

MISSION STATEMENT

We are committed to achieving the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards at all grade levels and providing a safe and supportive environment where educators inspire, empower, and encourage students to excel.

VISION STATEMENT

Students will become life-long learners, critical thinkers, and creative problem solvers who achieve success as honorable members of society.

ACTION MEETING on January 25, 2010, Ravine Drive Elementary School, 170 Ravine Drive, Matawan, New Jersey.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Charles Kenny called the Regular Action Meeting to order at **8:05 PM**.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

III. STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Mr. Kenny read the following Statement:

“The New Jersey Open Public Meeting 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 interest is discussed or agreed upon. In accordance with the provision of this act, the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education at its annual Organization Meeting adopted a schedule of the year’s regular meetings and said schedule was posted publicly, sent to our official newspaper, the Municipal Clerks of the Borough of Matawan and the Township of Aberdeen, and the Aberdeen-Matawan Joint Free Public Library, within seven days following the Organization Meeting.”

IV. ROLL CALL

Present:	Mr. Warren , Mr. Donaghue, Ms. Hayward, Mr. Kenny, Dr. Delaney, Ms. Rubino, Mr. Ruprecht, Dr. Gambino
Absent:	Mr. O’Connell
Also Present:	Dr. O’Malley, Mr. Glastein, Ms. Irons, Mr. Rubin

V. MINUTES

A motion by Mr. Donaghue, seconded by Dr. Delaney.

THE SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDS: That the Board of Education approve the minutes of the December 21, 2009, Action Meeting; December 21, 2009 Executive Session; January 11, 2010 Committee of the Whole Meeting; January 11, 2010 Executive Session.

UNANIMOUS VOTE:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
December 21, 2009 – Action Meeting	6		1 O’Connell	2 Gambino, Ruprecht
December 21, 2009 – Executive Session	6		1 O’Connell	2 Gambino, Ruprecht
January 11, 2010 – Committee of the Whole	7		1 O’Connell	1 Hayward
January 11, 2010 – Executive Session	7		1 O’Connell	1 Hayward

VI. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Kenny made the following statements:

- Welcomed everyone to Ravine Dr. School and thanked Ms. Janover, the PTO, the teachers in attendance and the custodians for getting the room ready for the meeting.
- Meetings are held at the various schools to encourage attendance by people who may not normally come to the meeting.
- Martin Luther King Day just passed. The students have been taught of the experiences he went through and how our country is now a better place.
- Mr. Kenny’s children attended Ravine Drive and enjoyed the close relationship this community has with the Matawan Police Department. Tonight the Board will be acknowledging two members of the Police Department, Eric Anderson and Jason Gallo.
- Addressed the terrible disaster in Haiti. Having spoken about being thankful during November, it’s good to see Americans coming to the aid of the Haitians. That situation puts a perspective on the local issues especially for the School District which will see tough times in the year to come.
- The open house for the Academies will be Thursday, January 28. Parents with children in the elementary schools should attend to see what the High School Academies are all about.

- Many District students are excelling in athletics as well as academics. Darlene Gallagher sends out emails while Andrew Monagle addresses student achievement in his report to the Board.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- Ravine Drive School Highlights, Mrs. Janover

Dr. O’Malley made the following comments:

- Thanked the PTO, Ms. Janover and the custodians for getting the school ready for the Board meeting.
- The infusion of technology at Ravine Drive
- Recognized the Mayor of Matawan for his continued support of the School District.

Ms. Janover came to the podium to speak about the Ravine Drive School Highlights:

- Welcomed everyone to Ravine Drive.
- Students continue to grow academically and socially and have embraced the Writer’s Workshop model.
- Participating in the Great Reading Race which builds students love of reading.
- The Everyday Math program benefits can be seen.
- Exciting things are happening in the Computer Lab as evident by the mobile laptops displayed. Ms. Longo has worked with teachers to infuse technology into their instruction plans.
- The 2nd grade classrooms have Promethean Slates and Overhead Mounted projectors.
- Upgrades have been made to the school. There is a wonderful mural in progress in the cafeteria.
- The students have organized a food drive and are raising money for the victims in Haiti.
- Participating in the “Jump Rope for Heart.” Last year, the students collected \$4,850. This year the goal is to raise \$5,000.
- Fortunate to have a generous PTO that donated two white boards to the school.

- Recognized two 3rd grade students who have assisted other students with their reading. Mr. Kenny presented awards to Sarah Abel, Leila Pruscino and Cara Catalano.
- Acknowledged two members of the Matawan Police Department. Patrolman Eric Anderson and Lieutenant Jason Gallo who could not be at the meeting tonight. They allow the students to learn in a safe environment.

VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

The student representative, Andrew Monagle made the follow statements:

- Thanked the PTSO and the Administration for putting the meeting together.
- Ravine Drive is starting the kindergarten learning lab where kindergarten students who need help to reach benchmarks will receive that help with the aid of computer instruction. The students will receive individualized lessons. It is wonderful how technology is helping students.
- Congratulated High School basketball player Alyssa Johnson who reached the 1,000 point milestone for her career.
- The Dance team performed well at its competition taking second place in Hip Hop.
- The Speech and Debate team had its most successful competition of the year.
- Congratulated Coach Lasko and the wrestling team who are 14-0 won its first divisional title.
- January 28th is the open house for the Academies.
- Presented the Board with a resolution noting that the month of January 2010 is Board of Education Recognition month. Thanked the Board of Education for their service to the students of the District.

Mr. Kenny thanked Andrew for his report and also thanked his fellow Board Members for their dedication to the District.

IX. COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC RELATING TO BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

Various Aberdeen and Matawan residents made comments, expressed concern, and/or raised questions regarding the following items to which Dr. O'Malley responded:

Mr. Mariniello, 500 Lloyd Road,

- Inquired how the teacher union's refusal to not sign the Race to the Top application will affect the District. Dr. O'Malley stated the State of New Jersey is in the process of applying to the Federal Government for the Grant. The State will lose some points if some unions do not sign the application but can't predict the ultimate result.
- Asked if the determination is made State by State. Dr. O'Malley answered that if New Jersey is selected, Title I Districts automatically receive 50% of the funding. Our District will see its share of funds because three District schools fall under Title I.

X. PROGRAM

A motion by Mr. Donaghue, seconded by Mr. Ruprecht.

- There were no comments or questions from the board.

Mr. Kenny reiterated that the Board discusses agenda items in detail at the Committee of the Whole meetings.

After meeting as The Committee of the Whole with the Superintendent, the Board approves the following items:

A. TRAVEL

1. Pursuant to travel policy#4033, the following staff for travel related to training and seminars. This travel is deemed educationally necessary and fiscally prudent, and all travel expenditures shall be directly related to and within the scope of the staff member's current responsibilities and the district's Professional Development Plan. **(PROGRAM ATTACHMENT #1)**

POLICY: 4033 Travel/Reimbursable Expenses

RATIONALE: Required estimates to abide by law and policy. All amounts are not to exceed.

B. OTHER

1. **Approve the submission** of the memorandum of understanding for the Race to the Top Grant Project Application between the State of New Jersey and the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional Board of Education.

RATIONALE: The purpose of this agreement is to establish a framework of collaboration, as well as articulate specific roles and responsibilities in support of the State in its implementation of an approved Race to the Top grant project.

2. **Approve** three (3) Matawan Regional High School students to attend the Monmouth County Arts and Education Center High School program at Neptune High School every Monday from January through May.

RATIONALE: The Board of Education approved the reinstatement on May 11, 2009 for our district to participate this school year. On December 21, 2009, the board approved seven (7) students to attend. Of the nine (9) alternates that were selected, three (3) have been offered to participate. The district budgeted for a total of ten (10). This recommendation is for the remaining three (3) students who were alternates and have been selected by the Arts and Education Center.

Cost: 3 students @ \$800.00 = \$2,400 (includes transportation)

Account#: 11-423-100-561-11-0000-0

3. **Approve a Donation** by the Ravine Drive PTO of two (2) White Boards valued at \$2,000.
POLICY: 3280 Gifts, Grants, and Bequests
4. Approve an Overnight Field Trip for the Matawan Regional High School DECA Club to participate in the DECA State Championship competition in Cherry Hill, NJ from Sunday, February 21, 2010 to Tuesday, February 23, 2010.

POLICY: 6153 Field Trips

RATIONALE: Students will attend the DECA State Championship competition at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Cherry Hill, NJ on Sunday, February 21, 2010 through Tuesday, February 23, 2010. These students have earned admission to this competition by qualifying through the Regional Competition in January. There will be two (2) chaperones from the High School Business Department attending the trip with the students

Registration: \$50.00 X 7 students = \$350.00

Substitutes: \$320.00 (2 substitutes for 2 days)

Student Cost: \$100.00 per student for food

Transportation: \$576.00

Lodging: \$786.00 (3 rooms for 2 nights)

District Cost: \$2,032.00

Special Services

1. Students to attend out of district placements for the 2009-2010 School Year Program

Policy: 6171.4 Special Education

STUDENT	AGE	CLASSIFICATION	SCHOOL	REASON	COST	EFF DATE
0609-003	6.5	Autistic	Search Day Program @ Marlboro Township Public Schools	New Placement	\$26,169.65 (95 days @ \$275.47 per day)	01/25/10 06/22/10

UNANIMOUS VOTE:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
	8		1	
			O'Connell	

XI. PERSONNEL

A motion by Ms. Rubino, seconded by Dr. Delaney.

There were several questions and comments from the Board:

- Mr. Warren asked if the District is getting supporting documentation for salary adjustments as discussed at previous Board meetings. Mr. Glastein stated he has requested that information.
- Mr. Warren asked what the facilitator training was and the future cost of it to the District. Dr. O'Malley stated one teacher from each school was sent for training in dealing with community learning. On February 1st they will present what they learned to more members of the staff. There could be additional costs if there is more training.
- Ms. Hayward asked how the Facilitators were chosen. Dr. O'Malley stated the teachers were selected by the teachers union.
- Ms. Hayward questioned who will take over the case load for the case worker that is taking a leave of absence. Dr. O'Malley stated the District will have someone take over those responsibilities but during the interim the case load will be shared among the other case workers.

- Ms. Rubino stated there are three teachers retiring that worked in the District for over 30 years. Thanked them for their dedication and wished them good luck.

After meeting as a Committee of the Whole, the Superintendent recommends the following items for the Board of Education’s approval:

A. RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS

*POLICY: 4112.1 Individual Contracts-Certificated Staff
4212.1 Individual Contracts Non-Certificated Staff*

NAME	LOC	POSITION	REASON	DATE EMP.	EFF. DATE
MC CULLOUGH, BONNIE	LR	Elementary Teacher	Retirement	9/1/76	2/1/10
DE VITO, COURTNEY	CL	Instructional Assistant (Part time – AM Session)	Resignation	11/11/09	1/8/10 (Retroactive)
VALANZOLA, RICHARD	HS	Teacher of Social Studies	Retirement	9/1/73	6/30/10
GOLDSTEIN, LARRY M.	HS	Teacher of Language Arts	Retirement	9/1/74	6/30/10

B. LEAVES OF ABSENCE

*POLICY: 4151 Attendance Patterns
4151.1 Personal Illness and Injury/Health and Hardship*

NAME	LOC	POSITION	TYPE OF LEAVE	WITH/ W/O PAY	EFF. DATE
MC CULLOUGH, BONNIE	LR	Elementary Teacher	Medical	Without	1/25/10 – 1/31/10
SINGER, TOVAH	LR/ST	LDT/C	Maternity Disability Phase	Without	1/26/10 – 3/19/10
			Child Care	Without	3/20/10 – 4/23/10
			FMLA	Without	4/24/10 – 5/14/10
LENGE, TATIANA	MA	Teacher of Mathematics	Personal	Without	2/24/10 – 2/26/10

C. APPOINTMENTS

*POLICY: 4111/4211 Recruiting, Selection and Hiring
4142/4242 Salary Checks and Deductions
4122 Substitute Teachers Student Teachers/Interns
4213/4214 Assignment/Transfer*

1. APPOINTMENTS

NAME	SCH	POSITION	No. Demo Lesson	STEP	SALARY/STIPEND	# INT	REPLACE REASON	EFF. DATE
TREZZA, ANDREA	DIST	Behaviorist	N/A	N/A	\$23,800.00	4	New	3/22/10 – 6/30/10

NOTE: The law on background checks requires ultimate clearance prior to any employment becoming final

2. SUBSTITUTES

TRANSPORTATION	ACCOUNT: 11-XXX-270-160-XX-XXXX-9
MATYSCZAK, BERNARD	Substitute Bus/Van Driver

NOTE: The law on background checks requires ultimate clearance prior to any employment becoming final.

3. SALARY ADJUSTMENTS – MRTA

	NAME	LOC	FROM	TO 2009/2010 GUIDE	INSTITUTION
1	ACOSTA, ALICIA	HS	D-12 (BA+30) \$63,740.00	E-12 (MA) \$65,920.00	NJ City University
2	DRAPKIN, MEAGAN	RD	D-04 (BA+30) \$50,550.00	E-04 (MA) \$52,730.00	Capella University
3	MINTZ, KAREN	ST	C-04 (BA) \$45,550.00	E-04 (MA) \$52,730.00	Monmouth University

RATIONALE: Additional College Credits/Degrees Earned

COST: Per MRTA Salary Guide

ACCOUNT: Contractual Salaries

EFFECTIVE DATE: 2/1/10

4. COLLEGE STUDENT OBSERVER

NAME	COLLEGE/ UNIVERSITY	COOPERATING TEACHER/ ADMINISTRATOR	SCHOOL/AREA
KOZMA, KELLEY	Brookdale Community College	BARSI, JENNIFER	ST – Elementary Grade 1 STUDENT OBSERVER Spring 2010 January 26, 2010 – 60 hours over 15 weeks
HICKEY, EDWARD	Brookdale Community College	WYNES, NICHOLE	HS – Mathematics STUDENT OBSERVER Spring 2010 January 26, 2010 -60 hours over 15 weeks
MOSESMAN, BROOKE	Fairleigh Dickinson	SOWA, REGINA	CL – Kindergarten STUDENT TEACHER Spring 2010 February 1, 2010 – May 14, 2010

RATIONALE: Student will be able to complete course work requirements toward degrees and Certifications

COST: None

EFFECTIVE DATE: 2009/2010 School year

5. VOLUNTEERS – ACTIVITIES – HIGH SCHOOL

	NAME	ACTIVITY
1	MALTESE, LEONARD	SOFTBALL

6. EXTRA CURRICULAR/HOURLY ACTIVITIES

NAME	LOC	ACTIVITY	POSITION	STEP/ STIPEND	EFFECTIVE DATE	Budgeted Account Number
BALDASSERINI, ANDRE THOMAS	HS	HS Spring Musical	Vocal Director	\$3,110.00	1/26/10 – 6/30/10	11-401-100-104-30-1403-9
MONZO, JESS	MAMS	Girls Spring Track	Assistant Coach	Step-01 \$4,810.00	1/26/10 – 6/30/10	11-402-100-104-40-1402-9
ACOSTA, ALICIA	HS	Girls Spring Track	Assistant Coach	Step-03 \$5,580.00	1/26/10 – 6/30/10	11-402-100-104-30-1402-9
HOURLY ACTIVITIES						
HERNANDEZ, EDDIE	HS	Strength & Conditioning Weight Training Winter	Strength & Conditioning Weight Training	\$25.00/Hour 40 Hours MAX	1/26/10 – 3/5/10	11-402-100-104-30-1402-9
HERNANDEZ, EDDIE	HS	Strength & Conditioning Weight Training Spring	Strength & Conditioning Weight Training	\$25.00/Hour 40 Hours MAX	3/6/10 – 6/20/10	11-402-100-104-30-1402-9
CASSERLY, KATHLEEN	HS	HSPA Language Arts Tutorial	Instructor	\$25.00/Hour	1/5/10 – 2/26/10 (Retroactive)	20-231-100-101-00-0000-0
WYNES, NICHOLE	HS	AHSA Mathematics Tutorial Prep	Instructor	\$25.00/Hour	3/1/10 – 6/2/10	20-231-100-101-00-0000-0
CASSERLY, KATHLEEN	HS	AHSA Language Arts Prep	Instructor	\$25.00/Hour	3/1/10 – 6/2/10	20-231-100-101-00-0000-0
WYNES, NICHOLE	HS	Alternate HS Assessment (AHSA)	Instructor	\$20.00/Hour Math: 2 Hrs. Total \$40.00	1/7/10 (Retroactive)	11-421-100-178-30-0000-0
ROGERS, KIMBERLY	HS	Alternate HS Assessment	Instructor	\$20.00/Hour Language	1/7/10 (Retroactive)	11-421-100-178-30-0000-0

NAME	LOC	ACTIVITY	POSITION	STEP/ STIPEND	EFFECTIVE DATE	Budgeted Account Number
BALDASSERINI, ANDRE THOMAS	HS	HS Spring Musical	Vocal Director	\$3,110.00	1/26/10 – 6/30/10	11-401-100-104-30-1403-9
MONZO, JESS	MAMS	Girls Spring Track	Assistant Coach	Step-01 \$4,810.00	1/26/10 – 6/30/10	11-402-100-104-40-1402-9
ACOSTA, ALICIA	HS	Girls Spring Track	Assistant Coach	Step-03 \$5,580.00	1/26/10 – 6/30/10	11-402-100-104-30-1402-9
		(AHSA)		Arts: 1Hr. Total \$20.00		

RATIONALE: As indicated above

COST: As per MRTA Guide

EFFECTIVE: As indicated above 2009/2010 School year

7. HIGH SCHOOL – AP STATISTICS AFTER SCHOOL TUTORIAL

NAME	LOC	ACTIVITY	POSITION	STEP/ STIPEND	EFFECTIVE DATE	Budgeted Account Number
JOHNSON, KEVIN	HS	AP Statistics Exam Preparation	Instructor	\$25.00/Hour 23 Sessions Total \$575.00	2/1/10 – 4/30/10	11-421-100-178-30-0000-0

RATIONALE: Student preparation for the AP Statistics Exam taking place on 5/4/10.

COST: As indicated above

EFFECTIVE: February 2010 – April 2010

8. HOME INSTRUCTION – HIGH SCHOOL

I.D.	Subject/ Class	School	Classroom Teacher	Home Instruction Teacher For Approval	Hours Per Week	No. Of Weeks/Days Per Week	Total No. Of Hours Per Subject/Class	Effective Dates
123106	Academy Algebra 2/Trigonometry	HS	Jackman, Neil	Jackman, Neil	2	5	10	12/9/09 – 1/21/10 (Retroactive)
132086	English 1 Honors	HS	Fegan, Amber	SEGUI, JESSICA	*	*	10	*As needed
132086	World Cultures Honors	HS	DeLisa, Louise	KAISER, HEATHER	*	*	10	*As needed
132086	Geometry Honors	HS	Wynes, Nichole	BUTLER, JACQUELINE	*	*	10	*As needed
132086	Lab Biology Honors	HS	Tomasello, Louise	TOMASELLO, LOUISE	*	*	10	*As needed
101082	English 4	HS	Goldstein, Larry	SEGUI, JESSICA	2	4 Week 3 Days	10	1/4/10 – 2/4/10 (Retroactive)
154226	Principles of Lab Chemistry	HS	McGovern, Timothy	SCHNEIDER, ROGER	1	5 Days	1	1/22/10 (Retroactive)
154226	Elements of	HS	Stetz,	STETZ, DIANE	1	5 Days	1	1/22/10

I.D.	Subject/ Class	School	Classroom Teacher	Home Instruction Teacher For Approval	Hours Per Week	No. Of Weeks/Days Per Week	Total No. Of Hours Per Subject/Class	Effective Dates
	Algebra		Diane					(Retroactive)
154226	US History 2	HS	Lambly, Michelle	LAMBLY, MICHELLE	1	5 Days	1	1/22/10 (Retroactive)
154226	English 2	HS	Malave, Robert	SEGUI, JESSICA	1	5 Days	1	1/22/10 (Retroactive)
154787	Language Arts Literacy	MAMS	Buonomo, Theresa	BUONOMO, THERESA	2	2	4	1/20/10 (Retroactive)
154787	Mathematics	MAMS	Smolokoff, Mary Beth	KELLY, BRIAN	4	2	8	1/21/10 (Retroactive)
154787	Social Studies/Science	MAMS	Jenkins, Karen	BUONOMO, THERESA	4	2	4 4	1/22/10 (Retroactive)

RATIONALE: Home Instruction required for Student
 COST: \$35.00/Hour
 ACCOUNT: #11-150-100-101-03-0000-1

9. PLC FACILITATOR TRAINING – HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL

NAME	LOC	ACTIVITY	POSITION	STIPEND	EFFECTIVE DATE	Budgeted Account Number
Hillyer, Patricia	MAMS	PLC Facilitator Training	Instructor	\$20.00/Hour Max 1 Hour	2/1/10 - 1 Hour	11-421-100-178-40-4000
Milan, Greg	HS	PLC Facilitator Training	Instructor	\$20.00/Hour Max 1 Hour	2/1/10 - 1 Hour	11-421-100-178-30-4000
Horgan, Michael	CL	PLC Facilitator Training	Instructor	\$20.00/Hr Max 1 Hour	2/1/10 - 1 Hour	CL 11-421-100-178-60-4000
Lehman, David	RD	PLC Facilitator Training	Instructor	\$20.00/Hr Max 1 Hour	2/1/10 - 1 Hour	RD 11-421-100-178-80-4000
Barsi, Jennifer	ST	PLC Facilitator Training	Instructor	\$20.00/Hr Max 1 Hour	2/1/10 - 1 Hour	ST 11-421-100-178-90-4000
Noren, Joyce	LR	PLC Facilitator Training	Instructor	\$20.00/Hr Max 1 Hour	2/1/10 - 1 Hour	LR 11-421-100-178-70-4000

RATIONALE: Facilitators will work with all District Teachers in creating Professional Learning Communities on 2/1/10 (In-Service Day)
 COST: \$20.00/Hour – 1 Hour Maximum
 EFFECTIVE: February 1, 2010

10. STAFFING ARRAY CHANGES – 2009/2010 School year

NAME	FROM LOC/FT E	ASSIGNMENT	TO LOC/FTE	ASSIGNMENT	EFF DATE/ REASON
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NAME	FROM LOC/FT E	ASSIGNMENT	TO LOC/FTE	ASSIGNMENT	EFF DATE/ REASON
DOUCETTE, SUSAN	HS 0.40	Principles of Biology ICR	HS 0.40	Principles of Biology ICR	1/27/10 – 6/30/10
	0.20	Forensic Science Res. Prog.	0.20	Forensic Science Res. Prog.	
	0.40	Principles of Lab Biology Res.Cntr.	0.20	Principles of Lab Biology Res. Cntr.	
	0.08 O/L	Principles of Biology O/L	0.08 O/L	English 1 Resource Program Principles of Biology O/L	

RATIONALE: As indicated above

COST: Per MRTA Contracts

EFFECTIVE DATE: As indicated above - 2009/2010 School year

UNANIMOUS VOTE:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
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			O'Connell	

XII. FINANCE / TRANSPORTATION

A motion by Mr. Ruprecht, seconded by Ms. Hayward.

- Mr. Warren requested that Item A-1, the Bill's List, be separated for an independent vote because he is an acquaintance of someone who will be receiving compensation.

After meeting as The Committee of the Whole with the Superintendent, the Board approves the following items:

A. BUSINESS OPERATIONS

1. **Bills List for January, 2010.** (Available for review in Board Secretary's Office)

POLICY: 3326 Payment for Goods and Services

January, 2010, Hand Checks	\$	0
December, 2009, Payroll		3,475,903.13
January, 2010, Bills List		2,048,225.09
TOTAL:	\$	5,524,128.22

2. **Transfer of Funds for December, 2009.** (Available for review in Board Secretary's Office)

POLICY: 3160 Transfer of Funds Between Line Items/Amendments/Purchases Not Budgeted

WHEREAS NJAC 6:20-2.13 “Over expenditure of Funds” states “a district Board of Education shall not incur any obligation or approve any payment in excess of the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education in the line item pursuant to NJAC 18A:22-8.1”.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the attached line item transfer be approved:

3. **The Report of the Treasurer (Month ending December, 2009)** which is in agreement with the Board Secretary’s Report. (Available for review in Board Secretary’s Office)
POLICY: 3571 Financial Reports
4. **The Board Secretary’s Financial Report for the month of December, 2009** as follows.
(Available for review in Board Secretary’s Office)
POLICY: 3571 Financial Reports

The Board of Education hereby accepts the Board Secretary’s Financial Report for the month of **December, 2009**, as per the procedure instituted by the State Department of Education, wherein the required certification by the Board Secretary is adhered to in the attachment.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2:13(e), the Board of Education certify that as of **December 31, 2009**; and after review of the Secretary’s monthly financial report for the same month (appropriations section), and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of their knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-3:13(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

5. **Purchase Orders in Excess of \$10,000**

Vendor	Amount	Purpose
Dell Marketing L.P. Account Number 20-454-100-610-09-0000	12,702.00	Desktop Computers ARRA Funds

UNANIMOUS VOTE:

Vote on Item A-1, the Bills List, exclusively:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
	7		1	1
			O’Connell	Warren

UNANIMOUS VOTE:

Vote on the entire Finance Agenda excluding Item A-1, the Bills List:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
	8		1	
			O’Connell	

XIII. POLICY

A motion by Ms. Rubino, seconded by Dr. Delaney.

There were several comments and questions from the Board:

- Mr. Kenny stated throughout the year the Board has been working to implement new policies. The policies govern how the District is run. Tonight the Board will be voting on the Property Policies which were discussed in great detail at the Committee of the Whole meeting.
- Mr. Warren questioned whether students had the right to smoke. Mr. Kenny stated they do have the right to smoke.
- Mr. Warren stated medical marijuana was not integrated into the policy. Dr. O'Malley stated the Governor just signed the bill and that Strauss Esmay will most certainly address this issue in a policy.
- Mr. Warren noted that the Drug Free Workplace does not specifically say "school property." Mr. Kenny said Dr. O'Malley will discuss the wording with the Board attorney but wanted to adopt the policy as is.

<u>Number</u>	<u>Title</u>
7101	Educational Adequacy of Capital Projects
7102	Site Selection and Acquisition
7130	School Closing
7230	Gifts, Grants, and Donations
7243	Supervision of Construction
7250	School and Facility Names
7320	Lease of School Premises
7421	Indoor Air Quality Standards
7422	School Integrated Pest Management Plan
7432	Eye Protection
7433	Hazardous Substances
7434	Smoking on School Grounds
7435	Alcoholic Beverages on School Premises
7436	Drug Free Workplace
7460	Energy Conservation
7480	Motor Vehicles on School Property
7490	Animals on School Property
7510	Use of School Facilities
7513	Recreational Use of Playgrounds
7520	Loan of School Equipment
7610	Vandalism
7650	School Vehicle Assignment, Use, Tracking, Maintenance, and Accounting

UNANIMOUS VOTE:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
	8		1	
			O'Connell	

XIV. COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC RELATING TO ADDITIONAL CONCERNS

Various Aberdeen and Matawan residents made comments, expressed concern, and/or raised questions regarding the following items to which Mr. Kenny responded:

Ms. Robinson, Sonia Avenue,

- Thanked the Board for starting the Academies at the High School.
- Was approached by a teacher who wanted her to sell cosmetics. Is concerned that this teacher is approaching students as well. Believes this teacher is being paid to instruct students to become doctors and other professionals and not to sell cosmetics. She wanted to make the Board aware of this.

Ms. Wilkins, Atlantic Avenue, Matawan,

- Forwarded a letter from concerned parents to a Board member and have not heard back from this particular Board member.
- Concerned about the basketball program and the treatment of certain athletes by the coach, Tom Stead. Mr. Kenny stated the Board could not comment on any individual employee because they have rights as well.

Mr. Mariniella, 500 Lloyd Road,

- In the next couple of months the Board will be presenting the budget to the public. Wants the Board to be aware of the financial impact on the community and hopes they present a budget that does not tax citizens who are making less.

Mr. Caldwell, 114 Aberdeen Road, Aberdeen

- Lifelong resident of the District. Is seeing a trend where people are putting their own agendas ahead of the well being of the students. Expressed his concern over the direction of the basketball as well. There are too many outside influences affecting the program and would like this investigated.

Ms. Smith, Aberdeen,

- Agreed with parents that came up before her. The basketball program needs to be investigated because there is an unfairness in the way the system works. The system need to be a benefit academically and athletically.

Ms. Caldwell, 114 Aberdeen Road, Aberdeen,

- Read the New Jersey Code of Conduct for Athletics to the Board. The Board does have the power to investigate the basketball program and determine the proper way it should be structured and run within the District.

XV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- There was no unfinished business from the Board.

XVI. NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Warren reviewed some statistics about the Borough Matawan. In Matawan there are 25 properties on the sheriff's for sale list, 16 properties on the foreclosure list in the last 90 days and 14 listings with pending tax sales. Reiterated that the community can not afford any tax increases.
- Mr. Warren at the halfway point of the year reviewed several personnel changes. The current Board attorney is 20% more expensive than the previous attorney. What has he done for the District? Ms. Irons stated that to date the District has spent about \$39,000 on the attorney. The District in its history has paid that amount every 4 to 6 weeks. The \$39,000 spent this year is not solely for Mr. Rubin.
- Mr. Warren stated another change was the elimination of the Director of Security position. Did that have a negative impact in the schools. Mr. Kenny stated Dr. O'Malley addressed this issue when he reviewed the Violence and Vandalism report and would not send his kids to the District if they were not safe. The number of incidents has gone down.

Mr. Tim Wilkins, Aberdeen,

- Discussed the basketball program and the problems that he has had with the head coach. Believes he should be playing and that the statistics back up his claim. Mr. Kenny asked Tim how old he is. Tim answered that he is 16 years old. Mr. Kenny stated that it takes a lot of courage to come up in front of the Board and speak. However, they can not discuss the matter in this forum but it does concern him.

XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion by Mr. Donaghue, seconded by Mr. Ruprecht, for the Board to enter into Executive Session for Contractual Matters.

UNANIMOUS VOTE:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
	8		1	
			O'Connell	

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Mr. Donaghue, seconded by Mr. Ruprecht.

RECOMMEND: That the meeting be adjourned. The public portion of the Regular Action meeting adjourned at **9:15 PM.**

UNANIMOUS VOTE:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
	8		1	
			O'Connell	

Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Irons
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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NAME	BUILD	DATES	LOCATION	TITLE	REGIS. FEE	MILEAGE MAX	TOLLS-PARK	LODGING	MEALS	TOTAL	SUB YES/NO	REPORT
Church, Patricia	RD	02/05/10	Manchester Twp., NJ	Games Galore-Elementary Physical Education Activities	X	\$12.71	\$2.00	X	X	\$14.71	YES	
DeLuca, Margaret	HS/MA	2/12/10 through 2/15/10	Harvard University	Harvard Speech & Debate Tournament	X	(Train) \$142.00	X	\$690.00	\$200.00	\$1,032.00	NO	
DeLuca, Margaret	HS/MA	03/19/10	Kean University	NJ Middle School Association	\$125.00	\$15.50	X	X	X	\$140.50	NO	
Ditre, Jennifer	LR	02/03/10	Newark, NJ	What's New in Children's Literature Using Interactive Centers to Differentiate Instruction	\$215.00	\$9.30	\$2.80	X	X	\$227.10	YES	
Dorf, Sue	CL	02/02/10	Newark, NJ	ASAP-Annual Conference-Shaping, Affecting, Changing Lives	\$199.00	\$13.88	X	X	X	\$212.88	YES	
Hitchman, Marie	HS	02/4/10 and 02/5/10	New Brunswick, NJ	Special Needs Students Need Standards Based Math Too!	\$295.00	X	X	X	X	\$295.00	NO	
Lenge, Tatiana	MA	03/11/10	Rutgers University Piscataway, NJ	Annual Diversity Awareness Training	\$185.00	\$9.30	X	X	X	\$194.30	YES	
Maroldo, Shannon	HS	02/10/10	Monmouth University	Differentiated Instruction/What Every Teacher Needs to Know	X	\$11.40	X	X	X	\$11.40	YES	
Marsh, Charles	HS	02/23/10 and 02/24/10	Kean University	Motivating Disinterested Students	\$300.00	\$15.62	X	X	X	\$315.62	YES	
McGovern, Timothy	HS	02/16/10	Newark, NJ		\$179.00	\$15.56	X	X	X	\$194.56	YES	

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Nicholasi, Antoinette	CL	02/03/10	West Long Branch, NJ	Effective Strategies for Working Successfully with Difficult/Disruptive Students	\$199.00	\$5.89	X	X	X	\$204.89	YES	
Nicholasi, Antoinette	CL	02/11/10	Newark, NJ	Effectively Using Guided Reading	\$199.00	\$7.75	X	X	X	\$206.75	YES	
Santoro, Danielle	LR	04/20/10	Eatontown, NJ	Differentiated Instruction Using Tiered Assignments	X	\$10.34	X	X	X	\$10.34	YES	
Spence, Gwen	CL	02/03/10	Edison, NJ	Use Interactive Centers to Differentiate Instruction	\$199.00	\$3.53	X	X	X	\$202.53	YES	
Trimboli, Alyssa	CL	02/02/10	Newark, NJ	Use Interactive Centers to Differentiate Instruction	\$199.00	\$13.88	X	X	X	\$212.88	YES	
West, Beverly	HS	03/25/10	Freehold, NJ	Teen Attitude: What Do You Do About Rude, Crude, Bad Attitude Teens	\$50.00	\$9.30	X	X	X	\$59.30	NO	
TOTAL										\$3,520.05		

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