

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide every child with the highest quality of instruction, curricula, and services; to treat every child with respect and dignity; to give every child the opportunity to learn and mature, to acquire a thirst for knowledge, to experience the satisfaction of accomplishment, and to anticipate becoming a productive member of a democratic society.

VISION STATEMENT

Upon leaving the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District, all children will credit us with having given them what they need educationally to help them succeed in life in the pursuit of their own goals.

WORKSHOP MEETING on **September 8, 2008**, Administration Building, One Crest Way, Aberdeen, New Jersey.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Ms. Demarest called the Committee of the Whole Workshop Meeting to order at **7:03 PM**.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

III. STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Ms. Demarest 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. Barbato, Ms. Demarest, Dr. Gambino – (Arrive 7:04), Ms. Rubino
Mr. Ruprecht, Mr. Donaghue – (Arrived 7:26PM), Mr. Kenny – (Arrived
7:04), Mr. O’Connell – (Arrived 7:13PM)**

Absent:

Also Present: **Dr. O’Malley, Mr. Glastein, Mr. Gross, Ms. Irons**

V. PURPOSE OF MEETING

- Committee of the Whole Meeting

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. O'Malley stated it was a great opening to the new school year and everything went smoothly. The everyday math program has begun and the NWEA testing began in grades 3 through 8. Athletic programs are also due to begin.

VII. PROGRAM

Motion by _____ N/A _____, seconded by _____ N/A _____.

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

A. TRAVEL

- Dr. O'Malley discussed the travel of district employees to various workshops.
- A discussion arose about the QSAC workshop and who is conducting it.

1. **Pursuant to Travel Policy #4033**, the following staff is approved 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. **Effective September 23, 2008 (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. **Donation by the Ravine Drive PTO** of two Promethean Boards and one set of Activotes valued at \$10,500.

POLICY: 3280 Gifts, Grants, and Bequests

- Dr. O'Malley discussed the Promethean Boards being donated by the PTO.
2. **Approve *Educere, Inc.*** to provide access to virtual programs and courses and other educational services. **Effective September 23, 2008**
- The initial presentation was given by Ms. Ruscavage and Ms. Deluca. Administration narrowed its use down to AP courses, Summer School and Home Instruction. The President of the Teachers Union did not have a problem with the program but wanted to make some suggestions.
 - The location of the classes for the Educere program.
 - Classes offered by Educere would be in lieu of classes presently offered by the district and also supplement them. The grades earned for these courses will be not affect student rank or GPA. College credit would be earned for AP classes.
 - Students who receive free or reduced lunch could participate in the program at a reduced rate that would be funded by the district. The cost of the classes range from \$400 to \$1000 per student per course. Home instruction would be an additional cost to district, while the cost for the other programs would be paid for by the parents.
 - There are sufficient funds in the budget for Home Instruction.
 - Schedule adjustments can be made for students when scheduling conflicts arise. These adjustments will be made on a case by case basis.
 - Educere sends progress reports to monitor how the students are performing. If a parent is paying for the program they should be aware of the progress the student is making and how they are performing.
 - The district does not have teachers assigned to students who take classes from Educere. There will be a contact person within the Guidance office.
 - Payments made by the district will come from the NCLB Grant.
 - Students may take AP classes in areas that interest them.
 - Students may only take classes that the provider feels they have met certain standards in. Otherwise there are no restrictions.
 - Educere and the district is only offering the portal and AP credit.
 - The district is looking to start the Educere program as soon as possible.

RATIONALE: To provide our High School students with on-line learning opportunities offering more than a 1,000 courses in over 45 subject areas.

3. **Submission of the No Child Left Behind Subgrant** (Improving America’s School Act) (IASA) allocations fiscal year 2009 for \$501,357.00. **Effective September 23, 2008**
POLICY: 3280 Gifts, Grants, and Bequests

Title I, Part A:	Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Education Agencies	\$362,484.00
Title II, Part A:	Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting Fund	\$108,424.00
Title II, Part D	Enhancing Education Through Technology	\$3,010.00
Title III	Grants and Subgrants for English Language Acquisition and Language Enhancement	\$17,610.00
Title IV	Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act	\$9,829.00
		\$501,357.00

ACCOUNT: Fund 20

- The district received \$80,000 more in NCLB Aid than during 2007-2008.
- The NCLB funding was built into the 2008-2009 budget.

4. **Approve application with Aberdeen Fire Department** to apply for permit for open burning material to conduct bonfire on October 16, 2008. **Effective September 23, 2008.**

- A discussion took place about the bonfire. Some issues discussed were safety concerns and the possibility that the softball field could be damaged. The softball field was to be used because it has sprinklers and a fence to keep the students behind.
- The student body and faculty are very excited about the bonfire. It is good for school morale and spirit.
- Police will be present at the bonfire.
- The insurance company of the district does not have a problem with the bonfire as long as the Fire Department is in control and there is a fire hydrant in the area.
- The skin of the softball field may need to be re-skinned and the clay may also be damaged.
- Can another area be used in place of the softball field. Will be discussed with Mr. Martucci.

- Neighbors to the field will be notified about the bonfire.
- The cost to repair the field if damage does occur.

C. SPECIAL SERVICES

- The Out of District placements were discussed including the one that is court mandated.

1. **Students to attend out-of-district placements** for the 2008-2009 school program.
Effective September 3, 2008
POLICY: 6171.4 Special Education

STUDENT	AGE	CLASS	SCHOOL	REASON	COST	EFFECTIVE DATE
9906-001	16.6	Cognitive Impaired	Red Bank Regional High School	Continued Placement 08-09	\$11,300.00	09/03/08 (retroactive)
0408	16.8	Multiply Disabled	East Mountain School	Continued Services 08-09	\$59,335.50	07/01/08 (retroactive)
0011-002	10.10	Multiply Disabled	Commission for the Blind Level 1	Continued Services 08-09	\$1,600.00	07/03/08 (retroactive)
0806-004	5	Preschool Disabled	Commission for the Blind Level 2	Continued Services 08-09	\$3,900.00	07/03/08 (retroactive)

ACCOUNT: 11-000-100-566-09-2701-0

2. **Submission of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA-B)** combined for the fiscal year 2009. **Effective September 3, 2008 (retroactive)**
(PROGRAM ATTACHMENT 2)
POLICY: 3280 Gifts, Grants, and Bequests

Basic	\$771,890
Preschool	\$ 19,980

Account: Fund 20

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
N/A				

VIII. PERSONNEL AGENDA

MOTION BY Dr. Gambino, **SECONDED** BY Mr. O’Connell.

- Mr. Glastein discussed the personnel agenda.
- The accountant has waived benefits. Proof of coverage will need to be shown. She currently works at Accountemps.
- A discussion transpired regarding the skills and attributes of the accountant that set her apart from the 12 other applicants.
- The references for Mr. Farrell and his prior position which was a Principal.

The Superintendent recommends the following items for the Board of Education’s approval:

A. APPOINTMENTS

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

NAME	SCH	POSITION	No. Demo Lesson	STEP	SALARY/STIPEND	# INT	REPLACE REASON	EFF. DATE
ALPERN, NANCY, C.P.A.	CO	Accountant	N/A	N/A	\$55,000.00 (Pro-rated) (Benefits Waived)	13	Replacement (Stoveken) Revised Job Description	9/9/08 – 6/30/09
FARRELL, BRIAN	MA	Director of Middle School Accountability	N/A/	Step-04	\$117,710.00 (Pro-rated) Pending MRAA Negotiations	3	New (Glazer Rescission)	11/10/08 – 6/30/09

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
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B. PERSONNEL AGENDA

MOTION BY _____ N/A _____, SECONDED BY _____ N/A _____.

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

A. LEAVES OF ABSENCE

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

Originally family leave for Ms. Smith, now a personal leave.

NAME	SCH	POSITION	TYPE OF LEAVE	WITH/ W/O PAY	EFF DATE
FANTO, JOANN	CO	Secretary	Personal	Without	10/30/08 – 10/31/08 11/3/08 – 11/5/08 11/10/08
SMITH, MEREDITH	RD	Elementary Grade 1	Personal (Revised)	Without Pay/ Without Benefits	9/1/08 – 6/30/09

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NAME	SCH	POSITION	No. Demo Lesson	STEP	SALARY/ STIPEND	# INT	REPLACE REASON	EFF. DATE
TBD	MA	Teacher of Science	TBD	TBD	TBD (Pro-rated)	TBD	Silvestri (Retirement)	11/1/08 – 6/30/09
TBD	LR	Elementary Teacher (Replacement Position)	TBD	TBD	TBD (Pro-rated)	TBD	Anderson (Maternity Leave)	10/27/08 – 4/1/09

NOTE: The law on background checks requires ultimate clearance prior to any employment becoming final. Where applicable, employment is predicated upon receipt of final certification (s). Effective dates may be /subject to change due to availability.

RATIONALE: As indicated above.

COST: Per MRTA.

ACCOUNT: Contractual salaries.

EFFECTIVE DATE: **2008/2009** School year.

1. COLLEGE STUDENT(S) OBSERVER(S) – 2008/2009 school year

NAME	COLLEGE	COOPERATING TEACHER/ ADMINISTRATOR	SCHOOL/AREA
TARASCAVAGE, RACHEL	Kean University	Azuree Schnur	ST – Elementary STUDENT OBSERVER 20 Hours – FALL 2008
WEISSMAN, MARIBEL	Brookdale Community College	Sandra Rocco	CP – Pre-Kindergarten STUDENT OBSERVER 60 Hours – FALL 2008
OLIVERI, RYAN	East Stroudsburg University	Dawn D’Onofrio	HS – Physical Education Athletic Training Internship Fall 2008
DAMASKINOS, JESSICA	Brookdale Community College	Gail Bauwens	HS – Language Arts STUDENT OBSERVER 60 Hours – FALL 2008
ESTRELLA, JULIANA	Brookdale Community College	Mary Beth Smolokoff	MA – Special Education STUDENT OBSERVER 60 Hours – FALL 2008
NIEVES, ADRIANA	Brookdale Community College	Audrey Ramadan	CL – Elementary STUDENT OBSERVER 60 Hours – FALL 2008

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

COST: None

EFFECTIVE DATE: **2008/2009** School year

2. SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

- Salary adjustments for employees moving from bachelors degrees to bachelors +30 or from bachelors +30 to Masters degrees.
- A discussion took place regarding employees receiving degrees from accredited institutions. The Commissioner of Education lists the accredited institutions the U.S. Department of Education accredits them. All staff members received degrees from accredited institutions.
- Degrees earned from in-state as opposed to out of state institutions. On future agendas, Mr. Glastein will inform the Board of Education from which university/college the respective staff member earned their degrees on future agendas.

NAME	LOC	FROM	TO 2008/2009 Guide
MOUKKAR, CHRISTINA	MA	C-13 \$63,520.00	D-13 \$68,520.00
PICKENS, SAMUEL	HS	C-7.5 \$45,320.00	E-7.5 \$52,500.00
FEGAN, AMBER	HS	D-06 \$49,550.00	E-06 \$51,730.00

BLOOM, AMY	RD	D-03	\$48,950.00	E-03	\$51,130.00
McDEDE, MARIA	HS	C-04	\$44,150.00	D-04	\$49,150.00
MONRO, CHRISTINE	MA	C-11.5	\$55,130.00	E-11.5	\$62,310.00
MONRO, DAVID	MA	C-10	\$48,580.00	E-10	\$55,760.00

RATIONALE: Additional College Credits/Degrees Earned
 COST: Per MRTA Salary Guide
 ACCOUNT: Contractual Salaries
 EFFECTIVE DATE: **9/1/08 (Retroactive) 2008/2009** School year

3. VOLUNTEERS – St. John Vianney Students at LLOYD ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

NAME
CHRISTOPHER BURTON
KELLY CAPORASO
TAYLOR HRYNIEWSKI
JENNIFER MULVEY
SEAN RYNIEN

RATIONALE: As indicated above
 COST: None
 EFFECTIVE DATE: 9/22/08 – 1/31/09 - **2008/2009** School year

4. VOLUNTEERS – ACTIVITIES

NAME	ACTIVITY
JOSEPH PENDLE	Football
PAUL ZAMBITO	Football

RATIONALE: As indicated above
 COST: None
 EFFECTIVE DATE: **2008/2009** School year

5. VOLUNTEERS - SPEECH and DEBATE TEAM JUDGES

	NAME	NAME
1	BASTONE, LEONARDO	LECKNER, DAVID
2	BLASCO, DANA	MATHEW, ASHLEY
3	BETHEA, PALMA	MATHEW, ALYSSA
4	BETHEA, GARY	MILLER, EVAN
5	BOYNE, CHRISTINE	MONAGLE, PATRICIA
6	CHRISTIE, TERESA	MORSEY, CHRISTINE
7	DeNARDO, EMILY	NAISHTUT, ELIZABETH
8	DIAZ, JASMINE	OLIVER, ALICE
9	DICOVITSKY, RYAN	RIVERA, CHANTEL

	NAME	NAME
10	DONNELLY, MARY	SHMUKLER, ROMAN
11	EOVINO, KATE	SIDDIQI, JUDITH
12	GUEVARA, MARIA	URIBE, IVON
13	GUTKOWSKI, GLENN	VOYTENKO, DENYS
14	HOERNLE, CAROLE	VICARI, MARIE
15	HURD, EUGENE	WARSHAUER, STEVEN
16	HURD, JENNIFER	WASSERMAN, DAVID
17	JOHNSTON, KELLY	WEISSMAN, LINDA
18	LINDEN, CASANDRA	ZHANG, ZAO

RATIONALE: The above mentioned people have volunteered to Judge for the High School Speech & Debate Team at the Forensic Tournaments.

COST: None

EFFECTIVE DATE: **2008/2009** School year

6. EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

NAME	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	POSITION	STIPEND
WILLIAMS, DEVEEN	HS	CROWD CONTROL	Ticket Seller/Crowd Control	\$62.50/Game

RATIONALE: As indicated above

Cost: As indicated above

EFFECTIVE DATE: **2008/2009** School year

C. OTHER

- Ravine Drive School received additional staff due to the fact that more students have moved into the district. It was done to avoid teacher overloads

1. STAFFING ARRAY CHANGES - 2008/2009 School year.

NAME	FROM LOC/FTE	ASSIGNMENT	TO LOC/FTE	ASSIGNMENT	EFF DATE/ REASON
REYNOLDS, MARY ELLEN	CL - 1.00	Administrative Support Instructional Assistant – Personal (Shared)	ST – 1.00	Administrative Support Instructional Assistant – Personal	9/2/08 – TBD (Retroactive)
LYTTLE, BARBARA	RD – 1.00	Special Education Resource Program P/O	RD – 0.80 ST – 0.20	Special Education Resource Program P/O Special Education	9/2/08 – 6/30/09 (Retroactive)
COLLINS, SUSAN	CL – 1.00	Special Education BD Class	RD – 0.80 ST – 0.20	Special Education BD Class Special Education	9/2/08 – 6/30/09 (Retroactive)
PERULLO, DIANE	CL – 1.00	Administrative Support Instructional Assistant CI Class	RD – 1.00	Administrative Support Instructional Assistant CI Class	9/5/08 – 6/30/09 (Retroactive)

RATIONALE: As indicated above

COST: None
 EFFECTIVE: 2008/2009 School year

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
N/A				

XIV. FINANCE / TRANSPORTATION

Motion by _____ N/A _____, seconded by _____ N/A _____.

Ms. Irons went over the various items on the agenda.

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

A. BUSINESS OPERATIONS

- Bills Lists for September, 2008.** (Available for review in Board Secretary’s Office)
POLICY: 3326 Payment for Goods and Services

September, 2008, Hand Checks	\$	0
August, 2008, Payroll		686,090.14
September, 2008, Bills List		(Before Mtg.)
TOTAL:	\$	

- Transfer of Funds for July, 2008.** (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:

- The Report of the Treasurer** (Month ending **July 2008**) 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 July 2008** 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 **July, 2008**, 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 **July 31, 2008**; 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. **Routine Business Travel 2008-2009**

Policy: 4033 Travel/Reimbursable Expenses

Pursuant to Travel policy #4033, the following staff is approved for travel related to routine business for the 2008-2009 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Year Total</u>
Barbara Lyttle	Special Education Teacher	300.00
Susan Collins	Special Education Teacher	150.00
Jennifer Petillo	LDTCP, CL, RD	650.00
Mary Ann Cacapardo	Teacher ST to CL	275.00

6. **Resolution to Purchase Natural Gas Supply Services Through The Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (ACES) Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS. The Effective Period is from date of adoption through May, 2009.**

- The Borough of Matawan and Township of Aberdeen are currently not eligible to join the ACES program. The program is only available for Boards of Education. It may be possible to see an additional cost savings to the district if in the future if municipalities are able to join the Cooperative Bid.

7. **N.J.S.A. 18A:19-3 Verification of Claims, Demands**

The threshold for affidavit of claims and demands pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:19-3 was amended from \$150 to an amount that equals or exceeds 15% of the bid threshold amount established pursuant to N.J.S. 18A:18A-3. Claims and demands, except for payrolls and debt service, must be verified by affidavit, or by a signed declaration in writing, to the effect that the claims are correct in all particulars, that the articles have furnished or the services rendered and that no bonus has been given or received.

The Certified Purchasing Agent (Business Administrator) threshold for expenditures is \$29,000.00 therefore 15% of the bid threshold would be 4,350.00.

8. **Approve the acceptance of the nonpublic funds for the 2008-2009 school year.**

- Nonpublic Aid is held for the private schools by our district.

Nonpublic Textbook	12,010.00
Nonpublic Technology	8,400.00
Nonpublic Nursing	16,212.00
Chapter 192	1,991.00
Chapter 193	4,892.00

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
N/A				

XV. FACILITIES

Motion by _____ N/A _____, seconded by _____ N/A _____.

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

- A. To approve the Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Township of Aberdeen to include diesel fuel and non-leaded gasoline.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
N/A				

XI. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC RELATING TO BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

Various Aberdeen and Matawan residents made comments, expressed concern, and/or raised questions regarding the following items included in the agenda to which Dr. O’Malley, Mr. O’Connell, Ms. Demarest, Mr. Barbato, Mr. Gross and Ms. Irons responded.

Joey Warren, 7 Ithaca Court, Aberdeen

- Are the salary adjustments for teachers who earn higher degrees done so through statute or is they contractual. Dr. O'Malley stated they are contractual.
- The testing of student knowledge in areas other than those covered on State exams. He sees a disconnect in math scores in the classroom as compared to the HSPA exams. Dr. O'Malley stated the district did an audit of 5 random classes to look at grade inflation. Each grade is determined by the individual teacher and they assess the individual learning of the students. Ms. Demarest inquired if Mr. Warren meant if for example algebra final exams are the same for all classes.
- Commented on the staff appointments. Is the Superintendent is putting together his own team and if their accomplishments will show how well Dr. O'Malley is doing. Ms. Demarest stated Dr. O'Malley is putting together is own staff.
- Explanation for the delay in the teachers contract being released to the public and if would be available within a month. Mr. Gross stated that there was language that needed to be clarified but the draft was submitted last week.
- The timetable for the negotiations for the next teachers' contract . Mr. Gross stated that would occur within a year.

Ken Aitken, 65 Juniper Place, Aberdeen

- Commended Dr. O'Malley and the Administration for the smooth opening to the school year. Everyone was well prepared.

Bill Marinella, Lloyd Road Aberdeen

- Happy to see the accountant was hired for \$55,000. He doesn't want to see that salary go up tremendously.
- The use of the additional NCLB Grant funds to combat violence and the use of illegal drugs. Dr. O'Malley stated the Administration is in are process of evaluating how to best utilize the NCLB funds.
- The possibility of drug and alcohol testing for students, which has been brought up in the past. Should the public be made to decide. Pt .Pleasant currently has put alcohol testing procedures for students that do extracurricular school activities. The Board of Education should look into this as well. Ms. Demarest stated Ocean Township also has testing.

Laura Porter, Aberdeen

- Were the staffing array changes due to the establishment of a new BD class. Dr. O'Malley stated it was simply moving staff to meet needs. Mr.

Glastein stated the array should state Cliffwood School 80% of the time and not Ravine Drive.

XII. OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Zavorskas asked about the conference Dr. O’Malley was attending. Dr. O’Malley stated it was the National Conference for Superintendents.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Demarest stated the next board meeting will be held at the Cliffwood Avenue School.

Ms. Demarest stated a special education analysis was done.

Ms. Zavorskas questioned the cost of the analysis. Dr. O’Malley stated the cost was approximately \$900 to do a study on our special education program. The study compares how our district spends its special education funds to other districts of similar size. This includes Out of District Placements.

Ms. Demarest inquired if this information was available to public.

Ms. Zavorskas mentioned that the Monmouth County Board of Education had its first meeting and the issues of student drug and alcohol abuse were discussed.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION

Motion by Mr. Donaghue, seconded by Mr. Barbato. The Board went into Executive Session at **8:13PM**.

THE SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDS: That the Board of Education authorize an Executive Session for Personnel, Negotiations and Contract Matters.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
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XV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Donaghue, seconded by Ms. Rubino.

RECOMMEND: That the meeting be adjourned. The public portion of the Regular Action meeting adjourned at **8:05PM**.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
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Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Irons
Business Administrator/Board Secretary