

**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.

**ACTION MEETING** on **March 19, 2008**, Administration Building, One Crest Way, Aberdeen, New Jersey.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President Mr. O’Connell called the Regular action Meeting to order at **8:00 PM**.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE**

**III. STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE**

**Mr. O’Connell 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. Aitken, Mr. Barbato, Ms. Demarest, Mr. Donaghue, Dr. Gambino, Mr. Kenny (Arrived at 8:35 p.m.), Mr. O’Connell, Ms. Rubino, Ms. Zavorskas**  
Absent: **None**  
Also Present: **Dr. O’Malley, Mr. Glastein, Ms. Honnick, Ms. Pettineo, Ms. Irons**

**V. EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION**

None

**VI. MINUTES**

Motion by Ms. Zavorsaks, seconded by Dr. Gambino.

**THE SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDS:** That the Board of Education approve the minutes of the **January 28, 2008, Regular Action Meeting; February 19, 2008, Committee Meeting of the Whole and February 19, 2008, Executive Session; February 25, 2008, Regular Action Meeting and February 25, 2008, Executive Session; and March 4, 2008, Special Action Meeting.**

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>NAYS</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
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**VII. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**VIII. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

**Board President Mr. O’Connell spoke about the following in his report to the Board:**

- New Superintendent Dr. O’Malley and his accomplishments thus far.
- 2007 Standardized Test Results Analysis and Budget presentations to follow.
- 2008-2009 Budget.
- Anticipated accomplishments ahead.

**IX. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

**Superintendent Dr. O’Malley elaborated on the following in his report to the Board:**

- NJ Ask test given to students.
- Kindergarten registration.
- Classroom Close-up NJ and Great Reading Race program at Ravine Drive.
- LR student 4<sup>th</sup> round achievement in Central New Jersey Spell Down.
- Middle School production of Beauty and the Beast.
- High School National Forensics League State championship results.

**X. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT NEW AND ADDITIONAL NEW ITEMS.**

Motion by Ms. Zavorskas, seconded by Mr. Barbato.

**Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent on the following items that arose after meeting as a Committee of the Whole, the Board discussed and approved the following item:**

**A. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

- 1. The Board of Education approves the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION**  
**OPPOSING NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION’S PROPOSED**  
**CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW FACILITY**

**WHEREAS**, in May 2007, the New Jersey School Boards Association’s (NJSBA) Board of Directors approved an \$18 million plan to begin construction of a new headquarters and conference center and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 18A:6-45 requires all New Jersey school districts’ membership in the NJSBA, including the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional Board of Education, and

**WHEREAS**, all New Jersey school districts, including the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District, are required to pay membership dues to the NJSBA and

**WHEREAS**, the construction of the new facility will be funded in part by these membership dues and

**WHEREAS**, in the judgment of the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional Board of Education, the proposed construction costs are excessive and unnecessary given the current fiscal crisis in the State of New Jersey.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional Board of Education is opposed to the current construction plan for a new facility and would recommend that a new alternate facility plan be reviewed.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>NAYS</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
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Motion by Ms. Zavorskas, seconded by Mr. Barbato.

**Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent on the following items that arose after meeting as a Committee of the Whole, the Board discussed and approved the following items as explained and discussed:**

**B. PROGRAM**

**1. TRAVEL**

- b. Pursuant to **Travel Policy #4033**, the following staff is approved for travel related to training and seminars: **(Program Attachment 1)**

*POLICY: 4033 Travel/Reimbursable Expenses*

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

**C. PERSONNEL**

**1. RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS**

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

<b>NAME</b>	<b>LOC</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>REASON</b>	<b>DATE EMPL</b>	<b>EFF DATE</b>
<b>DRAKE, ROBERT</b>	HS	Head Custodian	Retirement	1/10/72	<b>7/31/08</b>

**2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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

**a. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>SCH</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>TYPE OF LEAVE</b>	<b>WITH/ W/O PAY</b>	<b>EFF DATE</b>
<b>DEAN, BRIAN</b>	HS	Teacher of Physical/Health Education	Personal	Without	<b>9/1/08 – 6/30/09</b>
<b>DOLINICK, MARY ELLEN</b>	LR	TEACHER OF ELEMENTARY	PERSONAL	W/O	<b>05/27/08-05/30/08</b>
<b>HUGHES, JESSICA</b>	MA	TEACHER OF LANGUAGE ARTS	PERSONAL	W/O	<b>06/02/08-06/13/08</b>
<b>LENGE, TATIANA</b>	MA	Teacher of Mathematics	Personal	Without	<b>4/25/08</b>
<b>SANTORO, DANIELLE</b>	ST	TEACHER OF SPECIAL EDUCATION	MEDICAL	W/O	<b>03/18/08-06/30/08</b>

**3. APPOINTMENT(S):**

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

**a**      **ADMINISTRATIVE INTERNSHIP (OBSERVER)**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>COOPERATING TEACHER ADMINISTRATOR</u>	<u>SCHOOL/AREA</u>
DIMARIO, JOSEPH	UNIVERSITY OF SCRANTON	JOSEPH MARTUCCI-	HS 115 HOURS – EDAM536
GODOWSKI, DONNA	COLLEGE OF ST. ELIZABETH	MICHELE RUSCAVAGE	HS 100 Hours – Educational Leadership Program – Field Intern
PROSS, KERRY	College of St. Elizabeth	Frank Liotti	HS – Administrative <b>100 Hours-Internship</b> Spring-Summer 2008

RATIONALE: Students will be able to complete course work requirements toward degree and certification.

COST: None

EFFECTIVE DATE **2007/2008** School year

**b.**      **COLLEGE STUDENT(S) OBSERVER(S)**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>COOPERATING TEACHER ADMINISTRATOR</u>	<u>SCHOOL/AREA</u>
SHAW, RACHEL	RAMAPO	Adrienne Scheuing	RD/Elementary

RATIONALE: Observation (Shadowing) needed for the Education Program

COST: None

EFFECTIVE DATE **2007/2008** School year

**D. FACILITIES**

1. The Board of Education approves the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE  
MATAWAN/ABERDEEN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Aberdeen, Monmouth County, New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency " has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

**WHEREAS**, on March 19, 2008 the Board of Education of the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District, County of Monmouth , State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** as follows:

**TITLE**

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Township of Aberdeen.

**AUTHORITY**

Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the President of the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

**CONTRACTING UNIT**

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

**CERTIFICATION**

BY:

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Lawrence O’Connell, Board President  
Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District  
Board of Education

ATTEST BY:

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Susan Irons, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District  
Board of Education

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>NAYS</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
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**XI. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE’S REPORT**

**Student Representative Ms. Alice Oliver spoke about the following in her report to the Board:**

- High School student participation in Monmouth County Teen Arts Festival.
- High School Annie Get Your Gun Musical.
- Chamber and Select Choir and Jazz band concerts.
- Sophomore Class Ring Night.
- High school Get Out and Vote campaign.
- Middle School Peer Leadership event.
- Jeans for teens.

**XII. PRESENTATIONS****A. 2006-2007 Standardized Test Results Analysis**

Ms. Honnick, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, delivered a Power Point presentation encompassing a detailed analysis of the District’s “2006-2007 Standardized Test Results.” (Presentation attached and available on the Web Site)

Members of the Board commented and raised various questions regarding specifics of the presentation including forecast capabilities, staff development, and details of what we are doing to increase student achievement. Ms. Honnick responded that our aim is to increase student achievement by putting into place standard based research supported curriculum programs and that RTI is in place to help students who are displaying academic difficulties with targeted interventions.

**B. 2008-2009 School Year Proposed Budget**

Superintendent of Schools Dr. O’Malley with the assistance of School Business Administrator Ms. Irons delivered a presentation to the public and the Board regarding the 2008-2009 Proposed School Budget. (Presentation attached) Dr. O’Malley explained that the Administration and Board of Education has worked hard to shape a solid educational plan which maintains all the programs that serve our students, plans for improvements in student achievements, provides fiscal accountability, and serves all children while fighting to balance needs against taxes.

Dr. O’Malley commented that this budget is academically and fiscally strong and urged the public to go out and vote.

A Board question and answer period followed the presentation during which the elimination of certain grants was discussed as well as the request for inclusion of a grant writer in the budget. Transportation costs, State adequacy, cost per pupil, State Aid, and the funding formula were also discussed.

Mr. O’Connell explained the process followed if the budget does not pass and goes to the municipalities where cuts will be made.

**XIII. 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 and Mr. O’Connell responded:

- Test scores and goals to reach 100% proficiency by 2014.
- Need to focus on Curriculum and Instruction.
- Suggestion that academically successful Districts be consulted as to what they do.
- Parental involvement in students’ education.
- District’s enrichment program.
- Tax impact of school budget and budget building process.
- Suggestion to cooperatively purchase textbooks.

**XIV. PUBLIC HEARING – 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR BUDGET**

MATAWAN-ABERDEEN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

**PUBLIC HEARING  
2008 – 2009 SCHOOL YEAR BUDGET**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2008**

**PLACE: Board of Education, One Crest Way, Aberdeen, New Jersey**

**A. ADOPTION OF 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR PROPOSED BUDGET**

Motion by Mr. Aitken, seconded by Mr. Donaghue.

**The Superintendent of Schools submits the following resolution for approval:**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District adopts and approves the submission of a **Proposed 2008-2009 School District Budget**, along with such required supporting documentation, as is necessary to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools as follows:

General Fund	58,804,562
Capital Outlay	649,224
Special Schools	101,605
Total Operating Budget	59,555,391
Total Grants & Entitlements	1,299,580
Debt Service	2,501,045
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>63,356,016</b>



BE IT RESOLVED to acknowledge that the 2008-2009 school year budget as described results in a general fund tax levy of **\$44,326,599** and a debt service tax levy of **\$2,478,605** for a total tax levy of **\$46,805,204**; and

BE IT RESOLVED in accordance with the N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(b), the maximum expenditure for travel for the 2008-2009 school year for all staff and board members is **\$75,225**.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>NAYS</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
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**XV. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. PROGRAM**

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

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

**1. TRAVEL**

- a. Pursuant to **Travel Policy #4033**, the following staff are approved for travel related to training and seminars: **(Program Attachment 1)**  
*POLICY: 4033 Travel/Reimbursable Expenses*

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

**2. OTHER**

- a. **Spring Athletic Schedule** for the 2007-2008 school year.  
*POLICY: 6145.2.1 Interscholastic Athletic Activities and Events (“Athletics Policy”)*  
**(Program Attachment 2)**

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

- b. **Overnight field trip** for the Matawan Regional High School Winterguard to Wildwood, NJ from Thursday, May 1, to Sunday May 4, 2008. **(Program Attachment 3)**  
*POLICY: 6153 Field Trips*

RATIONALE: The Winterguard will compete in our All Chapter Championships.

COST: Student expense and fundraising.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

- c. Approve the **2008-2009 School Calendar. (Program Attachment 4)**

*POLICY: 6111 School Calendar*

RATIONALE: As per Board of Education Policy.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>NAYS</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
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**B. PERSONNEL**

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

**After meeting as a Committee of the Whole with the Superintendent, the Board approved the following items with the exception of item 1 in Personnel 3e (Volunteers (Adults) - Activities:**

**1. RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS**

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

NAME	LOC	POSITION	REASON	DATE EMPL	EFF DATE
SCHULMAN, LORETTA	ST	School Library Media Specialist	Retirement	12/1/82	5/1/08
SINGER, JOYCE LYNN	HS	Teacher of the Handicapped	Retirement	9/1/74	6/30/08

**2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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

**b. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

NAME	SCH	POSITION	TYPE OF LEAVE	WITH/ W/O PAY	EFF DATE
BURDEN, COLLEEN	ST	Elementary Teacher	Personal	Without	3/18/08 – 3/28/08

**3. APPOINTMENT(S):**

- POLICY: 4111/4211 Recruiting, Selection and Hiring  
 4142/4242 Salary Checks and Deductions  
 4123 Substitute Teachers  
 Student Teachers/Interns  
 4213/4214 Assignment/Transfer*

**a. SUBSTITUTES**

<b>CATEGORY I</b>	<b>ACCOUNT: 11-XXX-100-101-XXXX-9</b>
<b>CATEGORY II</b>	
GERAN, THOMAS	Teacher All Grades K-12
LUNDE, REBECCA	Teacher All Grades K-12
SHIDORE, ASHWINI	Teacher All Grades K-12
YOUNIS, RANDA	Teacher All Grades K-12
<b>CATEGORY III</b>	
<b>CUSTODIANS</b>	<b>ACCOUNT #11-XXX-262-116-12-XXXX-9</b>
JOHNS, ROBERT	Custodian
MASTRICOVA MARYELLEN	Custodian
SCHRECK, JOANN	Custodian
<b>CHARTWELLS</b>	<b>ACCOUNT: 11-000-262-101-10-0000-1</b>
CLEARY, DONNA	Food Service
HARDOCK, KATHLEEN	Food Service
<b>CHANGE OF CATEGORY From Category II to Category I</b>	
TEWELL, SARAH	Teacher All Grades K-12
<b>CHANGE OF CATEGORY From Category III to Category I</b>	

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

RATIONALE: As noted above

ACCOUNT: As noted above

COST: Budgeted

EFFECTIVE DATE: **2007-2008 School year**

**b. CHAPERONES – LLOYD ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARTY**

NAME	NAME	NAME
DERICKS, CHRISTOPHER	ATTORELLI, RALPH	Mc GUINNESS, LINDA
GROSS, MICHELLE	CARNOVSKY, SHARON	CARUSO, EVE
Mc CULLOUGH, BONNIE	PAPPAS, JAMES	ZWIRKO, TRACEY
KEATS, NINA, RN		

*Note: This is in lieu of a formal promotion for all students at the same time in the school*

RATIONALE: As indicated above

COST: \$25.00/Hour – Three (3) Hours Maximum

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 2, 2008 (2007/2008 School year)

**c. EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

<b>EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES</b>						
<b>NAME</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>STEP</b>	<b>STIPEND 06/07 GUIDE</b>	<b>EFF. DATE</b>
<b>PRINZI, MARIA</b> <i>Replacing: Sheryl Kish – Maternity Leave</i>	STUDENT ACCOUNTS	ADVISOR	HS	N/A	\$1,220.00 (Pro-Rated)	4/24/08 – 6/30/08

RATIONALE: As indicated above

COST: As indicated above

EFFECTIVE DATE: **2007/2008** School year

**d. COLLEGE STUDENT(S) OBSERVER(S)**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>COLLEGE</b>	<b>COOPERATING TEACHER ADMINISTRATOR</b>	<b>SCHOOL/AREA</b>
<b>STELLUTO, JENNIFER</b>	<b>SETON HALL UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>KATHLEEN JOYCE</b>	<b>MA – SPECIAL EDUCATION 1 Day – Student Observer Spring 2008</b>
<b>NAME</b>	<b>COLLEGE</b>	<b>COOPERATING TEACHER ADMINISTRATOR</b>	<b>SCHOOL/AREA</b>
<b>SANDMAN, JENNA</b>	<b>WILLIAM PATTERSON UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>GERRY WELLS TERRY WALLICZEK</b>	<b>MA – FINE ARTS – MUSIC 3 Day – Student Observer March 17 – 19, 2008 (Retroactive) Spring 2008</b>
<b>HARNETT, CHRIS</b>	<b>EAST STROUDSBURY UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>ROBERT MALAVE MARIA Mc DEDE</b>	<b>HS – LANGUAGE ARTS 5 Day - Student Observer March 10 – 14, 2009 (Retroactive) Spring 2008</b>

RATIONALE: Students will be able to complete course work requirements toward degrees and certifications.

COST: None    EFFECTIVE DATE: **2007/2008** School year

e. **VOLUNTEERS (ADULTS) – ACTIVITIES**

NAME	ACTIVITY
JOHN ROGERS (HELD)	FOOTBALL* (08/09 Season)
CHRISTOPHER JONES	SOFTBALL
CHRISTOPHER DERICKS	BASEBALL

RATIONALE: As indicated above

COST: None

EFFECTIVE DATE: 2007/2008 and (\*) 2008/2009 School year

ROLL CALL VOTE:	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
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C. **FINANCE**

Motion by Mr. Aitken, seconded by Mr. Donaghue.

**After meeting as a Committee of the Whole with the Superintendent, the Board approves the follow items:**

1. **BUSINESS OPERATIONS**

a. **Bills Lists for March, 2008 as per Finance Attachments 1 and 2.**

*POLICY: 3326 Payment for Goods and Services*

February, 2008, Hand Checks	\$	299.74
March 19, 2008, Bills List		200,953.66
March 19, 2008, Bills List (Supplemental)	\$	1,511,489.53
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,712,742.93</b>

ACCOUNT: See Detailed List for Breakdown.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

b. **Budget Transfers (Program Line Accounts – February, 2008) as per Finance Attachment 3.**

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

ACCOUNT: See Finance Attachment 3 for Breakdown.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

- c. Report of the Treasurer** (Month ending **February, 2008**) which is in agreement with the Board Secretary’s Report as per **Finance Attachment 4.**

*POLICY: 3571 Financial Reports*

ACCOUNT: 11-000-251-104-11-0000-0

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

- d. Re-Organization Meeting**

The **Re-Organization Meeting** of the Board of Education will be held on **Wednesday, April 23, 2008, at 7:30 p.m.** just prior to the Regular Action Meeting at the Administration Building, One Crest Way, Aberdeen, New Jersey.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

- e. Stipulation of Settlement**

To approve the **Stipulation of Settlement** in the amount of **\$3,500.**

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>NAYS</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
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**D. FACILITIES**

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

**After meeting as a Committee of the Whole with the Superintendent, the Board approves the following items with the exception of Facilities Item 2 (Change Order) which will be tabled:**

- 1. Architectural Services for ADA Work**

To approve **Buck Simperts Architect + Associates, Inc. (BSA + A)** to provide architectural services for the installation of **three (3) retractable chair lifts** at the **Ravine Drive School** as per proposal.

COST: \$18,000 plus standard reimbursable expenses.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

**2. Change Order (TABLED)**

To approve the **Change Order # 1** as follows:

DATE	CONTRACTOR	CHANGE ORDER	DESCRIPTION	COST
2/12/08	G & M Eastern Contracting, Inc.	1	Re-roofing Cambridge Park Elementary School	\$9,800

RATIONALE: Additional roof insulation

COST: As noted above - \$9,800

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>NAYS</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
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**XVI. BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT**

Motion by Mr. Aitken, seconded by Dr. Gambino.

**The Board Secretary recommends that the Board approve the item listed below.**

**1. Board Secretary’s Financial Report**

*POLICY: 3571 Financial Reports*

- a. The Board of Education hereby accepts the Board Secretary’s Financial Report for the month of **February, 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.
- b. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2:13(e), the Board of Education certify that as of **February 29, 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 overexpended 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.

ACCOUNT: See Board Secretary’s Report for Breakdown.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2008

(This motion requires a roll call vote. A. Board Member voting in the non-affirmative is to submit his or her reasons in writing directly to the County superintendent of Schools on a form obtained from the Superintendent’s office. A stamped, pre-addressed envelope will also be provided).

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>NAYS</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
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**XVII. COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC RELATING TO ADDITIONAL CONCERNS**

- Councilman Mullaney from Matawan Borough welcomed Dr. O’Malley as new Superintendent of Schools and thanked him along with Ms. Irons for the presentation of the proposed Budget.

**XVIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Members of the Board discussed the following:**

- Test scores and a request for answers as to why test scores showed a significant drop.
- Achievements at Ravine Drive and Lloyd Road and student pride in schools.

**XIX. NEW BUSINESS**

**Comments were made by members of the Board on the following topics to which Dr. O’Malley responded:**

- Request for a banner to be hung in the middle school gym in honor of the middle school sports achievements.
- Fourth and fifth grade accomplishments at Lloyd Road.
- Successful reading and math programs at Ravine Drive.
- Mr. O’Connell’s accomplishments this year as Board President
- Board’s accomplishments this year.
- YMCA letter and program being initiated.

**XX. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mr. Barbato, seconded by Ms. Demarest.

**RECOMMEND:** That the meeting be adjourned. The Regular Action Meeting was adjourned at **12:05 a.m.**



<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>NAYS</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
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Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Irons  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary