

**Bass River Township Board of Education
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 17, 2009**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Bass River, County of Burlington, New Jersey was held at 7:07PM, Tuesday, November 17, 2009, at the Bass River Elementary School.

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Statement was read by Mr. Mr. Nutt. Notice of the meeting was published in the official Board of Education newspaper, The Press of Atlantic City, as well as posted on the bulletin board at Bass River Elementary School, and was filed with the Municipal Clerk of Bass River Township.

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mr. Nutt led the group in the pledge to the flag.

3. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Nutt
Members Absent: Mr. McGeoch
Administration Present: Mr. Larry Mathis, Superintendent
Mr. Stephen J. Brennan, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

4. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – N/A

5. MINUTES (Attachment #1)

Moved by Mr. Hamilton and seconded by Mrs. Cramer that the Board of Education approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2009.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum District Performance Review Presentation (Attachment #2)

Moved by Mrs. Cramer and seconded by Mrs. Gobosack that the Board of Education approve the submission of the NJQSAC DPR's and Statement of Assurances to the New Jersey Department of Education.

** DPR's are available for review in the BOE Office or on the school website**

Discussion: The Superintendent provided the Board with a review of the QSAC process. He presented his findings and results of the District's self-assessment. The approval of the item will allow the Superintendent to submit the DPR's to the Executive County Superintendent. An on-site visit from the Executive County Superintendent is scheduled for mid-January, 2010.

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Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

B. Moved by Mrs. Cramer and seconded by Mr. Hamilton that the Board of Education approve the 2009-2010 School Nursing Services Plan.

Discussion: The Superintendent clarified the content of the Nursing Report. Board suggested future reports should be more concise.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

C. FYI – Enrollment/Attendance Report (Attachment #4)

D. Substitutes

Motion was made by Mrs. Cramer and seconded by Mr. Hamilton that the Board of Education approve the following substitutes for the 2009-2010 school year:

Non-Instructional: Debbie Swanseen
Teacher: Carol DeBlasio

Discussion: The Superintendent fielded questions regarding the utilization of a substitute list.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

E. Bus Evacuation Report (Attachment #5)

Moved by Mrs. Gobosack and seconded by Mrs. Cramer that the Board of Education accepts the Bus Evacuation Report.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

7. BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

A. OLD BUSINESS - N/A

B. 1. NEW BUSINESS

Travel/Training (Attachment #6)

Moved by Mrs. Cramer, and seconded by Mrs. Hamilton that the Board of Education approve the attached seminars/workshops and all associated costs.

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Discussion: The Superintendent fielded several clarifying questions on the travel expenses.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. McGeoch and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

C. FOR YOUR INFORMATION

1. Shared Service Update

The Business Administrator and Superintendent provided the Board a brief update of the following:

- a) Business Office Inter Local Agreement
- b) Special Education Pilot Program

8. CORRESPONDENCE

None

9. BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

A. BUDGET TRANSFERS (Attachment #7)

Moved by Mr. Hamilton and seconded by Mrs. Cramer that the Board of Education approve the following:

Pursuant to 18a:22-8.1, the Business Administrator recommends the budgetary transfers.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

B. BOARD SECRETARY REPORT – September 30, 2009 and October 31, 2009 (Attachment #8)

Moved by Mrs. Gobosack and seconded by Mrs. Cramer that the Board of Education approve the following:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12(d), the Business Administrator certifies that as of September 30, 2009 and October 31, 2009, no budgetary line item accounts have been over-expended in violation of N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

C. TREASURER OF SCHOOL FUNDS REPORT – September 30, 2009 and October 31, 2009 (Attachment #8a)

Moved by Mr. Hamilton and seconded by Mrs. Cramer that the Board of Education approve the following: The September 30, 2009 and October 31, 2009 Treasurer of School Funds Reports are in agreement with the September

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30, 2009 and October 31, 2009 Reports of the Board Secretary.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

D. BOARD CERTIFICATION

Moved by Mrs. Cramer and seconded by Mrs. Gobosack that the Board of Education approve the following:

It is recommended that the Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:20.10(e), certify that as of September 30, 2009 and October 31, 2009 after review of the Board Secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriations section) and Treasurer's Reports and upon consultation with appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.12(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

E. BILLS LIST (Attachment #9)

Moved by Mrs. Cramer and seconded by Mrs. Gobosack that the Board of Education approve the Bills list for November 17, 2009.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

F. USE OF FACILITIES

Moved by Mrs. Cramer and seconded by Mr. Hamilton that the Board of Education approve the following use of facilities:

PTO	12/5/09	Craft Fair	All-Purpose Room
South Jersey Surf Baseball Club	11/23/09-3/29/10 (Mon)	Practice	All-Purpose Room
Bass River Educ. Incentive Trust	12/9/09		

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

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G. TRANSPORTATION

Moved by Mrs. Cramer and seconded by Mr. Hamilton that the Board approve the jointure listed below with Pinelands Regional School District to provide uninterrupted transportation for students impacted by Hammonton Road construction closure, starting November 16, 2009 and ending approximately December 23, 2009.

joiner school district	contractor	route #	destination	joiner cost
Bass River Elementary School	Durham School Services	BEXT	Bass River Elementary School	\$ 3,276.00

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

H. BOARD GOALS (Attachment #10)

Moved by Mrs. Cramer and seconded by Mrs. Gobosack that the Board of Education approve the 2009-2010 District Goals Action Plan and Professional Improvement Plan.

Discussion: The Superintendent provided an explanation on Board Goal construction process.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

I. INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Attachment #11)

Moved by Mrs. Cramer and seconded by Mr. Hamilton that the Board of Education accepts the Independent Auditor's Report, Auditor's Management Report on Administrative Findings, and resulting Corrective Action Plan for the year ended June 30, 2009.

Discussion: Mike Gross, Auditor, provided the Board with a presentation on the June 30, 2009 Audit Report and the fact that the Auditor's Management Report reflects no comments or recommendations.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

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10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Mr. Hamilton and seconded by Mrs. Cramer: “**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education meet in closed session at 8:12PM. The general nature of the subject(s) to be discussed are: collective bargaining issues. Item(s) so discussed will be disclosed to the public providing it does not violate New Jersey statutes and regulations regarding disclosure of information affecting this matter.”

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

Moved by Mr. Hamilton and seconded by Mrs. Cramer that the Board reconvene into Regular Session at 9:18PM.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

11. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – N/A

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mrs. Gobosack and seconded by Mr. Hamilton that the Board of Education adjourn the Board meeting at 9:19PM.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gobosack, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Nutt
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen J. Brennan, Board Secretary