Minutes 4/25/12

TEWKSBURY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 25, 2012

The Regular Meeting of the Tewksbury Township Board of Education was called to order by President, John Santoro, at 7:00 PM in the Library of the Old Turnpike School.

Karin Laraway read the Sunshine Law:

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice 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 the Act, the Tewksbury Township Board of Education has caused notice of the time and place of this meeting to be published in the Courier News and notice of the meeting has been posted in the Township Municipal Building, both school buildings and the Tewksbury Township Public Library.

The Board pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Mrs. Brakewood (arrived at 7:05 PM), Mr. Delia, Mrs. Larsen, Mrs. Marelli, Mr. Presutti, Mr. Regan, Mr. Santoro, Mrs. Thorp

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. James Gamble, Interim Superintendent/CSA
Karin Laraway, Board Secretary

ABSENT: Mrs. Sernas

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Santoro, seconded by Mrs. Larsen to approve the March 28, 2012 Regular Meeting and Public Budget Hearing.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

AUDIENCE

A member of the audience had questions about School Choice.

PERSONNEL

Motion made by Mr. Presutti, seconded by Mrs. Larsen, to approve P1-P4 as recommended by the Superintendent.

P1. Accept the resignation of Dawn Decker effective June 30, 2012.

P2. Approve the employment of Kathleen Oswald as a part time Instructional Aide to provide home programming for school year 2011-2012 beginning April 26, 2012 through June 30, 2012 for up to 7 hours per week as needed at Step 1, $14.65 per hour plus mileage.

P3. Eliminate the position of "Vice Principal and Supervisor of Special Services."

P4. Approve additional payment to the following staff for the 8th grade play production:

Nicole Dickinson	10 Hours $378.20	Play director
Joel Barrett	20 Hours $756.40	Assistant Director
Dolores Krowl	20 Hours $756.40	Production Manager

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion made by Mr. Presutti, seconded by Mr. Santoro, to amend P6 to increase hours from 16 to 24.5 as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion approve on a unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Mr. Presutti, seconded by Mr. Santoro, to approve P6 as amended and As recommended by the Superintendent.

P6. Approve 24.5 additional hours for each of the following Kindergarten aides for the 2011-12 school year:

Marianne Farrell
Kathy Natale
Barbara Witkowski

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

FINANCE

Motion made by Mrs. Larsen, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood, to approve items F1-F6.

F1. Approve the list of bills dated April 25, 2012 in the amount of $968,619.48.

F2. Accept a $1,000 donation from the PTA for the 8th grade Washington DC trip – Kennedy Center show.

F3. Accept an out of district student from Hampton School District into the Pre-K Autistic extended school year at a cost of $2,704.80, 4 hrs per day beginning July 2, 2012 and ending August 9, 2012 for 23 days. Tuition includes speech services. Transportation and aide will be the responsibility of the sending district. Other related services such as OT and PT will be provided by the Receiving District's contracted provider and billed directly to the Sending District.

F4. Approve the "Application for Funds to Support Implementation of the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act" in the amount of $21,253 and submission to the Hunterdon County Executive County School Business Administrator.

F5. Rescind motion from March 28, 2012 (F2): *Approve entering into contract with Douglass Outreach for Speech and Language Evaluation for student #5152116652 at a cost of $950.*

F6. Approve travel requests:

J. Burns	All Kids Can Succeed-Behavior/Social	$135 + mileage
M. Regan	Success for Struggling Learners	$35 + mileage
R. DeStefano	Success for Struggling Learners	$35 + mileage
J. Piccolo-Torsky	Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers Refresher Course	$25 + mileage

Motion approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

Items discussed at the committee meeting were the motions, School Choice and a five year financial plan.

CURRICULUM

Items discussed at the committee meeting was the development of grade 3-5 math curriculum, changes in the LA curriculum, OTS scheduling update, Council of Instruction.

FACILITIES

Motion made by Mr. Delia, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood, to approve FA1.

FA1. Approve the donation from the PTA for school signs in the amount of $3,968.63.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

Items discussed at the committee meeting were the completion of the OTS construction project, OTS landscaping, summer projects, PTA donation of signs.

Dr. Gamble reported on the radon results. A letter will be sent home to parents and the results of the testing are posted in each building main office and the BOE office.

NEGOTIATIONS

A timeline for negotiations will be considered and discussed in July.

POLICY

Motion made by Mrs. Thorp, seconded by Mrs. Marelli, to approve items PO1-PO20.

PO1. Approve on second reading, Policy #1230 Superintendent's Duties

PO2. Approve on second reading, Policy #1522 School-Level Planning

PO3. Approve on second reading, Policy #9270 Home Schooling and Equivalent Education Outside the Schools

PO4. Approve on second reading, Regulation #9270 Home Schooling and Equivalent Education Outside the Schools

PO5. Approve on first reading, Policy #2423 Bilingual and ESL Education

PO6. Approve on first reading, Policy #2461 Special Education/Receiving Schools

PO7. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461 Special Education/Receiving Schools

PO8. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.01 Special Education/Receiving Schools – IEP Implementation

PO9. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.02 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Suspension

PO10. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.03 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Public Records

PO11. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.04 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Special Education and Related Services

PO12. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.05 Special Education/Receiving Schools – IEP Compliance

PO13. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.06 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Highly Qualified and Appropriately Certified Staff

PO14. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.07 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Termination of Placement

PO15. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.08 Special Education/Receiving Schools – In-Service Training

PO16. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.09 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Statewide and District-Wide Assessment Programs

PO17. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.10 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Full Educational Opportunity

PO18. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.11 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Staff Consultation

PO19. Approve on first reading, Regulation #2461.12 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Length of School Day and Academic Year

PO20. Approve on first reading, Policy #5561 Use of Physical Restraint

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Items discussed at the policy meeting were the motions as listed above.

TECHNOLOGY

Items discussed at the committee meeting were future computer needs, the website, RealTime and the teacher websites.

SEARCH /COMMUNICATIONS

On May 30th there will be an open public forum related to the search.

BOARD SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion made by Mrs. Larsen, seconded by Mrs. Thorp, to approve items B1-B3.

B1. Board Secretary/Treasurer's Report, Transfers for February 2012.

B2. Motion accepting the Superintendent's certification that the financial report of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month ending February is in balance and that the Superintendent recommends, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e) that the Board of Education certify that no major account or fund has been overexpended and that as of these reports, sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of this fiscal year.

B3. Motion to accept the Board Secretary's certification as required by N.J.A.C. 6:20-13 (D), that no line item account has been overexpended as of February and that as of this date, sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Motion made by Mr. Santoro, seconded by Mr. Regan, to approve S1-S2.

S1. Approve the following class trips for the 2011-2012 school year:

- Grade PreK to Tewksbury Elementary School, Califon NJ

S2. Approve Nicole Meyer, a student from Montclair State University participating in the Family and Child Studies program, as a student Intern for 400 hours from September through December 2012 at Tewksbury Elementary School.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS 2012-2013

Motion made by Mr. Santoro, seconded by Mrs. Larsen, to approve items 1-5:

1. Appoint Beverly Kszak custodian of school monies for the 2012-2013 school year.
2. Approve the annual appointment of Hickory Run Family Practice to be the District's Medical Inspector for the 2012-2013 school year.
3. Approve the annual appointment of Chief Thomas Holmes to be the District's Attendance Officer for the 2012-2013 school year.
4. Approve the annual appointment of PNC Bank, Bank of America, TD Bank, Team Capital Bank, Beneficial Bank, Peapack Gladstone Bank as the District's Official Depository for the 2012-2013 school year.
5. Approve the annual appointment of the Courier News to be the District's Official Legal Newspaper and the Hunterdon Review and Hunterdon Democrat to be the District's Official alternate newspaper for the 2012-2013 school year.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Mr. Presutti, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood, to approve items 6-10:

6. Approve the annual appointment of Jim Miller as the District's Affirmative Action Officer for the 2012-2013 school year.
7. Approve the annual appointment of Karin Laraway, as Investment Officer for the District for the 2012-2013 schoo year.
8. Designate John Santoro, BOE President, Karin Laraway, Board Secretary, and Beverly Kszak, Custodian of school monies to endorse all school warrants from July 1, 2012 to January 2, 2013.
9. Approve all Policies contained in the Policy Manual which is on file in the Board Office for the 2012-2013 school year.
10. Appoint Karin Laraway as Custodian of Records for the 2012-2013 school year.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Mrs. Thorp, seconded by Mr. Presutti, to approve items 11-15:

11. Approve Karin Laraway as Qualified Purchasing Agent and approve the bid threshold of $36,000 for the 2012-2013 school year.
12. Approve Richard Mupo as Integrated Pest Management Coordinator, Indoor Air Quality Designee and AHERA Coordinator.
13. Approve the following tax shelter annuity companies: Fidelity Investments, Vanguard, VALIC, AXA Equitable, Lincoln Financial, Metropolitan Life.
14. Approve all curricula approved during the 2011-2012 school year.
15. Approve the attached 2012-2013 Board meeting schedule.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Mr. Santoro, seconded by Mr. Presutti, to approve the tax levy payment schedule.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

Dr. Gamble spoke about the School Choice program. Members of the audience asked questions about the program.

Motion made by Mr. Santoro, seconded by Mr. Delia, to approve S3.

S3. Approve the application and submission of the School Choice Application for the 2013-2014 school year.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion made by Mr. Santoro, seconded by Mrs. Marelli, to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel items and contracts for approximately 15 minutes.. The time was 9:25 PM.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Mr. Santoro, seconded by Mr. Presutti, to return to the regular meeting. The time was 9:30 PM.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Mrs. Larsen, seconded by Mr. Delia, to approve final payment for the OTS construction project:

Coopersmith Bros	$135,030.00
EI Associates	5,071.25

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion made by Mr. Presutti, seconded by Mrs. Larsen, to amend P5 to include on year one-Katrina Lanza.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion made by Mr. Presutti, seconded by Mrs. Larsen, to approve P5 as amended:

P5. Approve the attached list of non-tenured teachers for the 2012-2013 school year.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion made by Mr. Santoro, seconded by Mr. Presutti, to adjourn the meeting. The time was 9:35 PM.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Karin Laraway
Board Secretary

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Califon, New Jersey 07830

School Board Meeting Schedule 2012-2013
BOE Full Board Meetings at 7:00 p.m. on 4th Wednesday of month
Library, Old Turnpike School

May 23, 2012	Board
June 27	Board
July 25	Board
August 22	Board
September 27	Board (After Yom Kippur) Thursday
October 30	Board (After NJSB Convention) Tuesday
November 28	Board (After Thanksgiving)
December 19	Board (Before Winter Break)
January 2	Board (Swearing in new members)
January 23	Board
February 27	Board
March 27	Board
April 24	(Reorganization)

Year One Teachers

Adessa	Jodie
DeMarco	Allesandra
Meyer	Heather
Lanza	Katrina

Year Two Teachers

Berg	Peter
Davis	Timothy
Doerr	Edward
Frutchey	Angela
Preston	John

Year Three Teachers

Burns	Jennifer
Donovan	Sheila
Dusault	Catherine
Elder	Brittany
Tennick	Samantha

TAX LEVY SCHEDULE 2012-13

	GENERAL FUND	DEBT SERVICE	TOTAL
7/1/2012	$1,813,150.00	$323,012.00	$2,136,162.00
9/1/2012	$1,813,150.00		$1,813,150.00
11/1/2012	$1,813,150.00		$1,813,150.00
1/1/2013	$1,813,150.00	$500,307.00	$2,313,457.00
3/1/2013	$1,813,150.00		$1,813,150.00
5/1/2013	$1,813,150.00		$1,813,150.00
	$10,878,900.00	$823,319.00	$11,702,219.00