	Replacing Michele McFadden
Karen Perlman	11-213-100-101-01-000-090	Instructional Aide (Part-Time) 4.75 hours per day	I/NA	\$13,031.58	9/1/19-6/30/20	Replacing Kari Andersen

*Pending BTEA contract

C. Approval of Resignations				
Name	Account Number	Location	Position	Effective Date
Myra Bare	11-000-270-161-01-470	Transportation	Bus Driver	8/8/19
James Butler	11-000-211-110-01-114-999	District	Attendance Officer	8/12/19
Elizabeth Eckel	11-215-100-106-01-059-090	WES	Instructional Aide	8/15/19
Elizabeth Savage	61-910-310-110-01-001	SBS	Lunchroom Aide	6/30/19

D. Approval of Medical Leave					
Name	Account Number	Location	Position	Type of Leave	Dates
Kristen Kries	11-000-219-104-01-168-340	WES	Assistant Principal	Paid Medical	8/1/19-8/15/19

E. Approval of Home Instruction				
Name	Account Number	SID#	Rate *	Dates
Emily Williams	11-150-100-101-03-066-060	1338742458	\$41 per hour (not to exceed 20 hours)	7/1/19-8/30/19

*Pending BTEA contract

F. Approval of Unpaid Leave				
Name	Account #	Location	Type of Leave	Dates
Andrew Uporsky	11-000-219-104-01-171-340	District	Unpaid Leave/NJFLA	10/4/19-10/11/19

G. Approval of Substitutes			
Name	Position	Rate	Dates
Madison Burge	Substitute Teacher & Substitute Instructional Aide	\$95.00/\$83.33 per diem (Subject to delivery of requested documents)	9/1/19-6/30/20
Rebecca Cohen	Substitute Teacher & Substitute Instructional Aide	\$95.00/\$83.33 per diem (Subject to delivery of requested documents)	9/1/19-6/30/20
Nicole Kotrba	Substitute Teacher & Substitute Instructional Aide	\$95.00/\$83.33 per diem (Subject to delivery of requested documents)	9/1/19-6/30/20
Rita Miller	Substitute Teacher & Substitute Instructional Aide	\$95.00/\$83.33 per diem (Subject to delivery of requested documents)	9/1/19-6/30/20
Tasha Schwab	Substitute Teacher & Substitute Instructional Aide	\$95.00/\$83.33 per diem (Subject to delivery of requested documents)	9/1/19-6/30/20
Gia Sodbinow	Substitute Teacher & Substitute Instructional Aide	\$95.00/\$83.33 per diem (Subject to delivery of requested documents)	9/1/19-6/30/20

H. Approval of Maternity Leave				
Name	Account #	Location	Type of Leave	Dates
Jennifer Anderson	11-000-221-102-01-207-999	BOE	Paid Maternity/Disability Leave of Absence Paid Vacation/Personal Days NJ Family Leave Act (Intermittent)	10/24/19-12/19/19 12/20/19-2/6/20 2/7/20-2/7/21
Allison LeMieux	11-230-100-101-01-072-090	WES	Paid Maternity/Disability Leave of Absence NJ Family Leave Act	12/16/19-1/30/20 1/31/20-5/1/20

I. Approval of Extra Duty Pay				
Name	Account #	Position	Rate*	Discussion
Katie Bernet	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Kelly Boyle	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Marie Cinque	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Amy Garner	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation

I. Approval of Extra Duty Pay (continued)				
Shannon Heaney	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Devra Hobbs	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Lauren Knoke	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Erica Landesberg	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Joseph Larramendia	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Zach Miracle	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Janice Monetti	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Randi Morin	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Jocelyn Muzychko	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Danielle Puglisi	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Lisa Quinn	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation
Adrianna Weighart	11-000-223-104-02-210-999	Teacher	\$41 per hour not to exceed 2 hours	New Hire Orientation

