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REGULAR SESSION 7:09 P.M.
RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**

I. Regular Session – Call to Order – 6:30 p.m. – Ridge High School Performing Arts Center

The meeting was called to order at 6:30p.m. by President Cwerner.

II. Salute to the Flag

III. Roll Call

PRESENT: Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Dr. Dunten, Mr. Fry, Ms. Gray, Ms. McKeon, Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah, Ms. Wooldridge, Mr. Markarian, Mr. Siet, Mr. McLaughlin, Board Counsel John Croot

ABSENT: None

IV. Executive Session – 6:31 p.m. – Ridge High School Principal's Conference Room

On motion by Ms. Wooldridge and seconded by Ms. Shah, and approved by all present, the Board recessed into closed executive session at 6:31p.m.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bernards Township Board of Education shall meet in closed session to discuss: confidential personnel and contract items; matters of litigation; confidential student matters; and further

BE IT RESOLVED that the matters discussed in closed session will be disclosed to the public as soon as and to the extent that such disclosure can be made without adversely affecting the public interest or without violation of the confidentiality of personnel.

On motion by Ms. Wooldridge seconded by Dr. Dunten and approved by all present, the Board closed the Executive Session at 6:58p.m.

V. Regular Session – Call to Order – 7:09 p.m. – Ridge High School Performing Arts Center

VI. **Statement of Public Notice**

This is a regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Bernards Township. Notice of the time and place of this meeting was provided and copies of that resolution were forwarded to the official newspapers as designated by the Board of Education and to the Township Clerk and a copy of the notice was posted on the bulletin board of the Board of Education Offices in accordance with P.L. 1975 Chapter 231A.

We very much welcome input from the public. There are two times during regular meetings that the public is invited to speak. One time is early in the meeting before the Board votes, and you may speak about any item that is listed on tonight's agenda. Towards the end of the meeting, there is another public forum to address any topic whatsoever.

When you approach the microphone, please state your name and address. In order to run efficient meetings and to allow maximum opportunity for members of the public to speak, the Board reserves the right to set a time limit for individual comments and/or public comment portions of the agenda. Please understand that public comment portions of our agendas are not structured as question and answer sessions, but rather they are offered as opportunities to share your thoughts with the Board. Any Board responses to public comment will be addressed during Board Forum, or during committee reports.

There are times when a member of the public makes a comment or asks a question about an employee. New Jersey statute does not permit us to discuss personnel issues in public. Also as a matter of law, a Board of Education may only vote for or against the hiring of an employee upon the recommendation of the superintendent. If the superintendent does not recommend a person, that person's name is not listed on the agenda and there is no vote on that action.

If it is necessary for the Board to go into executive session at the end of the meeting, we will provide an estimated length of time for the session and whether any action is anticipated to be taken upon returning to public session.

VII. **Student Representative - Lucas Miller**

Mr. Miller discussed upcoming events that will raise funds for the Junior and Senior Prom Committees. The Junior Class will host a hypnotist in the Ridge PAC at 7:00pm on March 23, 2017 and the Senior Class will be hosting an annual event called Mr. Ridge on April 20, 2017 at 7:00pm in the Ridge PAC where 8 senior boys will showcase their talents and fashion in a night of comedy.

Students, teachers, family members, and members of the Basking Ridge community are welcome at both events.

VIII. Board Presentation

1) PLTW Showcase

Dr. Brian Heineman, the Director of Curriculum, opened the presentation explaining that this is the first year for the STEAM program at Ridge High School. Dr. Heineman introduced the Introduction to Engineering Design, Principles of Biomedical Science, Computer Science Principles and Design and Creation courses and provided a brief rundown of what they encompass, the benefits of the STEAM program and future goals.

Instructor Mark Dotta provided a brief introduction of the Introduction to Engineering Design class. Students Dhristi Raval and Akash Mishra described various projects that are performed in the class and programs that are used to accomplish these tasks.

Dr. Cindy Athanasiou introduced the Principles of Biomedical Science course and students Michelle Li, Shreyas Menon and Aditi Sharma provided an update of the course including the mock forensic examination case regarding the death of fictional character Anna Garcia.

Features of the Design and Creation class taught by Wendell Jeffrey were presented by Lauren Polito and Anika Kopczynsk. The students discussed 2D and 3D spaces, form, function and aesthetic, the different projects that the students had worked on and the benefits of group collaboration.

