

OFFICIAL MINUTES

of the **REGULAR MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING** of the Greenwich Township Board of Education held Monday, March 26, 2001 in the Broad Street School Auditorium.

The meeting was called to order by President David Salvatore at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call:

David Salvatore
Joseph Marcucci
Fred Weber
Carmel Morina
Larry Hall
Robyn Glocker-Hammond (arrived at 7:06 p.m.)

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

Absent:

Marie Downes

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. BUDGET PRESENTATION

Motion: (Hall/Weber) to open the Public Hearing portion of the meeting to present the 2001-2002 Proposed Budget

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

The Budget was presented by Scott A. Campbell, Business Administrator.

2. PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

Vice-president Joseph Marcucci commented that he is concerned with the tuition rates that Paulsboro is charging and believes that we should not sign

the tuition contract until we look into the basis of their figures. He wants to reaffirm that he is not in agreement with the increase being charged.

No other questions or comments.

Motion: (Weber/Glocker-Hammond) to adopt the 2001-2002 Budget and Resolution.

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the 2001-2002 School District Budget for submission to the voters (or Board of School Estimate) as follows:

General Fund	\$8,825,706
Special Revenue Fund	<u>184,718</u>
Total Base Budget	<u>\$8,810,424</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Budget includes a Spending Growth Limitation Adjustment (SGLA) for the following:

Enrollment SGLA	\$ 18,760
Transportation SGLA	\$ 75,572

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to acknowledge that the 2001-2002 Budget as described above results in a tax levy of \$6,607,888.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Marcucci/Glocker-Hammond) to adjourn the Public Hearing and to reopen for the Regular Board Meeting.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

3. DISCUSSION

A. Italian Language Course

Superintendent Stephen C. Combs reviewed the letter he received from the Order of Sons of Italy In America requesting that the Italian Language being added to the curriculum.

Fred Weber added that Paulsboro High School has both Italian and Spanish and that if we added Italian, another teacher would have to be added to the staff.

Larry Hall asked if Distance Learning could be used to bring Italian

into the classroom.

Mr. Combs answered that it could be considered. He also added that he would survey the community and students on the possibility of adding Italian to the curriculum.

4. MINUTES

Motion: (Marcucci/Weber) to approve the following minutes:

February 13, 2001 Workshop Meeting
February 13, 2001 Caucus
February 27, 2001 Regular Meeting
February 27, 2001 Caucus

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

5. FINANCE

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

1. The bills as presented by the Board Secretary in the total amounts of \$410,926.12, \$113,206.75, \$72,823.56, \$199,498.92 and \$194,197.34 be ordered paid. (Attachment - EXHIBIT A)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

2. The ratification of transfers for December 2000, authorized by the Superintendent, to give balances to new accounts and to balance existing accounts. (Attachment - EXHIBIT E)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Marcucci/Morina) to approve the following:

3. The Board Secretary's Report for the month of December 2000. (Attachment - EXHIBIT F)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Hall/Glocker-Hammond) 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, 2000*, after review of the Secretary's Monthly Financial Report for the month of December (Appropriation 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. 6:20-2.13(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: (Glocker-Hammond/Weber) to approve the following:

5. The Student Activities Report for the months of December 2000 and February 2001. (Attachment - EXHIBIT G)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Marcucci/Weber) to approve the following:

6. The Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of December 2000. (Attachment - EXHIBIT H)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

7. The Cafeteria Report for the months of January 2001 and February 2001. (Attachment - EXHIBIT I)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Weber/Morina) to approve the following:

8. A Resolution acknowledging receipt of the Adjusted 2001/2002 State Aid amounts. (Attachment - EXHIBIT J)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

6. USE OF FACILITIES

Motion: (Marcucci/Hall) to approve the following as a group A - F:

1. The retroactive use of the Nehaunsey Middle School Gymnasium for the purpose of Little League tryouts Tuesday, March 6, 2001, and Thursday, March 8, 2001, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

2. The use of the Nehaunsey Middle School lobby by the PTA for the purpose of the Kringle Danish pickup on Friday, May 4, 2001, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
3. The use of Nehaunsey Middle School gymnasium by the Gibbstown Girls Basketball for the purpose of a season-ending pizza party on Thursday, March 29, 2001, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. (This is just a switch in gyms from Broad Street to Nehaunsey.)
4. The use of the Broad Street School gymnasium by the PTA for the purpose of the Gertrude Hawk Candy pickup on Friday, April 6, 2001 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
5. The use of both the Broad Street School and Nehaunsey Middle School gymnasiums by the Gibbstown Softball Association for the purpose of softball practice drills on the dates listed below, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.:

Broad Street School

Monday, March 12, 2001
 Tuesday, March 13, 2001
 Thursday, March 15, 2001
 Thursday, March 29, 2001

Nehaunsey Middle School

Monday, March 19, 2001
 Tuesday, March 20, 2001
 Thursday, March 22, 2001
 Monday, March 26, 2001
 Tuesday, March 27, 2001

6. The retroactive approval for the use of the Broad Street School softball field by the Gibbstown Girls' Softball beginning March 13, 2001, for everyday use - Monday through Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

7. CONTRACTS

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

1. The retroactive approval for Clancy & Associates, Inc. to perform a preliminary field investigation to determine wetlands and buffer around the perimeter of the Nehaunsey Middle School. Cost to the District for two days' work is \$1,000.00. Original estimate was \$2,000.00, but bill amount is \$1,000.00 less. (Attachment - EXHIBIT B)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Marcucci/Weber) to approve the following:

2. A Lease Agreement for a 60 month term on a Xerox Document Centre 420. This unit is for use in the Child Study Team Office. The rental agreement for the unit in their office had expired. Minimum monthly payment is \$214.05, with overages bills at \$.0137 per copy, for service and supplies. (Attachment - EXHIBIT C)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

3. The Lease Agreement for a 60 month term on a Xerox Document Centre 420. This unit is for use in the Broad Street School Main Office. The rental agreement for the unit in their office had expired. Minimum monthly payment is \$210.47, with overages billed at \$.0194 per copy, for service and supplies. (Attachment - EXHIBIT D)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Superintendent's Recommendations

A. PERSONNEL

Motion: (Marcucci/Weber) to approve the following:

- A. The individual listed below as a Substitute Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the remainder of the 2000-2001 school year (pending completion of the required documentation).

Sanchez, Tina M.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

- B. To advertise for the following listed teaching positions for the 2001-2002 school year.

Developmental Kindergarten Teacher
World Language Teacher

Motion carried by unanimous roll vote.

2. FIELD TRIP

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

- A. A field trip for Student Council members and advisors on Monday, April 2, 2001, to Devereux Group Home in Glassboro. Cost to the Board will be bus transportation.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

3. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

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

- A. The submitted Professional Development Plan for school year 2001-2002 by the Greenwich Township Professional Committee.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

Motion: (Weber/Hall) to accept the following:

- 1. A letter of thanks from Nancy Sagers, Broad Street School Teacher of the Year, for the gift and cake given to her as Recognition Recipient for the 2000-2001 school year.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Marcucci/Weber) to accept the following:

- 2. A letter of notification to participate in the "Early Employment Separation Initiative". This letter is from Jeanne Donovan, Developmental Kindergarten Teacher at Broad Street School. Separation will be effective June 30, 2001.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Marcucci/Glocker-Hammond) to accept the following:

- 3. A letter of request to take five (5) days without pay for family-related reasons. This request is from Joan Carty, Classroom Aide at Nehaunsey

Middle School for time around the end of April 2001 or early May 2001.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

10. 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.

Roseanne Lombardo, Harmony Road, Gibbstown and President of the Lions Club wanted to invite Board Members and Administration to the Family Fun Night at Nehaunsey Middle School on Friday, March 30, 2001, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. She also wanted to thank the Board for their support for this event.

Harry Magazu, 268 Crescent Avenue, Gibbstown, wanted to know what the results were of Item 13A from the agenda determining wetlands and buffer around Nehaunsey Middle School.

David Salvatore responded that the field investigation determined that it was not possible to build behind the school.

Scott Campbell added that it was necessary to have the test done so the Board knows what their limitations are and what possible plan they can set forth.

11. CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:406*, 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 *March 26, 2001*, hereby resolves that an Executive Session closed to the public be held on *March 26, 2001 at 7:59 p.m.* in the Broad Street Elementary School, located at 255 W. Broad Street, 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 matter 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: (Hall/Glocker-Hammond) to enter into closed session at 7:59 p.m. to discuss the following:

- A. Personnel
- B. Negotiations

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Returned from closed session at 8:56 p.m.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: (Marcucci/Weber) to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott A. Campbell, Board Secretary