*Pending BTEA contract

J. Approval of Athletic Stipends				
Name	Account Number	Position	Stipend *	Discussion
Kristen Cardona	11-402-100-101-01-093-060	Athletic Director	\$7,880	Replacing Katie Kline
Ken Forsyth	11-402-100-101-01-093-060	Girls' Soccer Coach – Team B	\$2,574	Replacing Michael Roosen
Michael Roosen	11-402-100-101-01-093-060	Girls' Soccer Coach – Team A	\$2,574	Replacing Randy Kupcha
Deborah Volpe	11-402-100-101-01-093-060	Crowd Control	\$1,429	NA

*Pending BTEA contract

K. Approval of Videographer for Board of Education Meetings			
Name	Account Number	Salary	Dates
John Beisler	11-000-230-104-01-000	\$22.27 per hour	7/1/19-6/30/20

L. Approval of Transfers				
Name	Position	From	To	Dates
Antonia DaSilva	School Social Worker	WES	BCMS, SBS, WES	9/1/19-6/30/20
Leslie Jones	Instructional Aide	SBS	WES	9/1/19-6/30/20
Heather Lilly	LDTC	WES	BCMS, SBS, WES	9/1/19-6/30/20
Amy McLaughlin	School Psychologist	SBS	BCMS, SBS, WES	9/1/19-6/30/20
Jan Motz	School Social Worker	BCMS	BCMS, SBS, WES	9/1/19-6/30/20
Michelle Nash	School Psychologist	WES	BCMS, SBS, WES	9/1/19-6/30/20
Michele Rina	Instructional Aide	SBS	WES	9/1/19-6/30/20
Jillian Sawicki	School Psychologist	BCMS	BCMS, SBS, WES	9/1/19-6/30/20
Jessica Zaninelli	Instructional Aide	WES	SBS	9/1/19-6/30/20

XIII. BUSINESS

Motion by Mr. Tuma, seconded by Mr. Ambrus that Items XIII.A. through XIII.M. be moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

On call of the vote, Items XIII.A. through XIII.M. were approved by Roll Call.

Mr. Tuma said the Business Committee met on August 15, 2019 and discussed the following:

- Transportation garage;
- Whiton Elementary School HVAC project;
- LED lighting at Stony Brook School;
- Painting of the Stony Brook gym;
- LED lighting at Branchburg Central Middle School;
- Harlan School Road property;
- Bond refunding; and
- Music room at Branchburg Central Middle School.

The next Business Committee meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

A. Bill List

It is recommended that the Board approve the List of Bills for the period June 28, 2019, totaling \$1,337,496.48, and for the period July 1, 2019 through July 18, 2019 totaling \$99,936.88, and for the period July 19, 2019 through July 31, 2019 totaling \$825,402.17, and for the period August 1, 2019 totaling \$609.00, and ratify the Payroll for the period July 1, 2019 through July 15, 2019, totaling \$170,440.52, and for the period of July 16, 2019 through July 31, 2019, totaling \$187,981.87.

B. Secretary's Report

The Report of the Secretary for June 2019 has been submitted for Board review. As required by N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)(3) I, Theresa Linskey, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, certify that no line item account has been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations this fiscal year.

It is recommended that the Secretary's Report for June 2019 be accepted and filed, and the Board of Education hereby certifies that no major account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)(4) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

C. Treasurer's Report

It is recommended that the Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2019 be accepted and filed.

D. Line Item Transfers

It is recommended that the Board accept the list of Line Item Transfers for the month of June 2019.

E. Monthly Transfer Report

It is recommended that the Board approve the June 2019 Monthly Transfer Report.

F. Approval to Pay Bills

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:19-4.1, the Board of Education approves Theresa Linskey, School Business Administrator to issue payment of bills for August 15, 2019 through September 5, 2019 prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting of September 5, 2019 and with the approval and consent of the Superintendent of Schools, and then present said bills to the Board at the September 5, 2019 meeting for ratification.

G. Refunding School Bond Ordinance

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BRANCBURG IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY APPROVING, ON FIRST READING, A REFUNDING SCHOOL BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF ALL OR A PORTION OF ITS OUTSTANDING SCHOOL BONDS DATED NOVEMBER 16, 2010.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BRANCBURG IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY as follows:

Section 1. The Refunding Bond Ordinance attached hereto as Exhibit A is hereby approved. Bond Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to publish the required notice of public hearing for the Refunding Bond Ordinance in the form and at the time required by N.J.S.A. 18A:24-61.4.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on August 15, 2019 by roll call vote.

H. Grant Permission for Eagle Scout Community Service Project

It is recommended that the Board grant permission for Kevin Lauducci to carry out an Eagle Scout Project at Branchburg Central Middle School. This project is in accordance with his proposal, with time and materials to be donated at no cost to the District.

I. Approval of Shared Services Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED, that, pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, the Board of Education hereby approves and authorizes the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Somerville Board of Education authorizing Branchburg to provide the services of a Teacher of the Deaf for their respective school districts for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 at a cost of \$25,803.51* with terms and conditions set forth therein. **Pending BTEA contract*

J. Adoption of Resolution for Participation in Cooperative Purchasing of Electric Services through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System

It is recommended that the Branchburg Township Board of Education approve a resolution for participation in cooperative purchasing of electric services through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ).

K. Adoption of Resolution for Participation in Cooperative Purchasing of Natural Gas Services through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System

It is recommended that the Branchburg Township Board of Education approve a resolution for participation in cooperative purchasing of natural gas services through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ).

L. Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Disposal of Equipment

It is recommended that the Board approve the following resolution authorizing the disposal of the equipment listed below through GovDeals.

WHEREAS, the School District is the owner of certain equipment which is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is desirous of selling said equipment in “as is” condition without express or implied warranties.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Branchburg Township in the County of Somerset, as follows:

- (1) The sale of the equipment shall be conducted through GovDeals pursuant to State Contract A-70967/T2581 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the State Contract. The terms and conditions of the agreement entered into with GovDeals are available online at govdeals.com and also available from the Board of Education.
- (2) The sale will be conducted online and the address of the auction site is Govdeals.com
- (3) The sale is being conducted pursuant to Local Finance Notice 2008-9.
- (4) The equipment to be sold is as follows:
 - Motorola Two-way radios
 - 12 cafeteria tables
 - 2 student recovery couches
- (5) The equipment identified shall be sold in an “as-is” condition without express or implied warranties with the successful bidder required to execute a Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement concerning use of said equipment.
- (6) The School District reserves the right to accept or reject any bid submitted.

M. Approval of Facility Use Agreement with American Red Cross

It is recommended that the Board approve the Facility Use Agreement with American Red Cross for the use of facilities as mass care shelters for Branchburg Central Middle School, Stony Brook School and Whiton Elementary School, effective July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020.

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

XV. BOARD LIAISON REPORTS

Mrs. Fabriczi attended the Somerville Board of Education meeting on July 23, 2019 and spoke about the following highlights:

- The first floor of Somerville High School was painted, and the ramp refurbished;
- Summer Tech Camp was cancelled due to decreased enrollment;
- Biology Curriculum update;
- Smartboards were replaced with clear touch interactive panels;
- New chrome books will be distributed to the ninth grade;
- The Board Retreat; and
- Somerville was chosen as a “Lighthouse” district.

Mrs. Joyce attended the July 22, 2019 Township of Branchburg meeting where the topic of discussion was the redevelopment and zoning changes.

XVI. BOARD FORUM

Ms. Linskey and the Board discussed dates for the school district walk-through.

Mr. Tuma said he also attended the July 22, 2019 Township of Branchburg meeting where the topic of discussion was the redevelopment and zoning changes.

XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mrs. Fabriczi, seconded by Mr. Tuma, and carried unanimously, the Board agreed to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:50 p.m.

On a motion by Mrs. Curcio, seconded by Mr. Horowitz, and carried unanimously, the Board agreed to convene to Executive Session at 8:52 p.m. to discuss Legal Issues and Contracts.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mrs. Fabriczi, seconded by Mr. Tuma, and carried unanimously, the Board agreed to adjourn at 9:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Theresa Linskey
School Business Administrator/Board