The Computer Science Principles of Design students Tanvi Namjoshi, Vikram Agrawal, Arul Gupta, Nihal Kurki, Liam Michels and Simar Singh provided their own presentation under the guidance of instructor Mark Galesi. The students discussed projects such as creating applications and games, programs used and internet security measures.

Board Members asked the students if they would recommend these courses to other students, how they are enjoying the courses, polled how many of these students planned on going into the Science field and addressed Dr. Heineman asking about the availability of seats for the STEAM courses.

Click [here](#) to view the presentation.

Click [here](#) to view the Computer Science presentation.

IX. Superintendent's Report

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby affirm receipt of the **HIB Report** dated February 27, 2017.

On motion by Ms. Wooldridge seconded by Ms. McKeon Item#1 was approved by the following roll call vote:

- “Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Dr. Dunten, Mr. Fry, Ms. Gray, Ms. McKeon,
Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah, and Ms. Wooldridge
 “Noes” - None
 “Abstain” - None

Superintendent Nick Markarian made special mention of the fantastic job done by the students and staff for the Ridge High School spring musical Fiddler on the Roof that he had the opportunity to attend on Friday, February 24, 2017. Mr. Markarian also congratulated the team and volunteer coaches at both William Annin Middle School and Ridge High School that attended the National Science Bowl. Both teams in our district placed third. Finally, Mr. Markarian mentioned that the Middle School has just designed a tee-shirt associated with the town’s oak tree that will be used for a fundraiser for the Basking Ridge Historical Society.

President Cwerner made mention of Fiddler on the Roof congratulating staff and students on a job well done and noting it was one of the best performances that she has seen.

X. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Public comments were made regarding the possible addition of the Martin Luther King Jr. Day to the School Calendar, STEAM program concerns and questions and praises to the students for the STEAM presentations.

Superintendent Nick Markarian discussed some dynamics of the STEAM program and noted that the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday would be discussed during the Policy portion of the Board of Education Meeting.

XI. Approval of Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following minutes:

February 13, 2017 – Regular Session Minutes

On motion by Mr. Fry seconded by Ms. Shah the foregoing were approved by the following roll call vote:

- “Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Dr. Dunten, Mr. Fry, Ms. Gray, Ms. McKeon,
Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah and Ms. Wooldridge
 “Noes” - None
 “Abstain” - None

XII. Committee Reports

FINANCE**BE IT RESOLVED THAT**

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a [list of disbursements](#) dated February 27, 2017 consisting of warrants in the amount of \$3,863,037.08.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the January 2017 Financial Reports from the Board Secretary, the monthly Investment Report for January 2017, and the Treasurer of the School Monies Report for January 2017.

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e), the Bernards Township Board of Education, after review of the Secretary's Monthly Financial Report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, and to the best of their knowledge, certifies that as of the date of the Secretary's Monthly Financial Report, no major account or fund has been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

- 3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the January 2017 line item transfers totaling \$3,101,948.77 to the 2016-17 school budget, list on file in the Board office.
- 4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve **professional development expenses** in accordance with P.L. 2007 An Act Concerning School District Accountability and annual Board resolution for the 2016-17 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Name of Conference:</u>	<u>Cost:</u>	<u>Date(s):</u>
W. Jeffrey	NAEA National Convention	\$195	03/03/2017 and 03/04/2017
S. Isaacs	Global Educator Exchange	\$825	03/20/2017- 03/24/2017
L. Vitale-Stanzione	NJIDA Matching Interventions to Reasons for Reading Difficulty	\$180	03/24/2017
B. Heineman	Rubicon Leadership Institute	\$2,300	04/04/2017 – 04/07/2017
S. Siet	Greater Philadelphia Job Fair	\$365	04/05/2017
K. Van Der Stad	NJACAC Conference	\$200	05/21/2017
R. Muraview	NJACAC Conference	\$200	05/23/2017

- 5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **field trip destinations** for the 2016-17 school year:

<u>Destination:</u>	<u>Group Attending:</u>	<u>Number of Students:</u>	<u>Date(s):</u>
Waterfront Convention Board of Education Meeting Minutes February 27, 2017	Future Business	3	03/16/2017

