
**The Somerset Hills School District
Public Input & Action Meeting Minutes –November 14, 2018**

Call to Order & Welcome

Mrs. Leiss called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

Pledge of Allegiance**Roll Call**

Present:		Absent:	Also Present:
Mr. Baker	Mr. McDonald	Ms. Sooy	Gretchen Dempsey
Ms. Burch	Mrs. Santoro		Jennifer Shouffler
Mr. DiGioacchino	Mrs. Tober		Heather Goguen
Mrs. Hoppe	Ms. Virtue		
Mrs. Leiss			

Executive Session

Mrs. Leiss moved the following at 6:30pm.

WHEREAS the “Open Public Meetings Act:” (Chapter 231 Laws of 1975) authorizes a public body to exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which specified topics are to be discussed under circumstances where the public consideration of such topics will clearly endanger the public, or where the personal privacy or guaranteed rights of individuals whose activities or affairs are to be discussed would be clearly in danger of unwarranted invasions, and

WHEREAS the matters about to be presented for discussion clearly meet the “circumstances” test of such Act:

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Somerset Hills now adjourns its public session to reconvene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the following: Personnel, Student Matters, Contracts, and Litigation.

And, be it further,

RESOLVED that the discussion in Executive Session be disclosed when the Board’s consideration of the subject matter has been closed, or that such matter does not adversely affect the rights of prospective, current, or past public officers, or personnel of the Board, unless such individuals have in writing requested the disclosures of such discussion at a public meeting and provided such a public disclosure will no longer clearly endanger the public interest.

Mr. DiGioacchino seconded. The Board returned to Public Session at 7:30pm.

Correspondence

1. Letter from the NJ Office of Fiscal Accountability regarding the Compliance of Final Audit Report
2. Letter from Substitute Teacher

Report of the Superintendent

1. Student Representative - Kendall Gilvar reported on student activities, academics, and athletics.
2. BHS - Implementation Update - Dr. Neigel spoke about the implementation of the Random Drug Testing
3. Student/Staff recognition -
 - a. Dr. Dempsey congratulated Sara Sooy for winning Freeholder and Janis Virtue and Jamie Leiss for being re-elected to the Board.

- b. Dr. Dempsey recognized the Bernardsville Middle School Forensic Team for placing in the NJ Forensics League Competition- First Place: Evie Berg - Improvisation, and Arden Adeo -Prose. Raquel Dickinson took second place in Prose and Improvisation.
4. Academic report- Strategic Planning - Dr. Dempsey presented on the progress of the Strategic Plan

Public Questions & Comments

None

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Minutes*

Mrs. Leiss moved that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the Public Input & Action and Executive meeting minutes for October 17, 2018. Mrs. Hoppe seconded. Minutes were approved by a roll call vote of 9-0.

Finance

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Mr. Baker gave the report. The committee met on November 13, 2018.

B. Action Items:

Mrs. Santoro spoke about canning as a fundraiser under item #6-d. She asked the Board for feedback regarding this as a fundraiser. Mrs. Tober made a motion to remove 6-d, Mr. McDonald seconded. Item 6-d was removed by a roll call vote of 8-0.

Mr. Baker moved items #1-10 (minus 6-d).

Mr. DiGiacchino seconded. All items were approved by a roll call vote of 9-0.

1. Board Secretary & Treasurer Reports & Board Certification*

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has received the Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month of **November** showing the following balances:

FUND	Board Secretary Cash Balance (1)	Treasurer Cash Balance (2)
(10) General Fund	\$7,289,647.02	\$7,289,647.02
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$177,224.57	\$177,224.57
(30) Capital Projects Fund	\$1,036,437.20	\$1,036,437.20
(40)Debt Service Fund	\$116,236.73	\$116,236.73
Total Government Funds	\$8,619,545.52	\$8,619,545.52

(1) From Secretary's Report

(2) From Treasurer's Report

WHEREAS in compliance with N.J.A.C.6A: 23-2.1(c)3 the secretary has certified that, as of the date of the report(s), no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education, now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the above referenced report and certifications and orders that they be attached to and made part of the record of this meeting, and be it FURTHER RESOLVED, in compliance with N.J.A.C.6A: 23-3.11(c) 4, the Board of Education certifies that, after review of the secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriation section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of its knowledge, no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A: 23-2.11(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the year.

2. Approve 2018-2019 Budget Transfers*

Resolved that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the attached list of budget transfers for October, 2018.

3. Payment of Bills*

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented attached check registers for **October** with the recommendation that the checks be paid, and

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, that the following bills be paid and an itemized list be filed with the minutes of this meeting:

FUND	AMOUNT
(10) General Fund	\$2,948,218.67
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$5,278.00
(30) Capital Projects Fund	\$4,815.23
(40) Debt Service Fund	-
(60) Cafeteria Fund	-
(90) Agency Fund	\$1,036,366.99
TOTAL	\$3,994,678.89

4. Payment of Bills*

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented attached check registers for **November** with the recommendation that the checks be paid, and

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, that the following bills be paid and an itemized list be filed with the minutes of this meeting:

FUND	AMOUNT
(10) General Fund	\$552,839.43
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$74,016.97
(30) Capital Projects Fund	\$5,080.84
(40) Debt Service Fund	-
(60) Cafeteria Fund	-
(90) Agency Fund	-
TOTAL	\$631,937.24

5. Membership in New Jersey School Insurance Group Educational Risk & Insurance Consortium*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve membership in New Jersey School Insurance Group Educational Risk & Insurance Consortium - North, pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:18B-3a, for a period of three years from July 1, 2018 - July 1, 2021 for insurance coverage and risk management.

6. Approve Parent Organization Fundraiser*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following parent organization fundraiser for the 2018-2019 school year:

	Organization	School	Event	Date
a	PAC Parents	BHS	20% of sales @ Bling By Design to be donated to BHS fall drama.	10/13 & 10/27
b	BHS Booster club baseball	BHS	Selling shorts or other merchandise	Spring 2019

c	BHS Booster club baseball	BHS	Baseball and Softball at Claremont Tavern	Jan/Feb 2019
d	BHS Booster club baseball	BHS	Canning at local supermarkets to support spring training trip to Orlando FL	February 2019
e	Somerset Hills Ice Hockey Association	BHS	Ad Journal-Business place ads in the program	Oct 24
f	Somerset Hills Ice Hockey Association	BHS	Dining out - restaurants donate portion of sales	ongoing
g	Somerset Hills Ice Hockey Association	BHS	Gift card sales - portion of sales goes to the team	ongoing
h	Somerset Hills Ice Hockey Association	BHS	Shopping days - stores donate a portion of sales	ongoing

7. Special Education Evaluations and Translations

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following facilities to conduct evaluations for the 2018-2019 school year:

Provider	Service	Location
Dr. Mutsanswami	Psychiatric Evaluations	East Brunswick, NJ
Dr. Haley Cohen	Psychiatric Evaluations	Green Brook, N.J.

8. Approve NJ Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance Final Audit Report*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves and accepts the final report of the Review of the District Report of Transported Resident Students as of October 14, 2016 and Review of Extraordinary Aid for Special Education Costs-FY 2016-2017, Chapter 192/193 Project completion Report- FY 2016-2017, OFAC Case#SAUU-3-18. After reconsideration, a total decrease of \$48,448 will be deducted from remaining FY 2018-2019 state aid payments.

9. Approve Lease Purchase Agreement*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education authorizes to utilize the Hunterdon County ESC state approved contract #34HUNCCP HCESC Bid #18/19 TELP Small Ticket Tax Exempt Lease Purchase Program in the amount of \$64,711.32 for 5 years at an interest rate of 5.11% for the purchase of a 24 passenger bus.

10. Accept Donation*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education accept a donation of an AED from Atlantic Health System for Bernards High School at a value of \$1,126.50.

Curriculum

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Ms. Virtue gave the report. The committee met on November 6.

B. Action Items: Mr. McDonald and Mr. DiGioacchino had questions about the AP Geography Class. Mr. McDonald made a motion to table Curriculum item #5, Mrs. Tober seconded. Item 5 was tabled by a roll call vote of 7-0. Ms. Virtue moved items #1-4 and #6-7. Items #1,3,6 & 7 were approved by a roll call vote of 9-0. Items # 2,4, & 5 were approved by a vote of 8-0.

1. Approve Field Trips*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following field trips:

	School	Trip	# of Students	# of Faculty	# of Chaperones
a	BHS	Madrigals: The White House - Washington, DC	23	4	1
b	BHS	Photo Club and Photo Classes: Metropolitan Museum, NYC	40	3	2
c	BHS	Physics Classes: Six Flags Great Adventure - Jackson, NJ	205	5	10

2. Approve Field Trips

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following field trips:

	School	Trip	# of Students	# of Faculty	# of Chaperones
a	BMS	Robotics Club: Liberty Science Center - Jersey City, NJ	2-10	2	
b	BES	Grade 3(a): Environmental Education Center at Lord Stirling Park - Basking Ridge, NJ	40	3	6
c	BES	Grade 3(b): Environmental Education Center at Lord Stirling Park - Basking Ridge, NJ	40	3	6
d	BES	Grade 3(c): Environmental Education Center at Lord Stirling Park - Basking Ridge, NJ	40	3	7
e	BES	Kindergarten classes: RVCC - Branchburg, NJ	87	7	14
f	BMS	Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum - NYC	113	11	5

3. Approve Professional Development*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following professional development:

	School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Est. Cost
a	BHS	Violillo, Maddalena	Teachers as Scholars - Princeton, NJ	\$350
b	BHS	O'Brien, Janice	Practices to Engage and Empower Readers and Writers - Philadelphia, PA	\$249
c	BHS	Welter, Lynn	Practices to Engage and Empower Readers and Writers - Philadelphia, PA	\$347.90
d	BHS	Dolson, Margaret	NJASL 2018 Fall Conference - Long Branch, NJ	\$179.15
e	BHS	Hogge, Jay	NJ Council for History Ed. Conf. - Princeton, NJ	0
f	District	Vaught, Teresa	Restraint Training - New Providence, NJ	\$90.00
g	BHS	Neigel, Scott	Safe Schools, Safe Futures: k-12 School Threat Assessment Training - Hamilton, NJ	0
h	District	Fischer, Susan	Units of study in reading and the NJ PARCC - Somerset, NJ	\$165
i	District	Vaught, Teresa	Safe Schools, Safe Futures: k-12 School Threat Assessment Training - Hamilton, NJ	0
j	BHS	Teets, Ashley	Student-Centered Learning in Mathematics	\$154.12

k	District	Winch, Jason	Enterprise Reporting for Apex Report Builders - online	\$150
l	BHS	Monroe, Sky	Teachers as Scholars - Princeton, NJ	\$387.20
m	BHS	Venezzio, Maria	Teachers as Scholars - Princeton, NJ	\$350
n	BHS	Albanese-DeMair, Christine	Teachers as Scholars - Princeton, NJ	\$186.03
o	District	Hoppe, Mike	After School Emergency Training - Martinsville, NJ	0
p	BHS	Ferrara, Jim	Am. Accoc. Of Physics Teachers - Houston, TX	\$120
q	BHS	Dolson, Margaret	Center for Literacy Development - New Brunswick, NJ	\$150
r	BHS	Dolson, Margaret	Center for Literacy Development Speakers Series - New Brunswick, NJ	\$150
s	BHS	Snyder, Allison	Center for Literacy Development Speakers Series - New Brunswick, NJ	\$150
t	BHS	Snyder, Allison	Center for Literacy Development Kylee Beers - New Brunswick, NJ	\$150
u	District	Neigel, Scott	Legal One - Conduct Away from School Grounds - New Providence, NJ	0
v	BHS	Szostak, David	NJ Council for History Education - Princeton, NJ	\$80
w	BHS	Simoneau, Jon	Frank Glazier Football Mega Clinic - Atlantic City, NJ	\$278.29
x	District	Vaught, Teresa	Educational Stability and Community Resources - Flemington, NJ	0
y	BHS	Sosely, Anna	NJIT Counselor Day - Newark, NJ	0
z	District	Shouffler, Jen	Legal One Affirmative Action Officer Training - Monroe Twp, NJ	\$450
aa	BHS	Vassil, Cheryl	NECTFL - New York, NY	\$305
bb	District	Fisher, Susan	Northern NJ ELA Supervisor Meeting - Parsipanny, NJ	0
cc	District	Fischer, Susan	Legal one - Beyond Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation - Monroe, NJ	\$150
dd	District	Fischer, Susan	Legal One Corrective Actions Plans and Progressive Supervision - Egg Harbor, NJ	\$150
ee	District	Neigel, Scott	Law Enforcement Conference - Branchburg, NJ	0
ff	District	Kolmer, Grant	Reinventing and Reimagining the High School Mathematics Classroom	\$175
gg	District	Kolmer, Grant	Legal One Social Media and Cyberbullying issues in schools - New Providence, NJ	\$150

4. Approve Professional Development

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following professional development:

	School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Est. Cost
a	BMS	McGovern, Courtney	Teachers as scholars - Princeton, NJ	\$357.56
b	BES	Brooten, Darcey	TC, NYC - Maximizing Math and Literacy	\$85
c	BES	Forsythe, Cynthia	TC, NYC - The Biggest Labsite Ever	\$70
d	BES	Kostelak, Andrea	TC, NYC - The Biggest Labsite Ever	\$102.50
e	BES	Leonard, Melissa	Rutgers Gifted Education Conference - New Brunswick, NJ	\$189

f	BES	Sheehan, Carolyn	TC, NYC -Reading Nonfiction and Writing Information Books	\$144.02
g	BES	Brooten, Darcey	Qatar Foundation International Educator Study - Asia, Arabian Peninsula	0
h	BMS	McGinn, Jessica	Girls Lacrosse Executive Meeting - Robbinsville, NJ	0
i	BMS	St.Ours, Elizabeth	Innovative, New Activities for Strengthening your P.E. Program - West Orange, NJ	\$259
j	BES	Anthony, Lydia	Accommodations and Modifications for students w IEPs in Related Arts - New Providence, NJ	\$139.65
k	BES	Anthony, Lydia	2019 NJMEA State Conference - East Brunswick, NJ	\$191.39
l	BES	Shimko, Maria	Restraint Training - New Providence, NJ	\$90.00
m	BES	Schaefer, Dianne	Restraint Training - New Providence, NJ	\$90.00
n	BES	Parciak, Marianne	Restraint Training - New Providence, NJ	\$90.00
o	BES	d'Anunciacao, Jessica	Restraint Training - New Providence, NJ	\$90.00
p	BES	Jones, April	Restraint Training - New Providence, NJ	\$90.00
q	BES	Hildebrandt, Patty	Restraint Training - New Providence, NJ	\$90.00
r	BES	Morin, Jackie	Restraint Training - New Providence, NJ	\$90.00
s	BES	Kirchner, Karil	Restraint Training - New Providence, NJ	\$90.00
t	BMS	Russo, Dawn	Units of study in reading and the NJ PARCC - Somerset, NJ	\$165
u	BMS	Ryan, Suzanne	Enhance Effective Medical Emergency Response Teams - Fairfield, NJ	\$295
v	BES	Crowley, Sue	Winners: A look at the best books for children - Whippany, NJ	\$209
w	BMS	Gilly, Zoltan	Increase your Students Communicative Proficiency - Newark, NJ	\$269
x	BES	Thurlow, Allen	Teachers as Scholars - Princeton, NJ	\$362.71
y	BMS	Froysland, Megan	Differentiated Instruction in Math - New Brunswick, NJ	\$205
z	BMS	Schmitt, Lauren	Fraction and Decimal Concepts and their Calculation - New Brunswick, NJ	\$205
aa	BES	d'Anunciacao, Jessica	MUJC Behavioral Disabilities Symposium - New Providence, NJ	0
bb	BMS	Jacobs, Heather	AMTNJ 10th Annual Special Education and Mathematics Conference - Jamesburg, NJ	\$169
cc	BMS	de Jaager, Frederick	AMTNJ 10th Annual Special Education and Mathematics Conference - Jamesburg, NJ	\$169
dd	BMS	Cosimano, Nicholas	TC, NYC - Critical Study Skills for Teen Researchers	\$70
ee	BMS	Tresslar, Kristene	TC, NYC - Critical Study Skills for Teen Researcher	\$143.63

ff	BES	Maddaluna, Patricia	Developing Number Concepts and Number Sense - New Brunswick, NJ	\$204.30
gg	BES	Angri, Dave	Developing Number Concepts and Number Sense - New Brunswick, NJ	\$195
hh	BES	Reed, Pat	Problem-based learning: Focus on Fractions - New Brunswick, NJ	\$103.29
ii	BES	Sheehan, Carolyn	Fractions and Decimal Concepts; and their Calculations - New Brunswick, NJ	\$208.21
jj	BMS	McGovern, Courtney	Makerspaces - TCNJ Ewing, NJ	\$212.09
kk	BES	Falzarano, Sarah	TC, NYC -Mindsets for Learning: Teaching Strategies for Joyful, Independent Growth	\$115

5. Approve New Courses* **TABLED**

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following new courses for the 2019-2020 school year:

AP Human Geography, Mathematics Test Prep, and English Language Arts Test Prep.

6. Approve Course Sequence*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the updated high school journalism course sequence:

Introduction to Journalism (semester)

Journalism 1 (full year)

Journalism 2 (full year)

Publications Honors (full year)

7. Approve Professional Development*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following professional development:

	School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Est. Cost
a	District	Dempsey, Gretchen	Collaboration with Superintendents from across the country - New Orleans, LA	0

Facilities & Operations

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Mr. DiGiacchino gave the report. The committee met on Nov. 7.

B. Action Items: Mr. DiGiacchino moved items #1 & 2, Ms. Burch seconded. Item #1 was approved by a roll call vote of 9-0, item #2 was approved by a vote of 8-0.

1. HIB Report*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education reviewed the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying cases presented on October 17, 2018 and upheld the findings and/or consequences recommended by the Superintendent.

2. Middle School Recess Area

Bid Responses were due to the Bernardsville Olcott Building in the Olcott Conference Room located at 25 Olcott Avenue, Bernardsville, NJ on Thursday, November 8, 2018 at

11:00 PM for the High School Walkway Project. Heather Goguen, Business Administrator, Doug Lucas, Facilities Director, William Bannister, Architect, and William Ross, Architect were present. The following are the results:

Name Of Company	Base Bid	Alternate 01	Total
V&K Construction, Inc.	\$223,000	\$53,000	\$276,000
Halecon, Inc.	\$265,000	\$27,000	\$292,000
Your Way Construction, Inc.	\$272,260	\$53,600	\$325,000
DeSapio Construction, Inc.	\$346,800	\$46,300	\$393,100

WHEREAS, the Board publicly advertised for bids for the Bernardsville Middle School Play Area ("Project") pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4; and

WHEREAS, four bids were received and public opened on November 8, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the bids submitted by V&K Construction, Inc. and Halecon, Inc. are not responsive as they each contain a material defect; and

WHEREAS, the bids submitted by Your Way Construction, Inc. and DeSapio Construction, Inc. exceed the cost estimates for the Project;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby rejects the bids submitted by V&K Construction, Inc. and Halecon, Inc. as not responsive and hereby rejects the bids submitted by Your Way Construction, Inc. and DeSapio Construction, Inc. pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22(a) as those bids exceed the cost estimates for the Project; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the Business Administrator to publicly advertise the Project for another bid.

Policy

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Ms. Virtue gave the report. The committee met on Nov. 7.

B. Action Items: Mr. McDonald would like to see our 8th graders go to Washington, DC.

Ms. Virtue moved items #1 & 2, Mrs. Hoppe seconded. Items 1 & 2 were approved by a roll call vote of 9-0.

1. First Reading*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the first reading of the following policies and regulations:

Policy/Regulation #	Title
P 0142.1	Nepotism (M)
P 0143	Board Member Election and Appointment
P 0167	Public Participation in Board Meetings
P 0168	Recording Board Meetings
P 0172	Duties of Treasurer of School Monies
P 1310	Employment of School Bus. Admin.

P 2361	Acceptable Use of Computer Networks/Computers and Resources (M)
P 2414	Programs and Services for Students in High Poverty and in High Need School Districts (M)
P 2431	Athletic Competition (M)
P 3111	Creating Positions
P 3124	Employment Contract
P 3125.2	Employment of Substitute Teachers
P 3126	District Mentoring Program
P 3141	Resignation
P 3144	Certification of Tenure Charges
P 3159	Teaching Staff Member/School District Reporting Responsibilities
P 3230	Outside Activities
P 3231	Outside Employment as Athletic Coach
P 3437	Military Leave
P 4146	Nonrenewal of Nontenured Support Staff
P 4159	Support Staff Member/School District Reporting Responsibilities
P 4230	Outside Activities
P 4437	Military Leave
P 5305	Health Services Personnel
P 5514	Student Use of Vehicles on School Grounds
P 6480	Purchase of Food Supplies (M)
P 7424	Bed Bugs
P 7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools
P 9541	Student Teachers/Interns
R 3126	District Mentoring Program
R 3144	Certification of Tenure Charges
R 4146	Nonrenewal of Nontenured Support Staff Employment Contracts
R 4160	Physical Examination (M)
R 7101	Educational Adequacy of Capital Projects
R 7424	Bed Bugs

2. Second Reading*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies and regulations:

Policy/Regulation #	Title
R 5430	Class Rank

P 5440	Honoring Pupil Achievement
R 5440	Honoring Pupil Achievement

Personnel

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Mrs. Leiss gave the report. The committee met on Nov. 6.

B. Action Items: Mrs. Leiss moved items 1-15; Mrs. Tober seconded. Items # 1-7, 9, 12-15 were approved by a roll call vote of 9-0; items #8, 10 & 11 were approved by a vote of 8-0.

1. Accept Resignation*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education accept the resignation of the following employee:

	Name	School	Position	Effective
a	Flores, Gina	BHS	School Psychologist Leave Replacement	10/26/18
b	Berardi, Anne	BES	School Nurse	12/31/2018
c	Lukach, Maryann	BHS	School Secretary	11/18/18
d	Milford, Marlene	BHS	School Bus Driver	11/9/18

2. Approve Appointment Non-Certified Staff*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of the following non-certified staff for the 2018-2019 school year: subject to further investigation pursuant to law.

	Name	School	Position	Salary	Effective
a	Rivera, Darren	District	Bus Aide	\$18.00/hour	10/29/18
b	Grasso, Loriann	District	Bus Driver	\$23.15/hour	11/5/18

3. Approve Co-Curricular Positions*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following co-curricular positions for the 2018-2019 school year:

	Name	School	Position	Stipend
a	Astrologo, Taylor	BHS	Cheerleading Fall: Head	\$7,200
b	Astrologo, Taylor	BHS	Cheerleading Winter: Head	\$7,200
c	Carmon, David	BHS	Open Gym: Winter	\$2,000

4. Approve Substitutes*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following substitutes for the 2018-2019 school year: subject to further investigation pursuant to law:

	Name	Position	Certification
a	Cosentino, Eric	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Certificate
b	Kotz, Lisa	Bus Aide	N/A
c	DiSabato, Felicia	Bus Aide	N/A
d	Mayer, Pamela	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Standard
e	Bosworth, Sharon	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Standard
f	Brennan, Rosemary	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Certificate

g	Carlisle, Christopher	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Certificate
h	Connell, Noelle	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Certificate
i	Curcio, Marissa	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Certificate
j	Feder, Caryn	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Standard
k	Fernando, Maria	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Certificate
l	Infusion, Deborah	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Standard
m	Lewis, Danette	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Standard
n	Shoji, Olivia	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Certificate
o	Wieczorek, Renee	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Certificate
p	Hall, Rachel	Nurse	Nursing License

5. Approve Parenthood Leave*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following parenthood leave for the 2018-2019 school year:

Name	School	Position	Date
Morris, Ashley	BHS	Teacher	4/22/19 - 6/30/19

6. Amend Parenthood Leave*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education amend the following parenthood leave dates for the 2018-2019 school year:

Name	School	Position	Start Date	End Date
Camuto, Lisa	BHS	Math	9/1/2018	6/30/2018

7. Approve updated Job Descriptions*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following Job Descriptions:

Accounts Payable Clerk - confidential

Business Office Assistant - confidential,

Business Office Assistant - confidential/payroll

8. Approve Mentor

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following mentor for the 2018-2019 Provisional Teacher Program to be paid at the rate of \$550 for the year.:

Dawn Russo- a mentor for Melissa Gutkin

9. Approve Observation*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following observation for the 2018-2019 school year:

	Student Observer	Schools	School	Date
a	Peterkin, Sofia	Rutgers	BHS	Fall 2018
b	Elliott, Owen	Penn State	BHS	Fall 2018

10. Accept Resignation

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education accept the resignation of the

following employee:

	Name	School	Position	Effective
a	Maurice, Kathleen	BES	Bedwell Nurse Part Time	12/12/2018
b	DiBenedetto, Kelly	BES	Preschool ABA Teacher	1/13/2019

11. Approve Appointment Non-Certified Staff

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of the following non-certified staff: subject to further investigation pursuant to law:

	Name	School	Position	Replace	Step	Salary	Effective
a	Pagel, Courtney	BES	Paraprofessional Regular B *2 days per week (W,F)*	Gopinath	1	\$14.82/Hr	11/28/18
b	Jacobs-Deutsch, Jennifer	BES	Paraprofessional	New Position	1	\$15.70/Hr	11/26/18

12. Approve Co-Curricular Positions*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following co-curricular positions for the 2018-2019 school year: subject to further investigation pursuant to law:

Name	School	Position	Stipend
Johnson, Javon	BHS	Drama: Fall Assistant Director	\$2000

13. Approve Substitutes*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following substitutes for the 2018-2019 school year: subject to further investigation pursuant to law:

	Name	Position	Certification
a	Johnson, Javon	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Certificate
b	Guarneros, Daisy	Custodian	N/A
c	Poandl, Diane	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Certificate

14. Approve Volunteer*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following volunteer for the 2018-2019 school year: subject to further investigation pursuant to law:

	Name	School	Volunteer
a	Kerwin, Brian	BHS	Basketball: Men's JV
b	Vitollo, Michael	BHS	Wrestling

15. Amend Transportation Employees*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education Amend the salary of the following transportation employees for the 2018-2019 school year, effective as of November 16, 2018:

Last Name	First Name	Job Title	\$ Hourly Rate
Bartow	Lillian	Transportation Driver	\$30.00/hour
DeAngelo	Frances	Transportation Driver	\$30.00/hour
Gamarra	Marianella	Transportation Driver	\$27.00/hour
Godard	Sterne	Transportation Driver	\$30.00/hour
Grasso	LoriAnn	Transportation Driver	\$30.00/hour
Vail	Peggy	Transportation Driver	\$30.50/hour

Community Relations Committee

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Mrs. Tober gave the report. The committee met on Nov. 12.

B. Action Items

Public Questions & Comments

1. Jon Simoneau spoke about inclusion and said that as a teacher and coach, it is at an all-time high in terms of unified sports and co-curricular. He also spoke about the canning. It is not panhandling; kids offer to load groceries, talk about their games, etc.
2. Sara Falzarano said students need to get something out of fundraising. There are many fundraisers that don't have students doing anything. Canning gets students to talk to adults. Canning is better than having to buy something. Maybe guidelines should be implemented for the canning.
3. Alice Struebel is very happy about the Bedwell garden incorporated into the curriculum. The after-school garden club has about 40 students. She would like the board to consider how it will be sustained over time.
4. Lila Snyderman said she is politically active. She wants to know if there is a platform for students to voice their opinions. She commented on the Human Geography course, recycling program, Peer Leaders, the Spanish program, the drug testing program and mental health programs. She would like there to be more counselors available.
5. Sam Frenda spoke about the tabling of the Human Geography class. She also spoke about mental health and wants more counselors.
6. Lou Palma is happy to hear we will have an agreement with Bedminster.

Supplementary Matters

1. Mr. McDonald spoke about programs/resources for youth employment.
2. Mr. McDonald wanted to recognize Mr. DiGiacchino for the Lou Palma Award and for being so generous to the first recipient.
3. Mr. DiGiacchino suggested parents hire students for work at their homes. Dr. Dempsey said that we need to be mindful about the safety and security of our students.

4. Mr. DiGiacchino thanked Sam Frenda for her presentation.
5. Mrs. Tober announced that the H.S.A. is having a Pancake Breakfast and Holiday Shop on December 1 at the Bedwell School.
6. Ms. Virtue commented that seven Board members and administrators attended the NJ School Boards Convention and all felt they learned a lot of relevant information.

Adjournment

Mr. McDonald moved to adjourn at 10:03, Ms. Burch seconded. The meeting was adjourned by a 9-0 vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Heather Goguen
Board Secretary

Resolutions:

***Note:** The areas of permitted voting for the Bedminster district representative of the Board of Education are: (a) Tuition to be charged the sending district by the receiving district and the bill lists or contracts for the purchase, operation or maintenance of facilities, equipment and instructional materials to be used in the education of the pupils of the sending district; (b) New capital construction to be utilized by sending district pupils; (c) Appointment, transfer or removal of teaching staff members providing services to pupils of the sending district, including any teaching staff member who is a member of the receiving district's central administrative staff; (d) Addition or deletion of curricular and extracurricular programs involving pupils of the sending district; (e) Any matter directly involving the sending district pupils or programs and services utilized by those pupils; (f) Approval of the annual receiving district budget; (g) Any collectively negotiated agreement involving employees who provide services utilized by sending district pupils; (h) Any individual employee contracts not covered by a collectively negotiated agreement, if those employees provide or oversee programs or services utilized by sending district pupils; and (i) Any matter concerning governance of the receiving district board of education including, but not limited to, the selection of the board president or vice-president, approval of board bylaws, and the employment of professionals or consultants such as attorneys, architects, engineers, or others who provide services to the receiving district board of education.

(cf: P.L.1996, c.103, s.1)

