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BASKING RIDGE, NEW JERSEY  
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The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President McKeon.

**I. Regular Session – Call to Order – 5:00 p.m. – Board of Education Conference Room**

**II. Salute to the Flag**

**III. Roll Call**

PRESENT: Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Ms. Gray, Ms. Kusel, Ms. McKeon, Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah, Ms. Wooldridge, Mr. Markarian, Mr. Siet, Mr. McLaughlin

ABSENT: Mr. Fry

**IV. Executive Session – 5:01 p.m. – Board of Education Conference Room**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bernards Township Board of Education met in closed session to discuss: contract negotiations; confidential personnel items; individuals under consideration for employment; 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.

**V. Regular Session – Call to Order – 7:09 p.m. – Cedar Hill School Multipurpose Room**

**VI. Statement of Public Notice**

This was 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 our public forums 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. Superintendent's Report**

1) Acknowledge **2015 Teachers of the Year**

Michelle Licata	Cedar Hill School
Caryn Albert	Liberty Corner School
Dawn Borchert	Mount Prospect School
Christine Russo	Oak Street School
Steve Isaacs	William Annin Middle School
Kimberly Clark	Ridge High School

Superintendent Nick Markarian introduced the district principals. Each principal spoke on the merits and commitment of their Teacher of the Year.

### **VIII. Board Presentation**

- 1) “Building STEM in Bernards Township”–
  - Director of Curriculum & Instruction Brian Heineman
  - Supervisor of Technology Matt Hall
  - Supervisor of Fine & Practical Arts Michael Fackelman
  - Supervisor of Mathematics Kristen Wolff

Dr. Heineman began the presentation by reviewing the district committee structure and the district goal as it relates to the STEM initiative. The committee visited Morristown School District, Philadelphia Science Leadership Academy, Teaneck and Watchung Hills Regional High School to review their programs. Information gathered included:

- Commonalities of STEM programs include partnership with outside experts, a common vision, a theme approach to connect disciplines, branding, project-based and a focus on application
- Equipment needed

The vision and goals of the Ridge High STEM program is to attract a diverse group of enthusiastic and creative problem solvers who will become the leaders of tomorrow. The supervisors presented the proposed model, an academy flowchart, proposed STEM electives, an overview of Project Lead the Way and how it will relate to the high school program, connections with AP courses, and options for students who are not in the Academy.

The vision and goals for the William Annin Middle School program include accessibility to each interested student and fostering a love of learning while incorporating this program into the “school-within-a-school.”

The presenters gave an explanation of the “Maker” movement and Makerspace. The application process, anticipated costs for staffing, equipment and facilities for each program, the proposed timeline and benefits to the students were outlined.

For the complete presentation click [here](#).

### **IX. Public Comment on Agenda Items**

Comments were made regarding the STEM program and the efforts of the committee and staff. A suggestion was made to include a biomedical track, finding summer internships for students, participation in summer college programs, the program being primarily an engineering track, utilizing external outreach opportunities, unweighting of courses, the



annual cost involved vs. the number of students served and the intersection with the current Gifted & Talented program.

**X. Approval of Minutes**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

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

- April 27, 2015 – Executive Session Minutes
- April 27, 2015 – Regular Session Minutes
- May 4, 2015 – Regular Session Minutes

On motion by Ms. Wooldridge, seconded by Ms. Cwerner, the foregoing was approved by the following roll call vote:

- “Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Ms. Gray (except April 27, 2015 Executive Session), Ms. Kusel, Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah, Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. McKeon (except April 27, 2015 Executive Session)
- “Noes” - None
- “Abstain” - Ms. Gray (only April 27, 2015 Executive Session), Ms. McKeon (only April 27, 2015 Executive Session)

**XI. Annual Appointments**

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby adopt the bylaws, policies, regulations and job descriptions on file in the office of the Bernards Township Board of Education for the 2015-16 school year.

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby adopt the previously approved curriculum guides, textbooks for grades K-12 on file in the Curriculum Office, Long Range Maintenance Plan and Emergency and Crisis Management Plans for the 2015-16 school year.

3) RESOLUTION increasing the bid threshold and appointing a Qualified Purchasing Agent, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq.

**WHEREAS**, the recent changes to the Public School Contracts Law gave boards of education the ability to increase their bid threshold up to \$36,000; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3a, permits an increase in the bid threshold if a Qualified Purchasing Agent is appointed as well as granted the authorization to negotiate and award such contracts below the bid threshold; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C., 5:34-5 et seq. establishes the criteria for qualifying as a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

**WHEREAS**, Rod McLaughlin possesses the designation of Qualified Purchasing Agent as issued by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with N.J.A.C., 5:34-5 et seq; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bernards Township Board of Education desires to increase the bid threshold as provided in N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the governing body of the Bernards Township Board of Education, in The County of Somerset, in the State of New Jersey hereby increased its bid threshold to \$36,000.00; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the governing body hereby appoints Rod McLaughlin as the Qualified Purchasing Agent to exercise the duties of a purchasing agent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2b, with specific relevance to the authority, responsibility, and accountability of the purchasing activity of the Board of Education; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.2 the Board of Education Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution and a copy of Rod McLaughlin's certification to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby authorize **Business Administrator Rod McLaughlin** to award contracts up to the state prescribed bid limit and to advertise for public bid all projects above the bid threshold for the 2015-16 school year.

5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Jean O'Connell** as Appointment of Liaison for the Education of Homeless Children, Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator and Substance Awareness Officer; appoint **Sean Siet** as Affirmative Action Officer and Title IX Coordinator; appoint **Jillian Shadis** Public Law 504 Coordinator; **David Harding** as New Jersey State Integrated Pest Management Coordinator and Indoor Air Quality Coordinator; and appoint **Rod McLaughlin** as Attendance Officer, Public Agency Compliance Officer, Open Public Records Act Officer, Public Employees Occupational Safety, and Health Act Coordinator; **Matt Hall** as Asbestos Management Officer and Right-To-Know Coordinator for the 2015-16 school year.

6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following statements which are reflective of the policy of the Board of Education and will be published at least annually in newsletters or related information publications of the Bernards Township Board of Education along with the names, addresses and phone numbers of the Affirmative Action Officer, the Public Law 504 Coordinator and the

Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health Act Coordinator (PEOSHA) for the 2015-16 school year:

“The Bernards Township School District offers all students and staff equal educational and employment opportunities regardless of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation.

The Bernards Township School District offers a free and appropriate public education and related services to handicapped students in an unrestricted environment in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Subsections 104.31 through 104.38.

The Board of Education believes that harassing, bullying and hazing activities of any type are inconsistent with the educational process and the board prohibits all such harassing, bullying and/or hazing behavior at any time on school premises, at any school-sponsored function, or on any school bus. Any person who believes that he or she has been the victim of harassment, bullying or hazing, or any person with knowledge or belief of conduct which may constitute harassment, bullying or hazing, shall report the alleged acts immediately to an appropriate school district official. The building principal is the person responsible for receiving reports of harassment, bullying or hazing at the building level. Any person may report harassment, bullying or hazing directly to the Affirmative Action Officer or the Superintendent. To review the complete policy and procedures of the Board of Education, please visit the district website at [www.bernardsboe.com](http://www.bernardsboe.com).

Students and staff members in Bernards Township Public Schools are expected to treat one another with respect regardless of gender, color, race, religion, national origin or sexual orientation. Inappropriate behaviors such as: touching of a sexual nature, gender based or sexual comments, jokes or name calling of any kind by students or staff are not permitted. For students, this also includes traveling on the way to or from school or on school property.”

7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve membership in Somerset County School Boards Association, New Jersey School Development Council, Garden State Coalition of Suburban Schools, and New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association for the 2015-16 school year.

8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **field trip destinations** for the 2015-16 school year:

Adult Day Care Somerset Hills VNA, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Balfour Yearbook Advisers & Editors Workshop, Pt. Pleasant Beach, NJ  
Basking Ridge Environmental Center, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Basking Ridge Fire Station, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Bernards High School, Bernardsville, NJ  
Big Onion Tour, NYC, NY  
Bishop Janes Church, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Bound Brook High School, Bound Brook, NJ  
Boudinot/Ross Property, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Brick Academy, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Brick Memorial High School, Brick, NJ  
Bridgewater Mall, Bridgewater, NJ  
Bridgewater-Raritan High School, Bridgewater, NJ  
Broadway Theaters, NYC, NY  
Bronx Zoo, Bronx, NY  
Cake Boss Bakery, Hoboken, NJ  
Camden Aquarium, Camden, NJ  
Cathedral of St. John the Devine, NYC, NY  
Chatham Middle School, Chatham, NJ  
Central Park Zoo, NYC, NY  
Chelsea Art Galleries, NYC, NY  
Christian Brothers Academy, Lincroft, NJ  
Clearview Regional High School, Mullica Hill, NJ  
College of Staten Island, Staten Island, NY  
Columbia University, NYC, NY  
Constitution Center/Independence Hall, Philadelphia, PA  
Crane Arts, Philadelphia, PA  
Delbarton School, Morristown, NJ  
Doyle's Unami Farm, Hillsborough, NJ  
Eastern State Penitentiary, Philadelphia, PA  
Edison National Historical Park, West Orange, NJ  
Ellis Island, NY  
Environmental Center, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Fair Lawn High School, Fairlawn, NJ  
Federal Reserve Bank of NY, NYC, NY  
Franklin High School, Somerset, NJ  
Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, PA  
Franklin Mineral Mines, Sussex County, NJ  
Frelinghuysen Arboretum, East Hanover, NJ  
Garden State Scholastic Press, Rutgers, Piscataway, NJ

Gershwin Theatre, NYC, NY  
Gill St. Bernards School, Gladstone, NJ  
Goggle Headquarters, NYC, NY  
Goryeb Children's Hospital, Morristown, NJ  
Governor's Island, NY  
Grand Central Station, NYC, NY  
Great Adventure, Jackson, NJ  
Hacklebarney State Park, Chester, NJ  
Harry Dunham Park, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Hershey Park, Hershey, PA  
Hillsborough High School, Hillsborough, NJ  
Hoboken Train Station, Hoboken, NJ  
Hunterdon Central High School, Fleming, NJ  
Insectropolis, Toms River, NJ  
International Center of Photography, NYC, NY  
Jockey Hollow & Ross House, Basking Ridge, NJ  
J.P. Stevens High School  
Kimmel Center, Philadelphia, NJ  
Liberty Science Center, Jersey City, NJ  
McCarter Theater, Princeton, NJ  
MAC at Monmouth University, Long Branch, NJ  
Medieval Times, Lyndhurst, NJ  
Melick's Farm, Oldwick, NJ  
Memorial Auditorium, Montclair, NJ  
Mendham High School, Mendham, NJ  
Met Life Stadium, East Rutherford, NJ  
Metropolitan Museum of Art, NYC, NY  
Mitsuwa Japanese Marketplace, Edgewater, NJ  
Monmouth County Fire Academy, Freehold, NJ  
Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ  
Montgomery High School, Skillman, NJ  
Morristown (Mayo) Community Theatre, Morristown, NJ  
Mt. Olive High School, Mt. Olive, NJ  
Museum of Modern Art, NYC, NY  
Museum of the Moving Image, Astoria, NY  
Nicholas Music Center, New Brunswick, NJ  
NJPAC, Newark, NJ  
NJ State Police Barracks, Trenton, NJ  
NJ Vietnam Veteran Memorial, Holmdel, NJ  
NYC Lower East Side, Hester Street, NYC, NY  
Orts Farm, Long Valley, NJ  
Papermill Playhouse, Millburn, NJ  
Parkland High School, Allentown, NJ  
Pennsauken High School, Pennsauken, NJ