Center- Future Business Leaders of America Competition	Leaders of America		Thursday
West Windsor Plainsboro High School South	Model UN Team	30	03/25/2017 Saturday
Spring Ridge Community Center	Ridge High School Marching Band	23	03/01/2017 Wednesday

6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve **disposal of equipment/books** for the 2016-17 school year; list maintained in the Board of Education office

7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following agreements with **Somerset County Educational Services Commission** for the 2017-18 school year:

Nonpublic Instructional Services Agreement – Chapters 192/193 and Addendum
 Nonpublic Instructional Services Agreement – Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act
 Nonpublic Instructional Services Agreement – N.J. Nonpublic Technology Initiative
 Nonpublic Instructional Services Agreement – N.J. Nonpublic Textbook Program
 Nonpublic Instructional Services Agreement – Nonpublic School Nursing Services

8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the inter-local transportation services agreement for participation in coordinated transportation with the **Somerset County Educational Services Commission** for the 2017-18 school year for transport of out of district special education students as well as non-public and vocational students.

9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept a donation from the **Ridge High School PTO** in the amount of \$1,670.00 for replacement of the digital sign outside of the school's entrance.

10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve regular school year tuition for student #303330 from December 20, 2016 to June 30, 2017 at **Holmstead School** in the amount not to exceed \$31,016.00.

11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve regular school year tuition for student #300859 from January 24, 2017 to June 30, 2017 at **Hunterdon Preparatory School** in the amount not to exceed \$23,649.90.

12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve regular school year tuition for student #303946 from January 17, 2017 to June 30, 2017 at **The Grove School** in the amount not to exceed \$36,539.84.

13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve regular school year tuition for student #302995 from February 16, 2017 to June 30, 2017 at **Shepard School- Kinnelon** in the amount not to exceed \$23,339.20.

14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a neuropsychological evaluation for student #305105 from **Dr. Randy Bressler, Psy.D., LLC** in the amount not to exceed \$6,000.00.

15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve home instruction for student #306451 beginning January 9, 2017 and extended through January 29, 2017 from **Saint Claire's Hospital** in the amount not to exceed \$825.00.

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve home instruction for student #302690 beginning November 28, 2016 and extended through January 27, 2017 from **Educere LLC** in the amount not to exceed \$261.00.

17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve home instruction for student #203711 beginning January 16, 2017 and extended through February 24, 2017 from **Educere LLC** in the amount not to exceed \$174.00.

18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve home instruction for student #306854 beginning February 3, 2017 and extended through March 3, 2017 from **High Focus Centers/ Professional Education Services, Inc. (P.E.S.I.)** in the amount not to exceed \$1,536.60.

19) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve interpreting services for student #302387 on February 24, 2017 from **Nicole Rego-Safford and Solee Natal** in the amount not to exceed \$800.00.

On motion by Ms. Wooldridge seconded by Ms. Shah Items#1 to 19 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Dr. Dunten, Mr. Fry, Ms. Gray, Ms. McKeon, Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah, and Ms. Wooldridge

“Noes” - None

“Abstain” - None

Ms. Wooldridge provided an update from the Finance Committee meeting held on February 22, 2017. Topics included two upcoming capital projects for William Annin Middle School, the health insurance renewal, improvements to the Lee Field Track, credit card fees and a transportation update.

Ms. Wooldridge also provided a brief summary of the finance agenda items #1-19.

PERSONNEL

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Sandra Salvo** Curriculum Secretary Ridge High School effective June 30, 2017, with regret, for the purpose of retiring.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Michael Loupis** SAC Ridge High School effective March 10, 2017.
- 3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Linda Gonzalez-Hernandez** Instructional Aide Ridge High School effective April 30, 2017.
- 4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Matthew Knoth** Spanish Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$48,426 effective March 3, 2017 through June 30, 2017 as leave replacement for D. Pizzuto.
- 5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Martha Harvey** .5 Theater Teacher Ridge High School at a salary of \$160.00 per day effective February 15, 2017 through April 15, 2017 as a replacement teacher. Salary to be prorated to reflect .5 status.
- 6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Kathy Lewandowski** English Language Arts Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of \$160.00 per day effective January 3, 2017 through January 27, 2017 as a medical leave replacement.
- 7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Linda Metcalfe** Kindergarten Teacher Oak Street School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$48,426 effective April 5, 2017 through June 30, 2017 as a maternity leave replacement for K. McGowan.
- 8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the following **Extra-Curricular Resignations** for the 2016-17 school year:

Joe Zubko Freshman Boys' Lacrosse
Megan Kern Drama Club Spring RHS

- 9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Salary Guide Advancements** effective March 1, 2017:

<u>Staff Member:</u>	<u>School:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Taylor Kurilew	MP	Step 2 BA \$48,926	Step 2 BA+30 \$52,229

Beth Fain	MP	Step 4 BA+30 \$53,564	Step 4 MA \$56,495
Jessica Lynch	WA	Step 4 BA \$50,176	Step 4 BA+30 \$53,564
Justine Ludwig	CH	Step 5 BA \$50,926	Step 5 BA+30 \$54,364
Margaret Davignon	CH	Step 7 BA+30 \$56,464	Step 7 MA \$59,580
Robert Russo	MP	Step 20 MA \$82,850	Step 20 MA+30 \$90,100
Katie McGrath (1.10)	MP	Step 2 BA \$53,818	Step 2 MA \$60,588
Kelly Gelber	OS	Step 6 BA \$51,926	Step 6 BA+30 \$55,414
Deirdre Bachler	WA	Step 8 MA \$60,700	Step 8 MA+30 \$64,995
Danielle Sisto	RH	Step 5 MA \$57,340	Step 5 MA+30 \$61,395
Emily Barisonek	LC	Step 9 MA \$61,820	Step 9 MA+30 \$66,195
Christina Donahue	WA	Step 10 MA \$62,940	Step 10 MA+30 \$67,395
Allison Farrell	WA	Step 6 BA \$51,926	Step 6 BA+30 \$55,414

10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve **Change in Assignments/Locations and/or Salaries** 2016-17School Year:

<u>Staff Member:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Debbie Obligacion-Bune	LDTC Oak Street School at a salary of Step 20 MA+30 \$90,100 effective February 1, 2017 through June 30, 2107	LDTC Oak Street School at a salary of Step 20 MA+30 \$90,100 effective February 16, 2017 through June 30, 2107
Michael Loeser	Cedar Hill School	Ridge High School
Larry Mongno	Ridge High School	Cedar Hill School
Mary Ellen Peters	Secretary RHS Step 9+5 Tests \$56,107 effective 2/1/17	Secretary RHS Step 9+6 Tests \$56,607 Effective 2/16/17
Ann Sobine	Secretary RHS Step 9+5 Tests \$56,107 effective 2/1/17	Secretary RHS Step 9+6 Tests \$56,607 Effective 2/16/17
Mary Russoniello	Secretary RHS Step 9+5 Tests \$56,107	Secretary RHS Step 9+6 Tests \$56,607

	effective 2/1/17	Effective 2/16/17
Judee Schroeder	Secretary Step 9+1 Test \$54,407 effective 2/1/17	Secretary Step 9+2 Test \$54,757 effective 2/16/17
Kara Rabouin	Paid Child Care Leave effective November 1, 2016 through January 11, 2017 utilizing 40 personal illness day then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave effective January 12, 2017 through February 17, 2017 running concurrently with an unpaid Federal Family Leave effective January 12, 2017 through March 5, 2017, returning March 6, 2017	Paid Child Care Leave effective November 1, 2016 through January 11, 2017 utilizing 40 personal illness day then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave effective January 12, 2017 through February 17, 2017 running concurrently with an unpaid Federal Family Leave effective January 12, 2017 through April 2, 2017, returning April 3, 2017
Monica Gupta	Cedar Hill School	Mount Prospect School
Daria Pizzuto	Approve an unpaid leave for Spanish Teacher William Annin Middle School Fulbright Distinguished Teacher Grant recipient, effective March 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017	Approve an unpaid leave for Spanish Teacher William Annin Middle School Fulbright Distinguished Teacher Grant recipient, effective March 6, 2017 through June 30, 2017

11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following staff members in the **Various Assignments** listed for the 2016-17 school year:

<u>Staff Member:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>
Glen Pernia	Mentor High School Classified Students	\$60.00 per hour
Matthew Lyons	Ridge Ready Program	\$60.00 per hour
Tom Napier	Ridge Ready Program	\$60.00 per hour
Bonnie Brunskill	Bedside Instruction	\$76.83 per hour
Ann Suter	Twilight Program Sub	\$66.30 per hour
Susan Madorma	Twilight Program Sub	\$66.30 per hour

Vincent Cuccaro	Bedside Instructor	\$76.83 per hour
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12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following Staff Members to receive a **CDL License Stipend** at a salary of \$1,000 for the 2016-17 school year:

Peter Samila	Reyne Juechter
Lawrence Mongno	Jason Auricchio
Chet Lawson	Louis Puopolo
Ken Cherry	

13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Extra-Curricular Assignments** for the 2016-17 school year:

<u>School:</u>	<u>Staff Member:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>16-17 Stipend:</u>	<u>Longevity:</u>
RH	Tyler Brown	Freshman Boys' Lacrosse	\$6,068	n/a
RH	Gregory Aroneo	Assistant Girls' Lacrosse	\$6,068	n/a
RH	Joe Cambria	Winter Track	\$5,160	n/a

14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following mentors for the 2016-17 school year, mentoring fee to be paid by provisional teacher:

<u>Provisional Teacher:</u>	<u>Position:</u>	<u>Mentor:</u>	<u>Payment:</u>
Giovanna Sollazzo	Special Education	Lisa Sweeny	\$275.00

15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Spring Mini Unit Instructors** for the 2016-17 school year:

<u>Staff Member:</u>	<u>School:</u>	<u>Course:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>
Dena Zapoluch	CH	Lots of Legos A	\$872.00
Amanda Avena	CH	Lots of Legos B	\$872.00
Brenna Moore	CH	Lots of Legos	\$436.00
Maggie Davignon	CH	Games R Us	\$436.00

Judy Pennino	CH	Games R Us	\$436.00
Marguerite LeBoeuf	CH	Let's Get Crafty	\$872.00
Fiorella Bologno	CH	First Steps in Italian	\$436.00
Jason Caputo	CH	First Steps in Italian	\$436.00
Maggie Davignon	CH	Mad Scientists	\$872.00
Allison Farrell	CH	Clay Studio	\$872.00
Erin Giacchi	CH	Clay Studio	\$436.00
Vicki Daglian	CH	Coding Games in Scratch	\$872.00
Natalie Urbaniak	CH	Jewelry Making Mania	\$872.00
Pamela Jernegan	CH	Sensational Scientists	\$872.00
Karen Pellicone	MP	Beginners Chess Club	\$872.00
Daniela Ventrice	MP	Beginners Chess Club	\$872.00
Patrick Vreeland	MP	STEM Olympics	\$872.00
Katie Miller	MP	Disney Fans	\$872.00
Sheri Jakubowski	MP	Art Creations	\$872.00
Debbie Reynolds	MP	Art Creations	\$872.00
Katie Miller	MP	The World of Harry Potter	\$872.00
Joyce Osanyinlus	MP	Reader's Theater	\$872.00
Kimberly Bloom	MP	Panther Pride Press	\$872.00
Joyce Osanyinlus	MP	Young Author's Club	\$872.00
Brooke Zammit	MP	Super Scientists	\$872.00
James Garrity	MP	MP Advanced Chess Club	\$872.00
Kimberly Bloom	MP	Gamers Unite	\$872.00
Daniela Ventrice	MP	Coding	\$872.00
Robert Russo	MP	Coding	\$872.00
Caroline Clark	MP	Young Yogis	\$872.00

Anthony Lagreca	MP	Young Yogis	\$872.00
Karen Pellicone	MP	Deutch fur Kinder/German for Children	\$872.00
Lisa Roman	MP	Design It, Build It	\$872.00
John Gullifer	MP	Super Scientists	\$872.00
Mary Ann Guggenheim	MP	Super Scientists	\$872.00
William Baker	OS	Lego Lovers	\$872.00
Pam Burns	OS	Magic School Bus	\$436.00
Glen Denys	OS	All Things Active	\$872.00
Kelly Gelber	OS	Wacky for Websites	\$872.00
Kim Lewis	OS	Ceiling Tile Painting	\$872.00
Linda Mullen	OS	Magic School Bus	\$872.00
Marie Piccoline	OS	Super Sleuths	\$872.00
Christine Russo	OS	Mindful Coloring	\$872.00
Melanie Sackie	OS	Clay It Up (2 sessions)	\$1,744.00
Sheri Smith	OS	Improvisation	\$872.00
Alicia Bynoe	LC	Ceramic Creations 1	\$872.00
Mary Beth Carlucci	LC	"Knimble" Knitters	\$436.00
Mary Beth Carlucci	LC	Ceramic Creations 1 (Assistant)	\$436.00
Emily Barisonek	LC	LEGO Building Club	\$872.00
Kayla Rain	LC	DIY: Bags and Pillows	\$436.00
Cindy Mastrian	LC	You Paint It!	\$872.00
Beth Baliko	LC	You Paint It! (Assistant)	\$436.00

