

1 **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

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3 of the **REGULAR MEETING** of the Greenwich Township Board of Education held
4 **Monday, November 15, 2010** in the Nehaussey Middle School library.

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6 The meeting was called to order by President James Worrell at 7:05 p.m.

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8 **Roll Call:**

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- 10 James Worrell
- 11 Loraine LaPalomento
- 12 Louis Fabiani
- 13 Roseanne Lombardo
- 14 Lisa Morina
- 15 Jason Murschell
- 16 Susan Vernacchio

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18 Also present were Mr. Vincent Tarantino, Interim Superintendent and Mr. Scott A.
19 Campbell, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

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

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27 **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GOD AND COUNTRY**

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29 **1. STUDENT RECOGNITION**

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31 Students and staff were honored with certificates for their participation in the
32 New “haunt”sey Activity and for their essays on world hunger.

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34 **2. MINUTES**

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36 Motion: (Fabiani/LaPalomento) to approve the minutes:

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- 38 October 18, 2010 – Regular Meeting
- 39 October 18, 2010 – Executive Meeting

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41 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

1 **3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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3 Motion: (LaPalomento/Morina) to approve the following as one, A-C:

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5 **A. Administrative Reports**

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7 1. Enrollment Statistics, Fire Drills and Suspensions, as of October
8 31, 2010. (Attachment – EXHIBIT B1)
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10 2. School Health Services Monthly Reports as of October 31, 2010.
11 (Attachment – EXHIBIT B2)
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13 3. 2010-2011 Violence & Vandalism Report as of October 31, 2010.
14 (Attachment – EXHIBIT B3)
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16 4. Monthly Report of Attendance Officer as of October 31, 2010.
17 (Attachment – EXHIBIT B4)
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19 **B.** The approval of the submission of the Greenwich Township School
20 District's 2010-2011 NJQSAC for the period of review for 2007-2008,
21 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 school years.
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23 **C.** The retroactive approval for payment to members of the STARS
24 Committee Program at Broad Street School, at a rate of \$30.00 per hour.
25 The STARS Program is a federally and state mandated pre-referral
26 intervention program, formally known as Intervention and Referral
27 Services (IR&S). The STARS Program is required in all New Jersey
28 public school districts. The STARS Committee Members are as follows:
29 Erica Backenson, Steven Wehrle, Tina Sayers, Kathy Seacrist and Jean
30 Morrison.
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32 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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34 **4. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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36 **PERSONNEL**

37 Mr. Jason Murschell, Chairperson
38 Ms. Loraine LaPalomento
39 Mr. James Worrell
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41 Motion: (Fabiani/Lombardo) to approve the following as one, A-I:

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43 **A.** The retroactive approval for Holcomb Bus Service to provide a bus driver,
44 Lori Chirieleison, as a substitute bus driver for Ada Zubec. Mrs. Zubec
45 was on sick leave from October 18, 2010 through October 29, 2010.

1 Retroactive approval is also granted for Holcomb Bus Service driver,
2 Margaret Kier, to substitute for Ms. Chirieleison should the need arise.
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- 4 B. The retroactive approval for the medical leave of absence for Dolores
5 Mooney, Bus Driver, beginning November 8, 2010 for a period of four to
6 six weeks. Mrs. Mooney will be using accumulated sick leave during this
7 period.
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- 9 C. The retroactive approval for Holcomb Bus Service to provide services in
10 Dolores Mooney's absence beginning November 8, 2010 for a period of
11 four to six weeks.
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- 13 D. The approval for a medical leave of absence for Maureen Jenzano,
14 Teacher at Broad Street School, beginning November 16, 2010 for a
15 period of approximately four weeks. Mrs. Jenzano will be using
16 accumulated sick leave during this period.
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- 18 E. The approval to contract with Gloucester County Special Services School
19 District to provide a speech/language specialist in Mrs. Jenzano's absence
20 at a rate of \$495.00 per diem for a minimum of 13 days totaling \$6,435.00.
21 Additional days to be added should Mrs. Jenzano's leave extend beyond
22 four weeks.
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- 24 F. The approval to extend the medical leave of absence for Lorie Muraca,
25 Teacher at Broad Street School, until Monday, January 3, 2011. Mrs.
26 Muraca was due to return on Monday, November 29, 2010. A
27 recommendation for a replacement for Mrs. Muraca will be forthcoming.
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- 29 G. The approval for appoint Wil Zane as a one-on-one aide on an as needed
30 basis. Mr. Zane will be paid \$75.00 per day.
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- 32 H. The approval to appoint Stephania Tomaszewski, Teacher at Nehaunsey
33 Middle School, as graphic designer for the Greenwich Gazette for the
34 2010-2011 school year, at a rate of \$30.00 per hour.
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- 36 I. The approval for the appointment of the following Substitute Teachers for
37 the 2010-2011 school year. Substitute rate will be \$70.00 a day, up to and
38 including ten (10) days. After ten (10) days, the rate increases to \$75.00 a
39 day.
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41 Jaclyn Foody Amy Super
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43 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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Grade and/or Group	Destination/Time	Date	Estimated Related Cost	Estimated Transportation Cost	Total
Grade 6	Planetarium at Rowan University Glassboro, NJ 8:45 am – 11:30 am	12/14/10	\$-0-	Driver: \$120.00	\$120.00
Special Education Self-Contained Grades 3 & 4	Deptford Mall Deptford, NJ 10:00 am – 1:30 pm	3/16/11 (Originally scheduled for 5/10/11)	\$-0-	Driver: \$105.00	\$105.00
Grade 2	Academy of Natural Sciences Philadelphia, PA 9:00 am – 2:00 pm	4/15/11	Tickets: \$535.50 Outside In (Group Fee) \$75.00 Substitute \$75.00 (3 special needs students require a designated chaperone and a 1-on-1 aide)	Driver: \$300.00 Tolls: \$ 12.00	\$997.50

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

B. Workshops

- The approval for the following individuals to attend out-of-district workshops:

Name	Workshop Title/Location/Date	Cost
Regina Minniti	School Transportation Supervisors of NJ Columbus, NJ 12/3/10	\$-0- (costs included with dues which have been paid)
Vanessa Gottesfeld	LRC-South 2010-2011 Workshops Transition from School to Adult Life Mullica Hill, NJ 12/6/10	\$11.00 Plus Mileage Plus Substitute
Nicole McGann	Keeping Students Engaged in Reading Activities While You Teach in Small Groups Cherry Hill, NJ 12/13/10	\$269.00 Plus Mileage Plus Substitute
Nicole McGann	Practical Strategies for Using Six Traits in Your Writing Instruction Cherry Hill, NJ 2/3/11	\$199.00 Plus Mileage Plus Substitute
Steve Wehrle	State and Eastern District Physical Education Convention	\$-0- Plus Mileage

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	Long Branch, NJ 2/17/11	Plus Substitute
Cathy Tortella	NJ State School Nurses Association Annual Conference New Brunswick, NJ 3/18/11 3/19/11	\$195.00 Plus Mileage Plus Substitute (for 3/18/11 only)

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2 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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4 Motion: (LaPalomente/Lombardo) to approve the following:

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6 C. Student Teacher Placement

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8 1. The approval for the following Rowan University students for full-
9 time student teaching placements from January 18, 2011 through
10 May 6, 2011 at the Broad Street School and the Nehaussey Middle
11 School.

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13 Students: Cooperating Teachers:
14 Amanda DiJoseph Carlyn McCabe – Grade 2
15 Sean Magerr Joshua Bomze – Grades 7/8
16 (Social Studies)

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18 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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20 **BUSINESS & FINANCE**

21 Scott A. Campbell, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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23 Motion: (Murschell/Vernacchio) to approve the following:

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25 A. Bills Lists

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27 1. The bills as presented by the Business Administrator in the
28 following amounts are ordered paid. (Attachment – EXHIBIT C)

No.	Amount
P13	\$262,767.60
P14	\$257,814.72
P15	\$73,715.95
P16	\$21,128.40
P17	\$261,214.29
P18	\$261,154.55
P19	\$217,234.62
P20	\$1,449.02
P21	\$77,184.03
P22	\$416,079.46

1 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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3 Motion: (LaPalomente/Morina) to approve the following:

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5 B. Cafeteria Payments

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7 1. The approval for the following cafeteria payments for **November**
8 **2010** as presented by the Business Administrator in the following
9 amounts are ordered paid.

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Ck#	Date	Payable to	Amount
932	10/22/10	Deer Park (water)	\$96.00
933	10/22/10	Nutri-Serve Management	\$4,769.75
934	10/29/10	Nutri-Serve Management	\$3,787.70
935	11/8/10	Nutri-Serve Management	\$5,143.71
936	11/15/10	Nutri-Serve Management	\$2,795.31
		Total Payout	\$16,592.47

11 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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13 Motion: (Fabiani/Lombardo) to approve the following as one, C-F:

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15 C. Student Activities Account

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17 1. The approval of the Student Activities Account Monthly Bank
18 Reconciliation for the month of October 2010. (Attachment –
19 EXHIBIT D)

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21 D. Board Secretary's Report

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23 1. The acceptance of the Board Secretary's Report for the months of
24 July 2010 and August 2010. (Attachments – EXHIBIT E1 and E2)
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26 a. Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23A-16.10(c)3, the Greenwich
27 Township Board of Education certifies by a roll call vote that
28 as of July 31, 2010 and August 31, 2010 after review of the
29 Board Secretary's Reports for July, 31, 2010 and August 31,
30 2010, and upon consultation with the district officials, to the
31 best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been
32 over expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23A-16.10(c)4 and
33 that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's
34 financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year.

1 E. Treasurer's Report

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3 1. The approval of the Treasurer's Report in accordance with 18A:17-
4 36 and 18A:17-9 for the months of July 2010 and August 2010.
5 The Treasurer's Report and Secretary's Report are in agreement
6 for the months of July 2010 and August 2010. (Attachments –
7 EXHIBIT F1 and F2)

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9 F. Transfer List

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11 1. The ratification of transfers, authorized by the Superintendent, for
12 the months of July 2010 and August 2010 to give balances to new
13 accounts and to balance existing accounts. (Attachments – G1 and
14 G2)

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16 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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18 **REGULATORY COMMITTEE**

19 Mr. Louis Fabiani, Chairperson

20 Mrs. Roseanne Lombardo

21 Mr. James Worrell

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23 Motion: (LaPalomoto/Morina) to approve the following as one, A-E:

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25 A. The retroactive approval for the Greenwich Township School District PTA
26 to use the Broad Street School library for the Gianni Pizza Fundraiser
27 pick-up on Thursday, October 28, 2010 from 1:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
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29 B. The approval for the Greenwich Township Recreation Committee to use
30 the Broad Street School and the Nehaunsey Middle School gymnasium for
31 boys' basketball. (See attached calendar for dates/times – EXHIBIT I)
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33 C. The approval for Gibbstown Girls' Basketball to use the Broad Street
34 School and the Nehaunsey Middle School gymnasium. (See attached
35 calendar for dates/times – EXHIBIT I)
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37 D. The approval for the Township of Greenwich to use the Nehaunsey Middle
38 School gymnasium for an annual reorganization meeting on Monday,
39 January 3, 2011 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
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41 E. The approval for the American Red Cross Blood Drive to be held in the
42 Nehaunsey Middle School gymnasium on Tuesday, February 22, 2011
43 from 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

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45 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

1 **TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

2 Ms. Loraine LaPalomente, Chairperson

3 Mrs. Roseanne Lombardo

4 Mrs. Lisa Morina

5 No report at this time.

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7 **BUILDING COMMITTEE**

8 Ms. Loraine LaPalomente, Chairperson

9 Mr. Louis Fabiani

10 Mr. Jason Murschell

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12 Loraine LaPalomente informed the Board that the Building Committee will be

13 meeting with potential architects in the near future.

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15 **NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE**

16 Mr. James Worrell, Chairperson

17 Mr. Louis Fabiani

18 Mr. Jason Murschell

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20 Jim Worrell informed the Board that negotiations are going into fact finding and a

21 date for meeting with the Fact-Finder will be forthcoming.

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23 **5. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – Mr. James Worrell, Board President

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25 Jim Worrell is requesting permission to possibly use a district school bus for the

26 senior citizens.

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28 **6. OLD BUSINESS**

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30 Louis Fabiani stated that the “fire code violations” in the auditorium at the Broad

31 Street School have been completed and he would like to thank Mr. Bob Reistle

32 for all his work and he also wants to thank Mr. Mike Beukers and Mr. John

33 Batista from our maintenance department for their assistance.

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35 Susan Vernacchio asked about the audit and if we were on schedule? Scott A.

36 Campbell responded that the auditors have been in and are on time.

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38 **7. NEW BUSINESS**

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40 None at this time.

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42 **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

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44 None at this time.

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3 **9. PUBLIC – AGENDA/NON-AGENDA ITEMS**
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5 This is the time when anyone from the public who wishes to speak to the Board
6 may do so. Please state your name, address and phone number. The Board will
7 hear you concerns. The Board may or may not take action this evening. You will
8 be notified either at this meeting, by letter, or telephone of any action the Board
9 does take.

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11 **Lois Picconi**, 472 Center Street, Sewell, NJ asked if the Board of Education is
12 considering cutting aides to half time and no benefits? **Jim Worrell** responded
13 that is was just a rumor.

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15 **Joann Parker**, 110 Melon Avenue, Gibbstown, NJ, asked how much a Fact
16 Finder will cost? **Jim Worrell** responded that it was approximately a \$1,000.00
17 split. **Ms. Parker** then asked how much a mediator will cost? **Mr. Worrell**
18 responded, “nothing”. **Ms. Parker** asked if it will be completed soon? **Mr.**
19 **Worrell** responded that we will see.

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21 **Chuck Tortella**, 414 Swedesboro Road, Gibbstown, NJ asked if it was legal to
22 open a meeting with a prayer? **Vincent Tarantino** responded that it was what
23 they did in Monroe Township and he would like to do it here. He also
24 commented that he wasn’t sure if it was legal or not. **Mr. Tortella** asked about a
25 recent article on the school consolidation and getting public input? **Loraine**
26 **LaPalomento** responded that the information shouldn’t have gone out until the
27 Publicity/Public Relations Committee could review it.

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29 **Lee Lucas**, 361 Democrat Road, Gibbstown, NJ asked if the meeting was
30 opened with a prayer? **Vincent Tarantino** responded, “yes”. **Mr. Lucas** stated
31 that he spends about \$350.00 a month for his medical and he doesn’t think that
32 the 1.5% is not that bad.

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34 **Theresa Ruskai**, 110 Railroad Avenue, Gibbstown, NJ stated that the Board
35 should keep the prayer in the meeting and keep the current agenda format.

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37 **Beth Ann Smith**, 218 Ashton Drive, Gibbstown, NJ thinks it is disgusting that the
38 boys are not changing for gym at the Middle School. **Vincent Tarantino** said he
39 would be speaking with the building principal and would get back to everyone on
40 the outcome.

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42 **Denise Grovatt**, 540 Tomlin Station Road, Gibbstown, NJ would like to invite the
43 Board to their PTA meeting this week on Thursday, November 18, for a
44 presentation on “cyber-bulling”.
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1 **Cathy Tortella**, 414 Swedesboro Road, Gibbstown, NJ commented on the
2 current status of the relations between the Board of Education and the GTEA and
3 how it has deteriorated since the last time the Board and the GTEA negotiated a
4 contract.

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6 **10. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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8 Pursuant to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-*
9 *6, et seq.*, which provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may
10 be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution.

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12 The Board of Education for Greenwich Township, assembled in public session on
13 **November 15, 2010** hereby resolves that an Executive Session closed to the
14 public shall be held on **November 15, 2010**, at **7:56 p.m.** in the Nehaunsey
15 Middle School library, Room 48, located at 415 Swedesboro Road, Gibbstown,
16 New Jersey, for discussion of certain matters which relate to items authorized by
17 *Open Public Meetings Act, (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b)* to be discussed in closed
18 session.

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 - Matters Involving Individual Privacy
 - Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship

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

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27 Motion: (Fabiani/LaPalomato) to enter into Executive Sessions at 7:56
28 p.m. to discuss the following:

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 - Personnel
 - Negotiations

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33 Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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35 Motion: (Murschell/Lombardo) to return to the Regular Meeting at 9:36
36 p.m.

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38 **11. BUSINESS & FINANCE**

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40 Motion: (LaPalomato/Murschell) to approve the following:

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42 G. Contract

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- 1. The approval of the contract between the Greenwich Township Board of Education and the Wenonah Elementary Board of Education for shared business services for the 2010-2011 school beginning January 1, 2011 thru June 30, 2011. (Attachment – EXHIBIT H)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (LaPalomento/Fabiani) to approve the following:

H. Meeting Dates

- 1. The approval to change the Board of Education meeting dates to the second (2nd) Monday of the month effective January, 2011.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: (LaPalomento/Vernacchio) to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott A. Campbell, Board Secretary