

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

A Berkeley Township Board of Education Regular Meeting was held on Tuesday, October 21, 2014, at the Berkeley Township Elementary School Auditorium, 10 Emory Avenue, Bayville, New Jersey. Board President, Noriko Kowalewski, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Adequate notice of this meeting was given by publication in the *Asbury Park Press* on January 8, 2014 and by posting the notice in all district schools, Office of the Board of Education, and the Berkeley Township Municipal Offices in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

**II. FLAG SALUTE:**

The Meeting was opened with a Salute to the Flag. Mrs. Kowalewski asked for a moment of silence for our military both here and abroad.

**III. ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Edward Cammarato, Sal Ferlise, Keith Fisher,  
Jim Fulcomer, Noriko Kowalewski, John MacMoyle  
and Lou Tuminaro

Stephen Pellecchia arrived at 6:40.

Patrick Mooney arrived at 7:40.

**ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Dr. James D. Roselli, Superintendent  
Laura Venter, CPA, Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Jack Sahradnik, Board Attorney

**IV. PRESENTATION:** Senator Michael Doherty – Fair School Funding Act  
(Attachment A)

**V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

I would like to thank Senator Doherty for being here tonight, for doing the presentation for all of us. I hope everybody enjoyed it.

At the beginning of our new school year, I asked Dr. Roselli and our Business Administrator, Laura Venter, to invite and put together an Education Committee Meeting between our school district and Central Regional school district. The meeting took place on Tuesday, October 14. School board members, curriculum directors, administrators and superintendents from both districts were present. We discussed the Language Arts, Math, History and Science programs of both districts. A lot of information and ideas were

exchanged. It was a very productive meeting and demonstrates our continued commitment to open communication between both districts and School Boards. Central Regional has invited our school board to meet at their school for our next meeting in January or February.

Halloween is coming up soon, and I would like to wish all the children and families in our district a happy and safe Halloween.

## **VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

School bus emergency evacuation drills were conducted during the month of October and they must be recognized in the Minutes.

At BTES, the drill was conducted on October 13 at 7:15 a.m. in the parking lot and was supervised by Principal Burr and Barbara Fitzpatrick.

At CBW, the drill was conducted on October 14 at 8:00 a.m. in the parking lot and was supervised by Principal Prima and Barbara Fitzpatrick.

At Bayville, the drill was conducted on October 15 at 8:35 a.m. in the parking lot and was supervised by Principal Zito and Barbara Fitzpatrick.

At HMP, the drill was conducted on October 16 at 9:15 a.m. in the parking lot and was supervised by Principal Guinan and Barbara Fitzpatrick.

This information will be mailed to the State of New Jersey. These are required drills that have to be conducted at all of our schools.

### **1. SCHOOL REPORTS**

#### **Bayville School:**

- Staff held a “Casual Friday” event. All money raised was donated to Team Ratushny which is the Bayville School Team in the *Making Strides Against Cancer Walk* in Pt. Pleasant.
- Firefighters were so grateful for the letters received from the Bayville School first graders. Members of the Pinewald-Keswick Volunteer Fire Dept. brought a fire truck to the school for all the first graders to see.
- Week of Respect was observed by wearing related clothing and attending an assembly called Box Out Bullying.
- An afterschool homework club is held at the school on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- The Mobile Dentist visited and helped many children in need of dental services.
- The annual PTA Flea Market was successfully held on Sunday, October 5th after being rained out on Saturday, October 4th.

**H. & M. Potter School:**

- The Fall Book Fair was held at the end of September.
- Week of Respect was observed with lessons and activities including the Camfel Assembly.
- Participating in the Barnabas Health Turning Tides program to promote resiliency and recovery for Sandy victims.
- First graders had a visit from Fire Inspector Fred Mitchell.
- Terror in the Halls event was held October 17 & 18 with over 200 volunteers and 1700 customers.
- District-wide Go Gold fundraiser which raised \$500 for the American Childhood Cancer Organization.
- Thank you to Fred DelPietro for the Saturday morning program.

**Clara B. Worth School:**

- All Students of the Month for September were recognized at the October PTA meeting.
- CBW's Walk-A-Thon was a huge success - thanks to the PTA, families, and staff for their generosity.
- Fall Family Bingo - around 550 participants came out and enjoyed an evening of Bingo with their families.
- Week of Respect was a huge success - lots of activities and lessons filled the week on a variety of important issues.

**Berkeley Twp. Elementary School:**

- Anti-Bullying/Motivational Speech by ex-NFL player Val Varnaby.
- Delivery of Rainbow Trout eggs as part of Trout in the Classroom Program.
- Completion of Language/Arts portion of MAP testing for 5th and 6th graders.
- Participation in Week of Respect activities in the beginning of October.
- Held evacuation drill to CBW.

**2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT****Sept. 18**

Administrative Meeting at Board Office.

**Sept. 30**

Attended Ocean County Superintendents' Roundtable at Georgian Court University.

**Oct. 1**

Attended Superintendents' Academy at Monmouth University with Mary Guinan and Debbie Fierra.

**Oct. 2**

Conducted Supervisors Meeting.

PTA meeting with all 4 Presidents and Administrators at HMP to discuss/create 2014-2015 Community Based Event for the BTSD.

**Oct. 6-10**

All 4 schools participated in “Week of Respect” with a variety of activities and assemblies.

**Oct. 9**

Toured all 4 schools with B & G BOE Committee Chair: Sal Ferlise.

**Oct. 14**

Education/Articulation Committee Meeting at BTES with Central/BT.

Very productive meeting as both BOE’s were informed of the many interactions between BTSD and CR.

**Oct. 16**

Attended NJPSA workshop.

**Oct. 17**

Attended Commission of Education HESPE Convocation at Middlesex Vocational Tech.

**Oct. 20-24**

Bus Safety Week.

Attended 4 separate meetings since last BOE meeting as much information is being distributed & discussed re:

- PARCC Testing
- Common Core
- QSAC
- Staff evaluations
- AchieveNJ

Finally, I would like to thank BOE President Noriko Kowalewski for assigning Mr. Fulcomer, Chairperson of the Fair School Funding Act Committee, and our entire BOE for hosting Senator Doherty. It is important for our community to be informed of Senator Doherty’s proposed legislation that, if passed, could potentially positively assist our schools with increased state aid while lessening the burden on our taxpayers.

**VII. PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

Maggie Lugo, a parent, asked if the minutes from the September Board meeting would show that there was 1 HIB report listing the student i.d. numbers for those students involved. She also asked if the September minutes would be on the website tomorrow.

She was informed that, yes, the information was included in the minutes and that the minutes would be on the website tomorrow.

Mrs. Lugo also questioned why the Executive Hearing after tonight's meeting was not listed on the agenda or on the website.

Jack Sahradnik advised Mrs. Lugo that the last time Executive Session was being held it was at a Special Meeting so there would have been a separate notice which Mrs. Lugo probably saw on the website. This is the Regular Board Meeting so there is no additional notice requirement. The Executive Session is listed on the Agenda.

## **VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **1. Alternate Energy: Lou Tuminaro, Chairperson**

No report.

### **2. Buildings & Grounds/Cafeteria/Transportation: Sal Ferlise, Chairperson**

On Thursday, October 9, I toured all of the schools with Dr. Roselli. All of the schools look great inside and out. All of the teachers and students were busy with their school work but took time out to welcome us into the classroom.

The gym floors in all of the schools are in great shape.

The solar project is well on its way at Bayville School, CBW and BTES.

I would like to commend our Board Attorney, Jack Sahradnik, for staying with our solar project. Without him, I don't believe this project would have come about.

In the CBW parking lot, our lights were knocked over and Mr. Sullivan replaced 4 older lights with LED lights. The lights are brighter and less expensive.

There will be an addendum on tonight's agenda to re-bid the HMP re-roof project.

I would like to assure the parents that the disinfectant that is being used in our schools contains the NJ Department of Health recommended ingredients to combat the Enterovirus.

New hand sanitizers and dispensers have been ordered district-wide.

### **3. Consolidated Shared Services: John MacMoyle, Chairperson**

No report.

### **4. Personnel & Negotiations: Steve Pellechia, Chairperson.**

No report.

**5. School Safety: Keith Fisher, Chairperson.**

No report.

**6. Finance: Edward Cammarato, Chairperson**

The Finance Committee reviewed and approved the bills list and purchase orders.

There will be an audit presentation taking place on Monday, October 27, at 5 p.m. The outcome of that meeting will be disclosed at the November meeting.

**7. Education/Policy: Patrick Mooney, Chairperson**

We had the Articulation Meeting with Central Regional on October 14. It was an eye-opening meeting to really see the amount that the two districts do work together. More of that information needs to get out there not only to the public but to Board members as well. There is a lot of stuff that happens between the two districts that we don't know. A lot of good things came out of it. I am looking forward to the next meeting to explore more possibilities.

