

OFFICIAL MINUTES

of the **REGULAR MEETING** of the Greenwich Township Board of Education held Tuesday February 19, 2002 in the Nehaunsey Middle School multi-purpose room.

The meeting was called to order by President Joseph Marcucci at 7:02 pm..

Roll Call:

Joseph Marcucci
Robyn Glocker-Hammond
Marie Downes
Susan Filiaggi
Larry Hall
Frank Minniti

Also present were Stephen C. Combs, Superintendent, and Scott A. Campbell, Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Absent:

Celia Sorbello

As required under the guidelines of the Open Public Meeting Law, notice of this meeting was sent to the Gloucester County Times, Courier Post, and the Township Clerk. It was also posted in the Greenwich Township School Buildings. (Optional: Videotaping Regulations - "The proceedings of this meeting are being videotaped, and anyone wishing to discuss an individual child should so note.")

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1. MINUTES

Motion: (Minniti/Hall) to approve the following minutes:

January 7, 2002	Special Meeting
January 14, 2002	Workshop Meeting
January 14, 2002	Caucus
January 23, 2002	Regular Meeting
January 23, 2002	Caucus

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

2. FINANCE

Motion: (Minniti/Hall) to approve the following:

1. The bills as presented by the Board Secretary in the total amounts of \$55,228.73, \$8,301.65, \$24,516.67, \$197,769.61, \$571.13, \$198,150.13, \$84,454.27 and \$44,064.04 be ordered paid. (Attachment EXHIBIT A)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Downes/Glocker-Hammond) to approve the following:

2. The Student Activities Report for the month of December, 2001. (Attachment - EXHIBIT B)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Hall/Glocker-Hammond) to approve the following:

3. The Board Secretary's Report for the month of December, 2001. (Attachment - EXHIBIT C)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Minniti/Filiaggi) to approve the following:

4. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e)*, that the Greenwich Township Board of Education certifies by a roll call vote that as of December 31, 2001, after review of the Secretary's Monthly Financial Report for the month of December (Appropriations Section) and upon consultation with the district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-21.3(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Downes/Glocker-Hammond) to approve the following:

5. The ratification of transfers, authorized by the Superintendent, for the month of December, 2001, to give balances to new accounts and to balance existing accounts. (Attachment-EXHIBIT D)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Hall/Minniti) to approve the following:

6. The Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of December, 2001. (Attachment - EXHIBIT E)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

3. USE OF FACILITIES

Motion: (Downes/Filiaggi) to approve the following:

1. The approval for the use of the Nehaunsey Middle School lobby on March 5, 6, 12, 14, 19 & 21, 2002 by the Gibbstown Soccer Association for the purpose of registration.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. PERSONNEL

Motion: (Filiaggi/Glocker-Hammond) to approve the following:

1. The approval of the following listed individual as a Substitute Teacher for the remainder of the 2001-2001 school year. This approval is required by the County Office for a re-issuance of a Substitute Certificate.

Donald R. Trauger

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Glocker-Hammond/Minniti) to retroactively approve the following:

2. The approval for the following listed individual to be the District's permanent Substitute Teacher for the month of February, 2002.

Tara Atkinson

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Glocker-Hammond/Downes) to approve the following:

3. The approval for the following listed individual to be the District's permanent Substitute Teacher for the month of March, 2002. This is the

last month designated for a permanent Substitute Teacher position.

Christine Nickerson

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Minniti/Filiaggi) to approve the following:

4. The approval of the contract for the District Technology Coordinator, Michael A. Grelli. Contract terms are: 1/01/02 through 6/30/02 at a salary of \$47,840.00; 7/01/02 through 6/30/03 at a salary of \$50,711.00.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Glocker-Hammond/Downes) to approve the following:

5. The approval of the following listed individual as a Substitute Teacher for the remainder of the 2001-2002 school year (pending completion of all required documentation).

Tinamarie Myers

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Minniti/Filiaggi) to approve the following:

6. The approval of payment to Mr. Joseph Cannavo for services rendered by serving as the Italian Language Club Advisor during his time as our World Language Teacher. The amount of payment amounts to \$600.00. Attachment - (EXHIBIT H).

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

B. GRIEVANCE

Motion: (Minniti/Hall) to approve the following:

1. The approval of Friday, May 24, 2002 to be scheduled as a one session day as compensation for teachers' attendance at the Open House/Back-To-School Night per GTEA agreement.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

C. CORRESPONDENCE

Motion: (Filiaggi/Glocker-Hammond) to approve the following:

- A. The acceptance with regret the letter of resignation from Judith A. Ferretti, Business Office employee. Mrs. Ferretti's resignation is effective February 14, 2002.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

5. FIELD TRIP

Motion: (Minniti/Hall) to approve the following:

- A. The approval of two Nehaunsey Middle School students along with Mrs. Shivers and Mrs. Chiavoroli to visit The College of New Jersey to participate in a "BE FIT FORUM" on March 6, 2002.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

6. TEACHER RECOGNITION AWARD

Motion: (Downes/Minniti) to approve the following:

- A. The approval for the submission of the following teachers to the County Superintendent of Schools for the 2001-2002 Teacher Recognition Award:

Jody Harris - Nehaunsey Middle School
Susan Zimmerman - Broad Street School

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

7. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Motion: (Minniti/Glocker-Hammond) to approve the following:

- A. The approval of submitted Professional Development Plan for the 2002-2003 school year by the Greenwich township Professional Development Committee.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

8. RESOLUTION

Motion: (Minniti/Filiaggi) to approve the following:

- A. Approval of the attached resolution by Greenwich Township School

District regarding funding of the school district.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

9. PUBLIC - AGENDA/NON AGENDA ITEMS

This is the time when anyone from the public who wishes to speak to the Board may do so. Please state your name, address and phone number. The Board will hear your concerns. The Board may or may not take action this evening. You will be notified either at this meeting, by letter, or telephone of any action the Board does take.

Frank Boultinghouse, 228 Marshall Avenue, Gibbstown, NJ wanted to know why we were paying our Technology Coordinator over \$97,000.00 for 18 months of work?

Superintendent Combs responded that the first figure listed on the agenda is an amount for six months. He will not be paid that amount but it reflects the increase he deserved.

Scott Campbell added that the Technology Coordinator was the only person in the district who had a contract that ran from January 1 to December 31. In order to get him on-line with everyone else in the district, it was necessary to give him an increase for January 1, 2002 to June 30, 2002 and then have the back portion of the agreement fall on-line with everyone else in the district. Essentially, the second figure is for a twelve month period covering July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003.

Anthony Rastelli, Memorial Avenue, Gibbstown, NJ, asked if there was any movement on the Italian Language being placed into the curriculum?

Joseph Marcucci responded that as soon as the state aid figures come in, we will be able to come to a decision on programs. Until then, we have to wait to get a better idea of where we are heading.

10. CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6*, et seq., which provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution.

The Board of Education for Greenwich Township, assembled in public session on *February 19, 2002*, hereby resolves that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held on *February 19, 2002, at 7:30 p.m.* in the Nehaunsey Middle School located at 415 Swedesboro Road, Gibbstown, New Jersey, for discussion of certain matters which relate to items authorized by *Open Public Meetings Act.*, (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b) to be discussed in closed session.

1. Matters Involving Individual Privacy
2. Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship

It is anticipated that such matters may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Board that applicable exception no longer applies and the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

Motion: (Minniti/Glocker-Hammond) to enter into closed session to discuss the following:

A. Personnel

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Returned from closed session at 8:33 pm.

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. PERSONNEL

Motion: (Minniti/Hall) to approve the following:

1. The acceptance of resignation from Superintendent, Mr. Stephen Combs. Effective date will be June 1, 2002.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Minniti/Filiaggi) to approve the following:

2. The approval that the Early Employment Separation Initiative (E.E.S.I.) be presented to the district teaching staff. The staff will have until March 18, 2002 to decide if they would like to participate. All terms are non-negotiable.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: (Minniti/Glocker-Hammond) to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 pm.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott A. Campbell, Board Secretary

