

**The Somerset Hills School District
Public Input & Action Meeting - April 28, 2021
Virtual**

Call to Order

Mrs. Santoro called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Roll Call

Present:

Mr. Baker
Ms. Cooper
Ms. Frenda
Mrs. Leiss
Ms. Nathans

Mr. Rosin
Mrs. Tober
Ms. Virtue
Mrs. Wry
Mrs. Santoro

Also Preset:

Gretchen Dempsey
Coleen Butler
Jinnee DeMarco
Derlys Gutierrez, Esq.

Executive Session

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, Negotiations 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.

Ms. Virtue made a motion at 7:36 p.m. to end Executive Session and return to Public Session. Ms. Cooper seconded.

Pledge of Allegiance

Correspondence

1. Email from BHS students (Colby Stevinson, Joel Dickinson)
2. Emails from Joanna Bennewitz, Uchente Emuleomo, Thomas Pagel, Courtney Pagel, Kimberly McLean, Megan Gore, Heather Eich, Maggie Dooley, Christine Kelly, Melanie Smith, Robert Traynor, Katie Long

Suspend policy for public meetings

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education suspends its policies relating to in person board meetings and authorizes virtual board meetings to occur during this period of emergency due to the COVID 19 emergency as referenced in Executive Order 103 and pursuant to Bylaw 131.

Report of the Superintendent

1. Student Representatives' Report- BMS representatives Kristen Lee and
2. School Security this year - Mike Corbett
3. Board Recognition - Retiree
 - a. WHEREAS, Ellen Brown has been employed from November 1997 through May 2021 as Confidential Secretary to the Superintendent and as Business Office Assistant - Confidential Secretary and;

WHEREAS, she exemplified expertise, commitment, and professionalism in her duties; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Somerset Hills School District and Board of Education recognize Ellen Brown's retirement effective June 2021, and extend to her congratulations and best wishes for a happy, healthy, and enjoyable retirement.

- b. WHEREAS, Pam Crerand has been employed from September 2003 through June 2021 as a Special Education Paraprofessional and;

WHEREAS, she exemplified expertise, commitment, and professionalism in her duties; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Somerset Hills School District and Board of Education recognize Pam Crerand's retirement effective June 2021, and extend to her congratulations and best wishes for a happy, healthy, and enjoyable retirement.

Public Comments for Actionable Agenda Items

None

Approval of Minutes*

Ms. Virtue moved to approve the minutes of the March 17, 2021 meeting. Ms. Cooper seconded. Minutes were approved by a 10-0 roll call vote.

1. Approval of Minutes

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the Public Input & Action and Executive meeting minutes for March 17, 2021.

FINANCE

- A. Public Hearing Regarding 2021-2022 Budget

WHEREAS pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-13, the Board is required to conduct a public hearing for the 2021-2022 budget; and

WHEREAS on March 17, 2021 the Board of Education adopted a preliminary budget for the operation of the Somerset Hills Public Schools during the 2021-2022 school year and submitted it to the County Superintendent of Schools for approval, and

WHEREAS, pending that approval, the budget and notice of a public hearing were advertised in the Bernardsville News and Courier News.

Now, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board hereby opens the public hearing on the 2021-2022 Budget.

- Discussion
- Public Comments - None
- Motion to close public hearing and adopt the 2021-2022 Budget

B. Committee Report & Discussion: Mr. Baker gave the report. The committee met on April 21, 2021.

C. Finance Action Items: Mr. Baker moved items #1-14, Mrs. Tober seconded.

Items #1-13 were approved by a roll call vote of 10-0; item #14 was approved by a vote of 9-0.

1. Approve Final 2021-2022 Budget*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve for the 2021-2022 school year and that the Board Secretary be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline and to make all necessary adjustments to the budget to comply with State regulations.

2021-2022	General Fund	Special Revenues	Debt Service	Total
Total Expenditures	\$42,072,140	\$659,944	\$3,126,426	\$45,858,510
Less Anticipated Revenue	\$8,795,024	\$659,944	\$164,694	\$9,619,662
Taxes to be Raised	\$33,277,116	\$0	\$2,961,732	\$36,238,848

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, approves the following capital project and the withdrawal of \$352,300 from the Capital Reserve account to provide funding for the following projects/equipment for the 2021-2022 school year:

Needlepoint Bipolar Ionization at Marion T. Bedwell School,
Bernardsville Middle School and Bernards High School

Total costs for this project are \$352,300, which represent expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

2. Approve Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement 2021-2022*

WHEREAS, the Somerset Hills Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23B:1.1 et. seq. Requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, a Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of \$150 per staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

WHEREAS, travel and related expenses not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B:1.1 et. seq. , but deemed by the Board of Education to be necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of district Travel, and Reimbursement Forms; now THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves all travel not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B:1.1 et. seq. Education out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with 6A:23B:1.2 (b), to a maximum expenditure of \$75,000.

3. Board Secretary & Treasurer Reports & Board Certification*

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has received the Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month of March 2020 showing the following balances:

FUND	Board Secretary Cash Balance (1)	Treasurer Cash Balance (2)
(10) General Fund	\$8,164,135.68	\$8,164,135.68
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$ 153,085.12	\$ 153,085.12
(30) Capital Projects Fund	\$ 371,191.25	\$ 371,191.25
(40)Debt Service Fund	\$ (0.17)	\$ (0.17)
Total Government Funds	\$8,688,411.88	\$8,688,411.88

(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.

4. Approve 2020-2021 Budget Transfers*

Resolved that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the attached list of budget transfers for March 2021.

5. Payment of Bills*

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented attached March check registers 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	
(10) General Fund	\$2,411,400.37
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$ 753.66
(30) Capital Projects Fund	--
(40) Debt Service Fund	--
(60) Cafeteria Fund	\$ 25,505.86
(90) Agency Fund	\$1,040,510.29

TOTAL	\$3,478,170.18
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6. Payment of Bills*

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented attached April check registers 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	
(10) General Fund	\$ 910,600.25
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$ 177,650.60
(30) Capital Projects Fund	--
(40) Debt Service Fund	--
(60) Cafeteria Fund	\$ 45,685.82
(90) Agency Fund	--
TOTAL	\$1,133,936.67

7. Approve Special Education Placement*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hill Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following placement for the 2020-2021 school year and/or ESY:

	Student ID#	Provider	Location
a.	8934764490	Hunterdon Prep	Annandale, NJ

8. Approve Bedminster Tuition Rate*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the budgeted tuition rate for the 2021-2022 Bedminster students at Bernards High School in the amount of \$18,582.

9. Approve Ameresco for Energy Consultant Management Services *

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve to extend the existing agreement with Ameresco for Energy Management Consulting Services for a term of 3 years beginning May 1, 2021. The Somerset Hills Board of Education will pay a fee to Ameresco of \$0.0025 per kWh of electricity usage and \$0.025 per therm of gas usage for the following services, at the following locations:

- BES – Bedwell Elementary School
- BHS- Bernards High School
- BMS- Bernards Middle School
- OAB – Olcott Administration Building

10. Approve Transfer of Unspent Bond Proceeds*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve to close out the construction project as follows: RESOLUTION CLOSING OUT SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AND TRANSFERRING UNSPENT BOND PROCEEDS OF \$129,000 TO DEBT SERVICE FUND FOR PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL DUE ON BONDS BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SOMERSET HILLS, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

A. It is hereby determined that the School Construction Project financed through the issuance of bonds of The Board of Education of the Somerset Hills in the county of Somerset (the “Board of Education” when referring to the governing body and the “School District” when referring to the public body governed by the Board of

Education) under the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act (“EFCFA”) and Title 18A, Chapter 24 of the laws of the State of New Jersey pursuant to a proposal adopted by the Board on August 26, 2015, and approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the legal voters present and voting at an annual School District election held on November 3, 2015 is deemed substantially complete in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:26-4.6(a).

B. \$130,023.20 of the bonds issued to finance the School Construction Project that remain unspent and unencumbered are hereby directed to be transferred to the debt service fund for the School District to pay the principal on such bonds as required by EFCFA and N.J.A.C 6A:4.6(c) as part of the 2021-2022 school budget.

C. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

11. Approve NJSIG Safety Grant application and award*

Resolved, the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group (“NJSIG”) is a school board insurance group authorized by N.J.S.A. 18A:18B-1, et seq. to provide insurance coverage and risk management services for its members;

WHEREAS, the Somerset Hills Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the “Educational Institution,” is a member of NJSIG; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with NJSIG Policy 3710, the goal of the safety grant program is to provide members the necessary resources to complete risk reduction projects and improve the safety of the population NJSIG members serve.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that: 1) The Educational Institution applies for a safety grant through the NJSIG safety grant program for the 2021-2022 fiscal year in the amount of \$9,574.00 for the purposes set forth in their safety grant application, which is attached hereto; and, 2) The Business Administrator or their designee is hereby authorized to take all action necessary to apply for and receive a safety grant award.

12. Approve 2020-2021 Non-Public Security Aid*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the use of funds for Non-Public Security Aid for the following school:

Far Hills Country Day	Security Aid	Eastern DataComm, Inc.	\$4,490.00
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13. Approve Submission and Acceptance of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSR II) fund.*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the submission and acceptance of the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSR II) funds provided by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act, effective through September 30, 2023, per the amount listed below:

GRANT ALLOCATIONS	GRANT AMOUNT
CRRSA ESSER II ALLOCATION	\$212,294.00
LEARNING ACCELERATION	\$ 25,000.00

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS & SERVICES	\$ 45,000.00
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14. Approve Parent Transportation Contract

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following Parent transportation contracts for the 2020-2021 School Year.

Student ID#	Route	Cost
1764996066	Celebrate the Children	\$5,260.84

FACILITIES & OPERATIONS

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Mrs. Wry gave the report. The committee met on April 21, 2021.

B. Action Items: Mrs. Wry moved items #1-4; Ms. Virtue seconded. Items #1 and 4 were approved by a roll call vote of 9-0. Items #2 and 3 were approved by a vote of 10-0.

1. HIB Report

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education reviewed the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying cases presented on March 17, 2021 and upheld the findings and/or consequences recommended by the Superintendent.

- BMS #5

2. Approve Board of Education Meeting Dates*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following dates for regular Public Input & Action Meetings for 2021-2022 with a starting time for the public session of 7:30 p.m. except where noted.

If required, special meeting(s) may be scheduled during July and August

August 25, 2021	Public Hearing on Nurse Service Plan and School Safety Report	Wednesday
September 29, 2021		Wednesday
October 20, 2021		Wednesday
November 17, 2021		Wednesday
December 15, 2021		Wednesday
January 5, 2022 (6:00pm)	Reorganization Meeting	Wednesday
January 26, 2022	Public Hearing on Audit	Wednesday
February 23, 2022	Public Hearing on School Safety Report	Wednesday
March 16, 2022		Wednesday
April 27, 2022	Public Hearing on Budget	Wednesday
May 11, 2022	2020-21 Annual School Adoptions and Appointments	Wednesday
June 8, 2022		Wednesday

3. Approve Disposal of Equipment*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the disposal of JET 16" Planer, Model JWP-16OS, Serial No. SY0243, due to poor condition.

4. Approve Disposal of Equipment/Books

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the disposal of books from BMS for the 2020-2021 school year; list maintained in the Board of Education Office.

CURRICULUM

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Ms. Cooper gave the report. The committee met on April 22, 2021.

B. Action Items: Ms. Cooper moved items #1-4, Ms. Virtue seconded. Items #1 and 3 were approved by a roll call vote of 9-0; items #2 and 4 were approved by a vote of 10-0.

1. Approve Field Trips

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

	School	Trip	# of Students	# of Faculty	# of Chaperones
a	BES	Third Team: Environmental Education Center (Virtual)	93	5	0

2. Approve Professional Development*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following professional development:

	School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Date	Est. Cost
a	District	Dempsey, Gretchen	NJSBA: Getting Your Community Ready for September	June 3	\$50

3. Approve Professional Development

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following professional development:

	School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Date	Est. Cost
a	BMS	Tlack, Laila	Poetry Reading & Writing Units Are the Perfect Place to Work on Reading for Details and Meaning, Symbolism, and Deep Revision	April 30	\$50
b.	BMS	Carreiro, Olivia	NJTESOL Spring Conference	May 25-27	\$399

4. Approve Membership in New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Assoc.*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves membership by Bernards High School in the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association to participate in the approved interschool athletic program sponsored by the NJSIAA.

PERSONNEL

A. Committee Report and Discussion: Mrs. Tober gave the report. The committee met on April 22, 2021.

B. Action Items: Mrs. Tober moved items #1-14, Mrs. Frenda seconded. Items #1, 3, 4, 12 and 14 were approved by a roll call vote of 9-0; items #2, 5-11 and 13 were approved by a vote of 10-0.

1. Approve Appointment Non-Tenured Certificated Staff

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following non-tenured certificated staff for the 2020-2021 school year, *subject to further investigation pursuant to law*:

	Name	School	Position	Replace	Level	Step	Salary	Effective
a	Stout, Gregory A.	BMS	French Teacher	Vassil, C.	BA	1-2	\$30,037.50 .5 FTE	<i>Pending Clearance</i>

2. Approve Overload*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the following BHS overload for the 2020-2021 school year.

	Course	Teacher	Term	Salary	OVERLOAD Salary
a	English IV	Weltler, Lynn	April 29-June 17 (70% of MP4)	\$110,492	\$3,867.22

3. Approve Internship

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the following internship for the 2021-2022 school year, *subject to further investigation pursuant to law*:

	Intern	School	Subject	Mentor	Dates
a	Campbell, Ellie	BMS	Guidance Department	Craver, Marcy	Fall 2021 Semester

4. Approve Mentors

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following mentors for the 2020-2021 Provisional Teacher Program to be paid at the rate of \$550 for the year (*prorated*):

- Zoltan Gilly - a mentor for Gregory A. Stout

5. Approve Mentors*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following mentors for the 2020-2021 Provisional Teacher Program to be paid at the rate of \$550 for the year (*prorated*):

- Jeannette Bracero - a mentor for Silvia B. Tarazona

6. Amend Approval Leave Replacement Teacher*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, amend the approval of the following Leave Replacement Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year.

	Name	School	Position	Replace	Level	Step	Salary	Effective
a	Tarazona, Silvia B.	BHS	ESL Teacher	Falk, L	MA	1	\$64,075 \$64,575 <i>prorated</i>	Pending Clearance March 22, 2021

7. Accept Retirement*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the retirement of the following Employee:

	Name	School	Position	Effective
a	Brown, Ellen	District	Business Office Assistant - Confidential Secretary	June 1, 2021

8. Approve BHS Co-Curricular Positions*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following co-curricular stipend positions for the 2020-2021 School year.

	Coach	Position	Stipend
a	Tlack, Laila	Track & Field M/W Assistant	\$6,000

9. Approve Additional Compensation*

RESOLVED, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following additional compensation for staff members for the 2020-2021 school year.

	Name	School	Assignment	Effective Date	Amount
a.	Coleen Gallagher Butler	District	Doctorate	April 2021	\$833.33
b.	Rickey Saez	District	IT Manager Coverage	April 2021	\$2,000

10. Approve Abolishment of Position*

RESOLVED, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the abolishment of the position of Music Teacher for budgetary reasons.

11. Accept Resignation*

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

	Name	School	Position	Effective
a	Fetzer, Jean	District	Bus Driver	July 1, 2021

12. Accept Resignation

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

	Name	School	Position	Effective
a	Newton, Samantha K.	BES	Teacher BA	July 1, 2021

13. Approve Family Medical Leave *

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Family Medical Leave of Absence dates for the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 School Years:

	ID	School	Position	Dates of Paid Leave	FMLA Unpaid with Benefits
a	9139	BHS	Teacher MA+15	June 7-June 17, 2021	Sept 1 - Nov 5, 2021

14. Accept Retirement

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the retirement of the following Employee:

	Name	School	Position	Effective
b	Crerand, Pamela S.	BMS	Special Ed Para	July 1, 2021

POLICY

- A. Committee Report and Discussion: Mrs. Leiss gave the report. The committee met on April 22, 2021.
 B. Action Items: Mrs. Leiss moved items #1 and 2, Ms. Virtue seconded. Items #1 and 2 were approved by a roll call vote of 10-0.

1. First Reading*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the first reading of the following bylaw, policy & regulation:

Policy / Regulation #	Title
P2415.05	Student Surveys, Analysis, &/or Evaluation(s) (M) (Revised)
P2415.20 & R 2415.20	Every Student Succeeds Act Complaints (M) (Revised)
P4125	Employment of Support Staff Members (M) (Revised)
P6360	Political Contributions (M) (Revised)
P8330	Student Records (M) (Revised)
P9713	Recruitment by Special Interest Groups (M) (Revised)
P2468	Independent Educational Evaluations

2. Second Reading*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the second reading of the following bylaw, policy & regulation:

Policy / Regulation #	Title
P5330.01 & R5330.01	Administration of Medical Cannabis (M) (Revised)
P7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools (M) (Revised)
R7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools (M) (New)
P7430 & R7430	School Safety (M) (Abolished)
P2415	Every Student Succeeds Act (M) (Revised)
P2415.01	Academic Standards, Academic Assessments, and Accountability (M) (Abolished)
P2415.02	Title I - Fiscal Responsibilities (M) (Revised)
P2415.03	Highly Qualified Teachers (M) (Abolished)

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Mrs. Frenda gave the report. The committee met on April 20, 2021.

SUPPLEMENTARY MATTERS

1. Mrs. Leiss was happy about the governor's comment about allowing dancing at proms.
2. Ms. Virtue mentioned that the daffodils that the Environmental Commission planted for the Class of 2020 are coming up beautifully.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Nick Hemans, BHS Teacher and Bernardsville resident- Would like Board to reconsider full day at BHS.
 2. Sama Habibi, Parent and Paraprofessional, Gladstone resident- Thanked the Board and Administration for returning to full day at BMS.
 3. Alice Struble, Bernardsville resident - question regarding music teacher position.
 4. Christine Albanese-DeMair, BHS teacher - students went on virtual field trip to watch a live kidney transplant surgery. Thanked the Board for approving the trip.
 5. Joel Dickinson, senior at BHS- asked Board to reconsider decision for full day at BHS.
 6. Edward Berman, BHS student- not in favor of full day.
 7. Colby Stevinson, BHS student- not in favor of full day.
 8. Sage Ecko, BHS student- not in favor of full day.
 9. Phyllis DeStefano, BES teacher -mentioned BES projects that provided donations to various charities.
 10. Wendi LaBruno- CST, Learning Consultant- applauded Lucy Taylor for work on student petition and congratulated BHS students for their efforts.
 11. Sujin Beckerman, Gladstone resident- commended BHS speakers and thanked Board for hard work during the pandemic. Supports full day.
 12. Suzie Stevinson, parent- supports BHS speakers but wants BOE to reconsider full day decision.
 13. Jonathan Buckley, student- not in favor of full day.
 14. Susan Gouldin, parent- asked the board regarding senior driving privileges during the new schedule.
- Dr. Dempsey commented that she is happy to hear all the good things going on in the schools. Thanked everyone for their input.
15. Kelsey Klein, student- will locker rooms be open after school.
 16. Elena Burg, student- thanks for thinking of all students. Too late in year to go to full day. Wants senior privileges to be reviewed.

Mrs. Leiss made a motion to close public comments, Ms. Cooper seconded. All were in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Frenda made a motion to return to Executive Session. Ms. Cooper seconded. The Board entered Executive Session at 9:48 pm.to discuss personnel.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Baker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 pm, Mrs. Frenda seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Jinnee DeMarco
Board Secretary

***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)