**8. Fair School Funding: Jim Fulcomer, Chairperson**

The Fair School Funding Committee met today. In attendance were John MacMoyle, Noriko Kowalewski, Jim Fulcomer and Laura Venter. It was reported that invitations were sent to all governing bodies in Ocean County, except the Board of Chosen Freeholders, for Senator Doherty's presentation. Our Committee unanimously recommends that our Board of Education thank Senator Michael Doherty for his presentation, that we reaffirm our support for Senator Doherty's Fair School Funding Bill and that we adopt again the resolution on page 11 of the document distributed by Senator Doherty this evening. I would just point out that next year is the last year that we can make a withdrawal from our CD Loan, assuming there is approval. That is also the case with the municipality, county and Central Regional which means that in two years none of those governmental units will be able to make those withdrawals to offset their property taxes. This makes it likely that in two years we may face a tax cliff—less for our Board of Education but more so for the municipality and other units, so it is important that in next year's assembly elections we move the assembly in the direction of the Fair School Funding Act because if we don't get some extra money in two years, there may be a lot of difficulties for the people of Berkeley Township. I would urge everyone to do everything they can to promote the Fair School Funding Act.

MOTION by Mr. Fulcomer to accept the recommendations of the Fair School Funding Committee.

SECOND by Mrs. Kowalewski.

ROLL CALL VOTE: (9 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstains). Motion carries.

**IX. SUPERINTENDENT’S AGENDA**

MOTION by Mr. Pellecchia that upon recommendation of the Superintendent Items A1 – A12 be approved.

SECOND by Mr. Tuminaro.

ROLL CALL VOTE: (9 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstains). Motion carries.

**A. PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS:**

**1. Leave(s) of Absence: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve a leave of absence for the following staff members (start and end dates are subject to change):

- a) I.D. #5797-Preschool-HMP: (Burlew)  
Maternity leave of absence to start 12/1/14 and continue through 6/5/15.
- b) I.D. #5717-Bus Driver-District-wide: (Coleman)  
Unpaid leave of absence to start 11/12/14 and continue through 12/5/14.
- c) I.D. #5489-Psy.-CST: (Gannon)  
Unpaid medical leave of absence to start 10/20/14 and continue through 1/9/15.
- d) I.D. #5473-Asst. Cook-HMP: (Stanley)  
Unpaid medical leave of absence to start 11/3/14 and continue through 1/2/15.
- e) I.D. #5876-Gr. 1-CBW: (DesJardin)  
Maternity leave of absence to start 1/5/15 and continue through 4/10/15.

**2. Approval of Long Term Substitute: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve Stephanie Cohen as a long term substitute, for I.D. #5516, meeting the criteria established by the Superintendent, at the rate of \$100 per diem, (start and end dates are subject to change), effective 9/22/14.

**3. Parent Portal Instructor: ACTION**

Recommend the Board retroactively approve Sandra Cotten as the instructor for the Parent Portal Workshop for the Spanish speaking parents at the Bayville School, for 2 hours on 9/22/14, at the contractual rate of pay.

**4. Pre-K Orientation: ACTION**

Recommend the Board retroactively approve Amy Obropta for conducting a Pre-K Orientation on 8/28/14, for 2 hours at the contractual rate of pay.

**5. Extended School Day Program Substitutes: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve the following teachers as substitutes for the Extended School Day Program, at the contractual rate of pay, (through Title I & Title III funds):

Deborah Immerso      Nina Britton      Aimee Roma

**6. Training - Behavioral Disabilities Program: ACTION**

Recommend the Board retroactively approve Jaime Poggioli, Teacher Aide, to receive training for the Behavioral Disabilities Program, not to exceed 12 hours, at the contractual rate, on 8/26 & 8/27/14.

**7. Operation Schoolhouse Substitute: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve Joseph Zaccone as a substitute teacher for Operation Schoolhouse, at the hourly contractual rate, for the 2014-2015 school year.

**8. Drama Club Personnel: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve the following individuals for the Drama Program at the Berkeley Township Elementary School, not to exceed 25 hours each, at the hourly contractual rate of \$41.61, for the 2014-2015 school year:

Gianna Bassford      Katie Sanchez      Janet Sullivan

**9. Approval of Internship: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve Melissa Rodriguez, Occupational Therapist student at Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, to complete Level 1 Fieldwork observation (no direct student contact) under the direction of Carol Kiersnowski, Occupational Therapist for the district, effective on or about 11/4/14 through 11/25/14.

