

1 **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

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3 of the **REGULAR MEETING** of the Greenwich Township Board of Education held  
4 Monday, January 26, 2009 in the Nehaunsey Middle School library.

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6 The meeting was called to order by President Patrick Lani, Jr. at 7:01 p.m.

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8 **Roll Call:**

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10 Patrick Lani, Jr.  
11 Frederick Reel  
12 Louis Fabiani  
13 Robyn Glocker Hammond  
14 Frank Minniti  
15 Loraine LaPalomento  
16 Michael Myers

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18 Also present were Mr. Robert Suessmuth, Interim Superintendent and Mr. Scott  
19 A. 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  
22 meeting was sent to the **Gloucester County Times, Courier Post** and the  
23 **Township Clerk**. It was also posted in the Greenwich Township School  
24 Buildings. (Optional: Videotaping Regulations – “The proceedings of this  
25 meeting are being videotaped and anyone wishing to discuss an individual child  
26 should so note.”)

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28 Flag Salute

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30 **1. MINUTES**

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32 **Robert Suessmuth** asked the Board if they would like the minutes from  
33 the November 17, 2008 Regular Board Meeting summarized or left  
34 alone? **Patrick Lani** asked if anyone wanted to make a motion to  
35 summarize the minutes?

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37 Motion: (Reel/Fabiani) to summarize the following minutes:

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39 November 17, 2008 – Regular Meeting

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41 **Fred Reel** wants to know what we would gain by changing the minutes? **Patrick**  
42 **Lani** feels he was misquoted and he was not happy with how he was quoted.  
43 “They were out of context and information was misplaced.” He feels we should  
44 summarize the minutes. **Loraine LaPalomento** asked, “if we summarize those  
45 minutes, will we go back and summarize all the others?” **Mr. Lani** answered

1 “from the November, 2008 minutes on would be summarized.” **Ms. LaPalomanto**  
2 asked, “what would we gain by this”? **Frank Minniti** seconded Ms.  
3 LaPalomanto’s question. **Mr. Lani** said the minutes were incorrect. **Mr. Minniti**  
4 stated “that is your opinion”. **Ms. LaPalomanto** feels we should use our time for  
5 better things and move on. We could summarize going forward. She also asked  
6 if we were voting on summarizing the November 17, 2008 minutes and all  
7 minutes going forward or just the summarization of the November 17, 2008  
8 minutes? **Mr. Lani** replied, “just the November 17, 2008 minutes are to be  
9 summarized.

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11 Roll Call Vote:

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13 Patrick Lani, Jr. – Yes  
14 Fred Reel – Abstained  
15 Louis Fabiani – Yes  
16 Loraine LaPalomanto – No  
17 Frank Minniti – No  
18 Michael Myers – Yes  
19 Robyn Glocker Hammond – No

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21 3 yes’s to 3 no’s—Motion does not pass

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23 Motion: (Minniti/Myers) to approve the following as submitted:

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25 November 17, 2008 – Regular Meeting

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27 Roll Call Vote:

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29 Patrick Lani – No  
30 Frederick Reel – Yes  
31 Louis Fabiani – Yes  
32 Robyn Glocker Hammond – Yes  
33 Loraine LaPalomanto – Yes  
34 Frank Minniti – Yes  
35 Michael Myers – No

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37 5 yes’s to 2 no’s—Minutes approved

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39 Motion: (Glocker Hammond/Myers) to approve the following:

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41 December 15, 2008

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43 Louis Fabiani asked what the \$10,000.00 payment from the cafeteria was for in  
44 the December 15, 2008 minutes? Robert Suessmuth responded that it was  
45 payment from the cafeteria for their share of salaries.

1 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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3 **2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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5 Motion: (Minniti/Glocker Hammond) to approve the following:

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7 A. Administrative Reports

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9 1. Enrollment Statistics, Fire Drills and Suspensions as of December 31,  
10 2008. (Attachment - EXHIBIT C1)  
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12 2. School Health Services Monthly Reports as of December 31, 2008.  
13 (Attachment - EXHIBIT C2)  
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15 3. 2008-2009 Violence & Vandalism Report as of December 31, 2008.  
16 (Attachment - EXHIBIT C3)  
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18 4. Monthly Report of Attendance Officer as of December 31, 2008.  
19 (Attachment - EXHIBIT C4)  
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21 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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23 **3. PERSONNEL**

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25 Motion: (Glocker Hammond/Minniti) to approve the following as one, A-J:

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27 A. The retroactive approval to amend the salary of Stephania Tomaszewski  
28 Tomaszewski to \$47,750.00 (Step 5, BA + 15) from \$47,104.00 (Step 5,  
29 BA) prorated for the 2008-2009 school year effective January 1, 2009.  
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31 B. The retroactive approval to amend the salary of Kathy Seacrist to  
32 \$46,379.00 (Step 1, BA + 15) from \$45,734.00 (Step 1, BA) prorated for  
33 the 2008-2009 school year effective January 1, 2009.  
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35 C. The retroactive approval for an unpaid leave of absence for Elizabeth  
36 McBride, Bus Aide/Cafeteria Lunchroom Aide, from January 20, 2009  
37 through January 26, 2009.  
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39 D. The resolution herein seeking permission of the Commissioner to employ  
40 the below recommended certificated and support staff applicant on an  
41 emergent basis for a period not to exceed three (3) months pending a  
42 positive Criminal History check and/or completion of required paperwork:  
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1 1. The approval for the appointment of Robert Suessmuth, Interim  
2 Superintendent, beginning January 12, 2009 for the remainder of the  
3 2008-2009 school year at a salary of \$450.00 per day, no benefits.  
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5 E. The approval for the appointment of Michelle Giuliano and Beth Ann  
6 Godfrey as per-case Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultants, beginning  
7 February 1, 2009 through June 18, 2009 at a rate of \$250.00 per case, no  
8 benefits.  
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10 F. The approval for payment of tuition reimbursement for Stephania  
11 Tomaszewski, Teacher, for courses to be taken at Drexel University,  
12 "Multi-Media Instructional Design and Virtual Learning", (Winter 2009) for  
13 amounts not to exceed the current NJ state college tuition rate pending  
14 completion/verification of required documentation as per Article XII,  
15 Section I, of the GTEA/Board Agreement.  
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17 G. The approval for payment of tuition reimbursement for Kathy Seacrist,  
18 Teacher, for a course to be taken at Rowan University, "Clinical  
19 Experience in Special Education", (Spring 2009) for an amount not to  
20 exceed the current NJ state college tuition rate pending  
21 completion/verification of required documentation as per Article XII,  
22 Section I, of the GTEA/Board Agreement.  
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24 H. The approval for payment of tuition reimbursement for Catrina Collier-  
25 Laster, Teacher, for a course to be taken at Fairleigh Dickinson University,  
26 "Foundations in Reading II", (Spring 2009) for an amount not to exceed  
27 the current NJ State college tuition rate pending completion/verification of  
28 required documentation as per Article XII, Section I, of the GTEA/Board  
29 Agreement.  
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31 I. The approval for the appointment of Erica Rell Backenson as part-time  
32 School Psychologist, 3 days per week, beginning February 1, 2009  
33 through June 18, 2009 at a pro-rated salary of \$48,962.00, (Step 1, MA +  
34 30), no benefits. \*\*(She will work 5 days with 3 days being paid and 2  
35 pays unpaid in order to finish her internship).\*\*  
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37 J. The approval for the appointment of Craig Myers as Substitute Custodian  
38 at a rate of \$8.50 per hour.  
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40 Roll Call Vote:  
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42 Patrick Lani, Jr. – Yes to all

43 Fred Reel – Yes to all

44 Robyn Glocker Hammond – Yes to all

45 Frank Minniti – Yes to all

1 Louis Fabiani – Yes to all  
 2 Loraine LaPalomento – Yes to all  
 3 Michael Myers – Abstained on item J; yes to all others

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 5 **4. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION**

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 7 Motion: (LaPalomento/Minniti) to approve the following:

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 9 A. Out of District Placements

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 11 1. The approval for the following out of district placements for the  
 12 balance of the 2008-2009 school year:  
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OPD#	PROGRAM	TUITION	START DATE
2008-13	Somerset Hills Hospital	\$398.00 per diem, prorated through June, 2009	12/16/08
2008-19	New Sharon	\$20,700.00 prorated	1/5/09
2008-20	Underwood	\$30.00/hour homebound instruction (not to exceed 10 hours per week)	12/18/08
2008-21	Underwood	\$30.00/hour homebound instruction (not to exceed 10 hours per week)	1/5/09

14 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

15 Motion: (Fabiani/Glocker Hammond) to approve the following as one, B-E:

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 17 B. Workshops

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 19 1. The approval for the following individuals to attend out-of-district  
 20 workshops.  
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NAME	WORKSHOP TITLE/LOCATION/DATE	COST
Janet Jachimowicz-Geary	<b>West Jersey Reading Council Winter Meeting &amp; Seminar</b> <b>"Teaching Writing with Spice"</b> William Allen Middle School, Moorestown, NJ 1/28/09 4:30 p.m.	\$30.00 Plus Mileage
Robert Harris Terry DiSanto Lorie Muraca	<b>NJ Department of Education</b> <b>"Training on Least Restrictive Environmental for PreSchool Children"</b> Sewell, NJ 2/19/09 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	\$-0- Plus Substitute (1) Plus Mileage
Laura Enuco	<b>NJ Music Educators Conference</b> Brunswick Hilton Towers, East Brunswick, NJ 2/19/09-2/21/09	\$180.00 Plus Substitute Plus Mileage
Nicole McGann	<b>"Increasing Your Students' Success When Writing to Prompts or Writing Assessments"</b> Cherry Hill, NJ 2/23/09 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.	\$199.00 Plus Substitute Plus Mileage

Steve Wehrle	<b>State Wide Physical Education Workshop</b> Ocean, NJ 2/23/09-2/24/09 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	\$-0- Plus Substitute Plus Mileage
Janet Jachimowicz-Geary	<b>West Jersey Reading Council Spring Meeting &amp; Seminar</b> Burlington County Institute of Technology Westampton, NJ 3/28/09	\$45.00 Plus Mileage Plus Registration Fee

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C. Field Trips

1. The approval of Request for Educational Trip/Transportation for the following:

GRADE AND/OR GROUP	DESTINATION/TIME	DATES	ESTIMATED RELATED COST	ESTIMATED TRANSPORTATION COST	TOTAL
Grade 8 NJHS	<b>Broad Street School</b> 8:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. <b>Dr. Suess Day</b> (NJHS students to read to younger students)	3/2/09		Driver: \$104.00 Substitute: \$150.00	\$254.00
Grade 6	<b>University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archeology &amp; Anthropology</b> 8:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Philadelphia, PA	3/19/09	Tickets: \$300.00	Drivers: \$312.00 Tolls: \$ 12.00 Lunch: \$ 16.00	\$640.00
Grade 5	<b>Historic Philadelphia Walking Tour</b> 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. (previously approved on 10/21/08 with a TBD date)	5/5/09	Tickets: \$588.50	Drivers: \$260.00 Tolls: \$ 12.00 Lunch: \$ 16.00	\$876.50

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D. Local Professional Development Plan

1. The approval to submit the Local Professional Development Plan for the 2009-2010 school year to the County Superintendent (copy available for review in the Superintendent's Office).

E. Field Experience Students

1. The approval for the following Fairleigh Dickinson University Field Experience Students for placement beginning January 20, 2009 at the Broad Street School.

Student:  
Jacqueline Dadura  
Frank Long

Cooperating Teacher:  
Cheryl Pindur-Grade 3  
Patricia McGovern-Grade 4

2. The approval for the following Rowan University Field Experience Students for placement beginning February 10, 2009 at the Nehaunsey Middle School.

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<u>Student:</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher:</u>
Jadene Brown	Sharon Gomez Salvatore/Nicole McGann
Christine Cameli	Sharon Gomez Salvatore/Nicole McGann
Maria Ekimoglou	Sharon Gomez Salvatore/Nicole McGann
Lauren Everly	Katherine Caruso/Joshua Bomze
Katherine Holmes	Katherine Caruso/Joshua Bomze
Marco Inskip	Katherine Caruso/Joshua Bomze
Marisa Linder	Catrina Laster/Andrew Mettler
Megan McCulley	Catrina Laster/Andrew Mettler

- 3. The approval for the following Rowan University Field Experience Students for placement beginning February 2, 2009 at the Nehaunsey Middle School.

<u>Student:</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher:</u>
Katie Pullen	Maria Gorman (Art)
Lauren Slocum	Maria Gorman (Art)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Fabiani/Glocker Hammond) to approve the following:

F. Student Teacher Placement

- 1. The approval for Corina Sanfino to complete a full-time 12-week student teaching placement at the Broad Street School in the Special Education department. Ms. Sanfino is completing her Masters Degree in Teaching/Special Education through the University of Phoenix.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

**5. BUSINESS & FINANCE**

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

A. Designation Bank Depositories:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that TD Bank, main office located in Cherry Hill, New Jersey, is the designated official depository for all school money, including the following accounts, with the number of signatures required and the person(s) authorized to sign checks or vouchers for the 2008-2009 school year as indicated.

Signatures	Person Designated to
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	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Required</u>	<u>Sign Checks</u>
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3	Current	3	Patrick J. Lani, Jr., President
4			Jeanette Peel
5			Scott A. Campbell
6			Robert Suessmuth
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8	Agency	1	Jeanette Peel
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10	Salary	1	Jeanette Peel
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12	Cafeteria	2	Patricia Shannon
13			Scott A. Campbell
14			Jeanette Peel
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16	Student Activity Fund	2	Scott A. Campbell
17			Jeanette Peel
18			Robert Suessmuth
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20	Capital Reserve	1	Scott A. Campbell
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23 **BE IT ALSO RESOLVED**, that the Vice-President, Frederick  
 24 Reel, to be authorized and empowered to act at all times in the absence of  
 25 the President, and the signatures and acts of the said Vice-President,  
 26 Frederick Reel, be as legal and binding as those of the President; and a copy  
 27 of this Resolution be sent to Jeanette Peel, Treasurer of School Monies, and  
 28 a copy be sent to TD Bank.

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 30 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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 32 Motion: (Fabiani/Glocker Hammond) to approve the following:

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 34 B. Bills Lists

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 36 1. The bills as presented by the Board Secretary in the following  
 37 amounts are ordered paid. (Attachment - EXHIBIT D1)

P42	\$303,488.44
P43	\$46,878.06
P44	\$3,718.43
P45	\$372,809.33
P46	\$289,275.08



P47	\$2,270.00
P48	\$1,727.18
P49	\$300,269.30
P50	\$107,015.89
P51	\$112,274.05
P52	\$56,574.24

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

- The approval for the following checks to be voided. (Attachment - EXHIBIT D2)

Check#	Vendor	Amount
6433	Pam Lytle	\$429.50
6694	PARS Environmental	\$5,975.00
6513	Holcomb Bus Service	\$935.05
6556	Holcomb Bus Service	\$1,910.04

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: (Glocker Hammond/Fabiani) to approve the following:

C. Cafeteria Payments

- The approval for the following cafeteria payments for January, 2009 as presented by the Board Secretary in the following amounts are ordered paid.

Ck#	Date	Payable To	Description	Amount
754	1/15/09	Deer Park	Water	\$28.13
755	1/15/09	Deluxe Italian Bakery	Food	\$46.20
756	1/15/09	NJ Dept. of Agriculture	Food	\$75.20
757	1/15/09	Paul Vallandingham	Food	\$99.00
758	1/15/09	Business Machine	Repairs	\$250.00
759	1/15/09	City Supply	Food	\$258.65
760	1/15/09	Stroehmann	Food	\$422.98
761	1/15/09	Hy-Point Farms	Milk	\$915.52
762	1/15/09	Sysco	Food	\$3,249.00
763	1/15/09	Greenwich Twp. Board of Health	Supplies	\$20.00
		<b>January 2009 Total Pay Out</b>		<b>\$5,364.77</b>

1 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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3 Motion: (Myers/Fabiani) to approve the following as one, D-G:

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5 D. Student Activities Account

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7 1. The approval of the Student Activities Account Monthly Bank  
8 Reconciliation for the month of December, 2008. (Attachment -  
9 EXHIBIT E)

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11 E. Board Secretary's Report

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13 1. The acceptance of the Board Secretary's Report for the month of  
14 December, 2008. (Attachment - EXHIBIT F)

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16 Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(c)4, the Greenwich Township Board of  
17 Education certifies by a roll call vote that as of *December 31, 2008*,  
18 after review of the Board Secretary's Reports for *December, 2008*, and  
19 upon consultation with the district officials, to the best of our knowledge  
20 no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of  
21 N.J.A.C.6A:23:23-2.11(b) and that sufficient funds are available to  
22 meet the district's financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal  
23 year.

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25 F. Treasurer's Report

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27 1. The approval of the Treasurer's Report in accordance with 18A:17-36  
28 and 18A:17-9 for the month of *December, 2008*. The Treasurer's  
29 Report and Secretary's Report are in agreement for the month of  
30 *December, 2008*. (Attachment - EXHIBIT G)

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32 G. Transfer List

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34 1. The ratification of transfers, authorized by the Superintendent, for the  
35 month of *December, 2008*, to give balances to new accounts and to  
36 balance existing accounts. (Attachment - EXHIBIT H)

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38 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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40 Motion: (Glocker Hammond/Minniti) to approve the following:

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42 H. School Board Election

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44 1. The approval of the Annual School Board Election dates:



1 route. This was previously approved at the August 18, 2008 Board  
2 Meeting. However, the cost approved was for one student instead of two  
3 students.

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5 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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7 **8. NEW BUSINESS**

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9 None at this time.

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11 **9. CORRESPONDENCE**

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13 None at this time.

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15 **10. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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17 **Robyn Glocker Hammond** commented that the Budget & Finance Committee  
18 has been meeting and one of the items that came from the meetings is that the  
19 Committee would like to recommend seeking proposals on all professional  
20 appointments for the 2009-2010 school year. **Patrick Lani** wanted **Mrs.**  
21 **Glocker Hammond** to be more clear on what she meant. **Mrs. Glocker**  
22 **Hammond** commented that during the last reorganization, there was a lot of  
23 question on the appointments and as a Committee, we felt we should be  
24 proactive so we are prepared at reorganization. **Loraine LaPalomento** added  
25 the she would rather be proactive than reactive. **Robert Suessmuth**  
26 commented that the new Fiscal Accountability Law supports this and it is  
27 something that will be required of the Board to do more frequently to assure that  
28 they are getting a good deal for your money.

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30 Motion: (Minniti/LaPalomento) to approve the following:

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32 A. The approval to give the School Business Administrator permission to place  
33 an advertisement for request for proposals for all professional  
34 appointments for the 2009-2010 school year.

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36 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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38 **Fred Reel** discussed the findings of the Buildings & Grounds Committee and  
39 read three resolutions for proposed projects. **Frank Minniti** asked what was  
40 the total amount of the projects? **Mr. Reel** responded that the amounts are  
41 inflated. The architects feel if we inflate the value of the projects, the state will  
42 give us money on the inflated value. **Loraine LaPalomento** asked, "who is  
43 recommending this"? **Patrick Lani** replied that the Buildings & Grounds  
44 Committee made the recommendation. The total cost is \$305,000.00 which is  
45 made up of \$68,000.00 for the electrical panel replacement, \$62,000.00 for the

1 chimney replacement, \$135,000.00 for the water line replacement and  
2 \$40,000.00 for the hot water heater replacement. We will get 40% back, so our  
3 cost will be \$183,000.00 which we can get from the capital reserve account.  
4 **Robyn Glocker Hammond** asked about the funding from the state and how we  
5 will pay for this. **Mr. Lani** again said we will use the money from the capital  
6 reserve account. **Frank Minniti** stated that we could have asbestos abatement  
7 and we should account for that. **Mr. Lani** stated that the architect has  
8 accounted for labor and material and a 10% contingency. **Mrs. Glocker**  
9 **Hammond** commented that there could be problems and we do not know what  
10 lies behind, so you get started and what are we to do? **Mr. Minniti** asked, “do  
11 these projects match up with projects we may plan for the future so we will not  
12 have to start all over again”? **Mr. Lani** responded, “yes”. **Mr. Minniti** does not  
13 want to have good money chasing after bad. **Louis Fabiani** added that these  
14 projects are presented to the state to apply for 40% grant money. All of the  
15 projects are necessary. **Mrs. LaPalomento** commented that she cannot make  
16 a sound decision on what is begin presented in front of her. She is not clear of  
17 where the money is coming from. **Robert Suessmuth** commented that until we  
18 get into the process, we do not know how much this is going to cost but this at  
19 least gets the process moving. **Mr. Reel** added that there is a deadline for  
20 submittal.

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22 Motion: (Fabiani/Minniti) to approve the following resolution:

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24 1. **WHEREAS**, the Greenwich Township Board of Education  
25 has identified the need for Health/Safety Renovations and  
26 Educational Adequacy Improvements for the Broad Street School;  
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28 The Greenwich Township Board of Education hereby authorizes  
29 Gibson Tarquini Group, Inc. to prepare the necessary “other  
30 capital” project application and submit the same to the New Jersey  
31 Department of Education for the Chimney Replacement, Branch  
32 Panel Replacement and Miscellaneous Renovations to the Broad  
33 Street School.  
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- 35 2. **WHEREAS**, the Greenwich Township Board of Education  
36 has identified the need for Health/Safety Renovations and  
37 Educational Adequacy Improvements for the Nehaunsey Middle  
38 School;  
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40 The Greenwich Township Board of Education hereby authorizes  
41 Gibson Tarquini Group, Inc. to prepare the necessary “other capital”  
42 project application and submit the same to the New Jersey  
43 Department of Education for the Hot Water Heater Replacement at  
44 the Nehaunsey Middle School.  
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1 3. The Greenwich Township Board of Education hereby  
2 authorizes to amend and submit to the Department of Education, the  
3 Long Range Facilities Plan to add the Chimney Replacement  
4 Project, the Plumbing System Pipe Replacement Project and  
5 Miscellaneous Renovations to the Broad Street School and also add  
6 the Hot Water Heater Replacement Project at the Nehaunsey Middle  
7 School.  
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9 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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11 **11. PUBLIC - AGENDA/NON-AGENDA ITEMS**  
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13 This is the time when anyone from the public who wishes to speak to the Board  
14 may do so. Please state your name, address and phone number. The Board  
15 will hear your concerns. The Board may or may not take action this evening.  
16 You will be notified either at this meeting, by letter or telephone of any action  
17 the Board does take.  
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19 **Lee Lucas**, 361 Democrat Road, Gibbstown, NJ wanted to know why we chose  
20 TD Bank? **Scott Campbell** responded that we have been with them for several  
21 years and they provide us with the best services. **Mr. Lucas** asked if there were  
22 any banks in Gloucester County that we could have used? **Mr. Campbell**  
23 responded that their branch is in Gloucester County. **Mr. Lucas** asked if there  
24 were any banks headquartered in the County we could use? **Mr. Campbell**  
25 responded, "yes, if their rates and services were better that TD Bank".  
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27 **Susan Vernacchio**, 224 Phyllis Drive, Gibbstown, NJ asked when these  
28 projects that were discussed tonight would start and how they would affect the  
29 children and their education? **Patrick Lani** stated that we would know more  
30 when we are issued grant approval. **Mrs. Vernacchio** hopes that it is considered  
31 when we make the decisions. She also asked how much we are into the  
32 architect for his work so far? **Mr. Lani** responded that as far as he knows, we  
33 owe nothing to the architect and they will be paid when the jobs go out to bid.  
34 **Mrs. Vernacchio** then asked what was the final fee for the auditor? **Mr. Lani**  
35 responded that their fee was \$15,000.00 plus \$236.00 for copying fees. The fees  
36 were separate from the initial fee. **Mrs. Vernacchio** asked if we got charged for  
37 the extra work they did? **Mr. Lani** stated that it was all covered in the \$15,000.00  
38 and the recommendations were part of their work. **Scott Campbell** responded  
39 that they were under the budgeted figure. **Mrs. Vernacchio** then asked if the  
40 item on the agenda for the case-by-case work was due to the retirement of Lynn  
41 Wildrick? **Robert Suessmuth** responded that it was and we were unable to find  
42 a full-time replacement. We will be re-visiting the situation by the end of the year  
43 because case-by-case is not a good permanent solution.  
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1 **Christine Franklin**, 624 Betty Rose, Gibbstown, NJ wanted to know if we were  
2 going to move forward on the Nehaunsey Middle School Principal position now  
3 that we have a Superintendent in place? **Robert Suessmuth** responded that it  
4 is on his list of things to do and within the next two months, a plan will be  
5 finalized for the position.  
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7 **Cathy Tortella**, 414 Swedesboro Road, Gibbstown, NJ wants to know if the  
8 Board has considered handicap students when they were planning projects and  
9 did elevators come up in discussions? **Patrick Lani** responded that it did come  
10 up but we are limited on funding that is available.  
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12 **James Sorbello**, 26 North Poplar Street, Gibbstown, NJ asked if the Board  
13 considered converting the hot water heater at Nehaunsey Middle School from  
14 electric to gas? **Patrick Lani** answered that it would be considered along with  
15 quick recovery units. **Mr. Sorbello** then asked if the Business Administrator's  
16 contract has been finalized yet? **Mr. Lani** responded, "not yet".  
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18 **12. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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20 Pursuant to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-  
21 6, et seq., which provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may  
22 be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution.  
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24 The Board of Education for Greenwich Township, assembled in public session on  
25 *January 26, 2009* hereby resolves that an Executive Session closed to the public  
26 shall be held on *January 26, 2009*, at **8:02** p.m. in the Nehaunsey Middle School  
27 library, Room 48, located at 415 Swedesboro Road, Gibbstown, New Jersey, for  
28 discussion of certain matters which relate to items authorized by Open Public  
29 Meetings Act, (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b) to be discussed in closed session.  
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31 *Matters Involving Individual Privacy*

32 *Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship*  
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34 It is anticipated that such matter may be disclosed to the public upon the  
35 determination of the Board that applicable exception no longer applies and the  
36 public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.  
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38 Motion: (Fabiani/LaPalomanto) to enter into closed session to discuss the  
39 following:  
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41 *Personnel-Negotiations for School Business Administrator/Board Secretary*  
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44 Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.  
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1 Returned from executive session at 8:02 p.m.  
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4 **13. ADJOURNMENT**  
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6 Motion: (Myers/Glocker Hammond) to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m.  
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8 Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.  
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11 Respectfully Submitted,  
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18 Scott A. Campbell, Board Secretary  
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