JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Work Session Meeting Minutes
Monday – January 9, 2006 - 7:00 PM
Jefferson Township Middle School Media Center
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A. Mr. Andre called the meeting to order at 8:06 PM, and read the Open Meeting Statement.

B. Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL:

	Present	Absent
Mr. Andre	X	
Mr. Cuccio	X (arrived at 8:20 PM)	
Mr. Erdmann	X (arrived at 7:13 PM)	
Mr. Hanisch	X	
Mrs. Hardy	X	
Mrs. Mastricola	X (left at 8:01 PM)	
Mrs. Servedio	X	
Mr. Trignano	X	
Mrs. Van Houwe	X	
Manny Fanarjian	X	
Nicole Yatsonsky		X

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Hanisch, seconded by Mr. Trignano, that the Board of Education adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Jefferson Township Board of Education on this 9th day of January, 2006 at 7:10 PM, as follows:

1. The Board shall recess to closed session in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (1), (3), (6), (7) and (8). The general nature of the discussion will involve matters confidential by law, personal privacy, any investigations or tactics or techniques to protect persons or public property, litigation, anticipated litigation or contract negotiation and attorney-client matters and employment, evaluation, termination of employees.
2. These matters will be disclosed to the public as soon as the need for confidentiality no longer applies, which is anticipated to be later this evening.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The meeting was called to public session at 8:06 PM.

D. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Bowen reported the *Good News and Progress in Our Schools*.
Monthly Progress Report On District Goals:

- *Improve math and writing instruction district-wide.*
- *Improve inter and intra-communication and community relations.*
- *Ensure that the facilities are properly maintained and safe for students, staff and public.*
- *Ensure (instructional) consistency within grade levels and across the district campuses.*

Mr. Kraemer, the Assistant Superintendent who comes on Board February 1, 2006, was welcomed.

E. PRESENTATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS / RECOGNITION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

F, G, H, I, J, K and L - The Board reviewed the motions slated for a vote on January 16th. No comments and/or questions were raised.

I. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Motion by Mr. Hanisch, seconded by Mr. Erdmann, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motions I.1A and I.2, as described below:

I.1 Motion to appoint and submit to the County Superintendent applications for **emergent hiring** and the applicant's attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et. Seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et. seq., or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et. seq. for those employees listed below: (All appointments are contingent upon receipt of proper teaching certification and all salary placements are pending receipt of college transcripts verifying degree status and letter stating years of service in other districts, * denotes mentoring required)

PERSONNEL								
Name	**Nature of Action**	**Position**	**Deg/Step**	**Salary**	**Loc.**	**Date Effective**	**Date Termin.**	**Discussion**
A: Administrative								
Robin Powers	Resignation	Elementary Principal			M/CL	2/16/06	2/16/06	Or upon Supt. Release

I.2 Motion to appoint **Robert P. Kramer as Interim Principal** at the Cozy Lake and Milton Schools at $500/diem for four days per week, effective 1/12/06 or upon completion of fingerprinting process.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Andre	- Yes	Mrs. Hardy	- Yes
Mr. Cuccio	- Yes	Mrs. Servedio	- Yes
Mr. Erdmann	- Yes	Mr. Trignano	- Yes
Mr. Hanisch	- Yes	Mrs. Van Houwe	- Yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

M. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Negotiations - JTEA – Mr. Hanisch reported that the next Negotiations Committee meeting is scheduled for 1/11/06 .

Township Liaison – Mr. Andre referred to the minutes circulated from meeting with Township.

Education Committee – Mrs. Hardy reported on the School Calendar options with probable action on 1/16/06.

Policy Committee – Mrs. Hardy reported there will be a Policy Committee meeting on Wednesday, January 11, 2006.

N. COMMUNICATIONS – None.

O. OLD BUSINESS – None.

P. NEW BUSINESS – None.

Q. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mrs. Hardy and Mr. Hanisch commented that they both attended the Eagle Scout ceremony.

Mrs. Servedio commented she also attended an Eagle Scout ceremony and the Christmas concert. She reported the Band leadership transition went smoothly.

Mr. Andre suggested Board Members register at the NJSBA January 27th seminar regarding Budget and the Community. He commented that when snow day decisions are made, we err on the side of caution.

R. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS

Manny Fanarjian commented on the success of the Choir concert, DECA and FBLA events. He reported that over 200 tickets have been sold to date for the upcoming Bluegrass concert.

S. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Comments were made regarding the following:

- A question was raised regarding adding transportation to/from Devin Country Day School. Response – must confer with Ms. Stanlick and report back next Monday.
- A question was raised regarding a morning bus stop for Academy students. Response – must confer with Ms. Stanlick and report back next Monday.
- A comment was made regarding the Middle School Band concert wherein all parties were commended. A hope was expressed to continue to seek a music solution.

T. ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Cuccio, seconded Mr. Trignano, that the meeting adjourn at 8:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dora E. Mylchreest
Board Secretary