

OFFICIAL MINUTES

of the **REGULAR MEETING** of the Greenwich Township Board of Education held Monday, January 23, 2001, in the Nehaunsey Middle School multi-purpose room.

The meeting was called to order by President David Salvatore at 7:03 p.m.

Roll Call:

David Salvatore
Joseph Marcucci
Fred Weber
Robyn Glocker-Hammond
Carmel Morina
Marie Downes
Larry Hall

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

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.")

Flag Salute

1. MINUTES

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

December 11, 2000 Workshop Meeting
December 11, 2000 Caucus
December 19, 2000 Regular Meeting
December 19, 2000 Caucus

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

2. FINANCE

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

- A. The Student Activities Report for the month of November 2, 2000. (Attachment - EXHIBIT A)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

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

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

- C. The acceptance of the Board Secretary's Report for the month of November 2000. (Attachment-EXHIBIT D)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

- D. 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 *November 30, 2000*, after review of the Secretary's Monthly Financial Report for the month of *November* (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. 6:20-2.13(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

- E. The bills as presented by the Board Secretary in the total amounts of \$930,984.03, \$202,976.53, \$197,703.77, \$380.32, \$94,577.81 and \$53,668.10 be ordered paid. (Attachment - EXHIBIT E)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

- F. The Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of November 2000. (Attachment - EXHIBIT F)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

- G. The Cafeteria Report for the months of November 2000 and December 2000. (Attachment - EXHIBIT G)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Marcucci/Downes to approve the following:

- H. The submission of the Improving America's Schools Act (IASA) Final Report/Carryover Application for the project period covering September 1, 1999 to August 31, 2000. The Final Report/Carryover amount is \$236.99.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

3. USE OF FACILITIES

Motion: (Glocker-Hammond/Marcucci) to approve the following as a Group A-C:

- A. The use of the Nehaunsey Middle School gymnasium by the Paulsboro High School Boys Basketball for the purpose of practice on the following listed dates from 3:00 to 5:30 p.m.:

Wed., January 10, 2001 Fri., January 12, 2001
Wed., January 24, 2001 Wed., January 31, 2001
Fri., February 2, 2001 Wed., February 7, 2001
Tues., February 13, 2001 Thurs., February 15, 2001

- B. The use of the Nehaunsey Middle School gymnasium by Gibbstown Midget Football on the following listed nights from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. during wrestling practice to sell banquet tickets:

Mon., January 8, 2001 Tues., January 9, 2001
Thurs., January 11, 2001 Tues., January 16, 2001

- C. The use of Room 18 in the Nehaunsey Middle School for a GAPCAP Sub-Committee on Thursday, February 1, 2001, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

4. TUITION

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

- A. The 2000-2001 tuition contract for the Paulsboro School District. The net amount of the tuition is \$1,917,125.40. (Attachment - EXHIBIT B)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

- B. The acceptance of R.W. as a tuition student from East Greenwich Township School District for Mrs. Muraca's Pre-School Disabled Class at the Broad Street School for the remainder of the 2000-2001 school year. Prorated tuition is \$5,764.00. This began on January 2, 2001.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

- C. The placement of J.S. from our school district in the Child Development Center as of January 29, 2001. Prorated tuition will be \$10,706.96 plus transportation cost of \$2,484.00.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

5. LEGAL NOTICES

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

- A. The publishing of a legal notice in the Gloucester County Times on Monday, January 22, 2001 stating that Monday, February 26, 2001, at 4:00 p.m. is the deadline for School Board Candidates to file Nominating Petitions for the Annual School Board Election.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

6. CONTRACTS

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

- A. The contract with N2H2 Internet Filtering System for the 2001-2002

budget year. Cost for this system will be \$1,1401.00 which is discounted by 30% for 2001-2002 year. The price for the 2002-2003 budget year would be discounted by 10% and would be approximately \$1,334.00. (Attachment-EXHIBIT H)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Superintendent's Recommendations

A. PERSONNEL

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

1. The reappointment of the following individuals for the noted extra-curricular activities/stipends for the 2000-2001 school year:

	<u>Stipend Per Hour</u>	<u>Not To Exceed</u>
Audio-Visual Coordinator (Broad Street) Richard McClelland	\$25.00	\$500.00
Eighth Grade Advisor for Graduation T. William Porreca	\$25.00	\$500.00
Accompanist/Eighth Grade Graduation Laura Enuco	\$25.00	\$250.00
Jr. National Honor Society Advisors Suzanne Gibson	\$25.00	\$750.00
Lynn Leupold	\$25.00	\$750.00
Natural Helpers Teresa DiSanto	\$25.00	\$500.00
Paul Kennedy	\$25.00	\$500.00
George Schreyer	\$25.00	\$500.00
SADD Advisor Cathy Tortella	\$25.00	\$750.00
Intramural Bowling Dir. Jody Harris	\$25.00	\$750.00
GEPA & Calculator Prep George Schreyer	\$25.00	\$250.00

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

2. The appointment of the following individuals for the noted extra-curricular activities/stipends for the 2000-2001 school year:

	<u>Stipend Per Hour</u>	<u>Not To Exceed</u>
Algebra Enrichment Instr. Suzanne Gibson	\$25.00	\$750.00
Intramural Bowling Dir. Beth Kaminski	\$25.00	\$750.00
Bell Choir (Nehaunsey) Laura Enuco	\$25.00	\$750.00
Chorus (Broad & Neh.) Laura Enuco	\$25.00	\$750.00
GEPA & Calculator Prep T. William Porreca	\$25.00	\$250.00
SADD Advisor Janet Shivers	\$25.00	\$750.00
Saturday School Suzanne Gibson	\$25.00	\$500.00
Cheryl Pindur	\$25.00	\$500.00

Year End Reports for all Extra-Curricular Activities have been submitted to the Board of Education for the past two years.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

3. The approval of the following individuals as substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2000-2001 school year (pending completion of all required documentation).

Fabiani, Elizabeth
McLaughlin, Kristy
Morris, Christa

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

4. The proposal to Paulsboro's Board of Education to provide

Greenwich Township School District with part-time Special Services at a cost of \$28,150.00 per year; prorated and consistent with the details as provided in the proposal. (Attachment-EXHIBIT I)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

5. To allow the following individual to work full-time in Mrs. Muraca's Pre-School Disabled Class based upon the increase in the number of students and the severity of their needs. This individual has waived the option of benefits. Salary for the 2000-2001 school year is \$18,032.56. This salary figure will be prorated as of January 2, 2001.

Gallagher, Jacqueline W.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

6. The retroactive appointment of the following individual to do Homebound Instruction for a sixth grade student beginning January 9, 2001. The rate of pay is \$25.00 per hour with instruction being a minimum of 5 hours per week and a maximum of 10 hours per week.

Schwartz, Sandra

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

7. The following individual to serve as the Section 504 Compliance Officer for the remainder of the 2000-2001 school year.

Kennedy, Paul

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

8. The proposed acquisition of one teacher solely committed

to our district on a month to month basis. The rate of pay will be \$75.00 per day.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

B. FIELD TRIP

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

1. A field trip as listed below:

Gloucester County College May 22, 2001
"Information Technology Fair
For Women & Girls"
Chaperones: Marilyn Getson
Karl Tomaszewski

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

C. POLICY

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

1. The Board of Education's first reading and review of proposed Epinephrine Policy. Proposed policy was explained to the Board by our school nurses at the Workshop Meeting held on September 11, 2001. (Attachment-EXHIBIT J)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

NOTE: Superintendent would like to adopt this proposed Epinephrine Policy at the second reading at the Board's February 2001 Regular Meeting.

D. TUITION

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

1. The retroactive approval for E.B. to receive Home Instruction from the Bridgeton Public School District at a total cost of \$132.00. Student received three (3) days instruction at \$44.00 per day.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

2. The retroactive approval for S.V. to receive Home Instruction from the School District of Philadelphia at a daily rate of \$32.81.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Motion: (Hall/Glocker-Hammond) to approve the following as a group 1-3:

- A. A note of thanks from the Bus Drivers for including them in the Holiday Breakfast on December 18, 2001.
- B. A letter from Hercules Incorporated donating \$500.00 to the Nehaunsey Middle School Library.
- C. Gift of items donated to Nehaunsey Middle School Computer/Technology Labs by Raymond W. Myers.

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.

Susan Fean, 28 Solomon Avenue, Gibbstown, NJ, referenced the December 7, 2000 article from the Gloucester County Times and wanted to know how the Board determined which building they were going to consolidate into.

Mr. David Salvatore responded that the Board has met several times at retreats to decide which facility best met the needs of the district educationally and fiscally. He added that building costs, ADA issues, technology, and additional costs contributed to the Board's decision. He also informed Mrs. Fean that two things would happen.

- A. The public would vote and agree with the Board's decision.
- B. The public would disagree and the district will remain as it is in the present state.

Mrs. Fean then asked if the Board was aware of a report that addressed Broad St. School and its eligibility to be registered as a National Historic site.

Mr. Salvatore responded that the Board has a copy of the report and is aware of its contents.

Mr. Anthony Minniti, 80 S. Poplar St., Gibbstown, N.J., asked if the Board was aware that St. Michael's will be reopening.

Mr. Salvatore responded, "Yes, but we have not spoken with anyone from the diocese."

Mr. Minniti then commented that everybody was in one school in the early 90's and that Nehaunsey was rented out to Logan, so we should just go back to Broad St. and make the Nehaunsey School available to the Township for usage.

Mr. Marcucci responded that the Broad St. School is not conducive to today's educational needs and requirements and that people should wait to see the figures and presentation before they formulate a decision.

Mr. Minniti then added that if the Board closes Broad Street, more students would have to be bussed. Mr. Salvatore responded that the Board has taken that into consideration and he also added that the district already courtesy busses a high number of students.

Mr. Hall added that the preliminary study has helped to give the Board direction and compile an introductory set of facts and figures. He also commented that if the Board didn't take direction it would have been stumbling and spinning its wheels. It chose Nehaunsey based on acreage available and the fact that the school is more conducive to the always changing technology situation.

Mr. Salvatore commented that when you have a building that is registered on the National List, your renovations could be limited and costly.

Mr. Minniti claimed that he thought the State would provide 90% funding a project.

Mr. Combs and Mr. Hall both replied that a 40% figure was more reasonable. Mr. Hall also added that your dealing with two scenarios. Taking all things into consideration, the Board had two options. Choose an old school that is land locked and no room to grow as opposed to the Nehaunsey situation.

Mr. Salvatore added that other towns use their buildings, such as East

Greenwich, for things other than school buildings.

Mrs. Fean wanted to know why the District has been wasting money for years on two buildings them?

Mr. Salvatore replied that for years the budget did not get passed and town council told the Board to make cuts and the first place that is affected is buildings and maintenance. The Board is tired of band-aiding the buildings.

Mr. Minniti asked how many kids are in the District?

Mr. Salvatore responded between 515 and 525. Mr. Marcucci asked that the public please keep an open mind and let the Board show the facts and figures.

Mr. Salvatore added that the Board will make a public presentation.

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 *January 23, 2001* hereby resolves that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held on *January 23, 2001, at 8:00 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.

- A. Matters Involving Individual Privacy
- B. 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: (Hall/Weber) to enter into closed session at 8:00 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. Personnel
2. Negotiations

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Returned from closed session at 10:56 p.m.

11. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

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

9. The Superintendent's salary for school year 2000-2001 retroactive from July 1, 2000 in the amount of \$92,700.00.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: (Weber/Hall) to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott A. Campbell, Board Secretary