

I. CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE

The March 21, 2013 Public Meeting of the Edison Board of Education was called to order by Board President, Mr. Gene I. Maeroff, at 7:00 P.M. at Herbert Hoover Middle School, 174 Jackson Boulevard, Edison, NJ.

II. ROLL CALL

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

Mr. Gene I. Maeroff, President, Mrs. Veena Iyer, Vice President, Mrs. Deborah A. Anes, Mrs. Theresa E. Ward, Mrs. Lori A. Bonderowitz, Dr. Frank Heelan, Mrs. Lora L. Fong and Mrs. Margot Harris. Ms. Sapana Shah arrived at 7:40 P.M.

Also in attendance were Richard O'Malley, Ed.D, Mr. Daniel P. Michaud, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Jonathan Busch, 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 February 28, 2013.

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

IV. HERBERT HOOVER MIDDLE SCHOOL PRESENTATION – BRIAN MCGRATH, PRINCIPAL

Mr. McGrath discussed the progress at Herbert Hoover Middle School, including curriculum and instruction, student achievement, extra-curricular activities, facility upgrades and student behavior.

Mr. McGrath also recognized 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Katherine Poynter for inspiring her students to self-publish a book. Ms. Poynter and the fourteen students were presented with certificates.

Mr. McGrath also recognized Family & Consumer Science Teacher, Hillary Weiss, and the six students who recently competed in the FCCLA Spring Leadership Conference. He described their experience and presented them with certificates.

V. PUBLIC HEARING – 2013-2014 SCHOOL BUDGET

Dr. O'Malley presented the 2013-2014 School Budget to the public. A power-point presentation was given.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS – 2013-2014 SCHOOL BUDGET ONLY

Lois Wolke, resident, commented on the tax rates on the average home in Edison.

Bill Brunner, resident, complimented the Board for not moving the budget vote.

Fred Wolke, resident, questioned salaries.

VII. ADOPTION OF 2013-2014 SCHOOL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Edison, New Jersey, (Middlesex County), having worked out a budget to cover the cost of operation of the Public Schools of Edison, New Jersey, (Middlesex County), for the school year beginning July 1, 2013, showing the total amount estimated to be:

\$213,869,755

and;

WHEREAS, the total state funds and federal funds etc., for the school year 2013-2014 are estimated to be:

\$22,778,746

and;

WHEREAS, the school budget must be submitted to the Office of the Middlesex County Executive County Superintendent for approval to advertise.

NOW, THEREFORE,  
BE IT RESOLVED:

that the amount of money estimated to be necessary for the operation of the Public Schools of Edison, New Jersey, (Middlesex County), for the school year beginning July 1, 2013, exclusive of state, county, federal and other funds is:

\$191,091,009

as per Summary as follows:

<u>Total Budget</u>	\$213,869,755
Less State Aid	13,754,456
Less Tuition (Other Districts)	150,000
Less Other State Aid	1,166,342
Less Miscellaneous Revenue	1,506,000
Less Special Federal Programs	3,986,553
Less Appropriated Free Balance	2,081,569
Total Local Tax Levy	\$191,091,009
For Current Expense	\$203,297,425
For Capital Outlay	4,008,207
For Debt Service	1,911,228
For Federal/State Projects	4,652,895

BE IT FURTHER  
RESOLVED:

that the Edison Board of Education hereby, in accordance with the N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(b), establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2013-2014 school year at the sum of \$231,500; and that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to insure that the maximum amount is not exceeded; and

BE IT FURTHER  
RESOLVED:

that \$2,106,090 will be transferred into the district's capital reserve account.

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the adoption of the 2013-2014 school budget. Mrs. Ward made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Harris. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan, Ms. Shah, Mrs. Bonderowitz,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None The motion was carried.

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 20<sup>TH</sup> & 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2013

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Edison Board of Education approves the minutes of the February 20<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 meetings.

IX. BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORTS (Exhibit A)

BE IT

RESOLVED: that the following reports as of January 31, 2013 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 N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(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 2012-2013 school year.

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of February 20<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 and the Board Secretary’s Reports as of January 31, 2013. Dr. Heelan made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Harris. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan, Ms. Shah, Mrs. Bonderowitz, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS (RESOLUTIONS)

There were no public comments at this time.

XI. RESOLUTIONS – ACTION ITEMS

A. PERSONNEL – LABOR RELATIONS

BE IT

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

1. RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS

Antonatos, Gina – Lunch Aide  
Lindeneau School

Effective: 03/22/13  
Reason: Personal

Mavani, Rohini – Lunch Aide  
James Madison Intermediate

Effective: 03/07/13  
Reason: Personal

2. RETIREMENTSJohnson, Arlene – Spanish Teacher  
J.P. Stevens High SchoolEffective: 05/31/13  
12 years, 9 months of service3. APPOINTMENTSCERTIFIED STAFF

<u>CERTIFIED STAFF</u>	<u>Step/Salary</u>	<u>Reason for Vacancy</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>
Callan, Chelsea Effective 03/11/13-06/30/13	\$40,000 (pro-rated) Rider University	Leave of Absence	Long Term Substitute Grade 4 Teacher John Marshall School (for R. Lafkowitz)
Kaur, Kimpreet Effective 03/04/13-06/30/13	\$40,000 (pro-rated) Rutgers University	Leave of Absence	Long Term Substitute English Teacher J.P. Stevens High School (for H. Lee)
Weigbreit, Arielle Effective 03/18/13-06/30/13	\$40,000 (pro-rated) Indiana University	Leave of Absence	Long Term Substitute English Teacher J.P. Stevens High School (for A. Coupland)

SUPPORT STAFF

Brzozowski, Marcella Effective 03/07/13-06/30/13	Step 1 \$4,193 (pro-rated)	Resignation	Lunch Aide James Madison Primary
Macnab, Eileen Effective 03/11/13-06/30/13	Step 8 \$24,755 (pro-rated)	Retirement	Paraprofessional Washington School
Reif, Robert Effective 03/18/13-06/30/13	Step 1, BA \$18,350 (pro-rated)	Resignation	Paraprofessional Menlo Park School

4. LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Anderson, Margaret – English Teacher Edison High School	Fed/NJ FMLA- Revised	Without Pay	02/15/13-05/07/13
Brucki, Hayley – Special Education Teacher - Lincoln School	Fed/FMLA- Revised	Without Pay	03/01/13-04/07/13
Cavadas, Tina – Science Teacher Thomas Jefferson Middle School	Medical	With Pay	04/01/13-04/29/13
	Maternity	With Pay	04/30/13-05/02/13
	Fed/FMLA	Without Pay	05/03/13-06/10/13
	Fed/NJ FMLA	Without Pay	06/11/13-06/30/13
Coppola, Danielle – Mathematics Teacher Thomas Jefferson Middle School	Medical-Revised	With Pay	03/08/13-04/05/13
	Fed/FMLA- Revised	Without Pay	04/06/13-05/29/13

Coupland, Amanda – English Teacher John P. Stevens High School	Fed/FMLA- Revised	Without Pay	03/18/13-06/06/13
	Fed/NJ FMLA	Without Pay	06/07/13-06/30/13
Dowdy, Angela – Reading Specialist Benjamin Franklin School	Fed/FMLA- Extension	Without Pay	03/13/13-03/25/13
	Medical	Without Pay & Benefits	03/26/13-04/30/13
Halkiadakis, Vasiliki – Special Education Teacher Martin Luther King School	Medical	With Pay	05/17/13-06/13/13
	Maternity	With Pay	06/14/13-06/30/13
	Fed/NJ FMLA	Without Pay	09/01/13-11/24/13
	Child Care	Without Pay & Benefits	11/25/13-06/30/14
Johnson, Arlene – Spanish Teacher John P. Stevens High School	Medical-Extension	With Pay	03/07/13-05/30/13 (.5)
	Fed/FMLA	Without Pay	05/30/13(.5)-05/31/13
Kraemer, Marissa – Special Education Teacher Lindeneau School	Child Care	Without Pay & Benefits	04/01/13-04/14/13
Larino, Priscilla – Mathematics Teacher John Adams Middle School	Fed/FMLA- Extension	Without Pay	03/01/13-03/15/13
Lee, Hanna – English Teacher John P. Stevens High School	Medical	With Pay- Revised	03/04/13-03/14/13
	Maternity	With Pay- Revised	03/15/13-04/02/13
	Fed/FMLA- Revised	Without Pay	04/03/13-05/09/13
	Fed/NJ FMLA	Without Pay	05/10/13-06/30/13
Pfeiffer, Bruce – Facility Manager Benjamin Franklin School	Medical-Extension	With Pay	03/05/13-03/12/13
Reif, Cynthia – Health/Physical Education Teacher James Monroe School	Medical	With Pay	03/19/13-03/31/13
Robbins, Christine – Administrative Secretary/Payroll Education Center	Medical	With Pay	02/18/13-02/21/13
	Fed/FMLA	Without Pay	02/22/13-03/04/13
Roskilly, Roseann – Secretary I John Adams Middle School	Medical	With Pay	04/01/13-06/30/13
Shaw, Cathy – Special Education Teacher James Madison Intermediate School	Medical-Revised	With Pay	01/21/13-02/03/13
	Maternity-Revised	With Pay	02/04/13-03/31/13
	Fed/NJ FMLA- Revised	Without Pay	04/01/13-05/14/13

Smith, Kristen – Mathematics Teacher Herbert Hoover Middle School	Medical	With Pay	05/20/13-06/16/13
	Maternity	With Pay	06/17/13-06/30/13
	Fed/NJ FMLA	Without Pay	09/01/13-11/24/13
Zapoticzny, Sunn – Grade 1 Teacher Menlo Park School	Medical	With Pay	05/20/13-06/06/13
	Maternity	With Pay	06/07/13-06/30/13
	Fed/NJ FMLA	Without Pay	09/01/13-11/24/13

5. CHANGE OF STATUS

<u>ADMINISTRATOR</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Reason for Change</u>	<u>To</u>
Brandon, Andrew	Supervisor - Pupil Special Services Education Center Effective 04/22/13-06/30/13		Supervisor - Pupil Special Services Education Center Effective 03/11/13-06/30/13
<u>CERTIFIED STAFF</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Reason for Change</u>	<u>To</u>
Freeman, Marissa	Long Term Substitute Special Education Teacher J.P. Stevens High School (for K. Rosenberg) Effective 11/19/12-03/15/13	Leave of Absence	Long Term Substitute Special Education Teacher J.P. Stevens High School (for K. Rosenberg) Effective 11/19/12-03/22/13 and Long Term Substitute Special Education Teacher John Adams Middle School (for K. Cabrera) Effective 03/23/13-06/30/13
Mackus, Michael	Long Term Substitute English Teacher Thomas Jefferson M.S. (for P. Marois) Effective 12/03/13-03/01/13	Leave of Absence	Long Term Substitute English Teacher Thomas Jefferson M.S. (for P. Marois) Effective 12/03/13-03/01/13 and Long Term Substitute English Teacher Edison High School (for M. Anderson) Effective 03/02/13-05/07/13
<u>SUPPORT STAFF</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Reason for Change</u>	<u>To</u>
Fehl, Donald	Custodian J.P. Stevens High School (3:00 pm to 11:30 pm)	Retirement	Custodian J.P. Stevens High School (6:30 am to 3:00 pm) Effective 03/25/13-06/30/13

Meagher, Thomas	Custodian Edison High School (3:00 pm to 11:30 pm)	Retirement	Custodian Edison High School (6:30 am to 3:00 pm) Effective 03/25/13-06/30/13
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6. LONGEVITY

<u>TEACHERS</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>PRESENT SALARY</u>	<u>NEW SALARY</u>
Baldassare, Kim	HHM	04/23/13	16	\$94,165	\$94,619
Drobbin, Stacey	WWM	04/01/13	13	\$96,427	\$96,899
Drozdz, Cara	MEN	04/06/13	15	\$97,370	\$97,842
Durkin, Lisa	LNC	04/25/13	18	\$98,786	\$99,258
Hoefler, Walter	TJM	04/01/13	17	\$94,619	\$95,073
McCaffery Patrick (Revised)	EDH	02/28/13	18	\$98,786	\$99,258
Maccaro, Karen	HHM	04/28/13	25	\$98,703	\$99,156
Mitchell, Jennifer (Revised)	LND	02/23/13	18	\$95,573	\$96,026
Savulich, Patricia	JPH	04/06/13	14	\$93,258	\$93,711
Schreiner, Natalie	TJM	04/23/13	14	\$100,612	\$101,103
Spagnoletti, Alicia	WWM	04/19/13	15	\$93,711	\$94,105
Stocker, Doreen	EDH	04/05/13	19	\$104,495	\$104,989
Tsirikos, Linda	LIN	04/22/13	16	\$100,218	\$100,699
Weislo, Karolyn	HHM	04/01/13	15	\$95,540	\$96,003
Ziolkowski, Jennifer	FDR	04/29/13	13	\$100,086	\$100,612

DIFFERENCE TOTAL	\$7,004
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<u>GUIDANCE/CST</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>PRESENT SALARY</u>	<u>NEW SALARY</u>
Solasky, Traci	BEN	04/11/13	19	\$109,182	\$109,701
Wein, Marla	LIN	04/13/13	21	\$109,748	\$110,263

DIFFERENCE TOTAL	\$1,034
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<u>NURSE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>PRESENT SALARY</u>	<u>NEW SALARY</u>
Howard, Geraldine	JAM	04/01/13	20	\$103,553	\$104,534

DIFFERENCE TOTAL	\$981
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7. SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR NON-CERTIFIED STAFF BASED UPON COMPLETION OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE CREDITS - EFFECTIVE 02/01/13

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>PRESENT SALARY</u>	<u>NEW SALARY</u>
Nichols, Elizabeth	JMI	Paraprofessional	\$26,252	\$26,552
Vardaro, Christine	EDH	School Secretary III	\$50,388	\$50,688

8. SUBSTITUTE STAFF – AS NEEDED FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR

Teachers State Certified \$90.00/day County Certified \$80.00/day

Antonatos, Gina	Brown-Tsai, Dana	Chester, Daniel
Concitis, Melissa	Curry, Shannon	Gregson, Kiersten
McInaw, Megan	Ogunfowora, Adewunmi	Okoth, Joyce
Papa, Marjorie	Samaroo, Subrina **	Sartor, Terrance

Child Study Team \$200/day

Brown-Tsai, Dana

Secretary \$75.00/day

Buttan, Divya

Nurse \$200/day

St. Fleur, Markorie

\*\* Denotes Student Teacher

9. 2012-2013 AVID TUTORS – EDISON HIGH SCHOOL - \$15/hr (As needed)

Okoth, Joyce

10. AVID SITE TEAM SUMMER INSTITUTE TRAINING – 07/15/13 – 07/17/13 \$25.00/hr.

EDH Site Team

Site Coordinator/Counselor

Rao, Ebony

Teachers

Blevins, Jennifer

Egan, Kelly

Hanas, Amanda

Scimone, Roseanna

Sheehan, Kathleen

Weintraub, Allyson

HHM Site Team

Site Coordinator/Counselor

Masi, Joanne

Teachers

Marasco, Shannon

Parcells, Denise

Schpakow, Brittany

Spiezio, Christina

Stanislawski, Gena

Treglia, Christine

TJM Site Team

Site Coordinator/Counselor

McCoy, Kimberly

Teachers

D'Orio, Laura

Grossman, Kimberly

Laiso, Samantha

Rasp, Dana

Schreiner, Natalie

Smith, Angela





- \* Art Education teaches sensitivity to beauty, order and other expressive qualities;
- \* Art Education gives students a deeper understanding of multi-culture values and beliefs;
- \* Art Education reinforces and brings to life what students learn in other subjects; and
- \* Art Education interrelates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism and aesthetics; and

WHEREAS,

our national leaders have acknowledged the necessity of including arts experiences in all students; education.

NOW, THEREFORE,  
BE IT RESOLVED:

that the Edison Board of Education officially recognizes March 2013 as Youth Art Month, encouraging the support of quality school art programs for children and youth.

2. Field Trip Documentation (Exhibit B)

- a. Fifteen students and two advisors (two days of instructional time) from John P. Stevens High School's Model UN will be attending the Cornell Model UN Competition in Ithaca, New York from April 11<sup>th</sup> through April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at no cost to the Board of Education.
- b. Five students and one advisor (two days of instructional time) from John P. Stevens High School's FCCLA will be attending the National LifeSmarts Competition in Atlanta, Georgia from April 20<sup>th</sup> through April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 at no cost to the Board of Education.

These items will be presented for approval at the March 21, 2013 public board meeting.

School: John P. Stevens High School  
 Club/Group: Model UN  
 Event: Cornell Model UN Competition  
 Location: Ithaca, NY  
 Date of Event: April 11-14, 2013  
 No. of Advisors: 2 (2 days of instructional time)  
 No. of Students: 15  
 \*At no cost to the Board of Education

School: John P. Stevens High School  
 Club/Group: FCCLA  
 Event: National LifeSmarts Competition  
 Location: Atlanta, GA  
 Date of Event: April 20-23, 2013  
 No. of Advisors: 1 (2 days of instructional time)  
 No. of Students: 5  
 \*At no cost to the Board of Education

## 3. Professional Development Approval Documentation – March 2013

NAME	SCHOOL	DATE	CONFERENCE	LOCATION	REGISTRATION FEE	*HOTEL EXPENSES	*OTHER EXPENSES	FUND
Schlatter, Sandra	EHS	5/03/13	Northeast District Directors Meeting	Suffern, NY	\$20.00	\$200.00	\$100.00	AVID – NCLB
Biondi, Brian	TJMS	4/23/13	CMSCE – Rutgers University	New Brunswick, NJ	\$160.00	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
Przygoda, Jen	EHS	4/15/13	AP Bio: Transitioning to Inquiry – Based Labs AP Bio: Intro to AP Bio	Online	\$199.90	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
Ferrara, Joseph	EHS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$700.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
McGrath, Brian	HHMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$700.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Emden, Antoinette	TJMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$700.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Schlatter, Sandra	EHS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	N/A	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Rao, Ebony	EHS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Egan, Kelly	EHS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Hanas, Amanda	EHS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Seimone, Roseanna	EHS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Sheehan, Kathleen	EHS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Weintraub, Allyson	EHS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Blevins, Jennifer	EHS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
McCoy, Kim	TJMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Grossman, Kimberly	TJMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
D'Orio, Laura	TJMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Smith, Angela	TJMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Schreiner, Natalie	TJMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Rasp, Dana	TJMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Laiso, Samantha	TJMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Masi, Joanne	HHMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Spiezio, Christina	HHMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Parcells, Denise	HHMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Schpakow, Brittany	HHMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Marasco, Shannon	HHMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Stanislawski, Gena	HHMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Treglia, Christine	HHMS	7/15/13 – 7/17/13	AVID Summer Institute	Philadelphia, PA	\$669.00*	\$350.00	\$400.00	NCLB/Prof Development
Ferrara, Joseph	EHS	4/16/13	Legal One Series – School Law Training	Robbinsville, NJ	\$157.50	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
O'Malley, Ed.D., Richard	Ed Center	5/20/13	NJASA/NJAPSA 31 <sup>st</sup> Spring Conference	Atlantic City, NJ	\$249.00	\$125.00	\$25.00	Professional Development

\*Included in AVID Contract

\*Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 et.seq.; N.J.A.C. 6A23A-5.9, 6.13 and 7.1 et.seq.; Federal OMB Circular A-87 and Board Policy No. 6471

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

AYES: Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Ms. Shah, Mrs. Bonderowitz, Mrs. Ward,  
Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

C. PUPIL/SPECIAL SERVICES

1. Out-of-District Placements

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the following out-of-district placements:

<u>Student ID Numbers</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Previous Placement</u>	<u>New Placement</u>	<u>Annual Tuition</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
2026456	2/15/13	Raritan Valley Academy	Being Held in State Institution	(37,620)	Incarcerated
2027999	2/25/13	Home Instruction	Montgomery Academy	59,658	IEP Team Decision
2018827	2/20/13	Home Instruction	NuView Academy	55,020	IEP Team Decision
2023326	2/18/13	Developmental Learning Center – Warren	Douglas Developmental Disabilities Center	98,060	IEP Team Decision
3011025	2/18/13	Residential Laurie Haven Student	Bright Beginnings Learning Center	47,160	New Enrollment

2. National Autism Awareness Month – April 2013

WHEREAS, April has been designated National Autism Awareness Month by the Autism Society of America; and

WHEREAS, Autism Spectrum Disorders are a group of developmental disabilities that contribute to lifelong social, communication, and behavioral challenges; and

WHEREAS, Autism is the fastest growing developmental disability in the world; and

WHEREAS, Autism recognizes no cultural, ethnic, or socioeconomic boundaries; and

WHEREAS, each student with autism has a complex and distinct profile; and

WHEREAS, the goal of National Autism Awareness Month is to provide an opportunity for all concerned parties to educate the public about autism and issues within the autism community; and

WHEREAS, every student with autism is a unique learner and the Public Schools of Edison Township reaffirms its commitment to tailor instruction to meet the learning needs of each student; and

WHEREAS, the Public Schools of Edison Township will provide all students with autism the respect, encouragement and opportunities they need to build the knowledge, skills and attitudes to be successful, contributing members of adult society; and

WHEREAS, the Public Schools of Edison Township recognize that strong and collaborative efforts among families, schools and community organizations are the foundations upon which success for students with autism are build.

NOW, THEREFORE,  
BE IT RESOLVED: that the Edison Board of Education continues to pledge its support to the energy and effort of staff, family and community members who seek to ensure learning and success for our students with Autism Spectrum Disorders.

3. Professional Services – 2012-2013 School Year

BE IT  
RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the following appointments for professional services:

Mountain Lakes Board of Education  
400 Boulevard  
Mountain Lakes, NJ 07046

Itinerant Program/Teacher of the Deaf  
\$126.00 Per Hour

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the Pupil/Special Services resolutions. Mrs. Harris made the motion, seconded by Dr. Heelan. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Ms. Shah, Mrs. Bonderowitz, Mrs. Ward,  
Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None The motion was carried.

D. FINANCE

1. Transfer of Funds

BE IT  
RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the transfer of funds, effective January 31, 2013:

To:		
11-190-100-610	Educational Supplies	70,000
11-190-100-890	Outdoor Education – Camp Bernie	32,000
11-190-213-109	Nurses Salaries	6,000
11-190-216-610	Related Services Supplies	20,000
11-190-222-610	Media Center Supplies	40,000
11-190-230-339	General Admin – Purchased Services	25,000
		20958

11-190-230-530	Communications	55,000
11-190-251-580	Central Services Workshops	1,500
11-190-252-600	Technology Supplies	25,000
11-190-261-420	Building Maintenance & Repairs	90,000
11-190-262-420	Equipment Repairs	10,000
11-190-262-610	Custodial Supplies	50,000
11-190-263-610	Grounds Supplies	25,000
11-212-100-610	Multiply Disabled Educational Supplies	500
11-401-100-600	Co-Curricular Supplies	5,000
11-402-100-330	Athletic Event Medical Coverage	2,000
12-190-400-710	Site Improvements	108,000
	Total	565,000
From:		
11-190-216-320	Related Services	57,000
11-190-219-591	Residential Costs	50,000
11-190-291-241	PERS Retirement Contribution	50,000
11-190-291-270	Health Benefits	260,000
11-190-291-280	Tuition Reimbursement	40,000
12-190-400-722	Capital Building Improvements	108,000
	Total	565,000

2. Submission & Acceptance of the Career & Technical Education Partnership Grant, FY' 13

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the submission and accepts the Career and Technical Education Partnership Grant, Fiscal Year 2013, which Camden County College would be the lead agency for the \$146,500 grant and the Edison Board of Education would be entitled to \$121,131 as the agent for the New Jersey Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) portion of the grant.

3. Approval of RFP for Educator Evaluation System

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves a competitive contracting request for proposals for the training of the district teachers and administrators in the use of the McRel Educator Evaluation System, to be funded by the Race to the Top and EE4NJ grants, to Educational Information & Resource Center (EIRC), 107 Gilbreth Parkway, Mullica Hill, NJ 08062, as follows:

Administrator Training-2-Day Training Sessions	15,064
2 Sessions (4 Days) Training @ \$3,766 per day	
Teacher Training – 2-Day Training Sessions	43,400
7 Sessions (14 Days) Training @ \$3,100 per day	

4. Non-Public Technology Services (Exhibit C)

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the following orders for the New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program, Fiscal Year 2013, as annexed hereto:

<u>Quote No.</u>	<u>Nonpublic School</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total</u>
DHJH701	Wardlaw-Hartridge	CDWG	57.34
DGSF490	St. Helena School	CDWG	72.95

5. Submission of School Facilities Projects

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the submission of the following school facilities projects to the New Jersey Department of Education for review and approval:

<u>School</u>	<u>Project</u>
Lincoln ES	Lavatory Upgrade
	Multi-Purpose Room Floor Replacement
Washington ES	Lavatory Upgrade
B Franklin ES	Handicap Chairlift
J Marshall ES	Ceiling Replacement
Lindeneau ES	Boiler Replacement
Menlo Park ES	Multi-Purpose Room Window Renovations
Woodbrook ES	Handicap Access-Nurse Office
	Multi-Purpose Room Renovations
ML King ES	MPR Partition Replacement
H Hoover MS	Boiler Replacement
	Locker Room Upgrades
	Consumer Science Room Upgrades
J Adams MS	Consumer Science Room Upgrades
T Jefferson MS	Consumer Science Room Upgrades
Edison HS	Consumer Science Room Upgrades
JP Stevens HS	Auditorium Renovations (Capital Outlay)

6. Obsolete Items (Exhibit D)

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education declares the following items obsolete and no longer needed for school purposes:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Item</u>
ML King ES	3 Televisions
	3 Computer Towers
	1 Floor Buffer

Menlo Park ES	2 Overhead Projectors 4 Cassette Players 1 Set Computer Speakers 11 Laptop Computers 2 Laser Printers 1 Computer Cart
W Wilson MS	1 Dell Computer

7. Bill List (Exhibit E)

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education confirms the payment of bills on the bill list dated February 28, 2013 payable by Cycle Checks No. 106344 through No. 106797 inclusive, totaling \$20,649,412.74 from the Board of Education General Account in Investors Bank.

8. Transportation Report – March 2013

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the March 2013 Transportation Report as follows:

<u>Route</u>	<u>Carrier</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Per Diem</u>
<u>Special Education Student Jointure – 2012-2013 School Year</u>				
BBLH	MRESC	Bright Beginnings	02/14/13-06/30/13	149.00
BBCC	MRESC	Bright Beginnings	02/26/13-06/30/13	128.00
<u>Displaced Student Jointure – 2012-2013 School Year</u>				
TJSM	MRESC	T Jefferson MS	02/18/13-06/30/13	118.00

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the Finance Report. Mrs. Bonderowitz made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Ward. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Ms. Shah, Mrs. Bonderowitz, Mrs. Ward,  
Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

- Reorganization Meeting  
Wednesday, April 24, 2013  
6:00 PM – Education Center (Caucus Room)



- Caucus Meeting  
Wednesday, April 24, 2013  
7:00 PM – Education Center (Caucus Room)
- Public/Action Meeting  
Monday, April 29, 2013  
7:00 PM – Education Center (Caucus Room)  
(Location Changed to Martin Luther King Elementary School – Cafetorium)
- Special Meeting (Reappointment of Personnel)  
Tuesday, May 7, 2013  
7:00 PM – Education Center (Caucus Room)
- Caucus Meeting  
Wednesday, May 15, 2013  
7:00 PM – Education Center (Caucus Room)
- Public/Action Meeting  
Monday, May 20, 2013  
7:00 PM – Education Center (Caucus Room)  
(Location Changed to John Marshall Elementary School – Gymnasium)
- Caucus Meeting  
Thursday, June 20, 2013  
7:00 PM – Education Center (Caucus Room)
- Public/Action Meeting  
Monday, June 24, 2013  
7:00 PM – James Madison Primary School (Cafetorium)

XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance/Facilities Committee

Dr. Heelan reported that the Committee met on March 4, 2013 at the Education Center.

In attendance were: Mrs. Veena Iyer, Mrs. Theresa A. Ward, Mrs. Deborah A. Anes, Dr. Frank Heelan, Dr. Richard O'Malley and Mr. Daniel P. Michaud

Discussion:

- The revised preliminary budget was reviewed with the recently released state aid figures incorporated into the document. To make up for the reductions in state aid, an additional \$330,000 was deleted from capital building improvements. Reductions were previously excised from textbooks, technology, special education tuition and services, and transportation equipment. Staff deletions and additions were analyzed, resulting in a net increase of eight staff members.
- At this point in time, total spending increase for the budget will be \$1,696,030 or .8 of 1%; the tax levy increase is set at 1.5% or \$2,855,301; the tax rate increase for 2013 will be \$75, \$35 from spending increase and \$40 due to tax ratable decrease. The final budget document will be available to the public on the district website a week prior to the budget hearing on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

- The \$1 million proposal for 2013-14 capital improvement projects was assessed by the committee. In addition, auditorium renovations for John P. Stevens High School were discussed that would furnish seats, walls, ceiling, lights, stage, sump pump system, and acoustics from this year's capital outlay. The auditorium renovations for Edison High School will be implemented next year. Plans for replacing windows at Menlo Park Elementary School were also considered.
- The Request for Proposal for the food service management company will be sent out in March and awarded in April, with an effective date of 7/1/13, renewable up to four additional years. There are six Middlesex County approved companies, and all interested companies must visit every school prior to submittal. The RFP requires \$500,000 to be granted for capital improvements in the elementary schools; after bell breakfast program is mandated for every school; and vending machine sales must be a separate line item.

The next meeting of the Finance and Facilities Committee will convene on Thursday, April 11, 2013 from 10 AM to Noon at the Education Center.

## 2. Curriculum Committee

Mrs. Anes reported that the Committee met on March 4, 2013 at the Education Center.

In attendance were: Mrs. Veena Iyer, Mrs. Deborah A. Anes, Mrs. Margot Harris, Ms. Margaret DeLuca, Mrs. AnnMarie Griffin-Ussak, and Dr. Richard O'Malley

### Discussion:

- The ISTEM Program status was discussed.
- The Committee discussed the on-going success of the new G&T Program and the addition of more students who qualify.
- The new McRel Teacher Evaluation for 2013-2014 was discussed. It will be mandated in all schools. The timeline that is in place was also reviewed.
- Ms. DeLuca presented the committee with statistics regarding enrollment in the new Science and Engineering Academy. Students from each of the four middle schools will be enrolled. There is a waiting list in case any students change their mind and do not enroll.
- The Committee reviewed the statistics for the middle school AVID Program for the fall, at both Thomas Jefferson and Herbert Hoover Middle Schools. Parents of all students who applied for the program were notified whether they qualified or not.
- The Committee discussed the objectives that both Edison and John P. Stevens High School have developed in preparation of the Middle States Accreditation process.
- Dr. O'Malley presented the Britannica Digital learning program. The District is purchasing this for all students at a cost of \$.75 per student for two years. This offers three levels of online resources for students and teachers, which can be accessed in school and at home with a password each student will receive. Access to material will be based on grade level (elementary, middle and high school). Much more than an encyclopedia, with many online resources. It offers a reliable, safe, structured research tool.

## XIV. BOARD MEMBERS – OPEN DISCUSSION

Dr. Heelan stated that the Odyssey of the Mind program was on Channel 118 and mentioned the ETEA Volleyball for Survival for Hurricane Sandy victims. He also discussed an article involving an Edison debate student and commented on the Edison High School play, "Spamalot."

Mrs. Anes commended John P. Stevens High School for their play "In the Heights."

Mrs. Bonderowitz commented that she was very proud of the accomplishments of the Board over the last three years.

XV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

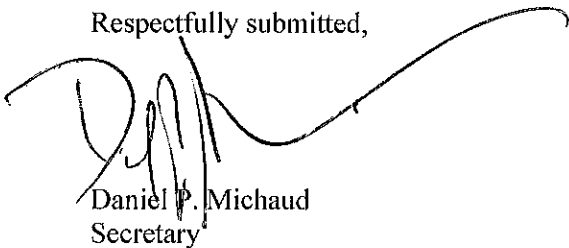
Bill Brunner, resident, asked how the choice of plays are determined and wanted to know if the Edison High School bleachers are being replaced.

Fred Wolke, resident, commented on the Budget and discussed the quality of John P. Stevens High School versus Edison High School.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further questions or comments forthcoming, Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to adjourn this March 21, 2013 public meeting of the Edison Board of Education at 8:30 P.M. Mrs. Harris made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Ward and approved by all members present.

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel P. Michaud  
Secretary  
DPM:jmc