

**BERKELEY HEIGHTS BOARD OF EDUCATION
COMBINED CONFERENCE & REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
AUGUST 9, 2007**

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Berkeley Heights Board of Education was called to order on Thursday, August 9, 2007 at 7:00 PM in the Clausen Administration Building by the Board President, Mr. Beisser.

ROLL CALL

A roll call indicated the presence of the following members:

Mr. Beisser, Mrs. Kirsch, Mr. Reinstein, Mr. Sincaglia and Mr. Smalley. Also present were Mrs. Rattner, Mrs. Qualshie and Mrs. Felezzola. Dr. Crisonino, Mr. Lisk and Mrs. Schaumberg were absent.

STATEMENT

Mr. Beisser read the following statement:

On July 12, 2007, this body by resolution adopted the schedule for this meeting. The time, date and location of this meeting were accurately set forth therein.

On July 16, 2007, a copy of said schedule was posted at the Town Hall, the Public Library, the Railroad Station and the Administration Building. On the same date a copy was mailed to the Independent Press, Courier News, all PTO Presidents and delivered to the BHEA President, all schools, all Supervisors and filed with the Municipal Clerk. The meeting was also announced on the District Sign at Columbia School.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Smalley and seconded by Mr. Reinstein that the Board of Education adjourn to executive session,

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A.10:4-1 et seq.) expressly provide that a public body may move into Executive Session and exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which the public body discusses any of the nine areas set forth in N.J.S.A.10:4-12b; and

WHEREAS, the Berkeley Heights Board of Education has determined it necessary to move into Executive Session to discuss the following subjects, all of which are included in the aforesaid exceptions:

Personnel, Employment Contracts and Negotiations, Construction Contracts, Student Issues and Legal Issues; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Berkeley Heights Board of Education that it does hereby move into Executive Session pursuant to N.J.S.A.10:4-12b to discuss the aforesaid matters; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the aforesaid discussions shall be made public either at the Public Meeting following said Executive Session or at such time as any litigated or personnel matters are concluded; or upon conclusion of any negotiations or related discussions; or as otherwise specified; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect pursuant to law. The meeting was recessed at 7:55 PM.

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Sincaglia and seconded by Mrs. Kirsch that the Board of Education return to Public Session. Motion carried.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:00 PM in the Columbia School Music Room.

FLAG SALUTE

Mr. Beisser led the Board and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Sincaglia and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Combined Conference and Regular Meeting held June 28, 2007; and the Combined Conference and Regular Meeting held July 12, 2007.

A Roll call indicated unanimous approval. Mrs. Kirsch abstained.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to be presented to the Board at this time.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Mrs. Rattner reported that the new Band Director had a “meet and greet” with the members of the band and their parents.

Mrs. Rattner stated that the new Supervisor of Special Services was starting on Monday, August 13, 2007.

Mrs. Rattner reported that new teacher training has been scheduled for the end of August. and new teacher orientation was scheduled for August 29, 2007.

It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Reinstein to accept the Superintendent’s report.

A voice vote indicated unanimous approval.

LIAISON REPORTS

Mrs. Kirsch reported that the new superintendent for Union County Educational Services started August 2, 2007.

Mr. Reinstein reported that the Berkeley Heights Education Foundation completed the outdoor classroom at Hamilton Terrace.

Mr. Smalley reported that the Union County School Board Association has established their meeting schedule for the upcoming year.

FACILITIES REPORT

Mrs. Felezzola gave an update on the construction project.

PRELIMINARY CITIZENS HEARING

Mr. Hewett of Beechwood Lane inquired about information regarding the Ice Hockey coach.

Mr. Beisser reviewed the appropriate steps for communicating information regarding district personnel.

Mrs. Munick of Grassman Place inquired about the status of hiring the Girls Basketball coach.

Mrs. Rattner responded.

Mrs. DiTommaso of Regent Place also had questions regarding the Girls Basketball coach.

Mrs. Meluso of Sutton Drive expressed concern about who is appointed to be the Girls Basketball coach.

Mr. Beisser and Mrs. Rattner responded to their concerns.

Mr. Forreger asked if the second grade teacher for Mountain Park was in the budget.

