

1 **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

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3 of the **PUBLIC HEARING** of the Greenwich Township Board of Education held  
4 Tuesday, March 26, 2002 in the Broad Street School Auditorium.

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6 The meeting was called to order by President Joseph Marcucci at 7:00 p.m.

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8 **Roll Call:**

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10 Joseph Marcucci  
11 Robyn Glocker-Hammond  
12 Marie Downes  
13 Susan Filiaggi  
14 Larry Hall  
15 Frank Minniti  
16 Celia Sorbello (arrived at 7:23 p.m.)

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

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20 **Absent:**

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22 Stephen C. Combs, Superintendent

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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. BUDGET PRESENTATION**

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34 Motion: (Hall/Glocker Hammond) to open the Public Hearing portion of the  
35 meeting to present the 2002-2003 Proposed Budget.

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37 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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39 A. The 2002-2003 Budget presentation was made by Scott A.  
40 Campbell, Business Administrator.

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42 B. Discussion open to public.

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44 Sandy Backensto, 627 Betty Rose Avenue, Gibbstown, asked since there is the  
45 scheduled purchase of a defibrillator this year, will there be a second one

1 purchased in the next budget year?

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3 Scott Campbell, Business Administrator, replied that the goal was to get the initial  
4 purchase out of the way and get the unit into the district and then make plans in  
5 the next budget year to possibly purchase a second unit.  
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7 Charlene Hresko, 711 West Broad Street, Gibbstown, asked that since Italian is  
8 planned on being added to the curriculum, is there anything being taken away?  
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10 Joseph Marcucci responded that nothing is being “taken away” from the  
11 curriculum. He stated that we are seeing a 12.5% increase in regular education tuition  
12 for students we send to Paulsboro High School and this has an effect on what we do  
13 here. This increase will be discussed with Paulsboro. The increase had an  
14 effect of \$200,000.00 over their original projection.  
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16 Scott Campbell wanted to add that the projector used tonight was lent to us from  
17 the Logan Township School District and that the purchase of two of these computer  
18 projectors has been placed in the budget for 2002-2003 school year.  
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20 Joseph Marcucci commented that the board has made a commitment to provide  
21 the best programs to the students of Gibbstown and we did not want to impact their  
22 education in a negative way. Also, we did not want to place too much burden on  
23 the taxpayers. Next year, we will have to make an effort because the projections by  
24 the state are worse than this year.  
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26 Sandy Backensto asked if the amount placed in the maintenance of facilities  
27 account, \$57,000.00, is going to be enough?  
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29 Scott Campbell answered that it would probably not be enough but we placed  
30 roughly \$17,000.00 more in that account than what was required. We are faced  
31 with two building that are old. Broad Street School is 86 years old in the original wing  
32 and Nehauseney School is 30 years old in the original wing.  
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34 Regina Minniti, 60 Adalisa Avenue, Gibbstown asked how Paulsboro High  
35 School calculates the tuition they are going to charge us?  
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37 Scott Campbell replied that this is the first year that all districts were required to  
38 use the budget software to calculate tuition. There are two different methods they  
39 could use—the ADA Method or the District Allocation Method.  
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41 Regina Minniti then asked if Paulsboro refunds us when they overcharge on  
42 tuition?  
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44 Scott Campbell answered that the refund this year is \$90,000.00; last year it was  
45 \$47,000.00 and the year before, it was \$114,000.00.

1 Sandy Backensto commented that Paulsboro High School has increased tuition  
2 substantially over the last 3-5 years.

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4 Scott Campbell replied that we have sat down with representatives from  
5 Paulsboro this year and reviewed enrollment, student by student, and program by  
6 program. The cooperation between districts has been good and we see the results  
7 of how accurate our projections were in three years.

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9 Motion: (Minniti/Glocker Hammond) to close the Public Hearing.

10 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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13 Motion: (Minniti/Sorbello) to adopt the 2002-2003 Budget and Resolution.

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15 A. BE IT RESOLVED, the approval to submit to the voters the Detailed  
16 Budget for the 2002-2003 School Year and also permission to  
17 submit to the County Superintendent as follows:

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19	General Fund	\$9,016,748.00
20	Special Revenue Fund	<u>\$ 237,143.00</u>
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22	Total Base Budget	\$9,253,891.00
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24 The 2002-2003 budget as described will result in a local tax levy of  
25 \$7,342,932.00.

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27 This budget differs from the Tentative Detailed Budget submitted to the  
28 County Superintendent in the following areas:

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30 \$11,083.00 added to revenues and appropriations for Non-  
31 Public Entitlements.

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33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this 2002-2003 budget also includes  
34 an application for Spending Growth Limitations Adjustments (SGLA's)  
35 for the following:

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37	Pupil Transportation	\$82,498.00
38	Capital Outlay	\$27,607.00
39	Special Education	<u>\$ 2,037.00</u>
40	Total	\$112,142.00

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in order to apply for a Capital Outlay  
42 (SGLA) to the 2002-2003 Tentative School Budget are described as  
43 follows:

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45 \*Painting at Broad Street School, Project number(s) 122559

1 and 122561, dollar amount budgeted \$21,150.00.  
2 \*Site improvements of playground at Broad Street School,  
3 Project number, 122559, dollar amount budgeted \$1,800.00.  
4 \*Paint hallways at Nehaunsey Middle School, Project  
5 number 122559, dollar amount budgeted \$5,000.00.  
6 \*Retirement of Sovereign Bank Lighting Retrofit Loan, dollar  
7 amount budgeted \$29,151.00.

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9 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

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13 B. The 2002-2003 State Aid Figures totaling \$1,378,250.00. (Attachment –  
14 EXHIBIT A).

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16 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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18 **2. CLOSED SESSION**

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20 Pursuant to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.*  
21 *10:4- 6*, et seq., which provides that an Executive Session, not open to the  
22 public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by  
23 Resolution.

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25 The Board of Education for Greenwich Township, assembled in public session  
26 on *March 26, 2002*, hereby resolves that an Executive Session closed to the  
27 public shall be held on *March 26, 2002, at 7:42 p.m.* in the Broad Street  
28 Elementary School located at 255 West Broad Street, Gibbstown, New Jersey, for  
29 discussion of certain matters which relate to items authorized by *Open Public*  
30 *Meetings Act*, (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b) to be discussed in closed session.

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32 1. Matters Involving Individual Privacy  
33 2. Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship  
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35 It is anticipated that such matters may be disclosed to the public upon the  
36 determination of the Board that applicable exception no longer applies and  
37 the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

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39 Motion: (Glocker-Hammond/Minniti) to enter into closed session at 7:42  
40 p.m. to discuss the following:

- 41 1. Personnel  
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43 Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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45 Motion: (Glocker Hammond/Hall) to return to Public Hearing at 8:35 p.m.

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2 Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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4 **3. NEW BUSINESS**

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6 A. PERSONNEL

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

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10 1. Approval of the following listed individual for the position of full-time  
11 school secretary at the Broad Street School at a prorated salary of  
12 \$22,399.00 plus benefits for the remainder of the 2001-2002 school  
13 year. This is a 12-month position.

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15 Toshia Bergen

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17 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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19 Motion: (Glocker Hammond/Sorbello) to approve the following:

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21 2. Approval of the reappointment of Scott A. Campbell, Business  
22 Administrator/Board Secretary for the 2002-2003 school year.  
23 Contract terms and conditions will be negotiated at a future date.

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25 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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27 **4. ADJOURNMENT**

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29 Motion: (Glocker Hammond/Minniti) to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

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31 Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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33 Respectfully submitted,

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38 Scott A. Campbell, Board Secretary

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