**10. Homebound Instructors: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve the following staff members as Homebound Instructors, at the hourly contractual rate, for the 2014-2015 school year:

Sharon Dominy - BTE      Robyn Romano - CBW  
Diane Fraone - BAY      Melissa Tomaini - BTE  
Kim Mitchell - BTE      Joseph Zaccone - BTE

\*Linda Curry - district substitute \*(paid at hourly sub. rate of \$10.50)



**11. Appointment of Teacher Mentors for 2014-2015: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve the following teachers to perform as Mentors for the 2014-2015 school year, at a stipend of \$550 to be paid over 30 weeks by the individual mentee:

<u>Mentor</u>	<u>Mentee</u>
Tia DiFiore - BAY	Paige Deckler - INCL. 3/4
Heather Melanson - BTE	Ashley Walder - Gr. 5
Brynne Chacon - CBW	Kristy Roth - INCL. 4

**12. Substitutes: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve the following individuals as substitutes for the assignments listed below during the 2014-2015 school year:

- A. **Non-Instructional:**  
 Sean Furnari.....Custodian  
 Joel Maldonado.....Custodian

**Note: All substitute aides approved by the Board will also be able to substitute as bus/school/teacher aides.**

- B. **Instructional:**  
 Rachel Blood.....Teacher  
 Donna Condello.....Teacher  
 Barbra Costello.....Teacher  
 Jennifer Farrell.....Teacher  
 Katie Garcia.....Teacher  
 Kelsey Hawthorne.....Teacher  
 Steven Hodge.....Teacher  
 Stephanie Marino.....Teacher  
 Donna Mascio.....Teacher  
 Brittany Santos.....Teacher  
 Danielle Stesner.....Teacher  
 Legia Shulan.....Teacher  
 Ryan Slawson.....Teacher

**B. OTHER BOARD ITEMS:**

MOTION by Mr. Mooney that upon recommendation of the Superintendent Items B1–B7 be approved.

SECOND by Mr. Ferlise.

ROLL CALL VOTE: (9 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstains). Motion carries with deletion of Regulation 7510 from Superintendent Item B4 (First Reading of Bylaws/Regulations/Policies).

DR. ROSELLI: I want to bring your attention to the Use of School Facilities. I have the full board here so I want to make everyone aware. We are actually changing a couple of things with the batting cages. They are no longer at BTES; they are now housed at Potter. We've done a lot here --Mrs. Cimino has done a lot of the legwork, she has collected the money, and we have done a lot of research on this. Most of our teams that are coming in are in-town teams very happy with the price of \$25 and \$40. What I am recommending to the Board for tonight—the out-of-town rate was \$50 and \$80, and I am recommending that we go \$40 and \$60 because we really want that building to be used. Right now Andrea and I are working to go Wednesday through Saturday. We have on the Board Agenda Saturdays and Sundays, if possible. It is very labor intensive. I was there the first night to set up with myself, Neil (the custodian), and Tony. It's not like how it was here at BTES where we just walked in, turned the lights on and everyone is throwing away. That's my recommendation to the Board. I would like to recommend for Board approval items B1 through B7.

JIM FULCOMER: I have to disagree with the Superintendent on Regulation 7510. I had an opportunity to look at that briefly before the meeting as I requested to see the documentation and what it does is two things: (1) it lessens the out-of-town fees by 25% but it doesn't lessen the fees for in-town people; and (2) the way it is written it is apparently retroactive which means that if out-of-town people paid the legal fees that they were supposed to pay that we would then have to send a check back to them to reimburse them. I think both items are wrong. It is absolutely wrong to take the money and then give money back. Secondly, we were told earlier this year when we adopted this facility that these out-of-town fees would be very competitive and that people would make use of them and apparently they have since the money that we have begun to receive did include some out-of-town teams. I also feel that if we are going to reduce the out-of-town fees (which I disagree with) we should also reduce the in-town fees because the people of this town are paying property taxes to our municipality which funds our education. The out-of-town people are paying no property taxes—they do not fund our education, and it is obvious based on the information that we received at the beginning of this proposal that our present out-of-town fees are very competitive--much lower than other batting cage fees--and I see no reason why we should rip off our own taxpayers by lowering the fees for people who don't pay taxes. I would also point out that the full cost of the baseball batting cages was \$18,065, and so far we only received \$180. I understand in the colder weather, we will get much more. It doesn't make sense, when

you are not even remotely close to making up that over \$18,000, to cut out-of-district fees.

DR. ROSELLI: As of right now, we don't have to return any money to anyone. There has been no use at this point in time that would necessitate the return of money.

JIM FULCOMER: You are saying there has been no use whatsoever since September?

DR. ROSELLI: There have been three of them that have been used but none that would necessitate a refund.

JIM FULCOMER: Are you saying that there was no out-of-town involvement in September?

DR. ROSELLI: There was.

JIM FULCOMER: They should have been charged the full rate. You are suggesting to me that they were charged less than the rate they should have been charged. Is that what you are saying?

DR. ROSELLI: Correct.

JIM FULCOMER: It absolutely amazes me that that happened. How did that happen?

DR. ROSELLI: It was a mistake that I made when I was giving the rate. I had given an incorrect rate.

JIM FULCOMER: Because you made a mistake, there is no reason for us to compound the mistake by charging less.

DR. ROSELLI: My whole purpose was—and I always own up to whatever I do—my honest reason for bringing it to the Board was we want the room used. Right now a place just opened up in Lacey by Mark Leiter—he opened up his own place right on his own property. That was competition that we were not going to have. There is another place that someone converted a garage in Lacey that was just purchased by another team. So, there is competition that wasn't here.

JIM FULCOMER: So are you saying that they are charging less than what we are proposing to charge?

DR. ROSELLI: Again, you have to realize we don't have Mark Leiter in here. If Mark Leiter was presenting pitching lessons in Berkeley schools people would pay money hand over fist. I really wanted to get a name person in here, and I still haven't stopped with that. I have been trying to work with the Frasier Brothers. I was just with them at a baseball tournament this weekend. My goal is to eventually get someone in there of that stature. The only reason I am bringing it to the Board--this is not like BTES anymore. We are not just walking in. It's not just setting up. Jeff will tell you--Andrea will tell you. It is labor intensive

to get that room set up so what I was trying to do is set it up for Wednesday through Saturday. We would set it up Wednesday, break it down at night--set it up Thursday, break it down--set it up Friday and then leave it up Friday and have it open all day Saturday.

JIM FULCOMER: Were you involved in any of those fees that were mistakenly underpaid?

DR. ROSELLI: Yes, there were two teams.

JIM FULCOMER: Were they from Lacey?

DR. ROSELLI: They were from Lacey. Yes.

JIM FULCOMER: This is another problem I have, and I think you should consider this very carefully. You are making this recommendation for something that benefits teams that you are connected with financially. To me that would seem, at the very least, to be a conflict of interest, and if I were in your position, I would withdraw this recommendation.

DR. ROSELLI: Jack, I will refer that to you. This seems like something that is going to wind up on the Patch so I will refer it to you.

JACK SAHRADNIK: Quite frankly, I am not familiar with what the change is. My recommendation would be to hold this and table it to the next meeting and let's get an opportunity to look at it and answer these questions. I can't give you a legal opinion sitting up here now listening to the conversations on both sides for the first time, so I would recommend that it would be in the Board's interest at this time to table it to give us an opportunity.

JIM FULCOMER: Please post the correct fees until they are changed.

**1. HIB Report Update: ACTION**

There were no HIB reports for the month of September.

**2. Out-of-District Placement: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve the following students to attend an out-of-district placement for the 2014-2015 school year:

- I.D. #995386 - Coastal Learning Center - eff. 9/3/14-9/16/14
- I.D. #996134 - Coastal Learning Center - eff. 9/3/14-9/16/14
- I.D. #997677 - Little Egg Harbor School District - eff. 9/4/14-6/15/15

**3. Resolution to submit Statement of Assurance (SOA): ACTION**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C. 6A:30-3.2(f) requires participating school districts to hold a public meeting to approve the submission and accuracy of the district's Statement of Assurance for the 2014-2015 school year, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Berkeley Township Board of Education does hereby authorize the Superintendent of Schools to submit the SOA, as required annually by the Commissioner of Education, to be in compliance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:30-3.2(f).

**4. First Reading of Bylaws/Regulations/Policies: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve the first reading of the ByLaws/Regulations/Policies listed below: **(Available for review in the Superintendent’s Office)**

Policy 3144.12	Certification of Tenure Charges – Inefficiency
Policy/Reg 1240	Evaluation of Superintendent
Policy/Reg 3221	Evaluation of Teachers
Policy/Reg 3222	Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers & Administrators
Policy/Reg 3223	Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice Principals and Asst. Principals
Policy/Reg 3224	Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals and Asst. Principals

**5. School Violence Awareness Week: ACTION**

Recommend the Board recognize “School Violence Awareness Week” during the week beginning with the third Monday in October, **(October 20-24, 2014)**, as required by N.J.S.A. 18A:36-5.1.

**6. Curriculum Approval: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve the World Language Curriculum for grades K-6. (Board Members: Directions for access are in your Agenda Packet)

**7. Use of Facilities: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve the following date/activity for building use scheduled beyond custodial work hours, weekends or holiday breaks:

**BTES (Auditorium) Jan. 17, 2015 Berkeley Republican Club 10 am - 1 pm**

DR. ROSELLI: I want to state for the record for people who are in the audience--there were two Lacey teams that participated, and I will make sure that they are paid at the full rate. I want that to go on the record. I really would hope that my professional integrity is not questioned, and I really would hope that my character is not being questioned. I have approached three attorneys on this because it appears as if there is a local person writing for an online paper who has been extremely critical of me to the verge of slander. I am a person in the community, I am a parent, I am a father, I am an educator of 25 years, and I am not going to continue to sit back and allow people to try and destroy my reputation because that is what they are attempting to do--destroy a reputation. I’ve been here for 13 years in

Berkeley Township and people who are former educators know how important your reputation. I've said this before--a lie goes around the world two times before the truth gets out of bed. I can't have people trying to tear down all the positive things that we are trying to do here in Berkeley. There have been three teams that have rented the place--two were Lacey, one was Berkeley, but I'd like to really sit down and discuss this with the Board because I really think the goal of this is to get that room utilized. All the positives have outweighed the negatives. All I am saying is just to consider it.

STEVE PELLECCIA: I just want to say something to our Superintendent. Have no fear, Jim. Whatever is printed is only printed to start trouble. Everybody knows you, so there's no reason for us to believe that you did anything illegal or you conspired with anyone to do something illegal. We are all behind you 100%.

NORIKO KOWALEWSKI: Absolutely.

**X. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S AGENDA:**

MOTION by Mr. Fulcomer that upon recommendation of the Business Administrator Items B1 – B7 be approved.

SECOND by Mr. Pellecchia.

ROLL CALL VOTE: (9 Ayes, 0 Nays, 4 Abstains – Mr. Fisher on Item 3; Mr. MacMoyle on Item 3; Mr. Mooney on Item 1; and Mrs. Kowalewski in Item 1). Motion carries.

**1. Minutes: ACTION**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on September 16, 2014 be approved.

**2. Payment of Bills: ACTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following items as reviewed by the Finance Committee, be approved:

Bills List ( <b>Attachment B1</b> ) dated October 21, 2014	
Checks numbered 36906 through 37080 . . . . .	\$1,026,053.95
Purchase Order Report ( <b>Attachment B2</b> ) listing Purchase	
Orders numbered 15-00541 through 15-00734 totaling . . . . .	\$ 437,647.99

**3. Payroll Approval: ACTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the monthly payroll be approved:

Payroll – September 2014. . . . . \$1,866,063.00

**4. Appropriation Transfers: ACTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Appropriation Transfers for the months of July and August 2014 to the 2014-2015 budget be approved. **(Attachments B3 and B4)**

**5. Board Secretary’s Report: ACTION**

RESOLVED that through the adoption of this resolution, we, the Berkeley Township Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4 certify that as of July 31, 2014 and August 31, 2014 after review of the Secretary’s monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the Business Administrator and other appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. **(Attachments B5 and B6)**

**6. Report of the Treasurer of School Monies: ACTION**

RESOLVED that the Berkeley Township Board of Education accept the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies for the months ended July 31, 2014 and August 31, 2014 and that the Board Secretary’s Report and Treasurer of School Monies Report are in agreement. **(Attachments B7 and B8)**

**7. Travel Approvals: ACTION**

RESOLVED that the Berkeley Township Board of Education approve the following travel:

Name	Seminar/Workshop	Dates	Not to Exceed
Burr, Kirk	Principal's Academy	10/2/14-4/30/15 Selected Dates	\$436.80
Lapsley, Lisa	Mileage for Transitioning to Next Generation Science Standards	10/22/2014	\$24.86
Pinheiro, Barbara	Understanding the Gut Brain: Stress, Appetite, Digestion, and Mood	10/28/2014	\$79.00

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**6. Report of the Treasurer of School Monies: ACTION**

RESOLVED that the Berkeley Township Board of Education accept the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies for the months ended July 31, 2014 and August 31, 2014 and that the Board Secretary’s Report and Treasurer of School Monies Report are in agreement. (**Attachments B7 and B8**)

**7. Travel Approvals: ACTION**

RESOLVED that the Berkeley Township Board of Education approve the following travel:

Name	Seminar/Workshop	Dates	Not to Exceed
Burr, Kirk	Principal's Academy	10/2/14-4/30/15 Selected Dates	\$436.80
Lapsley, Lisa	Mileage for Transitioning to Next Generation Science Standards	10/22/2014	\$24.86
Pinheiro, Barbara	Understanding the Gut Brain: Stress, Appetite, Digestion, and Mood	10/28/2014	\$79.00



McPartlin, Linda	Understanding the Gut Brain: Stress, Appetite, Digestion, and Mood	10/28/2014	\$79.00
Fierra, Debbie	Mileage for SEMI Fall Regional Meeting 2014	10/28/2014	\$26.16
Persong, Beth	Mileage for SEMI Fall Regional Meeting 2014	10/28/2014	\$26.16
Ettari, Nicole	Grounds for Sculpture	11/4/2014	\$15.00
Finamore, Eva	Grounds for Sculpture	11/4/2014	\$15.00
Roth, Karen	Grounds for Sculpture	11/4/2014	\$15.00
Richie, Joan	Grounds for Sculpture	11/4/2014	\$15.00
Frustieri, Gary	O&M Asbestos Training	11/10-11/11/14	\$295.00
Pinheiro, Barbara	Section 504 - Keys to Ensuring Your School is Compliant	11/14/2014	\$75.00
Manfredi, Annemarie	Section 504 - Keys to Ensuring Your School is Compliant	11/14/2014	\$75.00
Violante, Stephanie	Increase Students Learning by Using iPads in Your Pre-K and K Classroom	11/19/2014	\$229.00
Cembor, Maryann	Increase Students Learning by Using iPads in Your Pre-K and K Classroom	11/19/2014	\$229.00
Zito, Jeff	Institute on Expanded Learning	11/20/2014	\$149.00
Keats, Brendan	Institute on Expanded Learning	11/20/2014	\$149.00
Zito, Jeff	Mileage for Institute on Expanded Learning	11/20/2014	\$29.94
Trembulak, Meredith	Guided Reading	12/1/2014	\$100.00
DeClerico, DyAnn	TECHSPO	1/29 & 30/2015	\$395.00
DeClerico, DyAnn	Mileage for TECHSPO	1/29 & 30/2015	\$44.93
Meyer, Lisa	Best iPad Apps & Strategies to Increase Student Learning K-6	1/29/2015	\$235.00
Glenn, Sharon	Best iPad Apps & Strategies to Increase Student Learning K-6	1/29/2015	\$235.00
Bale, Laura	Best Use of Guided Reading to Meet/Exceed Common Core Standards	1/30/2014	\$229.00
Romano, Robyn	Best Use of Guided Reading to Meet/Exceed Common Core Standards	1/30/2014	\$229.00
DeClerico, DyAnn	Close Reading Strategies	2/11/2015	\$235.00

Reid, Joe	EdTech NJ Summit (Google for Education)	3/14-3/15/14	\$249.00
DeClerico, DyAnn	Mileage for Monmouth County Curriculum Meetings	1st Wed of every month	\$106.58
DeClerico, DyAnn	Mileage for County Supervisor of Instruction Meetings	Once a Month Oct14-Feb15	\$40.88

MOTION by Mr. Fulcomer that upon recommendation of the Business Administrator Items B8 – B11 be approved.

SECOND by Mrs. Kowalewski.

ROLL CALL VOTE: (9 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstains). Motion carries.

**8. Comprehensive Maintenance Plan: ACTION**

Recommend that the Berkeley Township Board of Education approve the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for 2012-2013, 2013-2014, and 2014-2015 as presented. (Attachment B9)

**9. Transportation: ACTION**

Recommend the Board approve MOESC transporting one student (#996169) to/from Clara B. Worth at the per diem rate of \$99.75 on Route #4687 from October 13, 2014 through June 17, 2015.

**10. Advertise for Re-Bid of the Re-Roof at H.&M. Potter School: ACTION**

Recommend that the Berkeley Township Board of Education approve the Business Administrator to advertise for re-bid of the re-roof at H.&M. Potter School.

**11. Supplemental Senior Citizen Stabilization Aid: ACTION**

Recommend that the Berkeley Township Board of Education support Mayor Amato’s and Berkeley Township Council’s resolution seeking to re-establish the Supplemental Senior Citizen Stabilization Aid.

**XI. OLD BUSINESS:**

EDWARD CAMMARATO: As part of the Business Administrator’s Agenda Item 7, Travel Approvals, there are 29 on this page. My point is I think it is outstanding that our teachers, administrators, and staff are continually looking to improve not only their skills and abilities but translating those skills and abilities back to the schools that they manage and work at because all of these are educational sessions, and I am glad to see travel

coming through every month. The Finance Committee will continue to support any class or education that any educator or administrator or any staff member associated with Berkeley Township School District wants to do. I am a huge proponent of training. I make extra allotments in my budget at my place of business for my staff to be trained, so if there is a training class that you are interested in that for some reason is not getting approved, call the Chair of the Finance Committee.

JOHN MACMOYLE: Just a comment on the batting cages. Anything that Dr. Roselli has done that is making a positive impact for the kids in the district or outside of the district--whether the cost is 25 or 50 or 80 or whatever we decide--I don't see a problem with it. I strongly disagree with the other board member's comment. I hope we get it packed full for the winter.

PATRICK MOONEY: I would like to say one thing as well about the batting cages. I was with you in the beginning on this one. The original intent of these batting cages, and I believe it is still the intent, is to give the kids something to do to keep them occupied, keep them active, keep them off the streets and out of trouble. I think you've done a fantastic job with that. For lack of a better word, this is going to be a business. We need to raise funds for this. In order to raise funds for a business, you need to be competitive, and that's how things work in the private sector. When you are in business, this is how it works. I don't think anything is being done here to fool the public. Everything is above board here. I don't think you have anything to worry about. I think there are people out there who like to grandstand and like to get their name out there and say things just to cause problems. I think those people need to find a hobby. I think the batting cage is a great idea and do what you have to do to get them in.

NORIKO KOWALEWSKI: We will as a Board have further discussions on the batting cage. I do want everyone to remember that the batting cage is for the children. It was something for the children to do. The idea was created for a positive movement in our school district. Nothing is done to make anyone look bad and I hope that this board does realize the good that Dr. Roselli does for this district, so we will move forward and have a discussion on it.

## **XII. NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

## **XIII. PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

JIM BYRNES: Thank you for having the Senator down here. I think we opened some more eyes but we need to get traction. I read in the Patch that this Board was thinking of shared services for a Special Services Director with Central Regional and it would save the district \$600,000-\$700,000 over 3 or 4 years. When we were a board and Mr. Ytreboe was here with Dr. Roselli and Diane Beard, we took the two science rooms upstairs and we created a model up there for special needs children to learn how to shower and learn how to do home things, like laundry and cook, and to me, it was a model program, and we are really proud of it. At that time we had 8 students in there that could have been sent out of town to the

cost of \$50,000+ so that saved the district a lot of money. The room was made for 12 and at that time with Diane Beard we were going to look to other districts to come here, and we would be the Neptune or the Coastal, and we would provide those services. We all know the story with Diane Beard and this District has been failing in my eyes with the special needs. We have been trying to put band aids on it. It's not about making money, but in the end that's what's going on. I don't know the person that was hired but as a selection of this board I am sure she is very competent, and I feel as though she can move this program. It's not about the money—it's about the kids. When we did the room upstairs, the kids could come here and they would be with their siblings, their friends, and they could have a social life with their neighbors. If the kid is out at one of these other schools and they have some type of attack or bloody nose, the parents need to leave work here and drive a distance plus we have the busing issue. I think it would be a disservice to share this service with another district. I think that something that has the legal implications of sending students and being sued should be under the direction of your attorney, this Board and the Superintendent. You should not sub this out or share this service. We didn't even share lunches for more than two years with Central. You need to get back and pick the low fruit that will not harm our kids. Don't do a disservice. You hired a competent person and a good person, and let's see how she does. Every member on this Board knows the kids come first.

#### **XIV. EXECUTION SESSION:**

MOTION by Mr. Pellecchia, second by Mr. Mooney, and all in favor that the Board moves into Executive Session at this time, 9:04 p.m., for the purpose of discussing a pending student matter the minutes of which will be made available to the public to the extent permitted by law and when the reason for confidentiality no longer exists. There will be no further public action taken after Executive Session.

#### **XV. ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION by Mr. Pellecchia, second by Mr. Mooney, and all in favor that the meeting be adjourned at 9:59.

Respectfully submitted,



Laura Venter, CPA, RSBA  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary