

The Board of Education of the East Windsor Regional School District held a regular meeting on Monday, January 8, 2007 at the Hightstown High School Cafeteria. Board Vice President Robert Laverty called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. and read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement as follows:

“Written advance notice of this meeting was provided at least 48 hours ago. Such notice provided the time, date and location of this meeting and included the agenda to the extent it was known at that time. Notice of this meeting has been prominently posted on the door of the District Administration Building. The notice was faxed to the The Times, Windsor Hights Herald, Trentonian, and Hightstown Gazette, which are the Board’s designated newspapers for such notification. Notice has also been filed with the East Windsor Township Clerk and Hightstown Borough Clerk. Minutes of this meeting are being kept by the Board Secretary and will be made available promptly to any member of the public requesting them from the Board Secretary at the Administration Building, 25 A Leshin Lane, Hightstown, New Jersey. Minutes will be provided at cost and in accordance with Board policy.”

Mr. Laverty asked, “Are there any Board members present who believe this meeting to be in violation to the Open Public Meeting Act?” No one objected. “There being none, we may proceed,” The meeting continued.

Members Present: Bruce Ettman, Bonnie Fayer, James Hauck, Robert Laverty, Susan Lloyd, Kennedy Paul, and Ricardo Perez.

Members Absent: Suzann Fallon, and Alice Weisman.

Also Present: Ronald Bolandi, Chief School Administrator; Kurt Stumbaugh, Business Administrator/Board Secretary; and David Coates, Board Legal Counsel.

COMPLIANCE WITH FIRE CODE

The Board Vice President made the following announcement: “In compliance with the fire code of the state of New Jersey, I call your attention to the emergency exit for this room which are located (BOARD VICE PRESIDENT POINTED TO THE EMERGENCY EXIT).”

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Item 2)

The Board Vice President asked those present to join in a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 3A)

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, to approve the agenda with the following motion:

“Having read the material received, I move the agenda be approved as submitted.”

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Lavery, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED SESSION (Item 3B)

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Mr. Hauck, that the Board approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the East Windsor Regional School District will hold a closed session during its Regular Meeting on Monday, January 8, 2007. This closed session concerns:

1. Personnel Matters
2. Contract Negotiations
3. Litigation

Minutes of this closed session will be available in accordance with board policy when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Lavery, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD RECOGNITION – CREATORS OF HHS RED CROSS CLUB’S “RED LIGHT, GREEN LIGHT” SAFETY COURSE (Item 4)

- A. Christina Bau
- B. Philip Berman
- C. Lessley Chiriboga
- D. Ananya Kondapalli
- E. Joanna Mackow
- F. Priyanka Ajay Kumar Nalamada
- G. Mahima Shah

Mr. Lavery read the recognition and honored the above mentioned high school students and advisors for their valuable contribution. The board appreciates this effort. Mr. Bolandi and Mr. Lavery presented certificates to the students.

FIRST OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (Item 5)

No one spoke.

FIRST OPPORTUNITY FOR BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS (Item 6)

Mr. Hauck updated the board on the White House Committee activities that include cable and radio outreach to give the community opportunities to provide input to the process and the Community Announcement section of the Windsor Hights Herald is seeking input.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Item 7)

- Mr. Laverty announced: A training opportunity for religion in schools.
- Thank you card from Mr. Ettman.
- NJ School Boards training opportunity for garnering public school initiatives.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE #84 (Item 8)

Mr. Bolandi updated the board, on the return from the winter break, that start up is going well. The achievements of the district did not make the top ten list of 2006 news items.

MOTION TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS BY EXCEPTION (Item 9)

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Mr. Lloyd, that the following routine items be approved by exception:

- A. Staffing
- B. Authorization for Emergent Hiring Pending Completion of Criminal History Check
- C. Revised Organization Chart 2006-2007
- D. Professional Services
- E. Approval of Travel & Related Expense Reimbursements – Certified Staff
- F. HP Technology for Teaching Grant Initiative
- G. Approval of Minutes
- H. Orders of Payment
- I. Change Orders

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Laverty, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

STAFFING (Item 9A)

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, that the Board approve Staffing as submitted. (Copy in minute's book).

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Laverty, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENT HIRING PENDING COMPLETION OF CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK (Item 9B)

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, that the Board of Education approve the submission of applications for emergent hiring pending completion of the criminal history background check to the County Superintendent for the following individuals:

Meredith Bergazyn	School Psychologist
Erin Durkin	Nurse
Vindhia Gordon	Clerk
Edison Robayo	Teacher
Carmela Silodor	Cafeteria Monitor

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Laverty, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

REVISED ORGANIZATION CHART 2006-2007 (Item 9C)

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, that the board approve the revised organization chart. (Copy in minute's book).

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Laverty, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Item 9D)

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, that the board approve the list of consultants for the 2006-2007 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type of Services</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Douglass Developmental Disabilities Center	Professional Development Workshops	\$375.00 plus Travel Expenses
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey		

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Laverty, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND RELATED EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS –
CERTIFIED STAFF (Item 9E)**

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, that the board approve the list of Travel & Related Expense Reimbursements:

<u>Teacher's Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Chris Gregory	4/12-14	Championship Event	\$5000	Event in Atlanta
Cindy Braddock	12/14/06	Strengthen Students Writing using 6 traits	\$185	
Tom Mahon	2/26	NJAHPERD Convention "Set the Standard"	\$110	
Ellen Gertel	2/22	Bullying and Cyber bullying	\$20	
Jackie Cantagallo	2/27	NJAHPERD Convention	\$50	
Danielle Tursi	3/29	Guided Workshop	\$185	
Julie Kudish	12/19/06	BER-Successful Strategies for the Inclusive Classroom 1-12	\$185	

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Lavery, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

HP TECHNOLOGY FOR TEACHING GRANT INITIATIVE (Item 9F)

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, that the board approve the HP Technology for Teaching Grant Initiative.

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Lavery, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 9G)

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, that the minutes of the following meeting be approved: December 11, 2006, Regular Meeting.

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Lavery, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDERS OF PAYMENT (Item 9H)

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, that the board approve the orders of payments for \$4,440,168.43 as submitted for January 8, 2007.

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Lavery, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

CHANGE ORDERS (Item 9I)

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Ms. Lloyd, that the board approve change orders for Ohio Casualty and RC Fabricators.

On a roll call vote members voting yes: Mr. Ettman, Mrs. Fayer, Mr. Hauck, Mr. Lavery, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Perez. Members voting no: None. Members abstaining: None. Motion carried unanimously.

SECOND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (Item 10)

No one spoke.

SECOND OPPORTUNITY FOR BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS (Item 11)

- Mr. Bolandi noted to the board that there is a thirty year service retirement on June 30, 2007 for Diane Hughes. She will be sorely missed and we all wish her well as her retirement request is approved.
- The board members discussed the status of the Curriculum Fair. The board indicated their strong support for the continuation of this event.

CLOSED SESSION (Item 12)

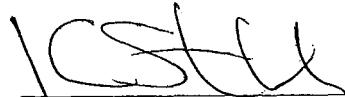
The board went into closed session to discuss contract issues at 8:30 p.m.

OPEN SESSION (Item 13)

The board returned to open session at 9:06 p.m.

ADJOURN (Item 14)

Mrs. Fayer moved the board adjourn at 9:06 p.m.


Kurt Stumbaugh, Board Secretary

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