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following **Substitute Teachers** at a salary of \$90.00 per diem with a Valid County Substitute Certificate, \$110.00 per diem with a Valid New Jersey Instructional Certificate and **Substitute Nurses** at a salary of \$250.00 per diem for the 2016-17 school year:

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Mary Brasington	Sandra Cafone	Kimberly Elber
Lynn Kendis	Lorraine Leh	Margaret Murray
Cristi Vilade	Lynn Barclay	David Butler
Dylan Dupuis	Neil Nemetz	Bonnie Brunskill
Jennine Kunzig	Daniel Isenberg	Valerie Awender

17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Student Interns** for the 2016-17 and/or 2017-18 school years:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>College:</u>	<u>Placement:</u>
Shannon Madaio	College of Saint Elizabeth	Math/V. Thornton WAMS 2/17/17-3/31/17
Shannon Madaio	College of Saint Elizabeth	Math/L. Baker WAMS 5/5/17-5/19/17
Kaitlyn Schaefer	Caldwell College	Master's Thesis WAMS 1/23/17-6/17/17
Justin Satter	Rutgers	Science/M. Blackman RH 2/15/17-5/1/17
Charles Weibel	Rutgers	Science/M. Blackman RH 2/15/17-5/1/17
Connor Keating	TCNJ	History/E. Seiffert & S. Ward RH 3/13/17-5/5/17

18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Diana Mastrobuono** Grade 2 Teacher Cedar Hill School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$48,426 effective March 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 as a maternity leave replacement for W. McCullam.

19) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Jacklyn Spina** Instructional Aide Liberty Corner School effective February 24, 2017.

20) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve **Change in Assignments/Locations and/or Salaries** 2016-17 School Year:

<u>Staff Member:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Stacey Osucha	District School Nurse .6 effective September 1, 2016 through January 20, 2017 then District School Nurse 1.0	District School Nurse .6 effective September 1, 2016 through January 20, 2017 then District School Nurse 1.0

	effective January 23, 2017 through February 28, 2017 as a medical leave replacement	effective January 23, 2017 through end of assignment as a medical leave replacement
William Baker	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
James Garrity	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Mary Ann Guggenheim	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
John Gullifer	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Sheri Jakubowski	Mini Unit Instructor \$422.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$436.00
Megan Licata	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Katie Miller	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Joyce Osanyinlusi	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Karen Pellicone	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Marie Piccoline	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Deborah Reynolds	Mini Unit Instructor \$422.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$436.00
Christine Russo	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Melanie Sackie	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Patrick Vreeland	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Brooke Zammit	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Amanda Avena	Mini Unit Instructor \$1688.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$1744.00
Marybeth Carlucci	Mini Unit Instructor \$422.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$436.00
Kathryn Rain	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Natalie Urbaniak	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00
Deborah VanDusen	Mini Unit Instructor \$844.00	Mini Unit Instructor \$872.00

21) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following mentors for the 2016 - 17 school year, mentoring fee to be paid by the provisional teacher:

<u>Provisional Teacher</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Mentor</u>	<u>Payment</u>
Colin Copperthwaite	Physical Ed.	Melanie Doering	\$55
Kaitlyn Baccarini	Special Ed	Christen Dirocco	\$367
Sydney Lynn	Grade 3	Kristin Smerliio	\$275

On motion by Ms. McKeon seconded by Ms. Gray Items#1 to 21 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Dr. Dunten, Mr. Fry, Ms. Gray, Ms. McKeon, Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah, and Ms. Wooldridge
 “Noes” - None
 “Abstain” - None

Ms. McKeon noted that the next Personnel Meeting would take place on March 17, 2017.

POLICY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education hereby directs the Superintendent to work with the Board of Education Policy Committee to develop school district calendars for the 2018-2019, and 2019-2020 school years that include a holiday for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Said calendars to be presented to the full Board of Education for formal consideration by September 1, 2017.

On motion by Ms. Gray seconded by Dr. Dunten Item#1 was approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Ms. Cwerner, Dr. Dunten, Mr. Fry, Ms. Gray, Ms. McKeon, Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah, and Ms. Wooldridge
 “Noes” - Mr. Byrne
 “Abstain” - None

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education hereby adopts a revised 2017-2018 school district calendar to include a holiday for Martin Luther King Jr. Day (attachment 1) contingent on the availability of the district’s venue for project graduation on June 20, 2018.

On motion by Mr. Fry seconded by Dr. Dunten Item#2 was approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Dr. Dunten, Mr. Fry, Ms. McKeon, Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah, and Ms. Wooldridge
 “Noes” - None
 “Abstain” - Ms. Gray

3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following policies and regulation on **first reading**:

- P & R 1510 – Americans with Disabilities Act (M) (Revised)
- P 2240 – Controversial Issues (New)
- P 2415.30 – Title I - Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care (M) (New)

- P & R 2418 – Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 - Students (M) (New)
- P 3232 – Private Tutoring Personal Services (Revised)
- P 5116 – Education of Homeless Children (Revised)
- P 5330.04 – Administering an Opioid Antidote (New)
- P & R 8330 – Student Records (M) (Revised)

4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following policies and regulations on **second reading** and adopt said policies and regulations:

- P 5535 – Passive Breath Alcohol Sensor Device (Revised)
- R 5600 – Pupil Discipline/Code Of Conduct (M) (Revised)
- P 8210 – School Year Calendar (Revised)

On motion by Ms. Wooldridge seconded by Ms. Gray Items #3 and 4 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne (no to P 5535 only), Ms. Cwerner, Dr. Dunten, Mr. Fry, Ms. McKeon, Ms. Shah, and Ms. Wooldridge
“Noes” - Mr. Byrne to P 5535 only
“Abstain” - Ms. Richman

Mr. Fry provided an explanation of Policy items #1 and #2. Each item was separately voted on. Mr. Fry explained that items #3 and #4 were policies and regulations up for first and second reading.

Superintendent Markarian stated that the calendar is selected in December three years prior to the actual school year and also reinforced that Policy Resolution #2 is contingent upon the ability for the venue to commit to the change in date for Project Graduation.

CURRICULUM

Ms. Gray provided a report from the February 13, 2017 Curriculum Committee Meeting. Topics included the English as a Second Language (ELL) program, a recent event where students of American Sign Language visited the Basking Ridge Firehouse to show firefighters some basic signs so they may communicate with hearing impaired persons when out on an emergency call, an update from Ms. Vitale regarding the Response to Intervention program, an update from Superintendent Markarian regarding a consulting service Effective School Solutions that provides in district clinical services for students with behavioral and emotional issues, the stressors survey and CAD1 and CAD2 courses. Ms. Gray noted that the next meeting would take place on March 10, 2017.

ADVOCACY

Ms. Richman noted that the next meeting would be held on Monday, March 6, 2017.

LIAISON REPORTS

No report.

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XIII. Public Comment

Public comments were regarding the process of adding the Martin Luther King Jr. Day to the 2017-18 School Year calendar, the gifted and talented program, Policy 3232- private tutoring, PARCC testing, breathalyzer tests at sporting events, the upcoming project to replace the Ridge High School Track and the concern over increasing third-grade class sizes at Oak Street School.

Superintendent Nick Markarian thanked the parents of Oak Street School for coming to the Board of Education meeting to express their concerns. Mr. Markarian noted that he has recently had discussions with the Principal of Oak Street School, Dr. Costa, regarding staffing, best use of staffing and class sizes.

Mr. Markarian provided clarification for Policy 3232 stating that guidance counsellors are only prohibited from tutoring Bernards Township students and explained that the Ridge High Track replacement was determined to be more efficient and effective than replacing one lane of the track.

XIV. Board Forum

Board members thanked members of the public for their large turnout.

President Cwerner addressed the newly implemented communication tool for the Board, the Google Platform, and asked that the Board Members address any concerns or issues with Superintendent Markarian via email so they may be addressed.

XV. Adjournment

On motion by Ms. Wooldridge, seconded by Ms. Shah, and approved by all present, the meeting was adjourned at 10:18p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rod McLaughlin
Board Secretary