Dr. Forreger of Dorset Road inquired about legal issues and contracts discussed in executive session.

Miss Hague of Fairview Avenue stated that she was in favor of hiring Mr. Silvagni as the Girls Basketball coach for the coming year.

ADMINISTRATION

- A. AUTHORIZE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS** It was moved by Mr. Smalley and seconded by Mr. Reinstein that the Board of Education authorize Judith A. Rattner, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint and offer employment contracts to those candidates who are chosen to fill vacancies that must be staffed prior to the 2007-2008 school year. The Board of Education will be asked to confirm these personnel appointments at its September 20, 2007, Combined Conference and Regular Meeting.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

EDUCATION

- A. APPROVE ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS**
It was moved by Mr. Reinstein and seconded by Mrs. Kirsch that the Board of Education approve the resolutions (Attachment A) calling for the establishment of two new Special Education programs in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.
- B. APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR OUT-OF-DISTRICT PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES** It was moved by Mr. Reinstein and seconded by Mrs. Kirsch that the Board of Education approve the Agreement with Pediatric Workshop (Attachment B) to provide Physical Therapy services to a Special Education student enrolled in an out-of-district placement during the 2007-2008 school year.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.
- C. APPROVE ENROLLMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENT** It was moved by Mr. Reinstein and seconded by Mrs. Kirsch that the Board of Education approve the enrollment of the following out-of-district Special Education student in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year:

<u>Student ID</u>	<u>School/Program</u>	<u>District of Residence</u>
2605	Governor Livingston High School Program for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing	Union Township

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- D. APPROVE TEXTBOOK** It was moved by Mr. Reinstein and seconded by Mrs. Kirsch that the Board approve the purchase and use of the following textbook in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools:

Columbia Middle School

Latin – Grades 6-8

Ecce Romani IB (Third Edition), Gilbert Lawall, Revision Editor. Pearson Prentice Hall, 2005.

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- E. APPROVE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS/TRAVEL**

REIMBURSEMENT It was moved by Mr. Reinstein and seconded by Mrs. Kirsch that the Board approve the following professional development days and travel reimbursement for district staff members, as indicated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Nash, Ronald	Teaching American History “Meeting of the Minds” Swedesboro, NJ	9/14/07	None**
Nash, Ronald	Teaching American History “Project Directors Meeting” New Orleans, LA	10/17/07- 10/19/07	None**
Orlando, Andrea	“Watercolor Painting and Moveable Books” Assisi, Italy	7/25/07- 8/6/07	None#
Swon, Aida	“Conscious Discipline Part I” Rockville, MD	10/19/07- 10/20/07	\$695.00

** Cost covered by Teaching American History Grant

Cost covered by Dodge Foundation Grant

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

PERSONNEL

- A. APPROVE 2006-2007 SALARIES** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve 2006-2007 salaries for the following district Custodians:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>2006-2007 Salary</u>
Michael Brunt	Columbia Middle School	\$15.63 per hour (Substitute)
David Schelhorn	Thomas P. Hughes School	\$65,454 (including \$3,705 longevity stipend)

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- B. ADDITIONAL SUMMER CHILD STUDY TEAM EMPLOYMENT** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve additional employment time of the following district Child Study Team and teaching staff during the summer months, as listed below, for the purpose of completing student evaluations, conducting required meetings with parents and guardians, and providing other services as required by the Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) of specific district students:

Child Study Team members

(To be paid at the per-diem rate of her/his 2007-2008 annual salary; not to exceed the total number of days listed):

Maureen Brewster – 2 ¼ days

Ilene Gerstenfeld – 2 days

Alison Hart – 2 ½ days

Toby Marcus – 3 days

Ann Spector – 1 ¼ days

Teaching Staff members

(To be paid at the per-diem rate of step 11c on the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule; not to exceed the total number of days listed):

Melissa Grzywacz – ¼ day

Carol Scales – ¾ day

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- C. **ADDITIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the following additions to the list of employees for the 2007 Berkeley Heights Summer School Program:

Teacher Aide @ \$15.00 per hour

<u>Name</u>	<u>Maximum Hours of Employment</u>
Tracey Lowenstein	60

Substitute Teachers @ \$30.00 per hour

<u>Name</u>	<u>Maximum Hours of Employment</u>
Janine Ateniese	As Needed
Gale Bradford	As Needed
Kathryn Finkelstein	As Needed
Gary Healey	As Needed
Michael Riley	As Needed

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- D. **ADDITIONAL SUMMER CURRICULUM WORKSHOPS** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of the following staff members to work on curriculum development and revisions during the summer months. These staff members will be paid at the per-diem rate of step 11c on the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule (\$313.85) per day for this work:

Concepts of Chemistry: Lynn Macalush – 4 days
Stephanie Witko – 4 days

Algebra III: Catherine Birstler – 1 day
Steven Hess – 6 days
Theresa Pisano – 1 day

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- E. **SUMMER WEIGHT TRAINING PROGRAM** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of the following district staff members as supervisors in the Governor Livingston High School summer weight training program for 2007 at the stipend of \$910 each: Gregory Dunkerton, Terrence Hanratty, Daniel Hewette-Guyton, and Jeffrey Marretta.

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- F. RE-EMPLOYMENT OF DISTRICT SUBSTITUTE CALLER** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the re-employment of Jane Davis as District Substitute Caller for the 2007-2008 school year at the annual stipend of \$8,000 for this part-time position. Ms. Davis is also employed as a full-time Secretary at Columbia Middle School. A roll call indicated unanimous approval.
- G. RE-EMPLOYMENT OF KENNETH STIEFEL** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the re-employment of Kenneth Stiefel as the district's video/technical consultant for the 2007-2008 fiscal year at the annual stipend of \$10,000. Mr. Stiefel has served in this capacity for several years, providing the district with video and television technical services, including the videotaping of graduation ceremonies, drama productions, budget presentations and other significant events in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools. A roll call indicated unanimous approval.
- H. REVISE DATE OF EMPLOYMENT AND CONTRACT** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve a revised employment date of August 1, 2007, for Patricia Qualshie, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, as well as her revised 2007-2008 employment contract (Attachment C) which reflects this revised employment date. Ms. Qualshie's employment was initially approved by the Board on June 28, 2007. A roll call indicated unanimous approval.
- I. REVISE DATE OF RESIGNATION** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve a revised resignation date of August 11, 2007, for Reginald Sainte-Rose, Principal of Mountain Park School. Mr. Sainte-Rose's resignation was initially accepted by the Board on June 28, 2007. A roll call indicated unanimous approval.
- J. RESIGNATION OF OWEN MC GOWAN** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of Owen McGowan from his position as Teacher of English at Governor Livingston High School, effective July 31, 2007. A roll call indicated unanimous approval.
- K. RESIGNATION OF NATALIE SMITH-ZUZOVSKY** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of Natalie Smith-Zuzovsky from her position as Occupational Therapist with the district's Child Study Team, effective August 31, 2007. A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- L. REVISE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the following revised employment contracts for the 2007-2008 school year, as indicated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Revised Employment Time and Salary for 2007-2008</u>
Laura Aiello	Governor Livingston Teacher of Spanish	Full time \$45,226

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- M. MATERNITY LEAVE FOR NANCY LUCIANO** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board grant a leave of absence for maternity/disability to Nancy Luciano as of October 29, 2007, using her accumulated sick days from October 29, 2007, through January 7, 2008. It is also recommended that the Board grant Mrs. Luciano an unpaid leave of absence in accordance with the New Jersey Family Medical Leave Act from January 8, 2008, through January 29, 2008. It is anticipated that she will return to her teaching position in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools on January 30, 2008. Mrs. Luciano is a Teacher of Italian at Governor Livingston High School. A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- N. LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR GILLIAN MAHY** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board grant an unpaid leave of absence to Gillian Mahy from September 1, 2007, through December 31, 2007. It is anticipated that she will return to her teaching position in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools on January 1, 2008. Mrs. Mahy is a Teacher of Special Education at Columbia Middle School. A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

O. EMPLOYMENT OF LUNCHROOM/PLAYGROUND TEACHER AIDES

It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of the following Lunchroom/Playground Teacher Aides for the 2007-2008 school year, as indicated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Hourly Pay Rate</u>	<u>Annual Salary</u>
Amodeo, Annette	Woodruff	\$17.04	\$6,134.40
Colder, Kirsten	Hamilton Terrace	\$13.54	\$4,874.40
Fiore, Jane	Hamilton Terrace	\$14.94	\$5,378.40
Galvin, Paula	Hughes	\$13.16	\$4,737.60
Ganger, Denice	Hamilton Terrace	\$13.54	\$4,874.40
Gara-Smith, Janet	Woodruff	\$15.46	\$5,565.60
Guida, Virginia	Hughes	\$15.87	\$5,713.20
Hickman, Anna	Mountain Park	\$11.80	\$4,248.00
Milano, Frances	Mountain Park	\$13.54	\$4,874.40
Paone, Barbara	Hughes	\$12.27	\$4,417.20
Pitingolo, Cathy	Mountain Park	\$11.80	\$4,248.00
Procaccini, Theresa	Hamilton Terrace	\$11.80	\$4,248.00

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

P. SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the salary adjustments listed below for the 2007-2008 school year based on the professional growth of the employee, effective September 1, 2007:

Annie Citarelli: For completion of 30 credits beyond the Master's Degree, she will go from step 16c, \$70,267, to step 16e, \$77,666.

Justin Derman: For completion of the Master's Degree, he will go from step 9a, \$54,866, to step 9c, \$60,243.

Laura Joseph: For completion of 60 credits beyond the Bachelor's Degree, she will go from 29% of step 7c, \$16,915.99, to 29% of step 7d, \$18,132.25.

Susan Poage: For completion of the Master's Degree, she will go from step 6a, \$50,984, to step 6c, \$56,851.

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- Q. HIRING JEANMARIE CIARROCCA** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of Jeanmarie Ciarrocca of Scotch Plains as a Teacher in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year. Ms. Ciarrocca earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in English as well as her Master of Arts Degree in English and Comparative Literature from Montclair State University. She has 13 years of teaching experience, including 2 years with the faculty at Governor Livingston High School from 1995 through 1997. Her salary will be \$66,834, step 14c on the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

Assignment: Governor Livingston High School – Teacher of English

Certification: Standard Certificate – Teacher of English

Explanatory Note: Ms. Ciarrocca is being recommended to replace a former staff member who resigned.

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- R. HIRING BRUCE FRYER** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of Bruce Fryer of South Orange as a Teacher in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year. Mr. Fryer earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree in English from Bates College and he received his Master of Arts Degree in Secondary Education from Seton Hall University. He has 4 years of teaching experience in addition to several years of private sector experience. His salary will be \$56,851, step 6c on the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

Assignment: Governor Livingston High School – Teacher of English

Certification: Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing –
Teacher of English

Explanatory Note: Mr. Fryer is being recommended to replace a former staff member who resigned.

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- S. HIRING PAUL GRANT** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of Paul Grant of Madison as a part-time Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultant in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year. Mr. Grant earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Special Education and a Master of Arts Degree in Special Education with LDT-C endorsement, both from William Paterson University. He has 11 years of teaching experience in public school settings as well as 17 years of operating his own learning disabilities consulting business. His salary will be \$33,417, 50% of step 14c on the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

Assignment: District Child Study Team – Learning Disabilities
Teacher-Consultant (part time)

Certification: Standard Certificate – Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultant

Explanatory Note: Mr. Grant is being recommended to fill a new position that was included in the 2007-2008 school district budget.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- T. HIRING WILLIAM HALLERAN** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of William Halleran of Towaco as a Teacher in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year. Mr. Halleran earned his Bachelor of Engineering Degree from Stevens Institute of Technology and he completed his teacher certification coursework at New Jersey City University. He has 3 years of teaching experience and he was employed in the private sector as an engineer for 25 years. His salary will be \$53,068, step 7a on the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

Assignment: Governor Livingston High School – Teacher of Mathematics

Certificate: Standard Certificate – Teacher of Mathematics

Explanatory Note: Mr. Halleran is being recommended to replace a former staff member who was not offered an employment contract for 2007-2008.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- U. **HIRING MARGARET HODGE** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of Margaret Hodge of Bridgewater as a part-time Teacher in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year. Ms. Hodge earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Studio Art from Rosemont College and she received her Master of Science Degree in Art Education from Southern Connecticut State University. She has 9 years of teaching experience. Her salary will be \$6,184.80, 10% of step 10c on the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

Assignment: Mountain Park School – Teacher of Art (part time)

Certification: Standard Certificate – Teacher of Art

Explanatory Note: Ms. Hodge is being recommended to replace a former staff member who resigned.

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- V. **HIRING APRIL JEFFREY** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of April Jeffrey of Bloomfield as a Teacher in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year. Ms. Jeffrey earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in History from the University of Alabama and she received her Master of Arts in Teaching Degree from Montclair State University. She has 2 years of teaching experience. Her salary will be \$52,208, step 3c on the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

Assignment: Governor Livingston High School – Teacher of Social Studies

Certificate: Standard Certificate – Teacher of Social Studies

Explanatory Note: Ms. Jeffrey is being recommended to replace a staff member who was re-assigned to an administrative position in our district.

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- W. HIRING JOSEPH MICELI** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of Joseph Miceli of Springfield as a Teacher in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year. Mr. Miceli earned his Bachelor of Engineering Degree from Stevens Institute of Technology and he has 5 years of teaching experience. His salary will be \$50,984, step 6a on the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

Assignment: Governor Livingston High School – Teacher of Mathematics

Certification: Standard Certificate – Teacher of Mathematics

Explanatory Note: Mr. Miceli is being recommended to replace a former staff member who resigned.

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- X. HIRING ALYSON WICKENHEISSER** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of Alyson Wickenheisser of Nutley as a substitute/replacement Teacher in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year, effective September 1, 2007, through December 31, 2007. Ms. Wickenheisser earned her Bachelor of Social and Behavioral Science Degree in Elementary Education and Special Education from Seton Hall University. She completed her student teaching experience during the fall of 2006. Her salary will be \$44,288, step 1a on the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule, prorated from September 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008.

Assignment: Columbia Middle School – Teacher of Special Education
(substitute/replacement)

Certification: Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing – Teacher of Students with Disabilities

Explanatory Note: Ms. Wickenheisser is being recommended to serve as a substitute/replacement for a staff member who is going out on an unpaid leave of absence.

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- Y. HIRING MELINDA WILLSON** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve the employment of Melinda Willson of Westfield as a part-time Speech-Language Specialist in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year. Ms. Willson earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Speech Pathology from Rutgers, The State University, and she received her Master of Science Degree in Communication Disorders from William Paterson University. She has 9 years of experience as a Speech-Language Specialist in public schools in addition to several years of professional experience in private schools for the disabled. Ms. Willson was employed in the Berkeley Heights Public Schools from 2002 to 2005. Her salary will be \$26,052, 40% of step 13c on the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

Assignment: Columbia Middle School and Elementary Schools –
Speech-Language Specialist (part time)

Certification: Standard Certificate – Speech-Language Specialist

Explanatory Note: Ms. Willson is being recommended to fill a new position that was included in the 2007-2008 school district budget.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- Z. APPROVE MAINTENANCE/CUSTODIAN SUPERVISOR SALARIES** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Smalley that the Board approve 2007-2008 salaries for the Maintenance and Custodian Supervisor personnel listed on Attachment D.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

BUSINESS

- A. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER FOR DOOR UPGRADES AT VARIOUS SCHOOLS** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Reinstein that the Board of Education approve Change Order #5 with C&M Door Controls, Inc. in the amount of \$16,950.00.

Explanatory Note: This change order was approved at the July 12, 2007, meeting for the incorrect amount of \$16,086.00.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- B. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER FOR DOOR UPGRADES AT VARIOUS SCHOOLS** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Reinstein that the Board of Education approve change orders with C&M Door Controls, Inc. for new doors at Columbia Middle School for \$5,200.00 and for new doors and intercom system in the District Administration Building for \$13,100.00.

Explanatory Note: This change order reflects all labor and materials needed to install new doors not originally included in scope of work.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- C. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER FOR HVAC UPGRADES AT GOVERNOR LIVINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Reinstein that the Board of Education approve Change Order #002 with TM Brennan Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$18,637.92.

Explanatory Note: This change order reflects all labor and materials to remove and reinstall ceiling panels and lights.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- D. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER FOR HVAC UPGRADES AT GOVERNOR LIVINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Reinstein that the Board of Education approve Change Order #15 with TM Brennan Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$38,203.10.

Explanatory Note: This change order reflects labor and materials necessary to patch holes in the walls above the ceiling, which were discovered when the ceiling was removed.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- E. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER FOR HVAC UPGRADES AT THOMAS P. HUGHES SCHOOL** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Reinstein that the Board of Education approve Change Order #4 with H&S Construction in the amount of \$72,758.80.

Explanatory Note: This change order reflects all labor and materials needed to demolish the plaster ceilings grid system and remove lighting and insulation both in and above the ceiling.
A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- F. APPROVE CONTRACT FOR ANONYMOUS SCHOOL VIOLENCE REPORTING AND NOTIFCATION SYSTEM** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Reinstein that the Board of Education approve the participation in an anonymous school violence reporting system with The Watchful I for the 2007-08 school year for the amount of \$4,450.00.

Explanatory Note: Participation in the program allows for anonymous reporting of violence or bullying incidents, thereby creating a safer environment for learning. A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- G. AUDITORIUM UPGRADES AT GOVERNOR LIVINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Reinstein that the Board of Education award, subject to attorney review, the contract to Grafas Painting Contractors, Inc. for the base bid #1 in the amount of \$2,093,844.00 to provide Auditorium Upgrades at Governor Livingston High School.

Explanatory Note: Bids were opened on August 7, 2007, at 11:00 AM. Along with the above bid, three other bids were submitted as follows:

	Base Bid #1
D Construction	\$2,475,000.00
Ingrassia Construction	2,525,000.00
Jacobs Construction	2,547,000.00

Base Bid #1 consists of construction work for the project. The architect and the attorney are reviewing the bid documents. A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

- H. AUDITORIUM UPGRADES AT GOVERNOR LIVINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL** It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Reinstein that the Board of Education award, subject to attorney review, the contract for the base bid #2 to Nickerson Corporation in the amount of \$174,000.00 to provide Auditorium Upgrades at Governor Livingston High School.

Explanatory Note: Bids were opened on June 21, 2007, at 2:00 PM. Along with the above bid, one other bid was received from Longo Construction in the amount of \$210,280.00. Base Bid #2 consists of seating for the project. The architect and the attorney are reviewing the bid documents. A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

FINANCE

A. MONTHLY REPORTS it was moved by Mr. Smalley and seconded by Mrs. Kirsch that the Board of Education accept the monthly reports of the Board Secretary for April 2007 and May, 2007, including the monthly transfer report, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20:2.13 and further, the Board certifies that after review of the Secretary’s Financial Reports and certification statement that to the best of its knowledge 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.

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

B. PAYMENT OF BILLS It was moved by Mr. Smalley and seconded by Mrs. Kirsh that the Board of Education approve for payment the bills as listed on the bill lists as follows:

Payroll	6/27/2007	\$79,149.73
	7/13/2007	566,532.66
	7/31/2007	308,468.98
Accounts Payable	7/13/2007	24,085.00
	7/31/2007	368,596.50
	6/29/2007	(826.00)
	6/29/2007	(413.00)
	6/29/2007	3,326,688.89
	8/9/2007	319,822.00
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		\$4,992,104.76

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

FISCAL AGENT

There were no items to be presented to the Board at this time.

FINAL CITIZENS HEARING

Dr. Forreger of Dorset Road inquired about the two new special education programs approved earlier in the meeting.

Mrs. Rattner responded.

It was moved by Mr. Reimstein and seconded by Mrs. Kirsch that the Final Citizens Hearing of the meeting be closed.

A roll call indicated unanimous approval.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to be presented to the Board at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mrs. Kirsch and seconded by Mr. Sincaglia that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Felezzola
School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary