

1 **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

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3 of the **REGULAR MEETING** of the Greenwich Township Board of Education held
4 Tuesday, May 21, 2002 in the Nehaunsey Middle School multi-purpose room.

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6 The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Frank Minniti at 7:02 p.m.

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8 **Roll Call:**

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10 Frank Minniti
11 Joseph Duca
12 Susan Filiaggi
13 Larry Hall
14 Marie Downes (arrived at 7:20 p.m.)

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16 Also present was Scott A. Campbell, Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

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18 **Absent:**

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20 Joseph Marcucci
21 Celia Sorbello
22 Superintendent, Stephen Combs

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

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30 Flag Salute

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32 **1. PRESENTATION**

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34 A. Frank Minniti presented Mrs. Sandy Backensto with a plaque honoring her
35 for her years of service as secretary.

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37 B. The Gibbstown Lion's Club donated medical supplies to the Greenwich
38 Township School District in memory of Mr. Dan Chila. Presenters were:

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40 Mr. Lou Corradetti
41 Mrs. Roseanne Lombardo

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43 Frank Minniti accepted and thanked the Lion's Club for the donation and
44 also commented on the excellent job the Lion's Club does for the
45 community.

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2 **2. MINUTES**
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4 Motion: (Filiaggi/Hall) to approve the following minutes:
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6 April 8, 2002 Workshop Meeting
7 April 8, 2002 Caucus
8 April 17, 2002 Special Meeting
9 April 17, 2002 Caucus
10 April 24, 2002 Reorganization/Regular Meeting
11 April 24, 2002 Caucus #1
12 April 24, 2002 Caucus #2
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14 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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16 **3. FINANCE**
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18 Motion: (Hall/Filiaggi) to approve the following:
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20 A. The bills as presented by the Board Secretary in the total amounts of
21 \$563,397.29, \$1,788.36, \$403,963.68, \$231.10, \$204,022.69 and
22 \$18,820.72 be ordered paid. (Attachment – EXHIBIT A)
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24 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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26 Motion: (Filiaggi/Downes) to accept the following:
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28 B. The Board Secretary's Report for the month of March, 2002. (Attachment
29 – EXHIBIT B)
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31 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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33 Motion: (Filiaggi/Downes) to approve the following:
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35 C. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e)*, that the Greenwich Township Board
36 of Education certifies by a roll call vote that as of March 31, 2002, after
37 review of the Secretary's Monthly Financial Report for the month of
38 March (Appropriations Section) and upon consultation with the district
39 officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been
40 over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(b) and that sufficient
41 funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the
42 remainder of the fiscal year.
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44 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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1 Motion: (Hall/Filiaggi) to approve the following:
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- 3 D. The ratification of transfers, authorized by the Superintendent, for the
4 month of March, 2002 to give balances to new accounts and to balance
5 existing accounts. (Attachment – EXHIBIT C)
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7 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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9 Motion: (Filiaggi/Hall) to approve the following:
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- 11 E. The Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of March, 2002.
12 (Attachment – EXHIBIT D)
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14 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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16 Motion: (Hall/Downes) to approve the following:
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- 18 F. The Student Activity Report for the month of March, 2002. (Attachment –
19 EXHIBIT E)
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21 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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23 **4. USE OF FACILITIES**
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25 Motion: (Downes/Hall) to approve the following:
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- 27 A. The use of the Broad Street School gymnasium and Auditorium by the
28 Gibbstown SACC for the purpose of Preschool Graduation and Practice.
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30 Practice – Monday, May 20, 2002 through Thursday, May 23, 2002 from
31 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

32 Graduation – Thursday, May 23, 2002 from 6:30 p.m. through 9:00 p.m.
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- 34 B. The use of the Broad Street School Gymnasium and Playground by the
35 Gibbstown SACC for their Summer Program – June 17, 2002 – August
36 30, 2002.
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- 38 C. The use of the Broad Street School Gymnasium and Playground by the
39 Gibbstown SACC for their after-school hours and school holidays
40 programs. This is for the 2002-2003 school year.
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- 42 D. The use of the Nehaunsey Middle School Parking Lot by Christ
43 Presbyterian Church for their Community Spring Festival held on May 17
44 & 18, 2002 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
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1 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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3 **5. GRANTS**

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5 Motion: (Hall/Filiaggi) to approve the following:

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7 A. The acceptance of the fiscal year 2002 Grant Award for Improving
8 America's Schools Act (IASA). The Grant Award amounts are as
9 follows: (Attachment - EXHIBIT F)

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Title I	\$43,571.00
Title II	\$ 2,276.00
Title IV	\$ 1,924.00
Title VI	\$ 2,211.00
Class-Size Reduction	<u>\$14,897.00</u>
Total	\$64,879.00

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20 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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22 Motion: (Filiaggi/Hall) to accept the following:

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24 B. The acceptance of the fiscal year 2002 Grant Award for Individuals with
25 Disabilities Education Act (IDEA-B) combined. The Grant Award
26 amounts are as follows: (Attachment – EXHIBIT G)

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Basic	\$124,097.00
PreSchool	\$ 12,104.00

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31 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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33 Motion: (Filiaggi/Hall) to approve the following:

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35 C. The approval to submit to the New Jersey Department of Education, an
36 application for Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) – Basic
37 Funds in the amount of \$137,905.00 for the 2002-2003 school year.

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39 Informational: The major portion of these funds will be used for out-of-
40 district tuition for students we cannot accommodate in-district. This grant
41 will also provide funds for the Fast ForWord summer program, other
42 supplies and purchased services. \$8,274.00 is allocated for services to
43 disabled students in non-public schools.

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45 Recommend approval to submit to the New Jersey Department of

1 Education, an application for Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
2 (IDEA) – PreSchool funds in the amount of \$11,013.00 for the 2002-2003
3 school year.

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5 Informational: The funds will be used for out-of-district tuition. \$1,180.00
6 is allocated for services to disabled students in non-public schools.

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8 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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10 **6. NEW BUSINESS**

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12 **A. PERSONNEL**

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14 Motion: (Filiaggi/Hall) to approve the following:

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16 1. The approval of the following listed individuals as Substitute
17 Teachers for the remainder of the 2001-2002 school year (all
18 documentation has been completed through another district).

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20 Susana Bennett
21 Gregg Corradetti

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23 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

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27 2. The approval of the following listed individual as a Substitute
28 Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the 2002-2003 school year (pending
29 completion of all the required documentation).

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31 Alison M. Grelli

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33 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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35 Motion: (Filiaggi/Hall) to approve the following:

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37 3. The re-appointment of the following listed non-tenured World
38 Language Teacher for the 2002-2003 school year. Salary for the
39 2002-2003 school year is scheduled to be \$36,547.00.

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41 Carina Jovanovic

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43 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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45 Motion: (Hall/Filiaggi) to approve the following:

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2 4. The approval of release time for the week of June 17-21, 2002, for
3 the following listed employee. This release time is without pay for
4 personal business.

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6 Toshia Bergen
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8 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

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12 5. The approval of the following listed individual as a Substitute
13 Teacher for the 2002-2003 school year (pending completion of the
14 required documentation).

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16 Stephania Tomaszewski
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18 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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20 Motion: (Hall/Downes) to approve the following:

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22 6. The approval of the following individuals as instructors for the Fast
23 ForWord Program – 2002. Salary for each teacher is \$4,000.00.

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25 Elizabeth Button
26 Maureen Jenzano
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28 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

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32 7. The approval of the following listed individuals as instructors for the
33 Extended PreSchool Disabled Class – 2002. Salary for the teacher
34 is \$2,062.50 and \$999.75 for the aide.

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36 Lorie Muraca – Teacher
37 Geraldine Lightcap – Aide
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39 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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41 Motion: (Hall/Downes) to approve the following:

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43 8. The approval of the following listed individual as an instructor for
44 CAI Summer School Program – 2002. Salary is \$3,025.00
45 (maximum) for the teacher.

Susan Zimmerman

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

- 9. The approval of the following listed individual as an instructor for the Extended Summer School Program – 2002. Salary is \$2,640.00 for the teacher.

Cheryl Pindur

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

B. STUDENT PLACEMENTS

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

- 1. The approval of the following listed out-of-district student recommendations for the Extended Summer School Program 2002.

Student	Program	Placement	ESY
MS	MH	Duran Academy	\$4,695.00
AV	MH	GCSSSD Child Development Center	\$4,000.00
PT	AUT	GCSSSD Child Development Center	\$4,000.00
JD	PSD	Bancroft Pre School @Haddon Heights	\$5,760.00
JC	MH	Bancroft @Haddonfield	\$4,608.00

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

7. FIELD TRIP

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

- A. The approval of a D.A.R.E. sponsored trip for fifth graders graduating from the program. The trip would be to see a Phillies baseball game on Friday, May 31, 2002. Time would be from 5:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Cost to the district would be for transportation and a bus driver.

1 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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3 Motion: (Hall/Downes) to approve the following:

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5 B. The retroactive approval for a walking field trip to the Gibbstown
6 Ambulance facility for the second grade class of Ms. Parker. Trip took
7 place on April 25, 2002.

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9 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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11 **8. SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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13 Motion: (Filiaggi/Hall) to approve the following:

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15 A. The approval of Greenwich Township School District school calendar for
16 the 2002-2003 school year. (Attachment – EXHIBIT H)

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18 **9. DONATION**

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

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22 A. The acceptance of a donation of gift certificates to be given to Broad
23 Street Elementary students for Rita's Water Ice. These certificates are
24 Mother's Day gifts for MOMS from Ken Piechowski, Manager.

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26 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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28 **10. AWARDS**

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

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32 A. The acceptance of a \$50.00 savings bond from the family of Cinderella
33 Cameli to be presented at the eighth grade graduation ceremony. This
34 award will be to a student exemplifying a spirit of optimism. (Attachment –
35 EXHIBIT I)

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37 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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39 **11. CURRICULUM**

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41 Motion: (Hall/Filiaggi) to approve the following:

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43 A. The approval and adoption of the seven year Greenwich Township School
44 District Curriculum Review and Revision Schedule. (Attachment –
45 EXHIBIT J)

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

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12 Vice-President Frank J. Minniti thanked Nehaunsey Middle School Nurse Cathy
13 Tortella and the other individuals who helped out with the S.A.D.D. Lock-In.
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15 Cheryl Pindur, 5th Grade Teacher @ Broad Street School and Bobbi Magazu,
16 School Librarian, gave an update on the Thailand Project and the conversations
17 they had had with representatives of the school in Thailand.
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19 Vice-President Minniti commented that he would like the teachers to show off
20 some of the projects and programs that we do here and expose the children to
21 these ideas.
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23 No further comments.
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25 **13. CLOSED SESSION**
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27 Pursuant to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.*
28 *10:4- 6, et seq.*, which provides that an Executive Session, not open to the
29 public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by
30 Resolution.
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32 The Board of Education for Greenwich Township, assembled in public session
33 on *May 21, 2002*, hereby resolves that an Executive Session closed to the public
34 shall be held on *May 21, 2002, at 7:39 p.m.* in the Nehaunsey Middle
35 School located at 415 Swedesboro Road, Gibbstown, New Jersey, for discussion
36 of certain matters which relate to items authorized by *Open Public Meetings Act,*
37 *(N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b)* to be discussed in closed session.
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- 39 1. Matters Involving Individual Privacy
40 2. Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship
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42 It is anticipated that such matters may be disclosed to the public upon the
43 determination of the Board that applicable exception no longer applies and
44 the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.
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1 Motion: (Hall/Downes) to enter into closed session at 7:39 p.m. to discuss
2 the following:

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4 1. Personnel – Interim Superintendent, New Superintendent
5 2. Student Concerns – Parent Request
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7 Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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9 Returned from closed session at 8:40 p.m.
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11 **14. RECOMMENDATIONS**

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13 Motion: (Hall/Filiaggi) to approve the following:
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- 15 A. The approval of Superintendent Employment Contract between the
16 Greenwich Township Board of Education and Dr. Francine J. Marteski.
17 The term of the contract is from July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2006 with an
18 initial salary of \$105,000.00. Also, the Board President and Business
19 Administrator are given authority to execute this agreement on behalf of
20 the Greenwich Township Board of Education.
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22 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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24 Motion: (Hall/Filiaggi) to approve the following:
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- 26 B. The appointment of Nancy Lynn Cox-Myers as the Interim Superintendent
27 for the period covering June 1, 2002 until June 30, 2002. Mrs. Myers will
28 be paid \$2,500.00 to serve as Interim Superintendent.
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30 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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32 Motion: (Downes/Filiaggi) to approve the following:
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- 34 C. The allowance of KD and KD to remain in the district for the remainder of
35 the school year and not be responsible to pay tuition for May 2002 and
36 June 2002.
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38 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
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40 **15. ADJOURNMENT**

41 Motion: (Filiaggi/Hall) to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.
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43 Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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Respectfully submitted,

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Scott A. Campbell, Board Secretary