

I. CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE

The December 20, 2010 Public Meeting of the Edison Board of Education was called to order by Board President, Gene I. Maeroff, at 7:00 P.M. at Edison High School, 50 Boulevard of Eagles, Edison, NJ.

II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Michaud took the roll, and the following members were present:

Mr. Gene I. Maeroff, President, Mrs. Deborah A. Anes, Vice President, Mr. William H. Van Pelt, Mr. Joseph Romano and Mrs. Veena Iyer. Mr. David J. Dickinson, Ms. Aimee Szilagyi, Mrs. Theresa E. Ward and Mrs. Lori A. Bonderowitz were absent.

Also in attendance were Mr. Ronald E. Bolandi, Interim Superintendent, Mr. Daniel P. Michaud, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mr. Peter Pitucco, Personnel Director, and Mr. Joseph J. Jankowski, Board Attorney.

III. OPENING STATEMENT

Mr. Maeroff read the following opening statement:

"The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Edison Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Board of Education Administrative Offices. Copies of these notices were sent to The Home News and Tribune and the Star Ledger on May 3, 2010.

The Public may participate at regular meetings in accordance with the By-Laws and the applicable State regulations.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NOVEMBER 17TH, & 22ND, 2010

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Edison Board of Education approves the minutes of the November 17th and 22nd, 2010 meetings.

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the minutes of November 17th and 22nd, 2010. Mrs. Anes made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Iyer. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Romano, Mr. Van Pelt,
Mrs. Anes, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

V. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORTS

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that the following reports as of October 31, 2010 be accepted and approved for filing and audit:

- A. Report of the Board Secretary (A148)
- B. Report of Treasurer of School Monies (A149)

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED:

that the Edison Board of Education and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary certify that no major account (as defined in NJAC 6:20-2.2 b) has been over-expended; and that the Board of Education also certifies that there are sufficient funds available to fund the balance of the 2010-2011 school year. (Exhibit A)

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the Board Secretary's Report. Mr. Van Pelt made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Anes. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Romano, Mr. Van Pelt,
Mrs. Anes, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS (RESOLUTIONS)

There were no public comments at this time.

VII. RESOLUTIONS – ACTION ITEMS

A. Personnel

BE IT
RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approve the following personnel items as indicated below:

1. Resignations

DeFURIA, Joan

Bus Aide in the Transportation Department, effective 12/13/10 – Abandonment of Position

FRIEDRICH, Rebecca

Paraprofessional at Washington School, effective 12/31/10 – Personal

JONES, Lorraine

Paraprofessional at Washington School, effective 12/20/10 – Personal

KEMPROWSKI, Ellen

Lunch Aide at Lincoln School, effective 12/23/10 – Personal

MAHABIR, Baninder

REVISED - Staff Development Trainer at the Education Center, effective 12/31/10 – Personal

MUSCILLO, Caterina

Lunch Aide at Menlo Park School, effective 12/23/10 – Personal

RUDNICK, Tina

Lunch Aide at Menlo Park School, effective 12/10/10 – Personal

2. Retirement

COSTELLO, Diane

District Nurse at the Education Center, will retire 1/31/11 after serving the Edison school district for 23 years

3. Leaves of Absence

AFONSO, Stacie

Grade 1 Teacher at Benjamin Franklin School, leave with pay 11/22/10-12/9/10 – reason: Medical; leave with pay 12/10/10-12/31/10 – reason: Maternity; leave without pay 1/1/11-1/21/11 – reason: Maternity; leave without pay 1/22/11-3/18/11 – reason: Federal/NJ FMLA

ANTONUCCI, Douglas

Groundsman in the Grounds Department, leave without pay 12/17/10 – reason: Medical

BENEDICT, Krista

Math Teacher at John P. Stevens High School, extended leave without pay 1/10/11-6/30/11 – reason: Infant Care w/out Benefits

3. Leaves of Absence (continued)
- BERTHA, Marcia Social Studies Teacher at Herbert Hoover Middle School, leave with pay 12/13/10-01/03/11 – reason: Medical
- BLUM, Michelle Reading Specialist at Lincoln School, revised leave without pay 10/19/10-11/30/10 – reason: Medical
- CHONKA, Lynne Grade 3 Teacher at Washington School, revised leave without pay 11/12/10-12/24/10 – reason: Maternity; leave without pay 12/27/10-3/22/11 – Federal/NJ FMLA; leave without pay 3/23/11-6/30/11 – reason: Infant Care w/out benefits
- DIEHL, Ronnie Custodian at Thomas Jefferson Middle School, leave without pay 12/6/10-1/18/11 – reason: Medical
- D'ORSI, Lorri Administrative Secretary at the Education Center, extended leave without pay 11/29/10 (.5)-12/31/10 – reason: Personal w/out benefits
- DRESCHLER, Joanna Special Education Teacher at James Madison Primary School, extended leave without pay 1/1/11-2/15/11 – reason: Medical w/out benefits
- GIRONDA, Justine Kindergarten Teacher at Benjamin Franklin School, leave with pay 2/1/10-2/28/10 – reason: Medical
- KELLY-RUSSO, Margaret Paraprofessional at Washington School, leave with pay 12/13/10-1/18/11 – reason: Medical
- KUCHAR, Laura Speech-Language Specialist at James Madison Primary, Franklin D. Roosevelt and John P. Stevens High School, leave with pay 12/16/10-12/31/10 – reason: Medical
- LOPEZ, Lauren Special Education Teacher at John P. Stevens High School, leave with pay 1/18/11-1/27/11 – reason: Medical; leave with pay 1/28/11-2/21/11 – reason: Maternity; leave without pay 2/22/11-3/11/11 – reason: Maternity; leave without pay 3/14/11-6/30/11 – reason – Federal/NJ FMLA
- MISHRA, Neelam Hindi Teacher at John P. Stevens High School/Edison High School, leave without pay 12/8/10-12/14/10 – reason: Personal
- O'BRIEN, Dina Grade 5 Teacher at Lincoln School, leave without pay 12/13/10-12/21/10 – reason: Federal/NJ FMLA
- PATEL, Vimla Lunch Aide at Washington School, leave without pay 1/03/11-1/11/11 – reason: Personal
- RIVENBURG, Michelle Elementary Teacher at Lindeneau School, leave with pay 12/10/10-12/23/10 – reason: Medical
- SCHNITZER, Robyn ESL Teacher at Woodrow Wilson Middle School, extended leave without pay 1/27/11-3/31/11 - reason: Infant Care w/out benefits
- SELESKY, Michele Special Education Teacher at Thomas Jefferson Middle School, leave with pay 12/14/10-1/6/11 – reason: Medical; leave without pay 1/7/11 – reason: Medical
- SKELLY, Ann Lunch Aide at Washington School, leave without pay 1/3/11-1/7/11 – reason: Personal

3. Leaves of Absence (continued)

STERN, Renee	Special Education Teacher at Woodrow Wilson Middle School, leave with pay 1/3/11-1/11/11 – reason: Medical; leave with pay 1/12/11-2/23/11 – reason: Maternity; leave with pay 2/24/11-2/28/11 – reason: Federal/NJ FMLA; leave without pay 3/1/11-5/12/11 – reason: Federal/NJ FMLA
SZABO, Elizabeth	Spanish Teacher at Edison High School, leave without pay 10/25/10-1/31/11 – reason: Medical
TROPEANO, Concetta	Lunch Aide at James Madison Primary School, extended leave without pay 12/12/10-1/11/11 – reason: Personal
VILLAR, Maria	School Social Worker at the Education Center, leave with pay 11/19/10-11/22/10 – reason: Personal; leave without pay 11/23/10-11/30/10 – reason: Personal

4. Returning from Leave – Acknowledgement

ANTONUCCI, Douglas	Groundsman in the Grounds Department, will return from a medical leave of absence on 12/20/10
BALL, Jannette	Assistant Principal at Edison High School, returned from a medical leave of absence on 12/6/10
BLUM, Michelle	Reading Specialist at Lincoln School, returned from a medical leave of absence on 12/1/10
BOWDEN, Jeff	Science Teacher at John Adams Middle School, returned from a medical leave of absence on 12/1/10
GORDON, JodiAnn	Special Education Teacher at John P. Stevens High School, returned from a family leave of absence on 12/14/10
GREELEY, Allegra	Special Education Teacher at Menlo Park School, will return from a maternity leave of absence on 12/23/10
INSAUTO, Joanne	Visual Arts Teacher at Herbert Hoover Middle School, returned from a family leave of absence on 11/29/10
MIDO, Lori	Supervisor of Health Services at the Education Center, returned from a family leave of absence on 12/6/10
MISHRA, Neelam	Hindi Teacher at John P. Stevens High School/Edison High School, returned from a personal leave of absence on 12/15/10
OSHINSKI, Jennifer	Kindergarten Literacy Enrichment Teacher at Menlo Park School, will return from a family leave of absence on 12/23/10
REUSCH, Heather	French Teacher at John P. Stevens High School, returned from a medical leave of absence on 12/15/10
SIDERIS, Harriet	English Teacher at Edison High School, will return from a family leave of absence on 12/23/10
VILLAR, Maria	School Social Worker at the Education Center, returned from a personal leave of absence on 12/6/10

5. Appointment – Administrative Staff
RILEY, JoAnn Supervisor of Pupil-Special Services at the Education Center. Ms. Riley has been employed with the Edison Public Schools since 1998 and has worked as a Special Education Teacher and most recently as the district's NCLB Staff Development Trainer. Effective 1/1/11-6/30/11, \$110,347 pro-rated annual salary, resides in Edison, NJ
6. Appointment – Certified Staff
HARRISON, Katherine School Social Worker at Woodrow Wilson School and John Adams Middle School. Received her MA+45 at Rutgers University in 2010. Effective 1/3/11-6/30/11, Step 1, \$57,495 pro-rated annual salary, resides in Metuchen, NJ
- RUPON, Michelle ESL Teacher at Woodrow Wilson Middle School. Received her BA at the College of the Holy Cross in 2007. Effective 1/3/11-6/30/11, Step 2, \$47,896 pro-rated annual salary, resides in Whitehouse Station, NJ
7. Appointment – Support Staff
Lunch Aide
- | | <u>School</u> | <u>Effective</u> | <u>Salary</u> | <u>Resides</u> |
|----------------|---------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| O'CONNOR, Anne | TJM | 11/18/10-6/30/11 | \$5,098 (pro-rated) | Edison, NJ |
8. Appointments – Certified Substitute Staff
Teacher
WERNICK, Thomas
Child Study Team
COHEN, Lisa – LDTC PICCOLO, Susan – SW
- Per diem rate, as per BOE approval. - Substitute Child Study Team members will receive \$200 per diem
9. Appointments – Substitute Support Staff
Substitute Bus Drivers
DiCAMPLI, Olga ** FRISOLI, Garry **
- Per diem rate, as per BOE approval - ** Retroactive to December 8, 2010
10. FCCLA Grant Personnel
BROOKS, Ben Technology Coordinator/Clerical - \$10.00/hour
DIGIOIA-LAIRD, Patricia State Advisor - \$30.00/hour
GERSTEIN, Rachel Clerical - \$10.00/hour
PLASTINE, Billy State and National Coordinator/Public Relations - \$25.00/hour
RIEKER, Catherine Leadership Trainer/Communication Coordinator - \$25.00/hr/Clerical \$10.00/hour
SOLTBSZ, Lauren Clerical - \$10.00/hour – Competitive Events - \$24/hour
THOMAS, Pat Assistant to Project Director - \$16.00/hour
11. Assignment Revisions/Transfers
Certified Staff
- | | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
|-----------------|---|---|
| CRERAR, Allison | Supervisor of Guidance – EDH
Effective TBD | Supervisor of Guidance – EDH
Effective 1/10/11-6/30/11 |
| DANIK, Leo | Special Education Teacher (1.0)
JPH
Salary \$98,821 | Special Education Teacher (1.2)
JPH-Effective 11/16/10-6/30/11
Salary \$108,821 (pro-rated) |
| GLOR, Bronwyn | Science Teacher (1.0) JPH
Salary \$97,428 | Science Teacher (1.2) JPH
Effective 11/15/10-6/30/11
Salary \$107,428 (pro-rated) |
| MOLNAR, Kenneth | Phys. Ed. Teacher (1.0) JMI
Salary \$92,411 | Phys. Ed. Teacher (1.2) JMI
Effective 1/1/11-6/30/11
Salary \$102,411 (pro-rated) |

12. Longevity

<u>Teachers</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Present Longevity</u>	<u>New Longevity</u>
BARRY, Anthony	EDH	12/01/10	13	490	980
BODOFSKY, Carol	WBR	12/28/10	13	472	944
BOLAND, Elizabeth	LIN	12/15/10	12	0	481
CALLOWAY, Bonita	JMI	12/01/10	13	490	980
HARRISON, Doreen	LNC	12/01/10	20	3,774	4,718
HOLLOWAY, Amy	WBR	12/04/10	15	1,361	1,815
KENNY, Helene	WWM	12/29/10	14	908	1,361
KINAHAN, Susan	JAM	12/11/10	14	980	1,471
LUBONSKI, Sherrie	MLK	12/20/10	21	4,628	5,091
PARCELLS, Denise	HHM	12/03/10	13	472	944
SLIWINSKI, Christine	MLK	12/30/10	15	1,415	1,887
TSAOYS, Kristen	EC	12/28/10	13	481	962

13. Coaching Assignment

BOOK, Jonathan Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach at John P. Stevens High School, step 1a, stipend \$4,084

14. Staff Development Assignment

RILEY, JoAnn Staff Development NJAPSA Cohort Program from January 2011 through December 2011, stipend \$2,000

15. Coaching Assignment Revision

BE IT
RESOLVED:

that the Edison Board of Education: (1) Rescinds its previous action, dated October 18, 2010, which approved the appointment of Melissa Tornambe as Assistant Coach for John P. Stevens High School winter cheerleading, effective, retroactive to the close of business on October 20, 2010 due to lack of student participation; (2) Approves payment in the amount of \$74.30 to Ms. Tornambe, for two days of coaching assistance during winter cheerleading tryouts; and (3) Authorizes the Board Business Administrator/Board Secretary to take all necessary and appropriate steps to implement this action of the Board.

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the Personnel Report. Mrs. Iyer made the motion, seconded by Mr. Van Pelt. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Romano, Mr. Van Pelt,
Mrs. Anes, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None The motion was carried.

B. Pupils/Special Services1. Out-of-District Placements

BE IT
RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools and Director of Pupil/Special Services, the Edison Board of Education approves the following out-of-district placements:

1. Out-of-District Placements (continued)

<u>Out-of-District Placement</u>	<u>Student ID Numbers</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Annual Tuition Rate</u>
Center for Lifelong Learning (MRESC) (Change)	2014176	01/10/11	44,460
Center for Lifelong Learning (MRESC)	2024159	12/01/10	44,460
UMDNJ Adolescent (Change)	2005631	11/08/10	53,000
Piscataway Regional Day (MRESC) (Moved)	2053863	10/28/10	<36,540>
Somerset Academy (SCESC) (Incarcerated)	2024413	12/01/10	<44,800>
Somerset Academy (SCESC) (Terminated)	2015382	12/01/10	<44,800>
Developmental Learning Center (MUJC) (Change)	2014176	01/02/11	<91,817>

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the Out-of-District Placement Report. Mrs. Anes made the motion, seconded by Mr. Van Pelt. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Romano, Mr. Van Pelt,
Mrs. Anes, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

C. Curriculum & Instruction

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approve the following:

1. Curriculum Guide (Exhibit B)

Title: French 4-1
Length of Course: Full Year
Elective/Required: Required
Schools: All High Schools
Student Eligibility: All
Credit Value: 5 Credits

2. Policies

i) Policy No. 5113 – Student Attendance (Revised) (Exhibit C)

3. New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards (NJCCCS) Mastery (Exhibit D)4. Out-of-State Field Trip

School: John P. Stevens High School
Club/Group: Concert Band, Jazz Band & Winter Guard
Event: Festivals of Music
Location: Virginia Beach, Virginia
Date of Event: April 7-10, 2011
No. of Advisors: Two
No. of Students: One Hundred-Fifty

5. Professional Development Approval Documentation – December 2010

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>CONFERENCE</u>	<u>REGISTRATION FEE</u>	<u>HOTEL EXPENSES</u>	<u>OTHER EXPENSES</u>	<u>FUND</u>
DiGioia-Laird, Patricia	JPS	01/27/11-01/30/11	FCCLA State Adviser's Management Meeting	\$120.00	\$450.00	\$450.00	FCCLA
Smith, Martin	EHS	01/12/11	NJASCO	\$199.00	N/A	N/A	EPSA
Wandras, Jennifer	FDR	01/28/11	Child Directed/ Developmental Interventions for Children w/Autism Spectrum Disorders	\$179.00	N/A	N/A	IDEIA-ARRA

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the Curriculum and Instruction. Mr. Van Pelt made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Anes. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Romano, Mr. Van Pelt,
Mrs. Anes, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

D. Administration1. Reduction in State AidPREAMBLE

The state's actions and policies in funding education have put the Edison Board of Education in an untenable situation. According to U.S. Census figures, the state provides 41.3% of the revenues of local school districts. Yet, the Edison Public Schools derive only 3.8% of their revenues from the state, leaving local taxpayers to pick up a disproportionate share of the \$198,637,780 budget. We don't deny that some localities have greater needs than others, but what has developed in New Jersey is a patently unfair funding program for education that leaves Edison's taxpayers and the Board of Education in dangerous straits that threatens the quality of our children's schooling.

Reduction in State Aid

WHEREAS, the Edison Township Public School district lost 55.8 percent of its state aid for the current school year; and

WHEREAS, the town's taxpayers are now bearing 93.2 percent of the financial burden of operating the public schools; and

WHEREAS, the State has apparently abandoned a commitment that it began in the 2008-09 school year to increase its contribution to the Edison Public Schools by 20 percent each year until the district achieved full adequacy in funding; and

WHEREAS, such neighboring school systems as Woodbridge, North Brunswick and Piscataway have also experienced declines in state aid.

NOW, THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED:

that the Board of Education of Edison Township resolves to request those three districts to join us in appealing to the State Legislature and the Governor to halt reductions in state aid to our public school systems and to resume the State's role and pursuit of funding adequacy as provided for in the State's own formula for state aid.

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the Administration Report, Item No. 1 Only. Mr. Van Pelt made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Anes. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Romano, Mr. Van Pelt,
Mrs. Anes, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

2. ADA/504 District Compliance Officers

BE IT

RESOLVED: that the Edison Board of Education approve the following appointment of Peter Pitucco, Director of Personnel, as the designated ADA/504 Compliance Officer for all employees, and the Director of Pupil/Special Services as the designated ADA/504 Compliance Officer for all students, for the 2010-11 school year.

3. 2009-2010 NJQSAC Report

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools and the Interim Director of Curriculum, the Edison Board of Education accepts, and submits to the County Superintendent of Schools, the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) Report for the 2009-2010 school year.

4. 2010-2011 Policy Manual

WHEREAS,

New Jersey school districts are required by New Jersey statutes, administrative codes and New Jersey Department of Education mandates to develop and adopt policies and regulations regarding school district operations; and

WHEREAS,

the Edison Board of Education and administrative staff, working with Strauss Esmay Associates, L.L.P., have developed a complete Policy and Regulation Manual that updated all policies and regulations; and

WHEREAS,

the process is completed and the Edison Board of Education Policy and Regulation Manuals are finalized and prepared for Board approval.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED:

that the Edison Board of Education adopts the policies and regulations included in the new Policy and Regulation Manual on first reading at this Board Meeting on December 20, 2010; and

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED:

that the policies and regulations included in the new Policy and Regulation Manuals shall be effective upon Board adoption on second reading at the January 24, 2011 Board Meeting.

5. Professional Services

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approve the following appointments for professional services for the 2010-2011 School Year:

5. Professional Services (continued)

- 1) JFK Medical Center-Occupational Health Services
80 James Street
Edison, NJ 08820

Pre-Employment Physical Examinations

\$ 55.00 Medical History & Physical
\$ 30.00 Additional – Functional Capacity Examination
\$ 9.00 PPD with Reading
\$ 50.00 Non-DOT Urine Drug Test
\$ 30.00 Non-DOT Breath Alcohol Test

Fitness for Duty

\$ 55.00 Medical History & Physical Exam
\$100.00 Functional Capacity Evaluation Done by RPT

CDL/Safety-Sensitivity Drug & Alcohol

\$114.00 DOT Physical Examination
\$ 89.00 DOT Re-certification
\$ 50.00 DOT Drug Screening
\$ 30.00 DOT Breath Alcohol Test

Drug & Alcohol Screening (Suspicion or Reasonable Cause)

\$ 50.00 Non-DOT Urine Drug Test
\$ 30.00 Non-DOT Breath Alcohol Test
\$ 20.00 Charge Per Review of Positive Test Results

Baseline/Annual Fit-Testing & OSHA Respiratory Clearance Exam

\$ 25.00 OSHA Respiratory Questionnaire Review
\$ 20.00 Fit Testing (N95 Mask)
\$ 55.00 Physical Examination
(Annual: If Medically Indicated)
\$ 30.00 Pulmonary Function Test
(Annual: If Medically Indicated)
\$ 40.00 Chest X-Ray 2 Views PA & Lateral
(Annual: If Medically Indicated)

- 2) AJL Physical & Occupational Therapy
556 Eagle Rock Avenue, Suite 101
Roseland, NJ 07068

Physical & Occupational Therapy

\$94.00 Per Hour

- 3) Rebecca L. Friedrich
45 Village Garden, Apt. K
Budd Lake, NJ 07828

Sign Language Interpreter

\$50.00 Per Hour

6. Removal From Rolls

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Edison Board of Education approve removing the following students from the rolls of the Public Schools of Edison for failure to prove residency: 0117069; 3001300; 2023589; 2005706; 2015992; 2020868; 3002827; 2026316; 2023586; 3005108; 2013490; 2018717; 2053761; 3005115; 2053764; 3005013; 3005061; 3001054; 3004999; 3005134; 2016708; 3004748; 3002469; 3005337; 3004457.

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the Administration Report, Items No. 2 through 6. Mrs. Anes made the motion, seconded by Mr. Van Pelt. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Romano, Mr. Van Pelt,
Mrs. Anes, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

E. Finance1. Cancellation of Outstanding Warrants

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Edison Board of Education approves the following cancellation of outstanding warrants:

Salary Account #7859601556

<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
09/12/08	161518	1,795.94
09/29/08	162095	123.21
10/14/08	162530	10.65
12/12/08	166158	2,457.13
02/27/09	169904	344.23
03/13/09	170222	39.02
03/13/09	170323	40.66
03/13/09	170447	123.15
03/30/09	171180	39.02
04/14/09	171795	94.86
04/14/09	171810	97.55
04/29/09	173137	9.04
06/12/09	175530	1,308.82
06/18/09	175830	2,514.86
06/18/09	175846	2,862.20
06/18/09	175967	1,877.60
06/18/09	175982	207.56
06/18/09	175991	1,478.03
06/18/09	176250	255.50
06/17/09	176256	158.40
06/29/09	176705	22.72
06/29/09	176749	21.62
06/29/09	176855	55.26
08/14/09	177296	58.44
09/14/09	178085	189.39
09/29/09	178461	1,220.16
09/29/09	178927	1,340.50
10/14/09	179206	1,220.16
11/18/09	181194	976.39
11/25/09	181555	219.65
	Total	21,161.72

1. Cancellation of Outstanding Warrants (continued)

General Account #7859601549

<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
08/12/08	74416	100.00
09/26/08	75091	570.06
01/13/09	77900	200.00
01/15/09	78058	442.00
01/15/09	78347	442.00
02/11/09	78845	36.35
03/11/09	79473	15.00
04/27/09	80184	250.00
06/12/09	81138	442.00
06/12/09	81245	442.00
06/12/09	81282	442.00
06/12/09	81327	353.62
06/12/09	81389	442.00
06/12/09	81434	884.00
06/12/09	81487	442.00
06/12/09	81496	442.00
06/25/09	81661	6.05
06/25/09	81664	19.19
06/25/09	81804	49.97
07/24/09	82110	250.04
08/26/09	82361	884.00
09/23/09	82898	12.07
09/23/09	83194	565.00
10/12/09	83291	78.00
10/28/09	83785	223.56
	Total	8,032.91

2. Acceptance of the Career & Technical Education Partnership Grant, FY '11

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Edison Board of Education accepts the Career and Technical Education Partnership Grant, Fiscal Year 2011, in which Camden County College is the lead agency for the \$315,000 grant and the Edison Board of Education is entitled to \$110,535 as the agent for the New Jersey Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) portion of the grant.

3. Obsolete Items

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Edison Board of Education declare the following items obsolete and no longer needed for school purposes:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Item</u>
J Madison Primary	1 Overhead Projector
	3 Printers
	1 Tape Recorder
	2 Film Strip Projectors
	3 Dell Computers
	1 Dell Monitor

3. Obsolete Items (continued)

<u>Location</u>	<u>Item</u>
Lindeneau ES	2 Printers 3 Laptops 2 Optiplex GX 260s 1 Monitor
Lincoln ES	1 True Mobile Hub 5 Dell Monitors 1 Gateway Monitors 3 Dell Keyboards 1 Gateway Keyboard 3 Mouses 1 Printer 1 Mini Desktop Tower 5 Dell Towers
Washington ES	4 Dell CPUs 3 Dell Monitors 1 Apple EMAC
J Adams MS	4 Gas Stoves
W Wilson MS	2 Televisions
JP Stevens HS	2 Electric Typewriters 1 Slide Projector 1 Color Style Writer
Education Center	58 Security Radios

4. Bill List

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Edison Board of Education confirms the payment of bills on the bill list dated November 30, 2010 payable by Cycle Checks No. 91023 through No. 91407 inclusive, totaling \$17,062,434.13 from the Board of Education General Account in TD Bank.

5. Transportation Report – December 2010

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, the Edison Board of Education approves the December 2010 Transportation Report as follows:

Rescinded Jointures Special Ed – 2010-2011 School Year

NVA	District Driver	Piscataway VoTech	10/19/10-11/19/10	11.75
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Quoted Run – Regular Education – 2010-2011 School Year

WAKA	Vogel	Washington ES	11/20/10-06/30/11	Aide-29.00
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Quoted Run – Special Education – 2010-2011 School Year

DLCP	Dapper	Developmental Learning Center	09/07/10-06/30/11	197.37
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Public Board Meeting

December 20, 2010
Edison High School

Mr. Macroff asked for a motion to approve the Finance Report. Mr. Van Pelt made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Anes. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Romano, Mr. Van Pelt,
Mrs. Anes, Mr. Macroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

Meetings - Caucus Meeting
 Wednesday, January 19, 2011
 7:00 PM – Education Center (Caucus Room)

 Regular/Action Meeting
 Monday, January 24, 2011
 7:00 PM – John P. Stevens High School (Auditorium)

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Policy Committee

Mrs. Anes reported that the Policy Committee met on December 15, 2010 at 5:30 PM at the Education Center.

In attendance were: Mrs. Lori Bonderowitz, Mrs. Deborah Anes, Mrs. Theresa Ward, Mr. William H. Van Pelt and Mrs. Susan Keating

Items Discussed:

- The Committee discussed the Bylaws and Policies of the Public Schools of Edison Township as prepared through Strauss Esmay Associates.

Recommendations:

- The Interim Superintendent will present the Bylaws and Policies for approval at the December Action Meeting.

Adjourned: 6:00 PM

Submitted by: Susan Keating

2. Special Ed Advisory Council Committee

Mr. Romano reported that the Special Ed Advisory Council Committee met on December 1, 2010 at 6:00 PM at the Education Center.

In attendance were: Mr. Joseph Romano, Mrs. Veena Iyer and Ms. Kathleen French

Items Discussed:

- There was a presentation on “Help Your Child Become A Reader...and Enjoy the Experience”, presented by Erin Madara and Lauren Feldman, LDT-C.
- There was a discussion on “What is Reading”, the balanced approach to reading, learning styles and strategies, you and your child, motivating reading in the home and “The Five Finger Rule”.

Recommendations:

- After the presentation, there was an opportunity for questions and answers. The parents responded to this presentation in a positive, proactive manner. They found this topic very formative and useful and can use these strategies in the home environment.

Submitted by: Catherine Swayze

3. Building & Grounds Committee

Mr. Romano reported that the Buildings and Grounds Committee met at 6:00 PM on December 15, 2010 at the Education Center.

In attendance were : Mr. Joseph Romano, Mr. David J. Dickinson, Mr. William H. Van Pelt, Mr. Paul Jenney, Jr. and Mr. Daniel P. Michaud

Items Discussed:

- Second Floor Addition at John P. Stevens High School - The site work is 98% complete and will be finished as specified when spring weather permits. The roofing work is 100% complete. The interior door and hardware installation will be completed by Thursday. VCT flooring installation is 100% complete. With the exception of final polishing, all terrazzo work is complete. Acoustical Tile Ceiling installation is 100% complete. Lockers are scheduled for delivery and installation later this week. New lab furniture installation is 99% complete. Movable equipment furniture quotes were submitted and a purchase order was issued. Final cleaning has begun on all surfaces and will be followed with a paint touch-up. Final balancing and adjustments are in progress. The fume hood exhaust ductwork is complete. Mechanical work is approximately 99% complete. Plumbing work is 100% complete. Electrical work is approximately 98% complete. Preliminary Punch List inspections were performed. Repairs and modifications have begun. It is Mr. Rienzi's opinion that the project should be considered Substantially Complete as of 12/15/10 and should be 100% finished before the end of December.
- Architect of Record – The Committee is recommending Vaughn for the Board's Architect of Record
- Lindeneau Elementary School Flooding – Mr. Jenney met with representatives from Remington, Vernick and Vena Engineering at Lindeneau Elementary School to survey the flooding situation. They are now in the process of drawing up plans to try and correct the problem.
- HVAC at Edison High School – Jersey State Controls will be giving our employees training on the new computerized heating system. They are also generating a list of items that we are responsible to repair.
- Edison High School Indoor Cameras – Our computer technicians need to connect the camera system to our network in order to complete the project. There are some issues that need to be ironed out with the system.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:45P.M.
Submitted by: Paul Jenney, Jr.

4. Food Service Committee

Mr. Romano reported that the Food Service Committee met on December 15, 2010 at 5:00 PM at the Education Center.

In attendance were: Mrs. Theresa Ward, Mr. Daniel P. Michaud, Mrs. Addie DeMartini, Mrs. Michele Carroll, Mrs. Patricia Allegretto, Mrs. Faye Mangafas, Ms. Terry Toth, Mr. Steve Preville, Ms. Pilar Castillo, Ms. Cindy Meisner, Ms. Nisha Khanna, Ms. Annie Costello and Ms. Charisse Guterrez

Items Discussed:

- Mr. Michaud opened the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves and the school they represent. He then asked Mrs. Carroll to review the food service operations.
- Mrs. Carroll explained that Chartwells participates in the Buy Local program, which means that they purchase produce from local farmers. She also reported that they added more whole grains to their menus.
- Mrs. Carroll also explained that Chartwells representatives attend YAC meetings at the following schools: Thomas Jefferson and Herbert Hoover Middle Schools, Lincoln, John Marshall, Woodbrook and Martin Luther King Elementary Schools. These meetings are important because the students make suggestions and strive to accommodate them.
- Thomas Jefferson Middle School suggestions were more pasta, grilled cheese and mozzarella sticks.
- Martin Luther King Elementary School would like to have more fresh vegetables, forks instead of spork, cereal and yogurt bags, hummus with soft tortillas instead of chips.

4. Food Service Committee (continued)

Items Discussed:

- Herbert Hoover Middle School is happy with the menu but would like to see shepherd's pie removed.
- Mrs. Carroll explained that all these suggestions were addressed and that she is happy to say they will be reflected on the January menus. They also have added new items to the menus, such as granola, fruit yogurt parfaits, slider bars, spaghetti tacos and string cheese.
- In October, Chartwells participated in a promotion sponsored by the American Dairy Association. Whenever a lunch was purchased with milk, the student was entered into a drawing to win an MP3 player.
- Chartwells has donated the holiday dinner to the C.A.R.E. program, in addition to adopting a C.A.R.E. family. They also donated turkeys to the United Methodist Church for Thanksgiving.
- Chartwells hired a new executive chef who will be stationed at Edison High School and will be working on improving lunches at Edison High School, Herbert Hoover and Thomas Jefferson Middle Schools and John Marshall Elementary School.
- Mrs. Carroll stated that Chartwells' employees have been involved in much training this year (Food Handler's Training, Serve Safe Training and Sanitation Procedures).
- Mrs. Carroll explained that lunches are down compared to last year, due to half day kindergarten.
- Ms. Khanna wanted to know if the nutritional information for the lunches is on line. Chartwells explained that it wasn't, but they can get the information to her. Mrs. Carroll explained that all their recipes have the nutritional information on them.
- Ms. Khanna also explained that she would like to see more whole grain products. She would like to see more organic items and the vegetarian menu more diverse. There are too many cheese items. She was happy to see strawberry milk removed from the menu and would like to see the chocolate milk also removed.
- Mrs. Carroll explained that the milk they serve is hormone free. There are parents who want their children to drink chocolate milk; therefore, it cannot be taken off the menu. There are two choices of milk and they are skim and 1% low fat. The bulk of the cheese that Chartwells purchases is USDA commodities. They get the cheese in bulk and send it to a processor to convert for pizza.
- Ms. Meisner wanted some clarification on whether a student could purchase two snacks for lunch. She wanted to know if there is a policy regarding this. Mr. Michaud explained that there is no policy regarding what a student could buy for lunch, but it is discouraged.
- Mr. Preville reported that everything is going great at Benjamin Franklin Elementary School this year. Things have been very positive regarding the service and the computer system. He also explained that the numbers for breakfast are very poor because not many students take advantage of it.

Adjourned: 6:05 PM
Submitted by: Daniel P. Michaud

X. BOARD MEMBERS – OPEN DISCUSSION

Mr. Romano reported that the Town Council is considering the Kilmer property.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Hugh Gordon, Resident, felt there was insufficient time given at parent-teacher conferences in order to meet teachers, due to a clause in the teachers' contract.

Scott Boxer, Resident, made comments at two previous meetings that got no response.

Melissa Boxer, Resident, has two sons attending Herbert Hoover Middle School. She reported that there have been two bus accidents and the parents were not notified. She also mentioned that there are buses on Route 287 and Dapper buses speed through town.

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Edison High SchoolXI. PUBLIC COMMENTS (continued)

An Edison High School Student reported that he is doing an Eagle Scout project to beautify Edison High School.

Eileen Hanna, Resident, wanted the Board's response to the new charter school.

Emil Ferlicchi, ETEA President, stated that the teachers work long hours and are always available to meet with parents.

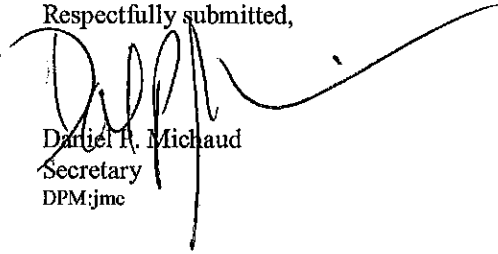
XII. OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

- Setting Policy for Naming Rights of District Owned Facilities
 - Patty Jaworski, Teacher, felt this has importance to the school, especially the gym, because those involved took special interest for the Edison High School teams.
 - Matt Hrevnak, ETEA Vice President, asked that the Board seek the criteria of the high schools' Hall of Honor.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further questions or comments forthcoming, Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to adjourn this December 20, 2010 public meeting of the Edison Board of Education at 8:09 P.M. Mr. Romano made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Anes and approved by all members present.

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel R. Michaud
Secretary
DPM:jmc

