

MEETING OF THE LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2010, AT 9:00 A.M., AT 1771 MADISON AVENUE, LAKEWOOD, NEW JERSEY 08701

Mr. Leonard Thomas, Board President, called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m. Cynthia Romano, Administrative Assistant to the Board read the following notice:

SUNSHINE LAW

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 231, of the Laws of 1976 (THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT), Mr. Finger notified the public that notice of the date, time, location and agenda of this meeting, to the extent known, was provided at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of this meeting in the following manner:

1. By posting such notice on the public announcement board of the Lakewood Board of Education Offices, and the Lakewood Township Municipal Building.
2. By mailing such notice to the offices of the Asbury Park Press and the Tri-Town News.
3. By filing such notice with the Board Secretary.
4. By mailing such notice to all individuals who requested and paid for a copy of same.

***Sunshine
Law***

ROLL CALL:

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mr. Fink, Mrs. Gonzalez,
Mr. Grunhut, Mrs. Miccio,
Mr. Ostreicher, Mr. Seitler
Mr. Thomas, Mr. Zlatkin.

Board Members Absent: Mr. Silver

Also Attending: Lydia R. Silva, Superintendent,
William T. Andersen, Assistant
Superintendent, Robert Finger,
Business Administrator,
Michael I. Inzelbuch, Esq.

***Also
Attending***

MOTION TO GO OUT OF ORDER

Out Of Order

Mr. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Ostreicher
to go out of order.

ROLL CALL:

Roll Call

YES: Mr. Fink, Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Grunhut,
Mrs. Miccio, Mr. Ostreicher, Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Zlatkin

NO: None

ABSTAIN: Mr. Seitler

MOTION PASSED

Mr. Finger – “I have several addenda to read this evening:

Mr. Finger

A. SUPERINTENDENT

1. Approval for the following non public teachers to
attend a workshop at the Education Institute in
Pennsylvania on May 10, 2010 at no cost to the
district (Paid with Title IIA funds):

Avrohom Anisfeld	Binyomin Basch
Miriam Fleischmann	Menachem Weissmandl
Baila Stefansky	Cheyene Schreiber
Shmuel Mayer	Judy Shachar
Bashie Weiss	R’Ari Leiser
Yehudis Freedman	Menachem Moses
Rivka Yellin	Gitty Mozes
Chavee Levovitz	Dov Einsenberger

2. Approval for the following non public teachers to
attend a workshop at Gateways in Stamford, Con-
necticut from May 18 to 21, 2010 at no cost to the
district (Paid with Title I funds):

Howard Schwartz
Gitty Swerdloss

B. PERSONNEL

1. Certificated Appointments for the
following Non Public Consultants
paid through Title I, IIA & Title I
ARRA:

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Schiff, Menachem	Title I & Title I ARRA
Stern, Menachem	Title I & Title I ARRA
Koegel, Nechama	Title I & Title I ARRA

Basch, Tzvi	Title IIA, I & ARRA
Pollak, Tzila	Title I & Title I ARRA
Gelbwachs, Yehoshua	Title I & Title I ARRA
Berger, Lieba	Title I & Title I ARRA

And another personnel item. Approval to send Employee #4950 for a fitness for duty/psychiatric evaluation to a Board approved medical provider and suspend said employee with pay pending outcome of evaluations effective today.

And that Mr. President are all of the addendum items.”

MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA INCLUDING ADDENDUMS

Motion To Approve Agenda

Mr. Ostreicher moved, seconded by Mr. Grunhut to approve the agenda including the addenda as read.

ROLL CALL:

Roll Call

YES: Mr. Fink, Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Grunhut, Mrs. Miccio, Mr. Ostreicher, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Zlatkin

NO: None

ABSTAIN: Mr. Seitler

MOTION PASSED

MINUTES

Minutes

Conference, Executive and Regular Meeting
Minutes

of March 10 and 18, 2010.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

Bus. Items

A. Approval of 2009-10 line account transfers:

LINE ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT TRANSFERRED	
		FROM	TO
11-000-219-104-13-0013	PPS PROF STAFF SAL	(\$50,000.00)	
11-240-100-101-11-0011	BILINGUAL TCHR SAL	(\$20,000.00)	
11-000-252-100-00-0000	TECHNOLOGY SAL	(\$10,000.00)	
11-214-100-101-03-0003	HS AUTISTIC TCH SAL	(\$5,000.00)	
11-214-100-101-04-0004	MS AUTISTIC TCH SAL	(\$25,000.00)	
11-000-219-105-13-0013	PPS SECY SAL		\$50,000.00
11-230-100-106-12-0012	BASIC SKILLS AIDE SAL		\$20,000.00

11-000-262-100-00-0000	OPER OF PLANT SAL		\$10,000.00
11-213-100-106-04-0004	MS RR AIDE SAL		\$20,000.00
11-213-100-106-05-0005	EGC RR AIDE SAL		\$10,000.00
Salary adjustments per Position Roster			
11-000-261-610-00-0000	PLANT MAINT SUPPLIES	(\$23,000.00)	
	PLANT/MAINT TRUCK		
11-000-261-420-15-0660	REPAIR		\$10,500.00
11-000-261-420-15-0722	PLANT MAINT REPAIR BLDG		\$12,500.00
Maintenance and repairs through year end			
11-000-100-561-00-0000	TUITION REGULAR ED	(\$3,700.00)	
11-000-219-600-13-0000	PPS SUPPLIES		\$3,700.00
Purchase of equipment for special education evaluations			
	PLANT MAINT SVCE		
11-000-262-420-15-0750	PROVIDER	(\$77,185.00)	
11-000-262-622-03-0003	HS ELECTRIC		\$66,685.00
11-000-262-622-07-0007	SSS ELECTRIC		\$2,000.00
11-000-262-622-10-0010	LEI ELECTRIC		\$4,500.00
11-000-262-622-21-0021	WHITE HOUSE ELECTRIC		\$4,000.00
Electricity through year end			
	TUITION SPEC ED VOC		
11-000-100-564-00-0000	SCHOOL	(\$52,400.00)	
	EXTRAORDINARY PURCH		
11-000-217-320-00-0000	PROF		\$50,000.00
11-000-219-800-13-0000	PPS OTHER OBJECTS		\$2,400.00
Special ed nursing services and other costs through year end			
11-000-291-290-00-0000	UNUSED SICK LEAVE	(\$50,000.00)	
11-000-291-260-00-0000	WORKERS COMP		\$50,000.00
Workers compensation claims through year end			
11-000-218-320-00-0000	GUIDANCE PURCH PROF	(\$20,000.00)	
11-000-218-600-03-0000	HS GENERAL SUPPLIES		\$20,000.00
Purchase of computers and printers for Guidance Office			
11-000-270-518-00-0000	TRANS SRVC SPEC ED ESC	(\$4,685.29)	
11-000-270-512-00-0000	TRANS SRVC NON HOME SCH		\$4,685.29
Vacamas SES through year end			
20-370-200-300-00-0000	CAREER ACAD PURCH PROF	(\$150.00)	

20-370-200-500-00-0000	CAREER ACAD PURCH SVCS	\$50.00
20-370-200-580-00-0000	CAREER ACAD TRAVEL	\$100.00
Conference and travel fees for Career Academy grant		
	(\$341,120.29)	\$341,120.29

B. Approve Bills List for April 2010 for the Latchkey
Account \$716.25

Latchkey

C. Approve Bills List for April 2010 for the Food
Service Account \$269,255.79

Food Service

D. Approve Community School Bills List for April
2010 in the amount of \$6,478.49.

CS Bills List

E. Approve Bills List for April 2010 for the
Warrant Account in the amount of \$5,768,785.10.

Bills List

F. Approval of the April 23, 2010 Payroll and
Board Share of FICA/Medicare in the amount of
\$1,945,789.07

Payroll

G. Approval of payment of New Jersey State Health
Benefit Plan premiums for the month of April 2010
in the amount of \$823,164.15

NJSHBP

H. Certification of Funds Available for Personnel Items –
The Business Administrator certifies that upon review
of the proposed Personnel Items with supporting bud-
get documentation and the Position Roster that suf-
ficient funds are available for these positions in the
2009-10 budget.

BA Cert.

I. Certification of No Overexpenditures
Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:22-2.11(c), I, Robert S.
Finger, Board Secretary, certify that as of
March 31, 2010 no budgetary line item account

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Cont.***

has obligations and payments which in total
exceed the amount appropriated by the District
Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:22-8
and 18A:22-8.1, and that the District financial
accounts have been reconciled and are in balance.

Robert S. Finger
Board Secretary

April 26, 2010
Date

J. Board Resolution

Through the adoption of this resolution, we, the Lakewood Board of Education, pursuant to N.J. A.C. 6A:22-2.1 (c) 4, certify that as of March 31, 2010 after review of the Board Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the Business Administrator and other appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:22-21.11(c) 4I-VI and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

- K. Acceptance of the Treasurer's and Secretary Reports for the month ending March 31, 2010. The Treasurer of School Moneys and the Board Secretary's reports are in balance for the cash receipts and disbursements for the month ending March 31, 2010. ***Bd. Sec./Treas.***
- L. Approval of applications from the Community School for Use of Building Permits as approved by the Community School and reviewed by the Business Administrator. ***CS Permits***
- M. Approval to renew the contract with Sodexo Management, Inc. as Food Service Management Company for the 2010-2011 school year. The administration has determined that Sodexo has operated the program in an efficient and effective manner for the 2009-2010 school year. ***Sodexo***
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- N. Approval of the 2010-2013 Technology Plan and approval of submission of the plan to the Ocean County Executive County Superintendent of Schools. ***Bus. Items Cont.
Tech Plan***
- O. Acknowledge the receipt of the 2009-2010 Monitoring Report of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program from the New Jersey Department of Education and approval of the Corrective Action Plan for ***21st Century
Monitoring***

submission to the New Jersey Department of Education, Office of Educational Support Services.

- P. Acknowledge the receipt of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Monitoring Report from the New Jersey Department of Education and authorize the Chief School Administrator to prepare a Corrective Action Plan and response to the findings and required/recommended actions detailed in the report.

***ARRA
Monitoring***

- Q. Approval of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program for the 2010-11 school year:

***Fresh/Veg.
Program***

WHEREAS, the Lakewood Board of Education operated the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program at the Ella G. Clarke School for the 2009-2010 school year and;

WHEREAS, the Lakewood Board of Education made application to operate the program at the Ella G. Clarke, Clifton Avenue, Oak Street and Spruce Street Schools for the 2010-11 school year and;

WHEREAS, the Lakewood Board of Education has been approved by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture to operate the program at the Ella G. Clarke School and Spruce Street Schools for the 2010-11 school year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED that the Lakewood Board of Education shall continue this agreement for a Fresh Fruit and Vegetable

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Program for the 2010-2011 school year at the Ella G. Clarke and Spruce Street Schools.

- R. Approval to award a quoted contract to **Klarr Transport, Lakewood NJ** in the amount of \$124.00 per diem for a total amount not to exceed \$6,200.00 (50 days) to transport Lakewood students to/from Yeshiva Kol Torah, Lakewood for the 2009/2010 school year. (students 49) **Route: YKT-A4Q**

***Transp.
Contracts***

Quotes were sought and received by:

Durham School Services,	
Lakewood, NJ	No Quote
Negba Bus Service, Lakewood, NJ	No Quote
Klarr Transport, Lakewood, NJ	\$124.00

S. Approval to cancel and rescind board action of March 18, 2009, whereas a contract was awarded to **Crossroads Student Transportation, Manasquan, NJ** in the amount of \$ 6,749.40 Multi 8001, Renewal # 1, and award a new contract in the amount of \$3,100.20, Multi 8001, Renewal # 1. Reason: Performance Bond just received to Transportation Office.

T. Approval to award a quoted contract to **Jay's Bus Service, Lakewood NJ** in the amount of \$150.00 per diem for a total amount not to exceed \$10,800 (72 days) to transport Lakewood students to/from Tashbar, Lakewood for the 2009/2010 school year. (students 31) **Route: TB5Q**

Quotes were sought and received by:

Durham School Services,	
Lakewood, NJ	No Quote
Negba Bus Service, Lakewood, NJ	No Quote
Jay's Bus Service, Lakewood, NJ	\$150.00

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Supt. Items

A. SUPERINTENDENT'S ITEMS

1. Approval for the following Home/Bedside Instruction to comply with student's Physician's order or Administration decisions.

Home/Bedside

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Supt. Items Cont.

Per hour cost not to exceed \$40.00 unless otherwise indicated.

- 590X classified Spruce student from 4/13-4/16/10, as per administrative.
- 591X classified HS student from 4/7-6/30/10, as per medical.
- 592X classified HS student from 4/12-6/10/10, as per administrative.

2. Approval for the following out of district placements to comply with student's Individual Education Plan (IEP) for the 2009-2010

Out Of Dist.

school year.

- 470X classified Education Academy student from 4/7-6/30/10, as per IEP. Cost \$12,570.
- 593X classified Tiny Tots student from 4/26-6/30/10, as per IEP. Cost \$2,500.
- 44X classified HS student for 25 day vocational evaluation at Center for Vocational Rehabilitation. Cost \$1425.
- 494X classified Tiny Tots student from 4/26-6/30/10, as per IEP. Cost \$2,500.
- 495X classified Self-Contained Tiny Tots student from 4/26-6/30-10, as per IEP. Cost contracted.

3. Approval for the following Home /Bedside non public school student, instruction to be provided through Chapter 192:

ID/Name: NP 09-13

DOB: 3/7/00

Rational: Doctor's Recommendation

Funding: Chapter 192 grant funding

***Home/Bedside
Non Public***

4. Approval for Kimberly Kaelin for the position of Pine Needle Annual Business Manager (Yearbook) for the school year of 2009-2010.

***Yearbook
Bus. Mgr.***

5. Approval for overnight stay for five LHS students for 2010 New Jersey Everton Competition at Camp Sacajawea, Newfield, NJ on May 7th – May 8th. Cost to district for transportation is

***NJ Everton
Comp.***

\$252.22.

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6. Approval for National Honor Society year end trip to Dorney Park in Allentown, Pa for 50 – 12th grade HS students, 2 staff and 4 parents on Thursday, June 10, 2010. One charter bus, funded by students.

***Supt. Items Cont.
Honor Society
Trip***

7. Approval for 4 HS students to attend Lead for Diversity, to learn about bias and development plans to improve their school climate. From Sunday, August 1 through Friday, August 6, 2010. Paid through New Jersey Resources as part of their Community Outreach Program.

Lead for Diversity

8. Approval for M. Venuto to attend Persistence in High School and College: Tools to Increase persistence and degree attainment at Princeton University on April 30th .(No Cost to District)

***Persistence In
HS & College***

9. Approval for Jennifer Clearwaters to attend NJ Stars workshop at OCC on April 30th. (No Cost to District)

NJ Stars

10. Approval for John M. Wilson to attend summer camp planning conference at Fort Dix, NJ on May 12, 2010. (No Cost to District)

Fort Dix Camp

11. Approval for Adria M. Dillon to attend NJTESOL/ NJBE 2010 Spring Conference at Double Tree & Garden State exhibit Center, Somerset, NJ on May 18th and May19th. (Cost to District \$254.00)

***NJTESOL/
NJBE***

12. Approval for Christine Plavski to attend NJTESOL/ NJBE 2010 Spring Conference at Double Tree & Garden State exhibit Center, Somerset, NJ on May 19th. (Cost to District \$183.00)

13. Approval for Carole Kass to attend Symposium at Kean University on “Determining eligibility when standardized test Scores are in appropriate on May 21st.(No Cost to District)

***Symposium
Kean***

14. Approval for Margret Bush to attend “School emergency triage Training at Monmouth University on May 22nd. (Cost to district \$107.20)

***Emergency
Triage Trng.***

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Supt. Items Cont.

15. Approval of the 3 year Technology Plan for Lakewood Public School District.

3 Yr. Tech Plan

16. Approval of Draft School Calendar for 2010-2011.

Calendar

17. Approval for the following non public teachers to attend a workshop at the Education Institute in Pennsylvania on May 10, 2010 at no cost to the district (Paid with Title IIA funds):

***Education
Institute***

Avrohom Anisfeld
Miriam Fleischmann
Baila Stefansky

Binyomin Basch
Menachem Weissmandl
Cheyene Schreiber

Shmuel Mayer	Judy Shachar
Bashie Weiss	R' Ari Leiser
Yehudis Freedman	Menachem Moses
Rivka Yellin	Gitty Mozes
Chavee Levovitz	Dov Einsenberger

18. Approval for the following non public teachers to attend a workshop at Gateways in Stamford, Connecticut from May 18 to 21, 2010 at no cost to the district (Paid with Title I funds):

Gateways

Howard Schwartz
Gitty Swerdloss

B. PERSONNEL

Personnel

Reports and Recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools for the following professional staff in accordance with the requirements of Element 6, Indicator 6.5 of the monitoring process.

1. CERTIFICATED

Certificated

a. Resignations

Resignations

(1) ALLEN, Elizabeth
Music Teacher – OSS
Effective: June 30, 2010

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b. Retirements

***Pers. Cont.
Retirements***

(1) CONNOR, Irene
Nurse - EGC
Effective: July 1, 2010

(2) ESTELLE, Linda
Paraprofessional – EGC
Effective: June 30, 2010

(3) HRABAL, Loretta
Executive Secretary – Central Office
Effective: November 30, 2010

- (4) KEIPER, Douglass
Guidance - LMS
Effective: June 28, 2010
- (5) KEIPER, Ida
Teacher - SSS
Effective: June 28, 2010
- (6) KLINE, Dennis
Music Teacher – District wide
Effective: June 30, 2010
- (7) KOENIG, Joseph
Teacher - SSS
Effective: July 1, 2010

c. Terminations - N/A at this meeting

d. Leaves of Absence

Leaves

- (1) OVERTON, Jada
Teacher – CAGS
NJ Family Medical Leave – Paid
Effective: April 26, 2010
Terminating: May 14, 2010
Extended Leave minus sub pay
Effective: May 17, 2010
Terminating: June 8, 2010
NJ Family Medical Leave – Unpaid
Effective: June 9, 2010

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Pers. Cont.

Terminating: June 30, 2010
(Pending Attendance Data)

e. Transfers - N/A at this meeting

f. Appointments

Appts.

- (1)***SUBSTITUTES/SUPPLEMENTAL/NURSES
Effective: 2009-2010 School Year
Salary: \$85 per day/ \$100 after 30 days
\$40 per hr. supplemental
\$150 per day for nurses (as needed)

AUSBAND, Rassy BA

CARRAO, Michelle	BA
PRICE, Lori	CEAS
SMITH, Thomas	BS
STERN, Shoshana	BS

(2) Non Public Consultants paid through Title I,
IIA & Title I ARRA

Schiff, Menachem	Title I & Title I ARRA
Stern, Menachem	Title I & Title I ARRA
Koegel, Nechama	Title I & Title I ARRA
Basch, Tzvi	Title IIA, I & ARRA
Pollak, Tzila	Title I & Title I ARRA
Gelbwachs, Yehoshua	Title I & Title I ARRA
Berger, Lieba	Title I & Title I ARRA

- g. Reappointments – N/A at this meeting
- h. Salary Adjustments – N/A at this meeting
- i. Stipends - N/A at this meeting
- j. Tuition Reimbursement – N/A at this meeting
- k. Miscellaneous

Misc.

(1) Approval to send Employee #4950 for a
fitness for duty/psychiatric evaluation to a
Board approved medical provider and sus-
pend said employee with pay pending out-
come of evaluations effective today.

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Pers. Cont.

2. NON-CERTIFICATED

Non-Cert.

- a. Resignations - N/A at this meeting
- b. Retirements - N/A at this meeting
- c. Terminations - N/A at this meeting
- d. Leaves of Absence

Leaves

(1) MAZZARISI, Barbara
Paraprofessional – OSS
NJ Family Medical Leave – Sick Time

Effective: May 12, 2010
Terminating: June 30, 2010
(Pending Attendance Data)

e. Transfers - N/A at this meeting

f. Appointments

Appts.

(1) SUBSTITUTE PARAPROFESSIONAL
Effective: 2009-2010 School Year
Salary: \$12 per hr.

MCKEE, Kiera

g. Reappointments - N/A at this meeting

h. Salary Adjustments - N/A at this meeting

i. Stipends - N/A at this meeting

j. Tuition Reimbursements - N/A at this meeting

k. Miscellaneous - N/A at this meeting

* Appointment subject to approval of Criminal History background check by State Department of Education, as per NJSA 18A:6-7-1, et. seq., NJSA 18A:39-17 et. seq., or NJSA 18A:6-4.13 et seq., as applicable.

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** As required by law and code, this Emergent Employee Resolution, upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, it was RESOLVED that this person be employed by the Board of Education of the Lakewood Public School District in the County of Ocean on an emergent basis.

*** This position does not include the following:
Medical Coverage Personal Days
Dental Coverage Professional Days
Prescriptions Vacation Days
Optical Coverage Sick Days
Reimbursement for Credits

NOTE: ALL CONTRACTS ARE SUBJECT

**TO ATTORNEY REVIEW BOTH AS
TO PROCEDURE AND SUBSTANCE**

MOTION TO CHANGE RFP FOR TITLE I

***Motion To
Change RFP***

Mr. Seitler

Mr. Seitler – “I would like to talk about another RFP going out for Title I services. I would like to switch that RFP and replace it with an RFP of three years. I have spoken with people who looked into making a bid. They are a little apprehensive about making a bid because of the initial cost of putting down trailers is so prohibitive that they are scared to do it if it’s just going to be for one year and therefore it’s hindering our ability to get more bids than just the one we’ve always gotten and I think that if we actually put out the bids for two or three years, it might help us get a little bit more bids from people who are more in tune to giving the same caliber of services as Catapult and as per Board Attorney that is legal to pull back that RFP and put in a new one for a three year. So I’d like to make a motion to switch it and replace the old RFP. I’m not sure what the number is with a new RFP for three years.”

Mr. Seitler’s motion was seconded by Mr. Fink.

Mr. Finger

Mr. Finger – “I’d like to make a comment Mr. President. Procedurally, all the Board can do at this time since the RFP is due on May 6 and today is already April 26. The bids have been out for over a month already. My suggestion would be to accept the bids when they come in and then reject them formally. If you want to pass a motion today to authorize me to prepare a new RFP, that I can do, but I can’t contact all these people that were sent RFP’s to tell them that. The procedure that should be followed is to authorize me to do a new RFP strictly for Title I and then when the RFP’s come in on May 6, the Board just officially accepts them and rejects them.”

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Mr. Thomas – “Mr. Seitler does this sound reasonable to you? It’s really a way to achieve the goal that you have at hand. We will systematically reject them and move forward and make sure to create the RFP according to what it is that you seek so we can get a better bang for our buck.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Seitler – “Yes, that’s fine. I just want to hear it from

Mr. Seitler

the Board Attorney if there is anyway to work it our first.”

Mr. Thomas – “Honestly, I think that Mr. Finger in this particular area, is the person you want to hear from. What he’s actually given us is pretty much the understanding. I think he’s trying to give the best possible scenario. I think you could amend the motion as Mr. Finger has stated and take second.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Ostreicher – “Through the Chair. What exactly are we voting on?”

Mr. Ostreicher

Mr. Thomas – “Mr. Seitler has instructed Mr. Finger to reject any of the one year RFP’s that come in and prepare new three year RFP’s for the same services and send it out to get bids for the services at hand.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Finger – “It’s strictly for Title I and obviously this will have a new opening date.”

Mr. Finger

Mr. Seitler – “I want all the other services as well, like IDEA and all that other stuff.”

Mr. Seitler

Mr. Inzelbuch – “Through the Chair. I think what you need to do legally, Mr. Seitler didn’t I think want this just for Title I. I think he’s thinking about which he sort of said now for all RFP’s that are out

Mr. Inzelbuch

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there which were advertised in the Star Ledger and Asbury Park Press and were sent to more than 60 providers. Would that be fair to say Mr. Finger?”

Mr. Finger – “Actually we sent them out to 127 providers.”

Mr. Finger

Mr. Inzelbuch – “What Mr. Seitler is suggesting is that a new RFP be prepared for all services and I assume he’s speaking about non public services. Is that what you are speaking about?”

Mr. Inzelbuch

Mr. Seitler – “Yes.”

Mr. Seitler

Mr. Inzelbuch – “I would concur with Mr. Finger. We can’t stop the RFP that’s out there but when they come back, you as a Board can reject them.

Mr. Inzelbuch

Legally you must place them on the agenda and then reject them if you so desire. There has been a constant complaint that RFP's are done too late and no one can get them in. So you are instructed just so we are clear Mr. Finger to have that new RFP ready to go and out and the change that you want is three years."

Mr. Ostreicher – "Through the Chair. I'd like to voice my opinion on this. Why would we as a Board want to lock ourselves in to a three year contract when we may not know the performance of whoever it is that comes in with the lowest bid. If anybody wants to prove themselves and they want to have our business, wouldn't it make sense that we first give them a one year contract and see if they perform well as far as their services are concerned and then renew it and then renew it again. And renew it again every year. Number one if we have a chance to put out the RFP every year, what happens if there is an even bigger recession like many economists are predicting that there may be a double bounce recession. And then we can't live up to the contract next year or two years down the line. So I would like to submit that we do not accept this proposal. The RFP has been put out. I think it makes most sense to do it on an annual basis and if there is any company that would like to invest and get our business in the future, you know sometimes you have to make an investment on a one year basis and this way hopefully you would be renewed and you'll get our business in the future. But why should we commit ourselves now. There are certain contracts we have for three years and we kick ourselves. Why is it a three year contract? We only wanted one year contract and so on and so forth. Or certain ones we are required to accept on a multi-year basis. But here we are not required to accept it on a multi-year basis. So why should be accept on a multi-year basis when we might be able to get a better deal next year or the year after and the year after that."

Mr. Ostreicher

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Mr. Thomas – "I think from what I've gleamed from some of the challenges that we have as a Board of Education with our fiscal responsibility

Mr. Thomas

from the things at hand, I believe that what I'm hearing is there is this belief that (a) if we put together a more comprehensive and a better timeframe, we may be able to see the cost savings right up front in our negotiations with this company. We may be able to get them tied into a fee structure that on the third year through any type of inflation automatically you know on year three I'm going to have to put more money than I had for year one, but if I negotiate year three at year one, there is the possibility. So I'm hearing both sides and at the end of the day we're all going to have to vote, but I think that I'm understanding and Mr. Seitler I'm hearing you also when you say maybe we don't like the way they perform, but I think that if they don't perform, I think we have the ability to fire them."

Mr. Zlatkin – "Through the Chair. I would like to stress the qualifications and the expertise of all the companies that will bid. I have reviewed New York City RFP for multi vendors. There is a specific qualification and the companies have to show records both expertise and there's a lot of qualifications that they go through. So we know before we make a decision whether a certain company has the expertise or not."

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Mr. Inzelbuch – "Legally Mr. Seitler his idea can be structured as those of you who do business, you can put in the RFP there are certain number one to get in the door qualifications, but number two certain performance requirements that if they wouldn't need those performance requirements you need to structure that very tight so they later don't say you're just trying to get rid of us because of money. But there are ways to do that to accomplish that. But I believe that as we started in the beginning that the motion and as Board Parliamentarian was to allow the existing RFP in Mr. Finger's opinion, which I concur you can't stop, would come back May 6. You could reject all those. Simultaneously so you don't waste time, you can get another RFP that would allow I believe

Mr. Inzelbuch

now it's three years, a three year vendor with the understanding that there will be certain performance requirements so if they don't perform in accordance with the Board's certain directives, that they could be let go."

Mr. Fink – "Through the Chair. A three year contract is essential. There is not going to be any company who is going to go into a new district with a one year contract up front. And services are the key. Costs are the key. You put in a statement saying on a particular date within the last month of their contract to review their services basically for what they've done, what they haven't done. You sit down, you mediate with them. But if we don't offer a three year contract, Catapult is just going to walk in, you're going to overpay for their services and if you really want to make a difference then step to the plate."

Mr. Fink

Mr. Thomas – "We're going to have Mr. Inzelbuch write up an appropriate statement and we're going to go ahead and make the motion and we will call it."

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Mr. Seitler – "Okay, I want to add one more point in response to Rabbi Ostreicher. The issue that I'm talking about here is also that obviously Mr. Finger mentioned, the RFP does mention the option of taking in a couple of different companies and approving them and then having the schools pick which ones they want. That automatically if we do that option would create competition year by year because the schools can pick whichever one they want. So even though they are approved by the Board to provide services for three years, they're still competing within each other to get the schools. They're going to go down in price and give the best services. It's a win win situation for all. I really don't see why we shouldn't be doing it that way."

Mr. Seitler

Mr. Thomas – "Okay, what we're going to do is Mr. Inzelbuch is writing it up and as soon as he's done, we'll move and right now we're going to move on to recognition of the public."

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Seitler – "Thank you."

Mr. Seitler

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC

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Pastor Glenn Wilson – “138 Colonial Drive. I’d like to take the opportunity to welcome our new members to the Board and we hope that the reorganization of the Board will benefit our children. Our community has often seen this Board as reluctant to work in favor of our children. We hope that we can become partners and the good education of our children and that we can all work together to make sure that all children in Lakewood get a good education. I saw that the Mayor handed the budget to our new members and asked them to cut and he would support any cut that you guys brought back to him. I hope that in your cuts we don’t hurt our children. That whatever you guys are going to cut that keep in mind that there are certain programs that our children need. And there are some services that our kids do not need. I mean that they do not have right now. So in your cuts I pray that you do keep in mind and I believe that you will because I see the commitment that our children will not be hurt and once again I just want to welcome you guys to the Board and I pray that we can be partners in the education of our children. We could be your best allies in making sure that our community supports you. Or we could be enemies. I am a pastor in this community but I am also a parent and also a graduate of the Lakewood School system. And I have lived here long enough to have seen the transition from what we used to be to what we have become and I’m very concerned about our educational system. So I pray that we continue to move forward and work very hard to make sure that we can restore our educational system to what it used to be. Thank you very much. I also want to welcome our new President and want to thank Mr. Ostreicher for your service. We just need to continue to work together to make sure that our children get the best education.”

Pastor Wilson

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Mr. Fink – “Is it proper, I know when someone speaks at the Planning Board, those of us sitting here can address the individual. Is that proper here also?”

Mr. Fink

Mr. Thomas – “All questions are to be addressed to the President, but you can respond.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Fink – “Okay, through the Chair. I appreciate the comments. When the Mayor gave me the book and you heard my comment about cutting, my comments were clearly stated prior to that. It would not affect any child. My comments were clearly stated. We were looking to save on wasteful spending and there is an enormous amount of wasteful spending in Lakewood. I believe that if we all sat and reviewed the wasteful spending, we could save millions of dollars. I’ve also stated to members of this Board that my sole purpose for running was for one reason and one reason only, the children of Lakewood. And the Chairman can actually stand up and say what he’s heard directly from my mouth.”

Mr. Fink

Mr. Thomas – “I thank you for the comment and I concur that’s exactly what you said to me.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Waters – “Normally I’m having coffee or breakfast relaxing at home. I have come before you a number of times talking about scheduling these meetings in the mornings where the public would be unable to attend. People that are working that would like to come and attend school board meetings and stand up for their kids are not given the opportunity when you have these meetings in the morning. We have to start thinking about the public and who you represent. If your schedules conflict with meetings then maybe you need to take a look at whether this is the Board that you need to sit on. I also would like to welcome the new Board members. I am sad that we don’t have Tracey Tift sitting up there because I think Tracey represented our public school children very well. I’m not saying that you guys won’t do that. So I want to welcome you and let you know there’s nothing personal with my comments. I also would like to highlight a couple of things. I think we need to be very careful how we compromise the use of Title I ARRA funds. I have the State looking at how ARRA funds can be used and I am paying close attention to how those funds should be used and I hope that we don’t get into trouble here in terms of how we compromise the use of those funds. The education conferences before I leave today that you are sending these teachers to, I’d like to have the address of those conferences and the dates because I would like to attend one or possibly both of them. I do go to a lot of education

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conferences. I can sit in the audience. I can take notes. I can also see who is there that should be there. I'd like to tell the new board members and reiterate this to the old board members. I don't mean old in the negative sense. That the public school children are lacking books which is a fundamental part of their education. There are potentially environmental hazards in the public schools. I'd like you guys to look at that. I've raised that question a number of times. Primarily leaks in the schools. We've had rain the last couple of days. I assure you we have leaks in the schools. And mold in the schools. I've been hearing some reports. I've heard some stories about mold and even heard comments that the mold isn't dangerous mold. There is no safe mold."

Mr. Thomas – "I want to respond, but your four minutes has elapsed. I want to respond to the first comment that you made and I know I have the support of at least one of the board members in Mr. Fink in saying that I don't fully intend on meeting you in the morning when you should be having your coffee anymore. It is not my intention to meet everyone here you know

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many of us have work as well. We want to create a structure that is more open to the community that is not as restrictive with such time frames unless there are true emergencies that will put the district at a standstill. We are going to do our very best to keep those meetings in the evening and to keep them pretty much set and out there for the community to know. And I'm not the only Board member that feels this way. I don't know all the privileges one has by being the President nor am I going to try and wheel them all at once, but I know that setting the meeting is one that I have a little flexibility about and it wouldn't make any sense for me to set one because I have a job. I belong at work right now. So the reality is that I understand and I know there are other Board members that also agree. So once we get the schedule together for the entire year, it will be on the website and we will stay very very close to that schedule."

Ms. Cousins – "I won't take long. I'm a person of short words. I also want to welcome the new Board members. Congratulations to Lenny. I never thought I'd see this day coming when you used to get in trouble playing Pop Warner football. It gives me a

Ms. Cousins

good feeling to see a Lakewood graduate has moved ahead and is now on the Board of Education, but congratulations. And I would remind the Board as you start looking at the budget, especially the new members. Because you are new, I'm not sure how much you watched through the years, but remind you that we lost 150 members of our staff in the last three years. So as you start making cuts we're very lean at this point, so please be very mindful of that. And I know I met Mr. Fink a year ago and at that time I suggested you come and visit the schools because I know that sometimes when you're out in the community, you hear a lot of negative things. So you really need to come in and see the positive things that are going on in all of our buildings. So as new Board members as a teacher, we invite you to come and visit our school buildings and see all the positive things that are happening."

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Mr. Thomas – "Mr. Fink was sharing with us in the backroom that he's already been to every school. Before sitting in his first meeting, he felt it was important for him to go into each and every building and that really encourages me as a Board member because it is something from time to time that I have complained about that the Board needs to be ever present in the buildings at the events where the children are to let them know that we are going to be there for them. He's been there and plans on coming back."

Mr. Thomas

Annette Kearney – "15 St. Andrews Ct. I want to welcome the new members and I also want to congratulate everyone. Let's all get along and do the best for our kids and I believe that we again can have positive in our district. I was at the meeting Thursday when the Mayor handed over the budget back to the new members. I want to echo what some have already said. It is our plan as parents, the community as well as the entire Board to be in dialogue about doing the right things for all children of Lakewood and I hope that vision continues. I have a son who is in the High School. We have issues in the High School. Disrespect of administrators. I want to say it again because I don't think it stops with the parents. I do believe it is also the

A. Kearney

teachers to the administrator. Ms. Silva hopefully after this meeting you, myself and Barbara can get together to further discuss some things. But I just want to bring it to light that our administrators need to respect the parents as well as the teachers within the district. And not only that but it just causes tension for the students in the school. So hopefully we can all work together, do the right thing. I'm looking forward to our district being brought up to the 21st century, not being halted because we have new agendas going on. That we all should get with one accord and do the right thing about all children, public and non public. Thank you."

Mr. Fink – "Through the Chair. In the back room Mrs. Gonzalez and I apologized. I and Mrs. Gonzalez hopefully will have smiles on each other going forward."

Mr. Fink

Mrs. Singleton – "1415 Bellinger St. I want to get back on the subject of wasteful spending. On the agenda #5 starting with Accounting going all the

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way down to Tax Counsel. I think we need to look at all those areas as far as wasteful spending. Maybe this is why our children do not have books all the way from September to May. We need to talk about who approved all of this wasteful spending because we've been dancing around why the kids don't have books and we've been dancing around and here it is May and still no books. My second agenda, due to the demands of the paraprofessional's personal lives and the standardized testing, stresses in getting good test scores and the fact that it is the end of the school year, I feel it is unreasonable and unjust that the paraprofessionals should have the demand of passing this test. I think that the one time deal to pass is unreasonable and unjust. I feel that they should have three chances to pass and I also feel that they should have a professional to prepare them for this test in the summer when they don't have the demands of school and their personal lives. And I feel that the School Board should pick up the tab. I also would like to know what happens in the event that the paraprofessionals do not pass the test. What happens to their jobs?"

Barbara Cutter – "65 Drake Road. I too would like to welcome the new Board members. I hope that

B. Cutter

we can move forward and do the right thing by all our children. Because right now our children are attending failing schools. They don't bring home homework. I have a High School student also. And I hope we work toward a resolution for this. Also I would like to talk about the continual disrespect from administrators in the district. Every time we have a meeting set, it gets cancelled. It does not get rescheduled. Email gets sent, phone calls go in, no response back. This needs to change. Also too, when a Superintendent cannot attend a meeting, shouldn't the Assistant Superintendent attend that meeting and conduct that meeting? Thank you."

Mr. Thomas – "Just in response to what you say. We really want to try and start with a brand new slate. We will try and create an atmosphere where we go back and forth with the public and at the same

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time having our administrators doing what they are supposed to be doing and at the same time address any concerns. Hopefully, the open dialogue, whether it be the superintendent or her designee, the person should still continue to have the meeting. I do believe the parents concerns should be addressed. We've got to look at each thing individually. We're going to try going forward to get everything in line."

Mr. Ostreicher – "Through the Chair. I would just like to make one comment that I forgot earlier. I was the President up until today, but I was really a Vice President who took over for a President and he was Chet Galdo. Chet Galdo recently went through another surgery for a terrible illness and I would like to ask the entire Board as well as the Superintendent. Chet really did perform well when he was with us and he was a tremendous service to our district. If you could keep him in mind and your prayers. We wish him God speed for a quick recovery."

Mr. Ostreicher

Mr. Zlatkin – "I would like to say that we should stock the shelves in the library. I think it is essential and I think everyone's on board with that. I would like also to say there is a safety issue with non-public schools on holidays where everyone has to carpool. I would like to motion to restore the holiday bussing."

Mr. Zlatkin

Mr. Finger – “Through the Chair. I think that needs to be addressed as part of a meeting with the Finance Committee when we look through the budget to decide what we are cutting and what we are changing as opposed to making a motion at a board meeting.”

Mr. Finger

Mr. Thomas – “We can’t even have discussion because it’s not even in the second. So it’s something that we’ll move right along right now.”

Mr. Thomas

MOTION TO PREPARE NEW RFP

RFP Motion

Mr. Inzelbuch read the following:

“I reviewed this with Mr. Finger and of course if there’s any comment . The RFP’s currently published and due by May 6 and advertised in the Star Ledger and Asbury Park Press and sent by the Business Office

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to approximately 120 vendors shall be considered at the next regularly scheduled meeting after May 6 with the Board having the absolute right to reject same. Simultaneously and immediately the Business Office shall prepare revised RFP’s that focus on service of quality for a three year period commencing school year 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13 allowing a multi-vendor approach with specific criteria as to cost and performance with a later opening date to allow appropriate time to receive and review and submit a response to the RFP.”

Mr. Seitler moved, seconded by Mr. Fink to approve the motion to prepare a new three year RFP for Title I and other services for the non public.

Mr. Seitler

ROLL CALL:

Roll Call

YES: Mr. Fink, Mrs. Gonzalez,
Mr. Grunhut, Mrs. Miccio,
Mr. Ostreicher, Mr. Seitler
Mr. Thomas, Mr. Zlatkin

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION PASSED

Mr. Fink – “Hold it. Have we gone over the appointments and reappointments yet?”

Mr. Fink

Mr. Thomas – “That was addressed in the first meeting.”

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Fink – “I would like to make a comment. I would like to bring up the legal consultants if that’s okay and I’m sorry if I missed that.”

Mr. Fink

Mr. Thomas – “That’s two agendas ago and is in the public record.”

Mr. Thomas

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

Mr. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Grunhut to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Roll Call

YES: Mr. Fink, Mrs. Gonzalez,
Mr. Grunhut, Mrs. Miccio,
Mr. Ostreicher, Mr. Seitler
Mr. Thomas, Mr. Zlatkin

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION PASSED

Mr. Thomas adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

Mtg. Adj.

Respectfully submitted,

**ROBERT S. FINGER
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/
BOARD SECRETARY**

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