

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING NOVEMBER 14, 2012

1. Call to Order

The Board of Education, Township of Holmdel, met in Regular Business Meeting on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 in the library of the W.R. Satz School, 24 Crawfords Corner Road, Holmdel, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m., by Ms. Garrity, President of the Board.

2a. Opening Statement

Statement is hereby made that adequate notice of this meeting was given by:

- Posting written notice prominently on the bulletin board in the Office of the Board of Education, 65 McCampbell Road, Holmdel, New Jersey, the District's website and sent to the four district schools.
- The mailing and/or hand delivery of said notice to the designated newspapers, Asbury Park Press, Independent, the PLG, PSG, PSA, PTSO, SAB presidents and student representatives to the Board.
- Filing with the Clerk of Holmdel Township, Police Headquarters and Public Library.

2b. Open Public Meetings Act

Meetings of the Board are open to the public and all members of the community should feel free to participate:

- There are two opportunities for the public to speak; the first is for agenda items only and the second is at the end of the meeting for other items.
- Any individual desiring to speak shall give his or her name, address, and the group, if any, that is represented.
- The presentation shall be as brief as possible but no more than three (3) minutes per individual.
- The board vests in its president, or other presiding officer, authority to terminate the remarks of any individual if he/she deems it in the best interest of those present to do so.

3a. Roll Call/Flag Salute

The following Board members were present: Mesdames: Garrity, Wetmore, Liu, and Vander Woude and Messrs: DeSario, Pavlik, and Sockol. Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai. Also present were Mrs. Barbara Duncan, Superintendent, Mr. Michael R. Petrizzo, CPA, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Ms. Mary Beth Currie, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction and Mr. Martin Barger, Board Attorney. Ms. Sara Stark, student representative to the Board was present. Ms. Isha Purang student representative to the Board was absent.

3b. Reading of Mission Statement

The mission of the Holmdel Township Public Schools is to provide a comprehensive and caring educational environment that will develop the potential of every student into achievement. In partnership with our community, the School District will support all our students' efforts to meet and exceed the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards, and to become responsible and resourceful citizens and life-long learners.

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There was a moment of silence to remember everyone impacted by Hurricane Sandy.

4. Presentations – Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), Election Observation in Belarus – J. McCracken
National Merit Scholar Recognition – W. Loughran
5. Approval of Minutes – None
- 6a. Questions from the Public (Agenda Items) - None
- 6b. Committee Reports(s) – None
7. Committee of the Whole
- 7a. Approval of Out-of-District Travel, District Personnel

Resolved: That the Board approve the Out-of-District Travel as authorized by the Superintendent under Policy 4233 Staff Member Expenses and in accordance with Regulation 4233 Staff Member Expenses, as listed below: [B]

District Personnel

Date	Name	Location	Workshop/Meeting	City/State	Cost
12/11/12	Baldessari, N.	Indian Hill School	Applying Research-Based Reading Interventions in the Classroom	Eatontown, NJ	\$0.00
04/09/13	Baldessari, N.	Indian Hill School	Literacy and Math Skills in Inclusive Classrooms	Eatontown, NJ	\$0.00
12/19/12	Bell, M.	W. R. Satz School	Aspiring Administrators Workshop	Monroe Twp., NJ	\$0.00
11/20/12	Clemente, L.	Indian Hill School	Smart Board	Eatontown, NJ	\$0.00
12/06/12	Fleming-Commisso, C.	High School	MCVSD Counselor Breakfast	Asbury Park, NJ	\$0.00
11/15/12	Flynn, J.	W. R. Satz School	MOESC PEOSH RTK Training	Tinton Falls, NJ	\$50.00
11/15/12	Hughes, K.	District, Electrician	MOESC PEOSH RTK Training	Tinton Falls, NJ	\$45.00
11/13/12	Kostka, H.	High School	MCSCA Good Ideas Planning Mtg	Lakewood, NJ	\$0.00
12/06/12	Kostka, H.	High School	MCVSD Counselors' Breakfast	Asbury Park, NJ	\$0.00
11/15/12	Kulakowski, C.	Village School	MOESC PEOSH RTK Training	Tinton Falls, NJ	\$45.00
11/14/12	Lane, R.	Indian Hill School	Achieve: Seven Step Methods for Improving the Learning and Behavior Skills of at Risk Students	Eatontown, NJ	\$0.00
12/05/12	Lane, R.	Indian Hill School	Proactive Behavior Management Strategies for the Effective Inclusion of Students with Autism	Eatontown, NJ	\$0.00
12/18/12	Lane, R.	Indian Hill School	Functional Behavior Assessment (FBA)	Eatontown, NJ	\$0.00
04/24/13	Lane, R.	Indian Hill School	Social Skills: Get Them Have Them, Use Them	Eatontown, NJ	\$0.00
12/10/12 & 12/11/12	Machado, C.	District Technology Support	Preparing for Google Apps EDU Certification	Union, NJ	\$315.27

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Date	Name	Location	Workshop/Meeting	City/State	Cost
12/06/12	Marasco, T.	High School	MCVSD Counselor Breakfast	Asbury Park, NJ	\$0.00
11/15/12	McNamara, K.	District, Groundsman	MOESC PEOSH RTK Training	Tinton Falls, NJ	\$45.00
11/16/12	Moran-Kudish, C.	District, SAC	PTSD and Substance Use Disorders	West Long Branch, NJ	\$0.00
11/15/12	Noguchi, C.	Village School	Co-Operative Right-To-Know Training	Tinton Falls, NJ	\$45.00
11/20/12	Salimando, D.	Indian Hill School	Smart Board	Eatontown, NJ	\$0.00
12/11/12	Salimando, D.	Indian Hill School	Research-Based Reading Intervention	Eatontown, NJ	\$0.00
10/26/12	Smith, E.	Indian Hill School	CBVI Strategies for Teacher Teaching Students w/ Visual Impairment	West Windsor, NJ	\$0.00
12/06/12	Vona, L.	High School	MCVSD Counselor Breakfast	Asbury Park, NJ	\$0.00

*Paid with NCLB Title II or IDEA Funds.

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

7b. Approval of Student Trips

Resolved: That the Board approve the educational objectives, itinerary, rules and regulations regarding this trip are on file in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools and the appropriate Principal's Office.

Date of Trip	School	Teacher/ Advisor	Class/Club/ Group	Destination City/State	Time	Total Students	Total Chaperones	Total Cost
01/09/13	W. R. Satz	Ferraro, M	8 th Grade	Phantom of the Opera NY, NY	10:45 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	71	4 Teachers	No Cost to Board
03/20/13	W. R. Satz	Ferraro, M	8 th Grade	Phantom of the Opera NY, NY	10:45 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	71	4 Teachers	No Cost to Board
04/08/13	High School	Lewis, J.	Shore Math League	Monmouth Regional High School, Tinton Falls, NJ	2:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	12	1 Teacher	\$170.00
06/12/13	W. R. Satz	Ferraro, M	8 th Grade	Phantom of the Opera NY, NY	10:45 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	71	4 Teachers	No Cost to Board

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

8a. Report of the Superintendent

I am very appreciative to Bill Balicki and the Buildings & Grounds crew for their extraordinary efforts towards safeguarding our schools during the recent State of Emergency and for preparing our schools and grounds for a safe and smooth reopening.

I also want to thank Anthony Gattini and the Technology crew for their tireless efforts towards trying to keep our limited channels of communication open while protecting our school wide technology systems.

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I thank the Holmdel High School administrators and coaches and the athletic trainer for providing access and supervision for our high school athletes so that they could continue their training while our town was still facing very difficult circumstances.

My heartfelt appreciation to the Mayor and the Township Officials, Mike Simpson, OEM Coordinator, the Holmdel Police and Fire Department and the many dedicated people who provided leadership and direction throughout the dark and cold days of the Hurricane and its devastating aftermath.

I thank Mandie Peart, Human Resources Director, and the principals and assistant principals of our schools for their efforts to provide the staff who suffered severe losses with support and supplies to help them through these difficult times.

My deepest appreciation to all the members of the Holmdel community who reached out to me with generous offers of support and resources for the children and staff.

On behalf of the Board of Education, the entire school community and myself, I thank you.

We all have so much to be grateful for this year. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving,

The district needs to make up four days, which were taken off due to Hurricane Sandy, in order to comply with New Jersey's 180-day school year requirement. We looked very closely at the District Calendar and we have posted our revised calendar. Please check our website for the updated information.

"The state at this point in time is not even discussing the potential waiver of the 180-day requirement. The subject was broached with New Jersey Commissioner of Education Christopher Cerf, in which Cerf stated that it is "too premature to have those discussions".

The original school calendar had three "inclement weather" days built in, but the extensive damage caused by Hurricane Sandy forced the district to take ten days off. Luckily, these days overlapped with some already scheduled school closures: the Election Day Professional Development Program and two days for the NJEA Convention.

The revised schedule was presented at the November 14, 2012 Board meeting for the Boards consideration and approval.

Village School: The PSA hosted their 1st student assembly of the year. It was presented by George Street Playhouse, and the program focused on "differences". The students were very engaged throughout the show, and walked away from the performance with great lessons about how to treat everyone.

Brian Schillaci, Village School Principal, would also like to thank the school community for getting the children off to a great start on Monday. The staff was wonderful in welcoming the students back to the classrooms, and the families did a great job preparing for a smooth start to a new week. Coordinated efforts are underway between the Village School staff and the PSA to find ways to support some of our neighboring towns/schools that were hardest hit by the storm. Conversation will be ongoing, with the goal in mind of making this a valuable learning experience for our district's youngest children at Village School.

Indian Hill School: Students returned to school this week and shared stories of how they helped out in local communities in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy. Many donated goods, helped at shelters, and housed their own relatives and friends who suffered damage from the storm. We are proud of everyone's efforts and desire to help out. As such, Indian Hill School will be collecting new and gently used backpacks and

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lunchboxes for students returning to school in Union Beach. Additionally, students, parents, and teachers are gathering in committees to discuss other ways we can help the victims of Hurricane Sandy.

6th graders enjoyed a “Hang Out Night” at the end of October. This after school event featured indoor and outdoor sports, a DJ, and pizza and refreshments. Indian Hill School is very appreciative to the PLG members and countless parent volunteers who helped make this event a success.

Satz School: Annual Thanksgiving Drive Coordinated through the Social Studies Department:

Because of the hundreds of families displaced by Hurricane Sandy, this year’s annual Thanksgiving is needed by more families in this area than ever before. Here is a list of the items that are being collected through our Social Studies classrooms this year:

- a. Ms. Burns classes are collecting powdered milk packets and canned green beans,
- b. Mr. Ebinger is collecting canned yams and canned corn,
- c. Mrs. Howard classes are collecting instant mashed potatoes and stovetop stuffing,
- d. Mr. Bell is collecting cranberry sauce and turkey gravy,
- e. Mr. Schultheis is collecting coffee and tea.

Please consider donating if you haven’t already done so.

Bridges Program Collection

As many of you are already aware, the Satz School readily participates in the Bridges program, where lunches are made for displaced and/or homeless individuals and families. This upcoming Friday, November 16, 2012, has been scheduled as the next Bridges collection date. Students and families are encouraged to make lunches which will be donated to the shelters located in Keansburg and Keyport. A lunch consists of a sandwich, drink (no glass), piece of fruit and a snack.

Bridges is also in the process of collecting turkeys, turkey breasts and/or Cornish hens for the Food Pantry. These perishable items are to be delivered to room 108, the morning of November 20th. These food items will be delivered to the food pantry that day.

High School: Relief Efforts

Holmdel High School Principal Bill Loughran has determined the best way for students to approach relief efforts would be to focus on a single organization that could use our help. They will focusing our efforts on supporting the Monmouth County Food Bank, who have a proven record of charitable work and who will certainly need financial assistance in the weeks and months to come. Therefore, all student-based relief efforts, starting with “Spirit Week” activities over the next week, will be deposited into a Hurricane Relief Fund that will benefit the Food Bank directly. The district will also use its scheduled “Holmdel Day at Barnes and Noble” fundraiser on Dec. 6th to purchase new books for those schools along the Bayshore who lost their classroom libraries to the storm. Additionally, the SAB (Student Council) plans to donate all proceeds from next week’s Powder Puff game to the relief effort.

Changes to the Academic Calendar

The 1st Marking Period will be extended until Nov. 27th. Grades will be finalized on the portal by the end of the day on Dec. 4th.

High School Sports:

The Boys and Girls Cross Country teams enjoyed a banner day at the Central Jersey State Sectional Championships this past weekend. The boys, took their 2nd straight team title (and 11th overall) while the girls, placed 2nd. Both teams will be competing in the Group 2 state championship race this weekend.

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Congratulations to our junior gymnast who took 1st place at the Shore Conference Championships, held on Oct. 27th. The team will be competing in the State Sectional meet on Thursday, November 15th.

The Boys Soccer team won on November 13, 2012 with a 4-0 victory over North Plainfield HS and will play in the State Sectional Semi-Finals on Friday, November 16, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. at home on Roggy Field. In Tuesday's game on November 12th, our senior goal keeper set a school single season record with his 14 shutout of the year.

BRIDGES at the Shore needs help for our neighbors displaced by Hurricane Sandy

BRIDGES at the Shore is a local charity that works year round in Bayshore communities bringing necessities to those in need. They have been working closely with the evacuation centers and are asking for your help. Many of our neighbors in Keansburg, Keyport and Union Beach will need supplies over the next several months. They do not know at this point what they may find when they return to their homes. Clothing is available but other items will be needed.

They are collecting gift cards which will be distributed to individual families as the need arises. These gift cards can be in any denominations. Some ideas are local food stores, Target, Kmart, Sears, Costco, Lowes and Home Depot.

Please check their website to see the work they do at www.bridgesattheshore.org

Thank you for your support of this endeavor.

All cards can be sent to:

Kathy Logan
8 Stagecoach Dr.
Holmdel, NJ 07733

Kathy Logan, Director, BRIDGES at the Shore
Bridgesattheshore@hotmail.com

Sincerely,
Barbara Duncan

8a.-1 Report of Student Representatives to the Board

Resolved: That the Report of the Superintendent and Student Representatives are hereby accepted and filed by the Board Secretary.

MOTION: Show of Hands to Accept – All Approved
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

8b. Personnel

8b.-1 Acceptance of Resignation, Supervisor of Humanities, District

Resolved: That the Board accept the resignation of Susan Alston, as Supervisor of Humanities, District, effective December 21, 2012.

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

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8b.-2 Appointment of Interim Assistant Principal, Village School

Resolved: That the Board approve the appointment of Claire S. Skelton as an Interim Assistant Principal, effective November 15, 2012 until further notice, Village School, at a salary of \$425.00 per day (pro-rated). [D. Ledford - Resign] [B]

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

8b.-3 Acceptance of Leave of Absence, Music Teacher, Indian Hill School

Resolved: That the Board approve a Leave of Absence for Meredith Thomas, Music Teacher, Indian Hill School, with benefits as follows:

- Effective January 14, 2013 through February 8, 2013 using 19 sick days and May 14, 2013 through May 15, 2013 using 2 personal days (utilized in conjunction with the PFLA).
- Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) effective February 11, 2013 through May 13, 2013 (unpaid).
- Paid Family Leave Act (PFLA) effective May 14, 2013 through June 24, 2013 (paid by State of New Jersey; subject to State approval).
- New Jersey Family Leave Act (NJFLA) effective May 16, 2013 through June 24, 2013 (unpaid).

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

8b.-4 Appointment of Special Education Monitor, Village School

Resolved: That the Board approve the appointment of Marissa Rispoli as a Special Education Monitor, Village School, 6.5 hours per day, at a salary of \$21.71 per hour, effective retroactive from November 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. [New - B]

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

8b.-5 Appointment of Special Education Monitor, Village School

Resolved: That the Board approve the appointment of Christine Yuen as a Special Education Monitor, Village School, 5.5 hours per day, at a salary of \$21.71 per hour, effective retroactive from November 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. [New - B]

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

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8b.-6 Appointment of Special Education Monitor, Indian Hill School

Resolved: That the Board approve the appointment of Eric Wright as a Special Education Monitor, Indian Hill School, 6.5 hours per day, at a salary of \$21.71 per hour, effective retroactive from November 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. [New - B]

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

8b.-7 Appointment of Schedule B Position

Resolved: That the Board approve the Schedule B Position for the 2012/2013 school year as follows:

Position	First Name	Last Name	Stipend
Track Coach (Boys/Girls) – WR Satz School	Jonathan	Schultheis	\$4,469.00

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

8b.-8 Approval of Adjustments to Increment Level

Resolved: That the Board approve the following adjustment in increment level effective October 1, 2012:

Employee	From	TO: Effective 10/1/2012
Lynn Blustein	5BA	5BA+15

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

8b.-9 Appointment of Volunteer for the Boys Basketball Team, Holmdel High School

Resolved: That the Board approve Douglas Shaw as a Volunteer for the Boys Basketball Team, Holmdel High School, for the Winter 2012 season.

Discussion: Mr. Sockol requested some background information on this Volunteer which was provided accordingly.

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

8b.-10 Appointment of Volunteer for the Girl Scouts Project, Village School

Resolved: That the Board approve Susan Miceli as a Volunteer for the Girl Scouts Project, Village School.

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

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8b.-11 Appointment of Day-To-Day Substitute Teachers

Resolved: That the Board approve the appointment of the following as a Day-to-Day Substitute Teachers effective November 15, 2012 through June 30, 2013. [B]

Chelsea Grasso
Jeanne Mahoney

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mrs. Wetmore VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

8c. Student Matters

8c.-1 Acceptance of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Report

Resolved: That the Board move to accept the Superintendent's Report on Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (from prior month).

Mrs. Duncan reported the following (10/24/2012 – present):

School	# of Incidents	Notes
Village School	0	
Indian Hill School	1	Substantiated
W.R. Satz School	1	Substantiated
Holmdel High School	0	

MOTION: Mrs. Wetmore SECOND: Mr. DeSario VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

8c.-2 Resolution to Accept School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drills Reports

RESOLVED: That the Holmdel Township Board of Education, pursuant to the Administrative Code (NJAC 6A:27-11.2), and at the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept the following completed school bus evacuation drills:

Date	Time	School	Location	Route (s)	Supervisor
10/17/12	6:55 a.m.	High School	Bus Lanes	H-1,H2-5, H7, H15-24, L1-3, S3,284W	William Loughran
10/17/12	9:00 a.m.	Village	Parking Lot	H-1,H2-5, H7, H15-24, L1-3, S3,284W	Nicole Collins

MOTION: Mrs. Wetmore SECOND: Mr. Sockol VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

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9. Business Administrator/Board Secretary's Report and Recommendations

9a. Approval of Agreement with Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission

Resolved: That the Board approve Agreement with Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission sponsor of Alternative Interim Placement Program (45 day Program) for the 2012/2013 school year, as on file in the office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

MOTION: Mrs. Wetmore SECOND: Mr. DeSario VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

9b. Approval of Additional Chapter 192-193 Funding

Resolved: That the Board accept/approve additional funding under the provision of Chapter 192-193 (2012/2013), as on file in the office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Chapter 192-193 Funding

Additional Chapter 192-193 Funding \$ 1,249.00
Revised 2012/2013 Entitlement (10/19/2012) \$302,593.00

MOTION: Mrs. Wetmore SECOND: Mr. DeSario VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

9c. Approval of Discarding Textbooks at W. R. Satz and High School

Resolved: That the Board approve the discarding of outdated Textbooks no longer in use by W. R. Satz and High School.

Title	Grade Level	Publisher	Copyright Date	Reason
Paso a Paso-A (55)	7-12	Scott Forseman	1996	Outdated
En Espanol 1 (86)	7-12	McDougall Littell	2000	Outdated

MOTION: Mrs. Wetmore SECOND: Mr. DeSario VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

9d. Approval of Budget Transfers- 2012/2013

Resolved: That the Board approve the 2012/2013 Budget Transfers as listed on attachment T-13-08.

MOTION: Mrs. Wetmore SECOND: Mr. DeSario VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

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10. Old Business

- NJSBA Cuts in Federal Education Funding Resolution

Mr. Sockol gave an overview and provided rationale for his edits to the proposed resolution. After discussion was concluded, there was a roll call vote to approve the following revised resolution.

A Call for a Federal Budget Compromise to Allow Lawmakers Greater Discretion Over Educational Funding

WHEREAS, a world class public education is essential for the future success of our nation and today's schoolchildren; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Control Act of 2011 includes a provision to impose \$1.2 trillion in across-the-board budget cuts in almost all federal programs, including education, that would become effective January 2, 2013; and

WHEREAS, these across-the-board budget cuts, also known as "sequestration," would affect almost every public school system in the nation and the millions of students educated through programs such as Title I grants for disadvantaged students, the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), English Language Acquisition, Career and Technical Education, and 21st Century Community Learning Centers; and

WHEREAS, public schools nationwide would be negatively affected by an estimated \$2.7 billion loss in just three programs alone – Title I grants, IDEA special education state grants and Head Start – that serve a combined total of 30.7 million children; and

WHEREAS, federal funding for K-12 programs was already reduced by more than \$835 million in Fiscal Year 2011; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey already ranks last among the states in the percentage of school expenditures (3.1%) supported by the federal government; and

WHEREAS, in Fiscal Year 2013, New Jersey will lose more than \$73 million in funding for elementary and secondary education programs, administered through the U.S. Department of Education, as well as over \$11.7 million in Head Start funding; and

WHEREAS, in the current school year, the Holmdel Township School District received \$854K in Federal monies, primarily to pay for mandated programs for students with special needs, and these proposed cuts will significantly impact future federal funding to support these services for Holmdel school children; and

WHEREAS, with a state-imposed tax levy cap and limited growth in state aid, the Holmdel Township School District has limited capacity to absorb cuts in funding resulting from sequestration.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Holmdel Township Board of Education, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey urges Congress and the Administration to achieve a

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budgetary compromise that allows lawmakers greater financial discretion to protect education as an investment critical to economic stability and American competitiveness.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to United States Senator Robert Menendez, United States Senator Frank Lautenberg, U.S. Representative Rush Holt, State Senator Joseph M. Kyrillos, Jr., Assembly Representative Amy H. Handlin, Assembly Representative Declan J. O'Scanlon, Jr., the New Jersey School Boards Association, and the National School Boards Association.

MOTION: Mr. Sockol SECOND: Mr. Pavlik VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

11. New Business

- A) Draft of Holmdel Township Public Schools Proposed Calendar Changes

Mrs. Duncan provided an overview as to the rationale for the changes to the School Calendar and the reason why this was time sensitive. Ms. Currie provided additional details as to the specific days selected. After discussion was concluded, there was a roll call vote to approve the following calendar changes:

- Instructional Days missed due to the storm – 10/29, 10/30, 10/31, 11/1, 11/2, 11/5 & 11/7
TOTAL = 7 Days
- All 3 Snow Days were used for the Current School Year. We need to make up 4 Instructional days.
- School re-opened on 11/12/12
- Proposed plan to make-up the four (4) instructional days and build in two (2) anticipated snow days by opening school on the following days:
 - January 21, 2013 – MLK Day, Full Day for everyone
 - February 15, 2013 – Friday before Presidents' Weekend, 4 Hour Session for students, full day for staff (PD)
 - April 1, 2013 – Full Day for everyone
 - May 24, 2013 – 4 Hour Session for everyone
 - June 25, 2013 – Instructional Day, Full Day for everyone
 - June 26, 2013 – Last Day of School, 4 Hour Session for everyone

Additionally: March 22, 2013 will be a 4 hour session for students. However, staff will have a full day to fulfill professional development requirements.

In the event that winter weather requires us to schedule additional make-up days beyond the two anticipated days we are building in, they will be added to the calendar in the following order as needed:

- March 25, 2013 (First day of Spring Break- Passover begins at sundown)

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- March 27, 2013 (Third day of Spring Break)
- March 28, 2013 (Fourth day of Spring Break)

In the event we do not use the two (2) snow days added to the calendar, the district will close in the following order:

- May 24, 2013 District will Close for everyone
- May 28, 2013 District will Close for everyone

MOTION: Mr. DeSario SECOND: Mr. Pavlik VOTE: 7-0
Absent: Mrs. Pascucci and Dr. Tai

- B) Mr. Sockol inquired if the Board ever agreed to a formal process to select Board Leadership. After a brief discussion, it was noted that a formal process was never agreed upon. Therefore, the recommendation was to further discuss this topic at the next Board meeting.

12. Questions from the Public - None
13. Executive Session (if required) - None
14. Adjournment

By a unanimous voice vote the meeting adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael R. Petrizzo, CPA
Business Administrator/Board Secretary