Philadelphia Zoo, Philadelphia, PA  
Pine Belt Arena, Toms River, NJ  
Pines Manor, Edison, NJ  
Pleasant Valley Park, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Presbyterian Church of Westfield, Westfield, NJ  
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ  
Prudential Center, Newark, NJ  
Reading Terminal Market, Philadelphia, PA  
Red Mill Museum, Clinton, NJ  
Ridge Oak Senior Center, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Rutgers Prep High School, Somerset, NJ  
Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ  
RVCC Arts Center Theatre, Branchburg, NJ  
RVCC Planetarium, Branchburg, NJ  
RVCC, Branchburg, NJ  
Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, Scotch Plains, NJ  
Sheraton Convention Center, East Brunswick, NJ  
Somerset County Administration Building, Somerville, NJ  
Somerville High School, Somerville, NJ  
South Brunswick High School, South Brunswick, NJ  
South Orange PAC, South Orange, NJ  
Spanish Repertory Theater Company, NYC, NY  
Stabler Arena, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA  
Subway, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920  
Summit Medical Group, Berkeley Heights, NJ  
St. James Church, Basking Ridge, NJ  
State Theatre, New Brunswick, NJ  
Sterling Hill Mining Museum, Ogdensburg, NJ  
Taylor Publishing Company, Edison, NJ  
TD Ball Park, Bridgewater, NJ  
Terrill Middle School, Scotch Plains, NJ  
The College of New Jersey, Ewing, NJ  
The Metropolitan Opera, NYC, NY  
The Seeing Eye, Morristown, NJ  
Thomas Edison National Historical Park, West Orange, NJ  
Thomas Edison Museum, Menlo Park, NJ  
Trenton Barracks/Washington Crossings State Park, NJ  
Turtleback Zoo, West Orange, NJ  
Two River Theater, Red Bank, NJ  
Union High School, Union, NJ  
United Methodist Church, Basking Ridge, NJ  
United Reformed Church, Somerville, NJ  
United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington DC  
University of PA, Philadelphia, PA

US Holocaust Memorial Museum, NYC, NY  
Vanderveer House, Bedminster, NJ  
VA Medical Center, Lyons, NJ  
Verizon, Basking Ridge, NJ  
Washington's Crossing, Titusville, NJ  
Watchung Hills High School, Warren, NJ  
Westfield Presbyterian Church, Westfield, NJ  
West Morris Mendham High School, Mendham, NJ  
West Morris Central High School, Mendham, NJ  
Wightman's Farm, Morristown, NJ  
William Patterson University, Wayne, NJ  
Woodbridge High School, Woodridge, NJ  
Yale University, New Haven, CT

On motion by Ms. Kusel, seconded by Ms. Gray, Items #1 through #8 were approved by the following roll call vote:

“Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Ms. Gray, Ms. Kusel, Ms. Richman,  
Ms. Shah (except Item #8), Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. McKeon  
“Noes” - None  
“Abstain” - Ms. Shah (only Item #8)

In response to a question, Finance Chairperson Elaine Kusel stated these are annual appointments.

## **XI. Committee Reports**

### **FINANCE**

#### **BE IT RESOLVED THAT**

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a list of disbursements dated May 18, 2015 consisting of warrants in the amount of \$4,777,531.68.

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the April 2015 Financial Reports from the Board Secretary, the monthly Investment Report for April 2015, and the Treasurer of the School Monies Report for April 2015.

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 April 2015 line item transfers totaling \$136,144.80 to the 2014-15 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 2014-15 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Name of Conference:</u>	<u>Cost:</u>	<u>Date(s):</u>
D. Schwartz	NJTESOL Spring Conference	\$310	5/27/2015 – 5/28/2015
J. Gurkin	NJTESOL Spring Conference	\$310	5/27/2015 – 5/28/2015

5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following field trip destination for the 2014-15 school year:

<u>Destination:</u>	<u>Group Attending:</u>	<u>Number of Students:</u>
NJPAC Newark, NJ	Liberty Corner Students	55

6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the designation of the **Bernardsville News** and **Courier News** as official district newspapers for the 2015-16 school year.

7) WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Bernards Township Board of Education (the “Board”) to engage Board attorney services for the coming year; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has confirmed the terms of engagement with respect to rates and services proposed by Adams, Guttierrez, Lattiboudere LLC for the coming year; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Adams, Guttierrez, Lattiboudere LLC to provide Board attorney services to the Board has been determined by the Board to be most likely to best serve the interests of the Board; and

WHEREAS, funds have been appropriated in the Board’s 2015-16 budget for these purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bernards Township Board of Education as follows:



The services of the following firm are hereby engaged to serve as Board attorney for the Board for a period not to exceed one year:

**Adams, Guttierrez, Lattiboudere LLC**  
1037 Raymond Blvd, Suite 900  
Newark, NJ 07102

The services to be rendered by the Board's attorney are services to be performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by law and, therefore, comply with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1) as professional services.

8) WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Bernards Township Board of Education (the "Board") to engage property and casualty insurance services for the coming year; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has confirmed the terms of engagement with respect to rates and services proposed by Arthur J. Gallagher for the coming year; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Arthur J. Gallagher to provide property and casualty insurance services to the Board has been determined by the Board to be most likely to best serve the interests of the Board; and

WHEREAS, funds have been appropriated in the Board's 2015-16 budget for these purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bernards Township Board of Education as follows:

The services of the following firm are hereby engaged to provide property and casualty insurance services for the Board for a period not to exceed one year:

**Arthur J. Gallagher**  
707 State Road  
Princeton, NJ 08542

The services to be rendered by the Board's property and casualty insurance are services to be performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by law and, therefore, comply with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1) as professional services.

9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Michael Petrizzo** as Treasurer of School Monies for the 2015-16 school year at a fee of \$6,000.

10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby authorize the business administrator to open accounts, transfer, invest and maintain funds in the best interest of the Board of Education in the following approved public depositories for the 2015-16 school year:

**New Jersey Cash Management**  
**MBIA Municipal Investors Service Corp.**  
**Wells Fargo Bank**  
**Millington Savings Bank**  
**US Bank**

11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a contract with **Phoenix Advisors** for annual financial advisory services for the 2015-16 school year and authorize the execution of a contract, not to exceed the bid threshold.

12) WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Bernards Township Board of Education (the "Board") to engage the services of District auditor for the coming year; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has confirmed the terms of engagement with respect to rates and services proposed by Wiss & Company for the coming year; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Wiss & Company to provide auditing services to the Board has been determined by the Board to be most likely to best serve the interests of the Board; and

WHEREAS, funds have been appropriated in the Board's 2015-16 budget for these purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bernards Township Board of Education as follows:

1. The services of the following firm are hereby engaged to serve as District auditor for the Board for a period not to exceed one year:

**Wiss & Company**  
485C Route 1 South, Suite 250  
Iselin, NJ 08830

2. The services to be rendered by the Board's District auditor are services to be performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by law and, therefore, comply with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1) as professional services.

13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Strauss Esmay Associates** as policy service providers for the 2015-16 school year with an annual policy alert and support system fee of \$2,445, a maintenance fee of \$1,595, an annual policies fee of \$395, and an annual regulations fee of \$100.

14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby designate the stated personnel to sign checks on the following accounts for the 2015-16 school year:

General Account	Board President, Board Secretary, Treasurer
Payroll Account	Board President, Board Secretary, Treasurer
Agency Account	Board President, Board Secretary, Treasurer
Unemployment Account	Board President, Board Secretary, Treasurer
Cedar Hill Student Activities	Principal or Assistant Principal
Liberty Corner Student Activities	Principal or Assistant Principal
Mount Prospect Student Activities	Principal or Assistant Principal
Oak Street Student Activities	Principal or Assistant Principal
Ridge High Student Activities	Principal or Assistant Principal
Ridge High Athletic Account	Principal or Director of Athletics
William Annin Student Activities	Principal or Assistant Principal
Superintendent Petty Cash	Superintendent
Assistant Superintendent Petty Cash	Assistant Superintendent
Cedar Hill School Petty Cash	Principal or Assistant Principal
Curriculum Petty Cash	Assistant Superintendent
Liberty Corner Petty Cash	Principal or Assistant Principal
Oak Street Petty Cash	Principal or Assistant Principal
Ridge High School Athletic Petty Cash	Principal or Director of Athletics
Ridge High School Petty Cash	Principal or Assistant Principal
Special Education Petty Cash	Director of Special Services
William Annin Middle School Petty Cash	Cash Principal or Assistant Principal
Autistic Petty Cash	Supervisor of Special Services
Peach Petty Cash	Supervisor of Special Services
PALS Petty Cash	Supervisor of Special Services
Performing Arts	Business Administrator, Supervisor of Fine & Practical Arts

15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby acknowledge the following **parent groups/organizations** for the 2015-16 school year which are using district schools:

<b><u>School:</u></b>	<b><u>Group:</u></b>
Ridge High	Fencing Association
Ridge High	Lady Devil Basketball Association
Ridge High	Homerun Club
Ridge High	Rebound Club – Boys Basketball
Ridge High	Ridge Booster Club

Ridge High	Ridge Boys' Volleyball
Ridge High	Ridge Cheerleading Parent Group
Ridge High	Ridge Diamond Club
Ridge High	Ridge Drama Club
Ridge High	Ridge Girls Lacrosse Club
Ridge High	Ridge Girls' Gymnastics
Ridge High	Ridge Girls' Volleyball
Ridge High	Ridge Ice Hockey Association
Ridge High	Ridge Lacrosse Inc.
Ridge High	Ridge Marching Band Association
Ridge High	Ridge PTO
Ridge High	Ridge Runners
Ridge High	Ridge Sports Foundation
Ridge High	Ridge Wrestling Parent Group
Ridge High	Ski Club
Ridge High	Ski Team Parent Group
Ridge High	Swim Team Parent Group
Ridge High	The Goal Club
Ridge High	Touchdown Club
Ridge High	Winners Circle
William Annin	Annin PTO
William Annin	William Annin Middle School Athletic Organization
Cedar Hill	Cedar Hill PTO
Oak Street	Oak Street PTO
Mount Prospect	Mount Prospect Mount Prospect PTO
Liberty Corner	Liberty Corner Liberty Corner PTO
District	Bernards Township Parents of Exceptional Children
District	District Destination Imagination

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the use of the following **state contracts** for the 2015-16 school year:

<b><u>Company:</u></b>	<b><u>Service:</u></b>	<b><u>State Contract #:</u></b>
Apple Computer Inc.	Computer hardware & equipment	70259
Atlantic Business	Copiers & related services	54164
Bowco Laboratories	Pest control	79796
Cascade	School supplies	65589
Cisco Systems Inc.	Data communications equipment	87720
Dell Computer	Computer hardware & equipment	70256
Fisher Scientific	Library supplies, school supplies & teaching aids	80978
Flemington Buick Chevrolet	Vehicles	79159
Grainger Inc.	Industrial supplies & equipment	79875
HP	Computer hardware & equipment	70262

IBM	Computer hardware & equipment	70265
Jewel Electric Supply Co.	Electrical equipment	85578
Keer Electrical Supply Co.	Electrical equipment	85583
Lakeshore Learning Materials	Library & School Supplies	80991
Lenovo	Computer hardware & equipment	76263
Oracle America Inc.	Computer hardware & equipment	70258
Pasco Scientific	Scientific equipment	75835
Pemberton Electrical Supply Co.	Electrical equipment	85579/88955
Perma Bound	Publication Media	86070
Ricciardi Brothers	Paint and related supplies	82224
School Specialty	Library supplies, school supplies & teaching aids	80986
Staples	Office supplies & equipment	77249
Steps to Literacy	Library Supplies, School Supplies, & Teaching Aids	80980
Stewart Business	Copiers & related services	64041
Tele Measurements Inc.	Video conferencing	81123
W.B. Mason Company, Inc.	Library Supplies, School Supplies, & Teaching Aids	80975

17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby resolve to maintain membership for the 2015-16 school year in the following purchasing cooperatives: Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission, Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission, the County of Somerset New Jersey and Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council.

18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **tax shelter annuity companies** for the 2015-16 school year:

**The Legend Group**  
**AXA Equitable Insurance Company**  
**MetLife Resources**  
**Lincoln Investments**  
**VALIC**

19) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the **Facility Use Fees** for the 2015-16 school year; schedule on file in the Board office.

20) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a contract with **Educational Data Services, Inc.** to provide bidding services with a licensing and maintenance fee of \$12,500, time and material bid of \$1,990, and right-to-know services at a cost of \$5,100 for the 2015-16 school year.

21) 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 2015-16 school year. The administrative fees are not to exceed at \$140,000.

22) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following agreements with **Somerset County Educational Services Commission** for the 2015-16 school year:

- Nonpublic Instructional Services Agreement and Addendum – Chapters 192/193
- Nonpublic Instructional Services Agreement – IDEA
- 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

23) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a contract with **Dr. Robert D’Agostini** as Football Team Physician for the 2015-16 school year at a rate of \$200 per varsity game, not to exceed \$1,400.

24) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a contract with **New Jersey Sports Medical and Performance Center** (Dr. Silberman) as per fee schedule on file in the Board office, not to exceed \$8,200, for the 2015-16 school year.

25) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a contract with **Dr. Matthew Speesler** as District School Physician as per fee schedule on file in the Board office, not to exceed \$3,200, for the 2015-16 school year.

26) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the law firm of **Murphy, McKeon P.C.** as special counsel for construction for the 2015-16 school year. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a “professional service” under the provisions of the local public contracts law as a recognized profession, licensed and regulated by law, and due to the technical and unique character of this field of endeavor wherein experience and knowledge cannot be practically measured.

27) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve **disposal of equipment/books** for the 2014-15 school year; list maintained in the Board of Education office.

28) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **tuition rates** for the 2015-16 school year:

<b><u>Program:</u></b>	<b><u>Tuition:</u></b>	<b><u>ESY:</u></b>
Kindergarten	\$12,042	
Grades 1 – 5	\$12,475	
Grades 6 – 8	\$13,825	

Grades 9 – 12	\$12,695	
LLD	\$29,570	\$3,232
Moderate Cognitively Impaired	\$18,960	\$2,072
PT Preschool Disabled	\$21,345	\$2,333
Behavioral	\$51,695	\$5,650
FT Preschool Autistic	\$87,404	\$9,552
Autistic KG – 12	\$87,404	\$9,552

- 29) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve an aide for student # 201082 from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 at **The Children’s Institute** not to exceed \$12,875.
- 30) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve nursing services for student # 301350 from April 28, 2015 to June 30, 2015 at **Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc.** not to exceed \$16,000.
- 31) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve an occupational therapy evaluation for student # 305247 from **Occupational Therapy Associates of Princeton, LLC** not to exceed \$750.
- 32) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve physical therapy services for student # 202693 from September 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 at **Morris Union Jointure Commission** not to exceed \$8,400.
- 33) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve occupational therapy services for student # 202693 from September 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 at **Morris Union Jointure Commission** not to exceed \$9,240.
- 34) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve home instruction services for student # 301886 from April 30, 2015 to May 30, 2015 at **Brookfield Homebound School Program** not to exceed \$3,012.80.
- 35) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve home instruction services for student # 304887 from April 28, 2015 to June 3, 2015 at **Stepping Forward Counseling Center, LLC** not to exceed \$3,750.
- 36) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the stipulation of settlement for student ID #302498 and authorizes the administration to implement its terms.

37) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **William Annin Middle School Foods Lab Renovation** contract change orders for Precision Building and Construction:

<u>Change:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
<b>Extra charge</b> for material and labor to install additional outlets for A/C units at Foods Lab	\$1,560.00
<b>Deduct</b> – credit for unused portion of allowance	( <u>\$13,440.0</u> )
<b>Total Deduct:</b>	(\$11,880.00)

38) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a contract with **Invo Healthcare Associates** for speech services from May 12, 2015 to June 19, 2015 not to exceed \$16,065.

On motion by Ms. Kusel, seconded by Ms. Richman, Items #1 through #38 were approved by the following roll call vote:

- “Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Ms. Gray, Ms. Kusel, Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah, Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. McKeon
- “Noes” - None
- “Abstain” - None

**PERSONNEL**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Sloane Castleman** Reading Specialist Liberty Corner School effective June 30, 2015.
- 2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Cathy Cheo-Isaacs** Computer Teacher Cedar Hill School effective June 30, 2015.
- 3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Sarah Gavarny** Preschool Special Education Teacher Mount Prospect School effective June 30, 2015.
- 4) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Siobhan Brunner** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School effective June 18, 2015.
- 5) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Jennifer Petkovski** Instructional Aide Mount Prospect School effective June 5, 2015.
- 6) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Laurie Zimering** School Aide Mount Prospect School effective May 25, 2015.



7) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve an unpaid New Jersey Leave for **Kimberly Clark** Health & Physical Education Teacher Ridge High School effective September 1, 2015 through October 13, 2015 running concurrently with an unpaid Federal Family Leave effective September 1, 2015 through November 30, 2015 then an unpaid child care leave effective December 1, 2015 through January 31, 2016, returning February 1, 2016.

8) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid Child Care Leave for **Kristin Constantiello** Math Teacher William Annin Middle School effective September 8, 2015 through November 3, 2015 utilizing 40 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave effective November 4, 2015 through December 16, 2015 running concurrently with an unpaid Federal Family Leave effective November 4, 2015 through January 31, 2016, returning February 1, 2016.

9) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid Child Care Leave for **Natalia Joffe** School Psychologist Mount Prospect School effective September 1, 2015 through September 9, 2015 utilizing 4 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave effective September 10, 2015 through October 24, 2015 running concurrently with an unpaid Federal Family Leave effective September 10, 2015 through December 13, 2015 returning December 14, 2015.

10) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve an Intermittent unpaid New Jersey Family Leave for **Jennifer Keeling** Math Teacher Ridge High School effective May 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015.

11) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve **Non-Renewals and RIF's (Reduction in Force)** for the 2015-16 school year, list on file in the Personnel Office.

12) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Change in Assignments, FTE, Salaries and/or Locations** for the 2014-15 & 2015-16 school year:

<b><u>Staff Member:</u></b>	<b><u>From:</u></b>	<b><u>To:</u></b>
Katie Darby	1.00 Step 4 BA+30 \$52,829	1.10 Step 4 BA+30 \$58,112
Cara Miscia	1.05 Step 6 MA \$60,563	1.05 Step 7 MA \$61,749
Frank LoCascio	1.00 Step 9 MA+30 \$65,374	1.00 Step 10 MA+30 \$66,589
Sheila Casimir	William Annin Middle School	Ridge High School

13) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Jane Conklin** Instructional Aide William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 5 \$27.64 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective May 11, 2015 through June 18, 2015.

14) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Jeannine Contreras** Special Education Teacher CBAP Ridge High School at a salary of Step 2 BA+30 \$51,471 effective May 13, 2015 through June 30, 2015 as a maternity leave replacement for Shawn Scriffiano. Salary to be prorated to reflect dates actually worked.

15) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Lauren Scherp** Instructional Aide Cedar Hill School at a salary Step 1 \$25.25 per hour 7.5 hours per day effective May 4, 2015 through June 18, 2015.

16) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Karen Lai** School Aide Mount Prospect School at a salary of \$23.29 per hour 3 hours per day effective May 26, 2015 through June 18, 2015.

17) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Jenna Hawkswell** Assistant Principal Liberty Corner School at a salary of \$75,000 effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

18) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Jennifer Keeling** Math Teacher Ridge High School at a salary of Step 8 BA+30 \$56,839.00 effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 as a maternity leave replacement for Lauren Tan.

19) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Denise Ragard** Grade 3 Teacher Liberty Corner School at a salary of Step 3 BA \$48,724 effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

20) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Troy O'Connor** Math Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 1 BA \$47,724 effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 as a maternity leave replacement for Tara Cascarelli. Certificate of Advanced Standing-Mentoring required.

21) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Lisa Romano** School Psychologist William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 20 MA+30 \$89,424 effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

22) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Christian Soto** Social Studies Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 3 MA \$ 54,854 effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

23) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Michael Tong** Science Teacher Ridge High School at a salary of Step 18 D \$83,451 effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

24) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Maya Zohar** LDTC Oak Street School at a salary of Step 8 MA+30 \$64,159 effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

25) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint the following staff members in **Various Assignments** listed for the 2014-15 & 2015-16 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Salary:</u>
Sheila Casmir	Friday Night Activities-SE	\$25.77 per hour
Helen Cunningham	After School Aide	\$12.00 per hour
Kristy Baril	Summer Algebra	\$5,100
Travis Boop	Summer Algebra	\$5,100
Kelly Kowatch	At Home Program – SE	\$30.00 per hour
Paige Albertson	After School Aide	\$12.00 per hour

26) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Student Interns** for the 2015-16 school year:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>College/University:</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher:</u>
Jillian Mazza	Bloomsburg	Social Worker/2015-16 school year
Alexandra Neuman	Penn State	Speech/Jennifer Ramos Cedar Hill School 5/19/15-6/18/15

27) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **volunteers** for the 2014-15 school year:

Emily Visco	Chatham High School Senior/Teacher’s Helper
Marie Psomas-Jacklowski	Chatham High School Senior/Teacher’s Helper

28) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following **Substitute Teacher** at a salary of \$90 per diem and Substitute Nurses at a salary of \$170 per diem for the 2014-15 school year:

Troy O’Connor

29) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby accept the resignation of **Adena Friedberg** Social Studies Teacher Ridge High School effective June 30, 2015.

30) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve a paid Child Care Leave for **Peggy Wu** Guidance Counselor Ridge High School effective August 27, 2015 through October 6, 2015 utilizing 27 personal illness days then an unpaid New Jersey Family Leave effective October 7, 2015 through November 20, 2015 running concurrently with an unpaid Federal Family Leave effective October 7, 2015 through January 18, 2016 then an unpaid Child Care Leave effective January 19, 2016 through June 30, 2016, returning September 1, 2016.

31) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Lori Thompson** Guidance Counselor William Annin Middle School at a salary of Step 14 MA+30 \$76,843 effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

32) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Teal Barth** Secretary Liberty Corner School at a salary of Step 9 \$52,373 effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

33) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint Step/Salary/FTE of Certificated Staff for the 2015-16 school year:

<u>Last Name:</u>	<u>First Name:</u>	<u>FTE:</u>	<u>2015-16 Step:</u>	<u>2015-16 Salary:</u>
Cook	Jennifer	1.0	12 BA	\$57,606

34) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby appoint **Steven Bogart** Physical Education Teacher William Annin Middle School at a salary of \$238.00 per diem effective May 26, 2015 through June 19, 2015 as a medical leave replacement.

On motion by Ms. Cwerner, seconded by Ms. Wooldridge, Items #1 through #34 were approved by the following roll call vote:

- “Ayes” - Mr. Byrne, Ms. Cwerner, Ms. Gray, Ms. Kusel, Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah, Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. McKeon (except Item #17)
- “Noes” - None
- “Abstain” - Ms. McKeon (only Item #17)

Mr. Markarian noted the appointment of Jenna Hawkswell as the new Assistant Principal at Liberty Corner School and spoke on her background in education and Bernards Township. Ms. Hawkswell thanked the Board for its support and welcomed the challenge of assuming her new role.

**POLICY**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following policies on **First Reading:**

- a) Policy 3218 Substance Abuse M (Teaching Staff Members)
- b) Policy 4218 Substance Abuse M (Support Staff Members)
- c) Policy 5460 High School Graduation M

2) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve the following policy and regulation on **Second Reading and Adopt:**

- a) Policy 5200 Attendance M (Pupils)
- b) Regulation 5200 Attendance M (Pupils)

3) The Bernards Township Board of Education does hereby approve enrollment of the following staff members' children for the 2015-16 school year:

Caleb Acevedo (child of Gerardo Acevedo)	Kindergarten
Amalia Bollaro (child of Rebecca Bollaro)	Kindergarten
Matilda Demcsak (child of Jessica Demcsak)	Kindergarten
Payton Doering (child of Melanie Doering)	Kindergarten
Eliana Dupuis (child of Melanie Dupuis)	Kindergarten
Thomas Gilmore (child of Nicole Gilmore)	Kindergarten
David Hunscher (child of David Hunscher)	Kindergarten
Collin Kovacs (child of Jessica Kovacs)	Kindergarten
Jaime LaRubbio (child of Dina LaRubbio)	Kindergarten
Mackenzie Meyers (child of Kristen Meyers)	Kindergarten
Calleigh Nejme (child of Colleen Nejme)	Kindergarten
Erika Ryan (child of Jaclyn Ryan)	Kindergarten
Kevin Teevan (child of Amanda Teevan)	Kindergarten
Zachary Blanford (son of Allyson Blanford)	Grade 1 Liberty Corner School
Stella Cahill (child of Marguerite Cahill)	Grade 1 Cedar Hill School
Jack Kern (child of Megan Kern)	Grade 1 Cedar Hill School
Owen Kovacs (child of Jessica Kovacs)	Grade 1 Liberty Corner School
Owen Ramos (child of Jennifer Ramos)	Grade 1 Liberty Corner School
Brendan Whiteley (child of Kate Whiteley)	Grade 1 Liberty Corner School
Emily Winkler (child of Kelly Winkler)	Grade 1 Liberty Corner School
Dylan Demcsak (child of Jessica Demcsak)	Grade 2 Cedar Hill School
Chase Doering (child of Melanie Doering)	Grade 2 Liberty Corner School
David Hudock (child of Karen Hudock)	Grade 2 Liberty Corner School
Noah Mauro (child of Jamie Mauro)	Grade 2 Liberty Corner School
Olivia Nejme (child of Colleen Nejme)	Grade 2 Mount Prospect School
Owen O'Leary (child of Mary O'Leary)	Grade 2 Liberty Corner School
Samantha Orr (child of Stephanie Orr)	Grade 2 Oak Street School
Makayla Ryan (child of Jaclyn Ryan)	Grade 2 Liberty Corner School
Caitlin Sedorak (child of Kerry Sedorak)	Grade 2 Liberty Corner School
Olivia Stotler (child of Kathy Stotler)	Grade 2 Liberty Corner School
Owen Thorpe (child of Kristin Thorpe)	Grade 2 Cedar Hill School
Jacob Baron (child of Melissa Baron)	Grade 3 Liberty Corner School
Michael Fackelman (child of Michael Fackelman)	Grade 3 Mount Prospect School
Jordyn Fackelman (child of Michael Fackelman)	Grade 3 Mount Prospect School
Connor Sedorak (child of Kerry Sedorak)	Grade 3 Liberty Corner School
Matthew Teevan (child of Amanda Teevan)	Grade 3 Liberty Corner School

Ryan Turner (child of Denise Turner)	Grade 3 Mount Prospect School
Madelyn Blanford (child of Allyson Blanford)	Grade 4 Liberty Corner School
Eva Cahill (child of Marguerite Cahill)	Grade 4 Cedar Hill School
Andi Kern (child of Megan Kern)	Grade 4 Cedar Hill School
Brenden O'Brien (child of Christian O'Brien)	Grade 4 Cedar Hill School
Ariana Mastroianni (child of Sara Mastroianni)	Grade 4 school to be determined
Mia Surett (child of Kimberly Surett)	Grade 4 Mount Prospect School
William Surett (child of Kimberly Surett)	Grade 4 Mount Prospect School
Megan Winkler (child of Kelly Winkler)	Grade 4 Liberty Corner School
Austin Erickson (child of Barbara Erickson)	Grade 5 Cedar Hill School
Emma O'Leary (child of Mary O'Leary)	Grade 5 Liberty Corner School
Brendan Thorpe (child of Kristin Thorpe)	Grade 5 Cedar Hill School
Sakara De Gil-Balija (child of Vivekanand Balija)	Grade 6 William Annin Middle School
Grace O'Leary (child of Mary O'Leary)	Grade 6 William Annin Middle School
Gavin Turner (child of Denise Turner)	Grade 6 William Annin Middle School
Leah Cheo-Isaacs (child of Steve Isaacs)	Grade 7 William Annin Middle School
Meghan Hartman (child of Rich Hartman)	Grade 7 William Annin Middle School
Jason Mastroianni (child of Sara Mastroianni)	Grade 7 William Annin Middle School
Julia Weniger (child of Teri Weniger)	Grade 8 William Annin Middle School
Cooper Bobowicz (child of Kristin Bobowicz)	Grade 9 Ridge High School
Jacob Hendershot (son of Steve Hendershot)	Grade 9 Ridge High School
Grace Cheo-Isaacs (child of Steve Isaacs)	Grade 10 Ridge High School
Nicholas Athanasiou (child of Cindy Athanasiou)	Grade 12 Ridge High School
Adam Miesner (child of Vivian Miesner)	Grade 12 Ridge High School

On motion by Ms. Shah, seconded by Ms. Richman, Items #1 through #3 were approved by the following roll call vote:

- “Ayes” - Mr. Byrne (except Item #2), Ms. Cwerner, Ms. Gray, Ms. Kusel,  
Ms. Richman, Ms. Shah, Ms. Wooldridge, Ms. McKeon
- “Noes” - None
- “Abstain” - Mr. Byrne (only Item #2)

## **CURRICULUM**

Chairperson Linda Wooldridge stated she will report out at the June 8 Board meeting.

## **ADVOCACY**

Chairperson Karen Richman reviewed the May 5 meeting with the PTO Advisory Board. Highlighted items included acknowledgment of Mount Prospect School and PEC donations to the district, the May 21 presentation at town hall “15-Minute Child Break Program,” phone blasts being specific to the group of parents involved, and an update of the May 8 parent/teacher survey. The superintendent’s update included report card changes, finding additional time for staff development and PARCC end-of-year refusal rates.

Board President Robin McKeon stated the resolution to the state regarding mandated testing will be brought to the Board at its June 8 meeting.

### **LIAISON REPORTS**

Ms. Wooldridge reported on the May 5 Municipal Alliance meeting. Upcoming events are the May 21 presentation at town hall, the June 17 Twilight Challenge, a second prescription drop-off scheduled for October 10 and Chris Heron who is scheduled to speak at the Ridge High PAC on December 17 (program being funded by the YMCA).

### **XIII. Public Comment**

Comments were made regarding budget discussion and PARCC refusal numbers, block or rotating schedule in regard to PARCC testing, logistics of the anticipated lunch period, and the Gifted & Talented program in regard to resources and the selection process. The success of the Boys Golf Team winning the Tournament of Champions was mentioned.

### **XIV. Board Forum**

Comments were made regarding lunch options at the high school, the proposed STEM program, availability of high school science programs in grade 12 and unweighting of courses.

### **XV. Adjournment**

On motion by Ms. Cwerner, seconded by Ms. Shah, and approved by all present, the meeting was adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rod McLaughlin  
Board Secretary