

I. CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE

The March 31, 2014 Budget Hearing for the 2014-2015 School Budget and 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 James Madison Intermediate School, 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, Dr. Frank Heelan, Mrs. Lora L. Fong, Mrs. Margot Harris and Mr. Jingwei (Jerry) Shi. Mrs. Lori A. Bonderowitz was absent.

Also in attendance were Richard O'Malley, Ed.D, Superintendent, Mr. Daniel P. Michaud, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and Mr. 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 October 2, 2013 and January 29, 2014.

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

IV. JAMES MADISON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL LPRESENTATION – MICHAEL DUGGAN, PRINCIPAL

Mr. Duggan recognized Monica Landrove and Teri Blair, Odyssey of the Mind Advisors, along with Dena Feldman who started the club at James Madison Intermediate School a few years ago. Ms. Feldman is currently the OM Advisor at Martin Luther King Elementary School.

Mr. Duggan stated that JMI was the State Champion two years ago and went to the World Championship. Currently, two of the four teams have advanced to the State finals, which will take place on April 12<sup>th</sup>. These advisors spend countless hours helping the students prepare, and it enables the students to think deeply and creatively.

Dr. Rakesh Sinha and Ganesh Oak, the two main coordinators of the JMI Math Club are also being recognized. The JMI Math Club was founded eight years ago by Dr. Sinha, with nearly fifty students participating. The Math Club has grown to 150 students, who come to JMI every Monday night to work on difficult math problems. There are many parent volunteers who work with the students in small groups. There are many parent volunteers who work with the students in small groups. Toward the end of each year, they compete in the Continental Math League and the Math Olympiad. These students place very well every year. This is a fine example of how parents and schools can work together to provide students with exciting academic challenges.

V. PRIVILEGED SESSION

Mr. Michaud read the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 PL 1975 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: by the Board of Education of the Township of Edison, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter-specified subject matters.

The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:  
Attorney/Client Privileged Discussion Regarding:

- To Receive Attorney/Client Privileged Discussion and Advice With Respect to an Ongoing Criminal Investigation
- Property Contract Negotiations

It is anticipated at this time that the above-stated subject matter shall be made public at such time as the need for non-disclosure no longer exists.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the privileged session resolution at 7:13 P.M. Mrs. Harris made the motion, seconded by Mr. Shi. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mr. Shi, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

VI. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to reconvene to open session at 8:21 P.M. Mrs. Anes made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Harris. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mr. Shi, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> & 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2014

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 19<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014 meetings.

VIII. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORTS (Exhibit A)

BE IT

RESOLVED: that the following reports as of December 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 2013-2014 school year.

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 19<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Board Meetings and the Board Secretary's Reports as of January 31, 2014. Mrs. Harris made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Iyer. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mr. Shi, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

IX. PUBLIC HEARING – 2014-2015 SCHOOL BUDGET

Dr. O'Malley presented a power-point presentation on the 2014-2015 School Budget. (Exhibit B)

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS (2014-2015 SCHOOL BUDGET

Bill Brunner, resident, questioned several items on the budget.

XI. RESOLUTION – 2014-2015 SCHOOL BUDGET

Adoption of 2014-2015 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, 2014, showing the total amount estimated to be:

\$216,953,893

and;

WHEREAS, the total state funds and federal funds etc., for the school year 2014-2015 are estimated to be:

\$22,956,695

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, 2014, exclusive of state, county, federal and other funds is:

\$193,997,198

as per Summary as follows:

<u>Total Budget</u>	\$216,953,893
Less State Aid	\$ 14,536,456
Less Tuition (Other Districts)	150,000
Less Other State Aid	823,487
Less Miscellaneous Revenue	1,506,000
Less Special Federal Programs	3,940,752
Less Appropriated Free Balance	2,000,000
Total Local Tax Levy	\$193,997,198

For Current Expense	\$ 207,172,769
For Capital Outlay	3,228,117
For Debt Service	1,907,609
For Federal/State Projects	4,645,398

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 2014-2015 school year at the sum of \$244,500; and that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to insure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the 2014-2015 School Budget. Dr. Heelan made the motion, seconded by Mr. Shi. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mr. Shi, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

## XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (RESOLUTIONS)

Susan Campione, resident, questioned the calendar and graduation.

Bill Brunner, resident, asked about emergent relief.

Kiel Thoms, resident, questioned the new principal at Lindeneau Elementary School.

XIII. 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

Haklar, Julie – Lunch Aide Lincoln School	Effective: 02/28/14 Reason: Personal
Jasko, Nancy – Special Education Teacher Edison High School	Effective: 03/11/14 Reason: Personal
McKnight, Christopher – Boys' Lacrosse – Assistant Coach Edison High School	Effective: 03/10/14 Reason: Personal
Mendez, Kathleen – Lunch Aide Lindeneau School	Effective: 03/07/14 Reason: Personal
Mortenson, AnnMary – Lunch Aide Menlo Park School	Effective: 03/28/14 Reason: Personal
Vasquez, Lillian – Lunch Aide Lincoln School	Effective: 03/04/14 Reason: Personal

2. RETIREMENTS

Curry, Linda – English Teacher John Adams Middle School	Effective: 06/30/14 31 years, 3 months of service
Griffin-Ussak, AnnMarie – Chief Academic Officer / Elementary Administrator - Education Center	Effective: 06/30/14 23 years, 9 months of service
Hill, Joan – Guidance Supervisor J.P. Stevens High School	Effective: 06/30/14 18 years, 7 months of service
Jordan, Madeline – Lunch Aide James Monroe School	Effective: 03/25/14 10 years, 6 months of service
Levinson, Steven – Mathematics Teacher Edison High School	Effective: 06/30/14 27 years of service
Truppo, Paula – Bilingual Teacher Washington School	Effective: 06/30/14 28 years of service
Vitvitsky, Bohdanna – English Teacher J.P. Stevens High School	Effective: 06/30/14 37 years of service

### 3. APPOINTMENTS

<u>ADMINISTRATOR</u>	<u>Step/Salary</u>	<u>Reason for Vacancy</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>
Barca, Emilio Effective TBD-06/30/14	\$135,000 (pro-rated)	Resignation	Chief Information & Technology Officer Education Center
<u>CERTIFIED STAFF</u>	<u>Step/Salary</u>	<u>Reason for Vacancy</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>
Freshnock, Lauren Effective 03/18/14-06/30/14	\$40,000 (pro-rated) Montclair State University	Leave of Absence	Long Term Substitute Grade 3 Teacher Woodbrook School (for J. Spearnock)
Sarcone, Karissa Effective 03/01/14-06/30/14	\$40,000 (pro-rated) Rutgers University	Leave of Absence	Long Term Substitute Mathematics Teacher John Adams Middle School (for C.Shaw)
Thompson, Jennifer Effective 03/17/14-06/30/14	\$40,000 (pro-rated) College of St. Rose	Leave of Absence	Long Term Substitute Gifted & Talented Teacher BEN/LNC (for A. Lehrman)
<u>SUPPORT STAFF</u>	<u>Step/Salary</u>	<u>Reason for Vacancy</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>
Campagna, Marianne Effective 03/18/14-06/30/14	\$4,193 (pro-rated)	Resignation	Lunch Aide Lincoln School
Oughton, Suzanne Effective 03/24/14-06/30/14	\$4,193 (pro-rated)	Resignation	Lunch Aide John Marshall

### 4. LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Abrams, Yvonne – Grade 5 Teacher John Marshall School	Medical Fed/FMLA- Revised	With Pay Without Pay	02/07/14-02/14/14 02/15/14-03/12/14
Aiello, Douglas – Science Teacher John P. Stevens High School	Medical-Extension	With Pay	02/24/14-03/30/14
Bachorik, Lydia – Business Teacher Edison High School	Maternity	With Pay	05/18/14-06/17/14
Bongiovanni, Tara – Mathematics Teacher John P. Stevens High School	Medical-Revised Maternity	With Pay With Pay	03/21/14-04/02/14 04/03/14-05/14/14

Both, Elissa – ABA Coordinator/Social Worker Education Center	Medical-Extension	With Pay	03/13/14-04/27/14
Brennessel, Sarah – Social Worker Education Center	Medical-Revised	With Pay	03/03/14-03/04/14
	Maternity-Revised	With Pay	03/05/14-04/15/14
	Fed/NJ FMLA-Revised	Without Pay	04/16/14-06/30/14
Buehler, Trisha – Kindergarten Teacher Washington School	Child Care	Without Pay & Benefits	04/10/14-06/30/14
Bundschuh, Carol – Lunch Aide James Madison Intermediate School	Personal	Without Pay	03/10/14-04/04/14
Burghauer, Helene – Grade 5 Teacher Menlo Park School	Medical-Extension	With Pay	04/07/14-04/16/14
Caballero, Christine – English Teacher Thomas Jefferson Middle School	Medical-Revised	With Pay	02/18/14-03/08/14
	Maternity-Revised	With Pay	03/09/14-
	Fed/FMLA-Revised	Without Pay	03/20/14(.5)
	Fed/NJ FMLA-Revised	Without Pay	03/20/14(.5)-
	Child Care	Without Pay & Benefits	04/19/14
			04/20/14-06/30/14
			09/01/14-06/30/15
Dempsey, Debra – Paraprofessional Washington School	Medical	With Pay	03/12/14-03/13/14
	Fed/FMLA	Without Pay	03/14/14-04/09/14
Fahmy, April – Grade 4 Teacher Washington School	Medical	With Pay	05/08/14-06/04/14
	Maternity	With Pay	06/05/14-06/30/14
	Fed/NJ FMLA	Without Pay	09/01/14-11/23/14
Favretto, Jean – Lunch Aide Benjamin Franklin School	Medical-Extension	Without Pay	03/03/14-05/18/14
Fedowitz, Elizabeth – Spanish Teacher Edison High School	Medical	With Pay	03/05/14
	Maternity-Revised	With Pay	03/06/14-04/11/14
	Fed/FMLA-Revised	Without Pay	04/12/14-04/16/14
	Fed/NJ FMLA-Revised	Without Pay	04/17/14-06/30/14
Fekete, Charles – Custodian James Madison Intermediate School	Medical-Extension	Without Pay	03/04/14-04/01/14
Fendt, Nicole – Special Education Teacher John Marshall School	Medical	With Pay	03/24/14-04/04/14

Ferry, Elizabeth – Guidance Counselor Thomas Jefferson Middle School	Medical	With Pay	04/07/14-04/22/14
Freedman, Lisa – Speech & Language Specialist James Madison Intermediate School	Medical	With Pay	03/19/14-03/28/14
Hochman, Sharon – Nurse John Marshall School	Medical	With Pay	04/09/14-04/27/14
Laiso, Samantha – English Teacher Thomas Jefferson Middle School	Medical-Revised Maternity-Revised Fed/NJ FMLA- Revised	With Pay With Pay Without Pay	12/20/13 12/21/13-02/14/14 02/15/14-05/09/14
Lamparello, Doreen – Special Education Teacher Thomas Jefferson Middle School	Medical	With Pay	04/04/14-04/20/14
Lothian, Stephanie – English Teacher Edison High School	Fed/FMLA Medical	Without Pay Without Pay & Benefits	02/06/14-04/30/14 05/01/14-06/30/14
Luminiello, Dawn – Lunch Aide Lincoln School	Medical Medical	With Pay Without Pay	04/11/14-04/21/14 04/22/14-06/30/14
Masi, Joanne –Head Guidance Counselor Herbert Hoover Middle School	Medical-Revised	With Pay	01/20/14-03/05/14
Maxwell, Harold – Facility Manager Lindeneau School	Medical	With Pay	02/19/14-03/19/14
Melnyk, Jaclyn – Special Education Teacher Woodrow Wilson Middle School	Medical-Revised Maternity-Revised Fed/NJ FMLA- Revised	With Pay With Pay Without Pay	02/10/14-02/18/14 02/19/14-04/01/14 04/02/14-06/30/14
Nunes, Lana – Grade 3 Teacher Woodbrook School	Medical Maternity	With Pay With Pay	06/02/14-06/13/14 06/14/14-06/30/14
Patel, Kantaben – Lunch Aide Menlo Park School	Medical Medical	With Pay Without Pay	02/24/14-02/28/14 03/01/14-03/25/14
Pegos, MaryClare – Special Education Teacher Lindeneau School	Medical Fed/FMLA- Revised Fed/NJ FMLA Child Care	With Pay Without Pay Without Pay & Benefits	01/06/14-02/05/14 02/06/14-03/19/14 03/20/14-06/11/14 06/12/14-06/30/14

Reif, Cynthia –Health/PE Teacher James Monroe School	Maternity	With Pay	05/27/14-06/30/14
Rinaldi, Daniel – Grade 5 Teacher James Madison Intermediate	Personal	Without Pay & Benefits	04/01/14-06/30/14
Rivera, Josefa – Lunch Aide Lincoln School	Medical-Extension	Without Pay	03/19/14-05/11/14
Robbins, Julianne – English Teacher Edison High School	Child Care – Extension	Without Pay & Benefits	04/05/14-06/30/14
Russell, Sharon – Grade 3 Teacher Washington School	Medical	With Pay	03/18/14-04/27/14
Sciarrillo, Allison – Secretary II Lindeneau School	Medical	With Pay	03/07/14-04/18/14
Selesky, Michele – Special Education Teacher Thomas Jefferson Middle School	Medical Fed/FMLA- Extension	With Pay Without Pay	02/19/14- 02/27/14(.5) 02/27/14(.5)- 04/30/14
Sher, April – Grade 2 Teacher Lincoln School	Fed/NJ FMLA- Intermittent	Without Pay	03/13/14-06/30/14
Soto, Jennifer B. – Grade 3 Teacher John Marshall School	Medical-Revised Maternity-Revised Fed/FMLA- Revised Fed/NJ FMLA- Revised	With Pay With Pay Without Pay Without Pay	12/16/13-01/13/14 1/14/14-02/12/14 02/13/14-02/24/14 02/25/14-04/06/14
Spearneck, Jaime – Special Education Teacher Woodbrook School	Medical-Revised Maternity-Revised Fed/FMLA- Revised Fed/NJ FMLA	With Pay With Pay Without Pay Without Pay	03/18/14-04/11/14 04/12/14-04/15/14 04/16/14-05/23/14 05/24/14-06/30/14
Stanislaski, Gena – Science Teacher Herbert Hoover Middle School	Fed/FMLA	Without Pay	03/17/14-03/30/14
Tymon, Patricia – Executive Secretary Curriculum and Instruction Education Center	Maternity-Revised Fed/NJ FMLA- Revised	With Pay Without Pay	01/04/14-02/28/14 03/01/14-04/14/14
Van Pell, Melanie – Special Education Teacher Edison High School	Medical Maternity	With Pay With Pay	03/10/14-03/14/14 03/15/14-05/09/14
Zeinoun, Guadalupe – Lunch Aide Martin Luther King School	Medical-Extension	Without Pay	03/05/14-03/30/14

5. CHANGE OF STATUS

<u>ADMINISTRATOR</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Reason for Change</u>	<u>To</u>
Tufaro, Cynthia	Supervisor – Elementary Education Center Salary \$113,980 Effective 07/01/13-06/30/14	Transfer	Principal Lindeneau School Effective 04/01/14-06/30/14 Salary \$124,911 (pro-rated)
<u>CERTIFIED STAFF</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Reason for Change</u>	<u>To</u>
Argast, Chelsea	Math Interventionist Edison High School Effective 09/01/13-06/30/14		Math Interventionist Edison High School Effective 09/01/13-03/30/14 & 05/05/14-06/30/14 and Math Interventionist Thomas Jefferson M.S. Effective 03/31/14-05/04/14
Bartko, Kristina	Long Term Substitute Grade 2 Teacher Ben Franklin School Effective 11/11/13-04/11/14 (for M. Conte)		Long Term Substitute Grade 2 Teacher Ben Franklin School Effective 11/11/13-04/20/14 (for M. Conte) and Long Term Substitute Grade 4 Teacher Ben Franklin School Effective 04/21/14-06/30/14 (for M. Ryan)
Columbus, Lisa	Mathematics Teacher (1.2) Woodrow Wilson M.S. Salary \$70,355 (pro-rated) Effective 01/16/14-TBD	Leave of Absence	Mathematics Teacher (1.2) Woodrow Wilson M.S. Salary \$70,355 (pro-rated) Effective 01/16/14-01/28/14
Lecky, Steven	Mathematics Teacher (1.2) Woodrow Wilson M.S. Salary \$60,000 (pro-rated) Effective 01/13/14-TBD	Leave of Absence	Mathematics Teacher (1.2) Woodrow Wilson M.S. Salary \$60,000 (pro-rated) Effective 01/13/14-01/28/14
Magliulo, Donna	Mathematics Teacher (1.2) Woodrow Wilson M.S. Salary \$74,450 (pro-rated) Effective 01/13/14-TBD	Leave of Absence	Mathematics Teacher (1.2) Woodrow Wilson M.S. Salary \$74,450 (pro-rated) Effective 01/13/14-01/28/14

Mastroianni, Christina	Long Term Substitute Kindergarten Teacher Washington School Effective 11/20/13-04/10/14 (for T. Buehler)	Leave of Absence	Long Term Substitute Kindergarten Teacher Washington School Effective 11/20/13-06/30/14 (for T. Buehler)
Philip, Janet	Mathematics Teacher Herbert Hoover M.S. Effective 02/14/14-06/30/14 Salary \$95,119	Longevity/ Leave of Absence	Mathematics Teacher Herbert Hoover M.S. Effective 04/19/14-06/30/14 Salary \$95,119
Whitmore, Kristin	Long Term Substitute English Teacher Thomas Jefferson M.S. 09/01/13-04/04/14 (for L.Caverly)	Leave of Absence	Long Term Substitute English Teacher Thomas Jefferson M.S. 09/01/13-04/04/14 (for L. Caverly) and Long Term Substitute English Teacher Herbert Hoover M.S. 04/05/13-05/29/14 (for C. Hughes)
Zederbaum, Michele	Long Term Substitute English Teacher Thomas Jefferson M.S. Effective 01/16/14-04/11/14 (for S. Laiso)	Leave of Absence	Long Term Substitute English Teacher Thomas Jefferson M.S. Effective 01/16/14-05/09/14 (for S. Laiso)
<u>SUPPORT STAFF</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Reason for Change</u>	<u>To</u>
Pearlstein, Allison	Paraprofessional FDR Building Effective TBD-06/30/14		Paraprofessional FDR Building Effective 02/24/14-06/30/14

6. SUBSTITUTE STAFF – AS NEEDED FOR THE 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

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

Brooks, Heather	Cervenak, Marilyn	Freifeld, Judith
Gorman, Edward	Jaishankar, Nithya	Javier, Tanya
Johnson, Erinn	Kuntz, Valentine **	Mayrose, Jill
McCarthy, Quentin	Moharana, Swati	Parikh, Krina
Patel, Jagrutiben	Raiman, Elizabeth	Raja, Sumra
Rebovich, Holly	Rodriguez, Janira	Shrivastava, Kaushal
Silva, Bianca **	Silverman, Melissa	Steinberg, Leigh **
Ussak, Amanda		

Child Study Team \$200/day

Shya, Warren

Lunch Aides \$11.58/hr

Jawdekar, Smita  
Vazquez, Lillian

Lord, Jennifer

Saravanan, Breetha

Secretaries \$75/day

Cuzzolina, Diane

Jones, Adora

Custodian \$10.50/hr

Velazquez, Juan

\*\* Denotes Student Teacher

7. LONGEVITY

<u>TEACHERS</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>PRESENT SALARY</u>	<u>NEW SALARY</u>
Baldassare, Kim	HHM	04/23/14	17	\$95,119.00	\$95,573.00
Drobbin, Stacey	WWM	04/01/14	14	\$97,399.00	\$97,870.00
Droz, Cara	MEN	04/06/14	16	\$98,342.00	\$98,814.00
Durkin, Lisa	LNC	04/25/14	19	\$99,758.00	\$100,229.00
Hoefer, Walter	TJM	04/01/14	18	\$95,573.00	\$96,026.00
Howard, Geraldine	JAM	04/01/14	21	\$105,034.00	\$105,524.00
Medina, Judy	HHM	04/03/14	18	\$103,573.00	\$104,063.00
Savulich, Patricia	JPH	04/06/14	15	\$94,211.00	\$94,665.00
Schreiner, Natalie	TJM	04/23/14	15	\$101,603.00	\$102,093.00
Spagnoletti, Alicia	WWM	04/19/14	16	\$95,665.00	\$96,119.00
Stocker, Doreen	EDH	04/15/14	20	\$105,489.00	\$106,479.00
Tsirikos, Linda	LIN	04/22/14	17	\$101,199.00	\$101,660.00
Wcislo, Karolyn	HHM	04/01/14	16	\$96,503.00	\$96,966.00
Ziolkowski, Jennifer	FDR	04/29/14	14	\$101,112.00	\$101,603.00
DIFFERENCE TOTAL					\$7,104

<u>GUIDANCE/CST</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>PRESENT SALARY</u>	<u>NEW SALARY</u>
Solasky, Traci	BEN	04/11/14	20	\$110,226.00	\$111,265.00
Stoltenberg, Susan (Revised)	EC	03/29/14	24	\$111,817.00	\$112,331.00
Wein, Marla	LIN	04/13/14	22	\$110,788.00	\$111,302.00
DIFFERENCE TOTAL					\$2,067

8. EXPERIENCE STIPEND

<u>ADMINISTRATOR</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>PRESENT SALARY</u>	<u>NEW SALARY</u>
Saggese, Kenneth	TJM	04/16/14	6	\$131,906.00	\$133,506.00
DIFFERENCE TOTAL					\$ 1,600

9. NJASK AFTER SCHOOL REVIEW - EFFECTIVE 01/15/14 – 04/24/14  
MIDDLE SCHOOLS - \$70.00/90 min. session (as needed contingent upon enrollment)

Substitutes

Delesantro, Lisa                      McMahon, Eric

10. SAT PREPARATION - EFFECTIVE 03/17/14 – 04/25/14 – EDISON HIGH SCHOOL –  
\$50.00/period during the school day (as needed contingent upon enrollment)

Accatatta, Kathleen	Argast, Chelsea	Downey, Michelle
Egan, Kelly	Gentul, Alexander	Grillo, Corey
Harris, Lynn	Heinze, Christine	Hu, Sabrina
Kesselman, Nicole	McGuigan, Matt	Mendez-Bogash, Yarida
Moguillanes, Maya	Scimone, Roseanna	Singer, Nicole
Zapoticzny, Matthew		

11. 2013-2014 LITERACY ACADEMY– TITLE I OR CEIS FUNDED  
EFFECTIVE 01/02/14 – 05/01/14 - ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS - \$35.00/45 min. session and per  
ETEA contract per period during the school day (as needed contingent upon enrollment)

Aurilio, Pamela	Banos, Tim	Blum, Michelle
Bodofsky, Carol	Donington, Abigail	Ellner, Brooke
Hanson, Jennilyn	Huber, Margaret	Kitchell, Fran
Kowalsky, Tori	Leshnower, Sabrina	Morvay, John
Mosko, Diane	Seidler, Gianna	

12. SUMMER ENRICHMENT AND SUMMER ACTIVITIES PROGRAMS\*  
EFFECTIVE 06/23/2014 - 07/18/2014 - J.P. STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL  
(\$25.00 /hr.- per ETEA Contract) \*Contingent upon enrollment

Accatatta, Kathleen	Ash, Lauren	Bongiovanni, Tara
Bonner, Joseph	Brotspies, Nicole	Carloni, Jennifer
Concodora, Janet	Concodora, Joseph	Costello, Meredith
DeMattia, Nicole	Dragona, Renee	Drake, Kathleen
Drude, Kristi	Durkin, Lisa	Eisenberg, Suzanne
Figurelli, Stephen	Fernandez, Michael	Gluchowski, Kathleen
Heck, Wendy	Jones, Kerry	Krant, Alyson
Karamanos, Xanthi	Kitchell, Andrew	Kregeloh, Lauren
Martin, Penny	Misko, Jennifer	Murphy, Joann
Nordensvan, Jennifer	Nuesa, Catherine	O'Brien, Dina
Peccarelli, John	Platvoet, Donald	Post, Tara
Reif, Robert	Rubinstein, Chelsea	Scherer, Lynn

13. CAMP INVENTION\* EFFECTIVE 07/21/2014 - 07/25/2014 – J.P. STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL  
(\$25.00 /hr.- per ETEA Contract) \*Contingent upon enrollment

Collins, Catherine	Concodora, Joseph	Drude, Kristi
Durkin, Lisa	Fernandez, Michael	Kregeloh, Lauren
Platvoet, Donald	Reif, Robert	Scherer, Lynn

14. SUMMER ENRICHMENT/ACTIVITIES AND CAMP INVENTION  
J.P. STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL

NURSE - EFFECTIVE 06/23/2014-07/18/2014 (\$35.00 /hr.)  
Lombardi, Laura

SECRETARY- EFFECTIVE 06/23/2014-08/01/2014 (\$15.00/hr.)  
Amann, Jennifer

15. SUMMER WORK/MAINTENANCE ESN-TV / EFFECTIVE 07/01/14 – 08/31/14  
Uhlig, Brandon                      Stipend - \$7,500

16. SUMMER SPORTS CAMP\* EFFECTIVE 06/23/2014 - 08/01/2014 (EDH and JPH)  
\*Contingent upon enrollment

COACHES – IN-DISTRICT (\$25.00/hr.)

Blevins, Mark	Bonk, Amy	Cantalupo, Christopher
Coyle, Robert	DiBella, Joseph	Eckert, Francis
Freeman, Marissa	Garcia, Christopher	Hansen, Amy
Markano, Joanne	McCarthy, James	McGowan, James
McKenna, Melissa	McKnight, Christopher	Mohr, Charles
Murtagh, Brian	Passaro, Douglas	Pisano, Ellen
Roma, Robert	Rovito, Joseph	Rubiano, Leanne
Savulich, Patricia	Scarpa, John	Scarfuto, Karen
Schaber, Jared	Sieczkowski, Zachary	Terrill, Joelle
Turley, Jennifer	White, Anthony	

COACHES – OUT OF DISTRICT (\$18.00/hr.)

Campbell, Susan

NURSE (\$44.00 /hr.)  
Montilus, Nicole

TRAINERS (\$25.00/hr.)

Franciscus, Michael	Kinahan, Susan	Wojcik, Melissa
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STUDENT ASSISTANT COACHES – GRADES 9, 10, and 11 (\$8.00/hr.)

Biezewski, Brianna	Duddy, Julia	Fraraccio, Jared
Harkay, Hannah	Isildar, Nermin	Junio, Danielle
Koutsenko, Bianna	Liu, Jessica	Marzano, Zachary
Newcombe, Alfred	Payne, Juston	Ricigliano, Julianna
Teitelbaum, Sydney	Weller, Candaice	Weller, Crystal
Winchester, Khiara		Zhao, Susan

STUDENT ASSISTANT COACHES – SENIORS (\$10.00/hr.)

Burke, Colleen	Byun, Crystal	Candido, Alana
Eng, Karen	Gu, Amanda	Julien, Marie
Lai, Min chiao	Lee, Matthew	Marold, Kaitlin
Masters, Lee Ann	Morris, Jaashir	Qiou, Steven
Shea, Erin	Shea, Kristen	Tanelli, Danielle
Zranchev, Melaney		

17. ENGLISH FOR THE FOREIGN BORN – ADULT SCHOOL – LINDENEAU SCHOOL  
EFFECTIVE 04/22/14-06/12/14 – TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS –  
(as needed contingent upon enrollment)

TEACHERS \$25/hr.

Accatatta, Kathleen	Bazan, Jessica	DeStefano, Lois
Donner, William	Van de Wetering, Alexandra	Wendell, Barbara

PARAPROFESSIONALS \$20/hr.

Austin, Suzanne	Banos, Nancy	Cox, Suzanne
Eichert, Cathy	Nichols, Elizabeth	

18. COACHING APPOINTMENTS – 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

<u>HIGH SCHOOL – SPRING</u>	<u>Coach</u>	<u>Stipend</u>	<u>Step</u>
Lacrosse – Assistant Coach – EDH	Rivera, Victor	\$3,963.00	1
Boys' Volleyball – Assistant Coach – JPH	McCarthy, Quentin	\$3,963.00	1
Softball – Assistant Coach – EDH	Sullivan, Christina	\$4,084.00	1

19. COACHING APPOINTMENTS – 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR

<u>HIGH SCHOOL – FALL</u>	<u>Coach</u>	<u>Stipend</u>	<u>Step</u>
Football – Head Coach – JPH	Holt, Bryan	\$7,194.00	5

20. CO-CURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS - 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

EDISON HIGH SCHOOL

COCURRICULAR

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
Music Director	Imperatore, Cassandra	\$1,722.00

EDISON HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS A

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
French Club (Revised)	Lions, Lynn (09/01/13 to 04/25/14) (Split)	\$875.00 (Split)
	Loria, Deanna (09/01/13 to 04/25/14) (Split)	
	and 04/28/14 to 06/30/14 (Full)	

EDISON HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS B

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
World Language Honor Society Club (Revised)	Lions, Lynn (09/01/13 to 04/25/14) (Split)	\$800.00 (Split)
	Clark, Jonathan (09/01/13 to 06/30/14) (Split)	
	Fedowitz, Elizabeth (09/01/13 to 06/30/14) (Split)	
	Loria, Deana (09/01/13 to 06/30/14) (Split)	
	Van de Wetering, Alexandra (09/01/13 to 06/30/14) (Split)	

JAMES MADISON INTERMEDIATE

<u>COCURRICULAR</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
Technology Coordinator (Revised)	Capaccio, Anthony (09/01/13 to 03/14/14) (Split) and 03/17/14 to 06/30/14 (Full) Rinaldi, Daniel (09/01/13 to 03/14/14) (Split)	\$2,861.00 (Split)

JOHN MARSHALL SCHOOL

<u>COCURRICULAR</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
Safety Patrol (Revised)	Abrams, Yvonne (09/01/13 to 02/06/14) Amabile, Kelly (02/07/14 to 06/30/14)	\$1,043.00

21. JOB DESCRIPTION (Exhibit B)

REVISED

Data Analyst

22. ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVES

BE IT RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Township Board of Education hereby retroactively places Employee ID # 102574, on administrative leave with pay, effective March 17, 2014 until further notice.

BE IT RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Township Board of Education hereby retroactively places Employee ID # 104853, on administrative leave with pay, effective March 24, 2014 until further notice.

BE IT RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Township Board of Education hereby retroactively places Employee ID # 105415, on administrative leave with pay, effective March 14, 2014 until further notice.

23. MEDICAL EXAMINATION

WHEREAS, Employee #105415 is employed by the Edison Township Board of Education ("Board"); and

WHEREAS, based upon information provided by the administration and in the judgment of the Board, Employee # 105415 has exhibited behavior that shows evidence of a deviation from normal mental health; and

WHEREAS, based upon the foregoing and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:16-2 and N.J.A.C. 6A:32-6.3, the Board desires to direct Employee #105415 to submit to a psychiatric examination;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby directs and requires Employee #105415 to submit to a psychiatric examination in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:16-2 and N.J.A.C. 6A:32-6.3; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the administration is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and provide Employee #105415 with notice of this action of the Board.

24. WITHHOLDING OF INCREMENT

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and for good cause shown, the Board of Education hereby (1) withholds the salary increment and employment adjustment increment for the 2014-2015 school year for Employee #100488; and (2) directs that the Superintendent notify the affected employee of this action in writing which states the reasons for this action within ten (10) calendar days.

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

AYES: Mr. Shi, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer,  
Mr. Maeroff (Except Abstained on Item No. 6 Only)

ABSTAINED: Mr. Maeroff – Item No. 6 Only

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

B. ADMINISTRATION

1. 2014-2015 School Calendar (Exhibit C)

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the 2014-2015 School Calendar, as annexed hereto.

2. Removal From Rolls

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following students be removed from the Rolls of the Edison Board of Education effective immediately:

<u>STUDENT ID</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>REASON</u>
3005124	Edison HS	No Longer Residing in Edison

3. Policies (Exhibit D)

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the following Policies, as annexed hereto.

1. Policy No. 1240 – Evaluation of Superintendent (Mandated) (Revised)
2. Policy No. 3142 – Nonrenewal of Nontenured Teaching Staff Members (Revised)
3. Policy No. 3144 – Certification of Tenure Charges (Revised)
4. Policy No. 4146 – Nonrenewal of Nontenured Support Staff Member (Revised)

5. Policy No. 3221 – Evaluation of Teachers (Mandated) (New)
6. Policy No. 3222 – Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers and Administrators (Mandated) (New)
7. Policy No. 3223 – Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (Mandated) (New)
8. Policy No. 3224 – Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (Mandated) (New)

6. National Autism Awareness Month – April 2014

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 built.

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.

7. Youth Art Month

WHEREAS, Art Education contributes powerful educational benefits to all elementary, middle and secondary students including the following:

- \* Art Education develops students' creative problem-solving and critical thinking abilities;
- \* 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 2014 as Youth Art Month, encouraging the support of quality school art programs for children and youth.

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

AYES: Mr. Shi, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None The motion was carried.

C. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

1. Field Trip Approval (Exhibit E)

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the following field trips:

1. Two students and two advisors (one day of instructional time) from Edison High School's Varsity Wrestling will be attending the NJSIAA State Wrestling Tournament in Atlantic City, NJ from March 7<sup>th</sup> through March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014. There will be a \$1,200.00 cost to the Board of Education. This item was previously approved by the Superintendent.
2. Forty-two students and four advisors (two days of instructional time) from John P. Stevens High School's FBLA will be attending the State Leadership Conference in East Brunswick, NJ from March 27<sup>th</sup> through March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at no cost to the Board of Education. This item was previously approved by the Superintendent.

3. Twenty students and three advisors (half day of instructional time) from John P. Stevens High School's Key Club and three students from Edison High School's Key Club, will be attending the District Convention for Key Club International in Long Branch, NJ from March 28<sup>th</sup> through March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at no cost to the Board of Education.
4. Forty students and five advisors (no instructional time) from John Adams Middle School's eighth grade class will be attending the Two Day Tour in Washington D.C. from April 5<sup>th</sup> through April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at no cost to the Board of Education.

Twenty-seven students and one advisor (two days of instructional time) from John P. Stevens High School's Model UN will be attending the Cornell Model UN Conference in Ithaca, NY from April 10<sup>th</sup> through April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at no cost to the Board of Education.

## 2. Professional Development Documentation – March 2014

NAME	SCHOOL	DATE	CONFERENCE	LOCATION	REGISTRATION FEE	HOTEL EXPENSES **	OTHER EXPENSES **	FUND
Benson, Hope (Previously approved on February Agenda-registration fee revised)*	JPS	3/05/14	Power Thinqing Basics	Princeton, NJ	\$395.00*	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
Sideris, Harriet (Previously approved on February Agenda-registration fee revised)*	JPS	3/05/14	Power Thinqing Basics	Princeton, NJ	\$395.00*	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
Dodd-Harris, Jennifer	EHS	3/21/14	Good Ideas in Teaching Pre-Calculus	Piscataway, NJ	\$165.00	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
Stromsland, Ken	Ed Center	4/14/14-4/15/14	NJ School Building & Grounds Assoc. 18 <sup>th</sup> Annual Conference/ Expo	Atlantic City, NJ	\$100.00	\$180.00	**	Professional Development
Slater, Dana	J Marshall	5/29/14	NJTESOL 2014 Spring Conference	New Brunswick, NJ	\$179.00	N/A	N/A	Title III
Rossiter, Genoveffa	J Marshall	5/29/14	NJTESOL 2014 Spring Conference	New Brunswick, NJ	\$179.00	N/A	N/A	Title III
Michaud, Daniel	Ed Center	6/04/14-6/06/14	Active/Associate Education 52 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference	Atlantic City, NJ	\$150.00	N/A	**	Professional Development
Keefe, Kristine	JPS	7/07/14-7/11/14	AP Summer Institute – Spanish Language & Culture	New York, NY	\$899.00	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
Gentul, Alexander	EHS	7/21/14-7/24/14	AP Summer Institute-Computer Science A	New Brunswick, NJ	\$1,025.00	NA	N/A	Professional Development
Connell, Robin	EHS	8/04/14-8/07/14	AP Summer Institute-Physics	Edison, NJ	\$900.00	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
Singh, Kruti	EHS	8/04/14-8/07/14	AP Summer Institute-Physics	Edison, NJ	\$900.00	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
Magee, Katherine	JPS	8/04/14-8/07/14	AP Summer Institute-Statistics	Edison, NJ	\$900.00	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
Mayes, Jonathan	JPS	8/04/14-8/07/14	AP Summer Institute-Physics	Edison, NJ	\$900.00	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
McMullen, William	JPS	8/04/14-8/07/14	AP Summer Institute-Physics	Edison, NJ	\$900.00	N/A	N/A	Professional Development
Patel, Snehal	JPS	8/04/14-8/07/14	AP Summer Institute-Physics	Edison, NJ	\$900.00	N/A	N/A	Professional Development

\*\*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

3. High School Final Exam Schedule – June 2014

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the following Policies:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Exam #1 (7:45 am)</u>	<u>Exam #2 (9:55 am)</u>
Monday, June 16	English 2, 3, 4 (Grades 10, 11, 12)	Math (All Grades)
Tuesday, June 17	Social Studies (All Grades)	English 1 (Grade 9) Science (Grade 12)
Wednesday, June 18 <sup>th</sup>	Science (Grades 9, 10, 11)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Exam in same subject area

D. 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 for Special and General Education Students:

(Special Education Students)

(Special Education Students)

<u>Student ID Numbers</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Previous Placement</u>	<u>New Placement</u>	<u>Annual Tuition</u>		<u>Rationale</u>
3004974	02/14/14	NuView Academy	Home Instruction	(56,070)		Pending New Placement
3010864	02/11/14	Bright Beginnings	N/A	(80,436)		Family has moved to Monroe
3005072	01/30/14	Strang School	N/A	(46,543)		Student was discharged- Completed program
2062462	03/05/14	Home Instruction	Cranford LEAP Program	46,590		IEP Team Decision
2019413	02/11/14	Edison Public School	Lamberts Mill Academy	49,113		IEP Team Decision
3005425	01/29/14	Grove School	Chamberlain International School	114,840 Pro-rated		Per Settlement Agreement
<u>Student ID Numbers</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Previous Placement</u>	<u>New Placement</u>	<u>Annual Tuition</u>	<u>District of Origin</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
3012065	02/14/14	Laurie Haven Residential Student	Carteret Public School District	NuView Academy 56,070	Carteret, NJ (56,070)	Returned to his home district -Carteret, NJ

(General Education Students)

<u>Student ID Numbers</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Previous Placement</u>	<u>New Placement</u>	<u>Annual Tuition</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
3011172	12/09/13	Homeless	South Brunswick High School	7,547	Homeless
3011171	12/09/13	Homeless	South Brunswick High School	7,547	Homeless
3007388	09/24/13	Homeless	Devereux Treatment Home Ewing, NJ	44,618	DCF Placement- Foster Treatment Home

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

AYES: Mr. Shi, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

E. FINANCE

1. Appropriation of Capital Reserve

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the appropriation of Capital Reserve funds in the amount of \$21,233 to provide the local share of the \$35,388 ADA Chairlift Project at Benjamin Franklin Elementary School, in which the State of New Jersey, through the Department of Education (DOE) School Development Authority (SDA), is providing Grant #G5-5302 in the amount of \$14,155, DOE Project #1290-065-14-1005.

2. Letter of Determination of Preliminary Eligible Costs and Authorization of Project at Benjamin Franklin Elementary School

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education hereby (i) accepts the determination of the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) of the Preliminary Eligible Costs of Project #1290-065-14-1005 for the Installation of a Chair Lift at Benjamin Franklin Elementary School, as set forth in their letter dated December 4, 2013; and is hereby authorizing execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement for Project #1290-065-14-1005; and

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED:

that (ii) the Edison Board of Education elects to receive support from the State in the form of a State Grant pursuant to Section 15 of the State Grant Act; (iii) determines to construct the Project; (iv) approves the delegation of authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facilities Project; (v) authorizes the Board President and Board Secretary to execute the State Grant agreement, (vi) authorizes the architect, Solutions Architecture, to prepare the specifications and bid the project; and (vii) delegates the supervision of the Project to the Business Administrator.

3. Submission of the NJSIG Eric North Subfund 2014 Safety Grant Application

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education hereby approves the submission of the grant application for the 2014 Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group's ERIC NORTH Subfund for the purposes described in the application, in the amount of \$115,381 for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

4. Revisions to Bid – Renovations to Home Economics Rooms – Middle Schools

BE IT

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education accepts the bid for the renovations to home economics rooms at John Adams, Herbert Hoover and Thomas Jefferson Middle Schools to the following vendors for their low bids according to specifications: (Bid Date – 02/20/14)

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Contract A TJMS</u>	<u>Contract B HHMS</u>	<u>Contract C JAMS</u>	<u>Contract D A,B&amp;C Combined</u>	<u>Alternate JAMS w/Added Teacher Station (Previously Awarded for HHMS Project)</u>
* Awarded Bid					
EMSA Energy LLC PO Box 23 Old Bridge, NJ 08857	98,000*	108,100	98,000*	299,500	+1,700* (Award to JAMS - Previously Awarded to Northeastern IS for HHMS Project)
Northeastern Interior Services LLC 112 Mill Street Paterson, NJ 07501	100,000	100,000*	100,000	300,000	+5,000 (Rescind the Alternate Previously Awarded for HHMS Project)

5. Cooperative Pricing Agreement – Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission

WHEREAS,

N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS,

the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS,

on March 31, 2014 the governing body of the Edison Board of Education, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services.

NOW, THEREFORE,  
BE IT RESOLVED:

as follows:

TITLE

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Edison Board of Education.

AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

CONTRACTING UNIT

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

6. Integrated Preschool Program – 2014-2015 School Year

BE IT  
RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the Integrated Preschool Program for the 2014-2015 school year, with a tuition rate of \$3,000 (monthly payments of \$300), as annexed hereto.

7. 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:

B Franklin ES	Installation of Chairlift
J Marshall ES	Roof Replacement
H Hoover MS	Roof Replacement
J Adams MS	Roof Replacement

and;

BE IT FURTHER  
RESOLVED:

that the Edison Board of Education amends the Long Range Facilities Plan to include the following projects:

B Franklin ES	Installation of Chairlift
J Marshall ES	Roof Replacement
H Hoover MS	Roof Replacement
J Adams MS	Roof Replacement

8. Non-Public Technology Services

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 2014, as annexed hereto:

<u>Quote No.</u>	<u>Nonpublic School</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total</u>
FCNG254	Discovery Christian Montessori	CDWG	23.21
FCPQ346	Yeshivat Netivot Montessori	CDWG	20.07
FCXL500	Rabbi Pesach Raymon Yeshiva	CDWG	277.20
220136799	Little Treasures Learning Center	Apple Computers	798.00
FCXL538	The Wardlaw-Hartridge School	CDWG	38.40
2201253742	St. Helena School	Apple Computers	453.00
FDHC604	Keith Wold Johnson Childcare	CDWG	280.59
FCWT381	Bishop George Ahr High School	CDWG	184.50
FDQS900	Helping Hands	CDWG	90.28
FDQS848	Helping Hands Learning Center	CDWG	45.13
FDQS748	Peppermint Tree	CDWG	452.65

9. Change Order – Washington Elementary School - Toilet Rooms

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approve the following change order for the Washington Elementary School's Toilet Rooms:

<u>Project/Contractor</u>	<u>Change Order #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>Washington ES</u>		
C&E Contracting	CEC02	<7,500.00>

10. Obsolete Items

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	2 Computer Towers 4 Printers 5 Laptops
Menlo Park ES	14 Laptops 6 Laptop Chargers 6 Laptop Batteries 1 VCR/DVD Player 1 Keyboard 1 Wireless Router

Menlo Park ES	4 Printers
	1 CD Player
	2 Computer Carts
Washington ES	44 Library Books
H Hoover MS	122 English Books
JP Stevens HS	1 Laptop
	2 Televisions
Education Center	1 Folding Machine

11. Bill List

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, 2014 payable by Cycle Checks No. 112967 through No. 113730 inclusive, totaling \$18,963,511.54 from the Board of Education General Account in Investors Bank.

12. Transportation Report – March 2014

BE IT

RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the March 2014 Transportation Report as follows:

<u>Route</u>	<u>Carrier</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Per Diem/Aide</u>
<u>Bid Renewals – Regular Education – 2013-2014 School Year</u>				
HH1	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH2	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH3	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH4	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH5	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH6	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH7	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH8	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH9	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH10	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH12	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH15	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH16	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH17	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	135.50
HH18	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
HH19	Dapper	H Hoover MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
JM1	Dapper	J Monroe ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
JM5	Dapper	J Monroe ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
JA1	Dapper	J Adams MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
JA4	Dapper	J Adams MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
JA5	Dapper	J Adams MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	105.05
JA6	Dapper	J Adams MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
JA7	Dapper	J Adams MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	135.50
MR7	Dapper	J Marshall ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	135.50
MR8	Dapper	J Marshall ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
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JP1	Dapper	JP Stevens HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
JP14	Dapper	JP Stevens HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
JP16	Dapper	JP Stevens HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
LD1	Dapper	Lindeneau ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
LD4	Dapper	Lindeneau ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
LN1	Dapper	Lincoln ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
LN2	Dapper	Lincoln ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
LN3	Dapper	Lincoln ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
LN4	Dapper	Lincoln ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
LN5	Dapper	Lincoln ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	199.96
LN7	Dapper	Lincoln ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
LN8	Dapper	Lincoln ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
LN9	Dapper	Lincoln ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	135.50
LN10	Dapper	Lincoln ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
ML1	Dapper	Menlo Park ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
ML4	Dapper	Menlo Park ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
ML5	Dapper	Menlo Park ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
TJ1	Dapper	T Jefferson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	125.35
TJ3	Dapper	T Jefferson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
TJ4	Dapper	T Jefferson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
TJ5	Dapper	T Jefferson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
TJ8	Dapper	T Jefferson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
WA1	Dapper	Washington ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
WA2	Dapper	Washington ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
WA3	Dapper	Washington ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
WB1	Dapper	Woodbrook ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
WB2	Dapper	Woodbrook ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	105.05
WW1	Dapper	W Wilson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	125.35
WW2	Dapper	W Wilson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	125.35
WW4	Dapper	W Wilson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
WW6	Dapper	W Wilson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
WW11	Dapper	W Wilson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	125.35
WW13	Dapper	W Wilson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
WW16	Dapper	W Wilson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
WW17	Dapper	W Wilson MS	09/01/13-06/30/14	105.05
BJ3	Dapper	Bishop Ahr/St. Josephs	09/01/13-06/30/14	50.75
BJ4	Dapper	Bishop Ahr/St. Josephs	09/01/13-06/30/14	50.75
EV1	Dapper	E Brunswick VoTech	09/01/13-06/30/14	230.40
EV2	Dapper	E Brunswick VoTech	09/01/13-06/30/14	230.40
PV1	Dapper	Piscataway VoTech	09/01/13-06/30/14	230.40
PV2	Dapper	Piscataway VoTech	09/01/13-06/30/14	230.40
SF2	Dapper	St. Frances	09/01/13-06/30/14	50.75
SF4	Dapper	St. Frances	09/01/13-06/30/14	50.75
SH2	Dapper	St. Helena	09/01/13-06/30/14	50.75
SM2	Dapper	St. Matthews	09/01/13-06/30/14	50.75
WV1	Dapper	Woodbridge VoTech	09/01/13-06/30/14	230.40
WV2	Dapper	Woodbridge VoTech	09/01/13-06/30/14	135.50
BF1	Dapper	B Franklin ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
BF2	Dapper	B Franklin ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	125.35
BF3	Dapper	B Franklin ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
BF8	Dapper	B Franklin ES	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.94
EH1	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH3	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95

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EH4	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH6	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH7	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH8	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH9	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH10	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH11	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH12	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH13	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
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EH16	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH20	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH21	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH22	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH23	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH24	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH25	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	86.95
EH26	Dapper	Edison HS	09/01/13-06/30/14	125.35

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

AYES: Mr. Shi, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

13. James Monroe School – Emergent Relief

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2014, the James Monroe Elementary School (“James Monroe”) was severely and permanently damaged as a result of a fire in the building; and

WHEREAS, Middlesex County College has graciously provided a temporary location for the students of James Monroe to continue to receive their education in the short-term; and

WHEREAS, the Board, with the assistance of the New Jersey Department of Education and several other community stakeholders, is in the process of finding a more long-term, non-permanent location for the students and staff of James Monroe; and

WHEREAS, the Board has the need to take immediate action to address the damage caused to James Monroe, including the making of repairs to ensure the safety of any temporary facility that may house the students and staff of James Monroe, as well as to the James Monroe building itself; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-7 authorizes school administration to negotiate and award contracts in order to address an emergency situation affecting the health or safety of occupants of school property; and

WHEREAS, the Board will likely require additional funds in order to meet the emergent needs of the James Monroe students;

NOW, THEREFORE,  
BE IT RESOLVED

that the Edison Township Board of Education hereby:

1. Declares that there exists an emergency affecting the health and safety of the staff and students of James Monroe Elementary School; and
2. Authorizes the Board's administration and Board Attorney to take all necessary and appropriate steps to address the emergency, including but not limited to emergency awarding contracts to pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-7 and applying for emergency aid pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:58-11.

14. April 23, 2014 Annual School Election – Revisions to Polling Districts

BE IT  
RESOLVED:

that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Edison Board of Education approves the following change in polling districts to be used for the April 23, 2014 Annual School Election:

Rescind Poling District No. 10 – James Monroe School, at 7 Sharp Road, Edison, New Jersey in the School District for legal voters residing within General Election District Nos. 7 & 53 of the Township of Edison; and

Relocate Districts No. 7 & 53 of the Township of Edison to vote at Herbert Hoover Middle School, at 174 Jackson Avenue, Edison, New Jersey.

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the Finance Resolutions, Items B and C. Mrs. Fong made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Iyer. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mr. Shi, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None The motion was carried.

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

Mr. Maeroff reported the following dates for upcoming board of education meetings:

- Annual School Election – Wednesday, April 23, 2014  
Location – All Regular Election Sites  
Time – 12:00 Noon – 9:00 PM
- Reorganization Meeting – Monday, April 28, 2014  
Location – Education Center (Caucus Room)  
Time – 6:00 PM
- Public Meeting – Monday, April 28, 2014  
Location – Education Center (Caucus Room)  
Time – 7:00 PM

Mr. Maeroff stated that Six years ago, Aimee Szilagyi, Veena Iyer, and he ran for seats on the Edison Board of Education as reformers, vowing to bring honesty and competence to a body that just a few months earlier had sent the superintendent home and had appointed an acting superintendent in her place. Ultimately, this action would cost the taxpayers a half-million dollars.

He said that eventually, like-minded people joined us on the board, individuals who sought to serve for the right reasons. Comprising such members, the board of education has been able to bring vast improvements to the education of the township's children, while pursuing a goal of fiscal sustainability.

Mr. Maeroff informed the public that he has been proud to have served on such a board. Now, as he is leaving, having chosen to conclude his tenure this month after six years, the last four as president. He decided last month not to file a nominating petition to run for reelection and knows that he leaves the board in good hands. Seated around him, Mr. Maeroff reflected, are dedicated and talented individuals who have made substantial contributions to the families of Edison.

The most important responsibility of any board anywhere is the selection of a superintendent. We have been indeed fortunate in that regard.

First, the Board chose Ron Bolandi, a retired veteran, to fill the role of interim superintendent while the district regained its bearings during a very difficult period after our budget was reduced by millions of dollars and much was in disarray. Mr. Bolandi was a settling force, who did the job well.

After seven months, a new full-time superintendent assumed the reins. That was Dr. Richard J. O'Malley, who now has completed, with distinction, more than three years in that role.

The fit between Dr. O'Malley and the board has been like a hand in the right-size glove and the ensuing collaboration has taken our school system to new heights. The board has backed Dr. O'Malley each step of the way as he has, to name just a few measures—

- Upgraded instructional technology
- Improved school security
- Implemented a new reading program
- Revised the secondary science program
- Created a science and technology academy
- Filled key positions in the central administration and at the building principal level

Mr. Maeroff stated that he, in particular, because of his special interest in certain areas, has been delighted to see what the district has done in regard to—

- A revamped gifted and talented program in the elementary schools
- Adoption of Singapore Math in the elementary schools
- Implementation of the AVID program in three secondary schools
- Support of the district's instrumental and vocal music programs, which are undoubtedly among the finest in the state
- And the attainment of greater diversity in board membership, making the board more closely resemble the composition of our enrollment

Mr. Maeroff said that he is proud, too, that the board and the Edison Township Education Association, our major and most important bargaining union, have achieved a level of good relations and mutual respect.

When Ms. Szilagyi, Mrs. Iyer and he first ran for the board in 2008, they said that it was essential that this school district hire personnel based on **what** they know, not **whom** they know. Thus, they have made great strides in combatting patronage and cronyism. Students deserve the best qualified personnel and taxpayers deserve to have their money spent on people who are in their jobs for the right reasons.

In advancing this goal, in six years on the board he has never put forth a resume to get anyone hired and has encouraged his board colleagues to act similarly.

This board and this superintendent have been about accountability. We have striven to put the district on a professional footing. Right now, under state mandate, the board and the superintendent are embarking on a new era of evaluation of both teachers and administrators. The plan is not perfect and some parts of it are rushed. Mr. Maeroff stated that he hopes, that in the long run, it will be an important tool for ensuring that all students get the most out of their education.

And so as he prepare to leave the board and his colleagues, with whom he has so much appreciated serving, he reminds everyone of four great challenges facing the board, the superintendent, and the school system.

\*The first one came upon us suddenly and shockingly as result of the recent conflagration that consumed James Monroe Elementary School. The early response has been magnificent, reassembling the students and the staff while missing hardly a beat thanks to the leadership of the superintendent and the responsiveness of staff at all levels. In the long range, though, this district must construct a new building and have it ready in no more than two years.

\*Second—and somewhat related to the facilities challenge that James Monroe poses—is the overcrowding that has gotten only worse during these last six years. We have added science wings at our two high schools, but little else by way of new construction. The last school built in Edison opened in 1972. A study the district commissioned showed last year that we are in desperate need of additional school buildings. Almost all of our schools were built to accommodate hundreds of fewer students than now attend them.

\*Third, the district is understaffed in terms of administrators. Some observers criticize the notion of adding administrators, but they are ill informed. Edison is near the bottom in the state in the number of administrators we have per pupil. The problem is particularly acute in terms of the state's new evaluation mandates. In some cases, the number of observations per teacher will increase three-fold. Who will handle these evaluations? We have monster elementary schools, some of which are approaching enrollments of 1,000. And we have no assistant principals in the elementary schools. This situation has to change if we want to continue to pursue excellence and to respond properly to new demands for increased teacher evaluation.

\*Fourth is the disparity in achievement between schools in the North and in the South. This board and this administration have done more to try to heal this schism than perhaps any prior board and administration. We now undoubtedly spend more per pupil on schools in the South than in the North. We use federal Title I funds to great advantage in this effort. We have added literacy and math interventionists. We have introduced Saturday programs for students and ESL classes for their parents. Some principals and teachers have attempted to change the culture in those buildings to emphasize the primacy of academic achievements. These efforts must continue. Edison is one school district, not two.

In the end, what the board does by way of maintaining and pursuing educational excellence redounds to the benefit of everyone in this town. The public schools are the greatest attraction that Edison has. They are magnets that draw and hold families. Let the quality of education slip in any way whatsoever and the value of every home in Edison will decline, whether or not the owners use the public schools.

In closing, Mr. Maeroff thanked the citizens of Edison for giving him the privilege of serving two terms on the school board and and thanked his colleagues on the board for their support and their hard work.

XV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance & Facilities Committee

Dr. Heelan reported that the Finance and Facilities Committee met at 10:00 A.M. on March 13, 2014 at the Education Center.

In attendance were: Dr. Richard O'Malley, Mrs. Veena Iyer, Mrs. Deborah Anes, Dr. Frank Heelan, Mr. Daniel Michaud, Mr. Kenneth Stromsland and Architect, Thomas Rienzi

Discussion:

- Mr. Rienzi reviewed the heating problem in the new Edison High School Science Wing and informed the Committee that the manufacturer of the heating/air conditioner unit was currently diagnosing and repairing it. Mr. Rienzi expects the issue to be resolved within the week.
- Specifications for roofing bids are now being prepared for Herbert Hoover Middle School, John Adams Middle School and John Marshall Elementary School. The bids will be opened on April 16<sup>th</sup> and awarded at the board meeting on April 28<sup>th</sup>.
- An updated copy of the proposed 2014-2015 Budget was distributed with the State Aid figures. State Aid revenue increased by \$284,540: \$142,270 for PARCC and \$142,270 for Per Pupil Growth Aid. With a 2% tax levy increase the total estimated tax impact for 2014 will be \$52; fortunately, the tax ratables increased by \$30 million that will restrain the tax impact.
- Two transportation vehicles (24-30 Passengers) that have more than 250,000 miles need to be replaced. Buses with electronic doors and built-in car seats cost in the range of \$55,000-\$60,000 each.
- Mr. Stromsland reviewed the summer project plans for Chartwells Kitchen/Serving expansion and renovations in Benjamin Franklin, Menlo Park, Lincoln, Lindeneau, Washington and Woodbrook Elementary Schools and James Madison Primary School. In Thomas Jefferson Middle School, the current outdoor walk-in refrigerator will be eliminated and a new combination freezer/refrigerator, having indoor access, will be installed. With John P. Stevens High School serving as the District hub for food distribution, discussion ensued on possibly setting up in the future a second hub for the south end.
- The Finance & Facilities Committee will convene on Thursday, April 10, 2014 at 9:30 AM in the Education Center.

Submitted by: Dr. Frank Heelan

XVI. BOARD MEMBERS – OPEN DISCUSSION

Dr. O'Malley and every Board Member thanked Mr. Macroff for his service to the Board of Education, since his term of office is coming to an end.

Mrs. Anes mentioned that she attended the John Marshall School Spanish play.

Dr. Heelan discussed several newspaper articles.

Mrs. Iyer discussed the FCCLA State Leadership Conference.

Mr. Shi reported on his visit to Edison High School's AVID and STEM Program and also on the band performance at Disney World.

XVII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Paul Distefano, President of the Edison Township Ice Hockey League, reported on the 2013-2014 hockey season.

Shivi Prasad, Resident, questioned the James Monroe fire.

Bill Brunner, Resident, commended Mr. Maeroff for his service to the students of Edison Public Schools.

XVIII. PRIVILEGED SESSION

Mr. Michaud read the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 PL 1975 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE,  
BE IT RESOLVED: by the Board of Education of the Township of Edison, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter-specified subject matters.

The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:  
Attorney/Client Privileged Discussion Regarding:

- Contract Negotiations

It is anticipated at this time that the above-stated subject matter shall be made public at such time as the need for non-disclosure no longer exists.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to approve the privileged session resolution at 9:48 P.M. Mrs. Fong made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Iyer. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mr. Shi, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

XIX. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to reconvene to open session at 10:24 P.M. Dr. Heelan made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Ward. Mr. Michaud took a roll call vote, and the result was as follows:

AYES: Mr. Shi, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fong, Dr. Heelan,  
Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Anes, Mrs. Iyer, Mr. Maeroff

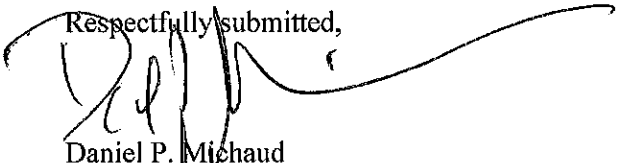
NAYS: None

The motion was carried.

XX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further questions or comments forthcoming, Mr. Maeroff asked for a motion to adjourn this March 31, 2014 public meeting of the Edison Board of Education at 10:25 P.M. Mrs. Harris made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Fong and approved by all members present.

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel P. Michaud  
Secretary

DPM:jmc