
**The Somerset Hills School District
Regular Meeting Agenda - November 17, 2021
Executive Session - 6:30 P.M.
Public Input & Action - 7:30 P.M.
Bernards High School Media Center**

Call to Order & Welcome

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

Roll Call

Present:

Mr. Baker Ms. Nathans
Ms. Cooper Mr. Rosin
Mrs. deGrandpré Mrs. Santoro
Mrs. Frenda Mrs. Tober
Mrs. Leiss Mrs. Wry

Also Present:

Dr. Gretchen Dempsey
Dr. Coleen Butler
Mrs. Jinnee DeMarco
Ms. Derlys M. 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.

Pledge of Allegiance

Correspondence

1. Email from Laurie Lichtenfeld regarding Pre School Program and Special Ed Program in the Middle School.
2. Email from Heather Gracie regarding the Eagle Cord Recognition Bernardsville Troop 150.
3. Email from Luke Hartjen regarding Eagle Scout Cord.

Report of the Superintendent

1. Student Representatives’ Report - BMS representatives Chloe Corbin and Brody Watt gave their reports. BHS representatives Mariel Pallante and Chris Sun gave their reports.

Public Comments for Actionable Agenda Items

None

Seeing no one from the public, Ms. Rosin moved to close public comments, Mrs. Frenda seconded.

Approval of Minutes*

Mrs. Tober moved to approve the minutes for October 20, 2021 and November 8, 2021, Ms. deGrandpre seconded. Minutes were approved by a roll call vote of 10-0-0.

1. Approval of Minutes

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the Public Input & Action, Special Meetings and Executive meeting minutes for October 20, 2021 and November 8, 2021.

FINANCE

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Mr. Baker gave the report. The committee met on November 10, 2021.

B. Action Items: Mr. Baker moved items #1-11, Ms. Cooper seconded. Items #1, 2, 4-10 were approved by roll call vote of 10-0-0. Item #11 was approved by roll call vote of 9-0-0.

1. Board Secretary & Treasurer Reports & Board Certification*

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has received the Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month of September 2021 showing the following balances:

FUND	Board Secretary Cash Balance (1)	Treasurer Cash Balance (2)
(10) General Fund	\$10,125,745.69	\$10,125,745.69
(20) Special Revenue Fund	(\$186,586.97)	(\$186,586.97)
(30) Capital Projects Fund	\$371,191.25	\$371,191.25
(40) Debt Service Fund	\$50,433.78	\$50,433.78
Total Government Funds	\$10,360,783.75	\$10,360,783.75

(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 2020-2021 Budget Transfers*

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

3. Payment of Bills*

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented attached September 2021 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	\$1,323,452.08

(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$10,781.44
(30) Capital Projects Fund	--
(40) Debt Service Fund	\$1,165,035.00
(60) Cafeteria Fund	\$71,596.61
(90) Agency Fund	--
TOTAL	\$2,570,865.13

4. Payment of Bills*

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented attached October 2021 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	\$3,125,894.99
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$61,681.63
(30) Capital Projects Fund	--
(40) Debt Service Fund	--
(60) Cafeteria Fund	\$163.30
(90) Agency Fund	\$1,073,809.78
TOTAL	\$4,261,549.70

5. Approve Parent Organization Fundraiser*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following parent organization fundraisers for the 2021-2022 school Year:

	Organization	School	Event	Date
a	BHS Swim Team	BHS	Holiday Ornament Sale	11/19/21 - 11/29/21

6. Acceptance of Security Grant Award*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accepts the School Security Grant in the amount of \$114,351 that was approved by NJDOE on 9/22/2021.

7. Approve Submission and Acceptance of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 - Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief Fund (ESSR III)*

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 Fund (ESSR III) provided by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, effective through September 30, 2024, per the amount listed below:

Grant Allocations	Amount
ESSER	\$477,118
Accelerated Learning Coaching and Educator Support Grant	\$134,081
Evidence-Based Summer Learning and Enrichment Activities Grant	\$40,000
Evidence-Based Comprehensive Beyond the School Day Activities Grant	\$40,000
NJTSS Mental Health Support Staffing Grant	\$45,000

8. Approve Greater Somerset County YMCA Agreement*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Greater Somerset County YMCA agreement to provide use of facilities for purpose of BHS swim team practices and meets not to exceed \$11,000 for the 2021-2022 school year.

9. Approve 2022-2023 Budget Development Schedule*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the attached 2022-2023 Budget Development Schedule.

10. Approve Transportation Consultant Agreement Revision*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Transportation Consultant Agreement with Thomas DeAngelo for the 2021-2022 school year for an additional amount of \$7,500.

11. Approve the Cancellation of Outstanding Checks*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the cancellation of the following outstanding checks:

General Fund Check Issue Date	Check Number	Amount
10/11/18	64076	\$284.00
11/14/18	64220	\$875.00
1/17/19	64495	\$36.00
2/22/19	64706	\$500.00
2/22/19	64737	\$500.00
2/22/19	64829	\$405.25
2/22/19	64841	\$147.07
2/22/19	64965	\$416.51
2/22/19	65126	\$200.00
3/14/19	65305	\$5,500.80
4/12/19	65509	\$864.00
5/30/19	65650	\$1,307.40
5/30/19	65694	\$12,133.40
6/25/19	65731	\$500.00
6/25/19	65739	\$1,000.00
6/25/19	65801	\$500.00
6/25/19	65845	\$500.00
6/25/19	65869	\$1,000.00
6/26/19	65881	\$175.00
6/26/19	65896	\$141.68
6/26/19	65910	\$100.00
6/28/19	66010	\$133.28
6/28/19	66086	\$2,708.56

6/28/19	66120	\$776.46
6/28/19	66125	\$193.65
7/30/19	66295	\$1,028.44
8/30/19	66490	\$134.00

Payroll Check Issue Date	Check Number	Amount
6/21/19	606139	\$1,831.30
6/21/19	606148	\$1,771.02
6/21/19	606215	\$674.31
6/21/19	606233	\$85.82
7/30/19	606462	\$155.29
8/15/19	607333	\$975.57
8/15/19	607334	\$472.15
8/15/19	607335	\$929.83
8/15/19	607336	\$975.57
8/15/19	607337	\$929.83
8/15/19	607339	\$950.83
8/15/19	607359	\$1.53
8/15/19	607369	\$2.31
8/15/19	607372	\$6.40
8/15/19	607383	\$6.72
8/15/19	607386	\$3.98
8/15/19	607394	\$144.57
8/15/19	607416	\$1.15
9/15/19	607458	\$160.42

Agency Check Issue Date	Check Number	Amount
5/29/20	905292013	\$399.27
5/29/20	905292014	\$21.29

12. Special Education Providers*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following service providers for the 2021-2022 school year:

Provider	Service	Location	Est. Amount Not to Exceed
Uplift Nursing	Nursing Services	Basking Ridge, NJ	\$100 /per hour up to \$10,000

13. Approve Service Express Agreement*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the warranty of network switches agreement with Service Express, LLC for 2021-2022 school year (ending 8/31/2022) in the amount of \$14,637.25.

14. Approve Robert Half Agreement*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the employment agreement with Robert Half Talent Solutions for the 2021-2022 school year at the rate of \$25-35 p/hour in the amount not to exceed \$25,000.

FACILITIES & OPERATIONS

- A. Committee Report & Discussion: Mrs. Wry gave the report. The committee met on November 10, 2021.
 B. Action Items: Mrs. Wry moved items #1-6, Ms. Cooper seconded. Items #1,2,4,5 were approved by a roll call vote of 10-0-0. Items #3, 6 were approved by a roll call vote of 9-0-0.

1. Approve Comprehensive Maintenance Plan*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Comprehensive Maintenance Plan.

2. Approve Annual Maintenance Budget Worksheet*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the annual Maintenance Budget Worksheet (M-1) calculation of \$125,023.

3. Bus Evacuation Drills

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the Bus Evacuation Drills for the 2021-2022 School Year. Reports for drills are on file in the Business Office:

	School	Date
a	Bernardsville Middle School	11/2, 11/8
b	Bedwell Elementary School	10/20, 10/22, 10/27, 11/2, 11/5, 11/8

4. Bus Evacuation Drills*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the Bus Evacuation Drill for the 2021-2022 School Year. Reports for drills are on file in the Business Office:

	School	Date
a	Bernards High School	9/15

5. Annual Report of Violence and Vandalism: 2020-2021 (Period 2)*

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-26, 8 unduplicated acts of violence and vandalism were reported to the NJ Department of Education Electronic Student Safety Data System (SSDS) during period 2 (January 1 - June 30, 2021).

6. HIB Report

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education reviewed the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying cases presented on October 20, 2021, and upheld the findings and/or consequences recommended by the Superintendent.

- BES 2021 - 2022 #1
- BMS 2021-2022 #2, #3, #4

XII. CURRICULUM

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Ms. Cooper gave the report. The committee met on November 9, 2021.

B. Action Items: Ms. Cooper moved items #1-6, Mr. Rosin seconded. Items #2-5 were approved by a roll call vote of 10-0-0, Item #1, 6 was approved by a roll call vote of 9-0-0. Mrs. Santoro abstained on #5c.

1. Approve Field Trips

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

	School	Trip	# of Students	# of Faculty	# of Chaperones
a	BES	Bronx Zoo: Bronx, NY	99	13	17

2. Amend Approval Field Trips*

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

	School	Trip	# of Students	# of Faculty	# of Chaperones
a	BHS	Community Based Instruction: Bernards Cafe, Bernardsville (Stars Program)	67	35	0
g	BHS	Community Based Instruction: 5 Below & Panera, Raritan & Somerville (Stars Program)	67	35	0

3. Approve Field Trips*

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

	School	Trip	# of Students	# of Faculty	# of Chaperones
a	BHS	Accuplacer Testing: RVCC Raritan, NJ <i>Multiple Dates</i>	16	1	0
b	BHS	Metropolitan Museum of Art: New York, NY	30	3	1

4. Amend Approval Professional Development*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, amends the approval of the following professional development for the 2021-2022 school year:

	School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Date	Est. Cost
a	District	Barna, Lindsay	NJPSA / FEA Legal One Hot Issues in School Law	10/06 12/14	\$150

5. Approve Professional Development*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following professional development for the 2021-2022 school year:

	School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Date	Est. Cost
a	District	Barna, Lindsay	DOE Mandated Gang Awareness Training	11/30	\$0
b	District	Lucas, Douglas	NJSBGA: Lead Renovation Repair & Painting Training	11/4	\$15
c	District	Santoro, Heather	Calming the Crowd: Restoring Civility at Board Meetings	11/18	\$0
d	District	Walker, Jaime	DOE Mandated Gang Awareness Training	11/30	\$0
e	BHS	DeAngelo, Stephanie	FLENJ: Planting the Seeds for Departmental Growth	2/3	\$20
f	BHS	Neigel, Scott	FEA: School Climate for Adults	1/11	\$0

6. Approve Professional Development

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following professional development for the 2021-2022 school year:

	School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Date(s)	Est. Cost
a	BES	Jaeger, Jamie	Tools for Reading: Sound Walls	12/2, 12/7, 12/9 & 12/14	\$120
b	BES	Kleinstein, Mary	TC - Tapping Into the Power of Decodable texts	12/10	\$50
c	BMS	Russo, Dawn	TC - Looking at Fantasy Reading Units through New Lenses	12/17	\$50
d	BMS	Latzke, Brian	DOE Mandated Gang Awareness Training	11/30	\$0
e	BMS	Haney, Jacob	TC - Small Group Work & Toolkits for Teaching Traction & Guiding Readers Up Levels	12/14	\$50
f	BMS	Internoscia, Brielle	MUJC: Child Study Team Training Series	12/15	\$85
g	BMS	Incedon, Cassandra	MUJC: Child Study Team Training Series	12/15	\$85

XIII. PERSONNEL

- A. Committee Report and Discussion. Mrs. Tober gave the report. The committee met on October 11, 2021.
- B. Action Items: Mrs. Tober moved items #1-12, Mrs. Frenda seconded. Items #3,4,6-9,11,12 were approved by a roll call vote of 10-0-0, Item #1,2,5,10 were approved by roll call vote of 9-0-0 .

1. Accept Resignation

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

	Name	School	Position	Effective

a	Latzke, Brian	BMS	Assistant Principal	12/28/2021
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2. 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 2021-2022 school year:

	ID	School	Position	Dates for Accumulated Sick Leave	Dates for FMLA (Unpaid with Benefits)
a	8543	BES	Teacher BA	02/04/2022 - 04/01/2022	04/04/2022 - 06/30/2022

3. Approve Appointment Special Education Full Time Paraprofessional*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the appointment of the following Special Education Part-Time Paraprofessional for the 2021-2022 school year: District

	Name	Replace	Position	Step	Hourly	Effective
a	Petrie, George K.	8911	Para-Spec Ed B Hourly	1	\$17.34	<i>Pending Clearance</i>

4. Approve Interpreter/Translator*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Interpreters/Translator for the 2021-2022 school year:

	Name	Position	Rate
a	Collins, Kay L.	Translator /Interpreter	\$59.11/Hr

5. Approve Leave Replacement Teacher

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

	Name	School	Position	Replace	Level	Step	Salary	Dates
a	Maginnis, Luke	BMS	Physical Education	8686	BA	2-3	\$61,300 <i>prorated</i>	11/18/2021 - 1/23/2022 (<i>or sooner</i>)

6. Approve Overloads*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following overloads for the 2021-2022 school year: BHS

	Course	Teacher	Term	Salary	OVERLOAD Salary <i>prorated</i>
a	English III	Falzarano, Jeffrey	12/1/2021 - 6/30/2022	\$103,845	\$11,338.53

b	English III (A) - ICS	Ryersen, Kathleen	12/1/2021 - 6/30/2022	\$108,966	\$11,897.74
c	English IV (A) - ICS	Carey, Amanda	12/1/2021 - 6/30/2022	\$65,725	\$7,176.36
d	English IV - ICS	Lehnhoff Jr., Robert	12/1/2021 - 6/30/2022	\$70,725	\$7,722.38
e	English III (A) - ICS	Stypolkowski, Emily	12/1/2021 - 6/30/2022	\$67,205	\$7,338.16
f	Study Skills	Nelson, Ryan	12/1/2021 - 6/30/2022	\$73,115	\$7,983.28

7. Rescind Approval Athletic/Co-Curricular Position*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, rescind the approval of the following athletic stipend positions for the 2021-2022 school year.

	Last Name	First Name	BHS Co-Curricular Position	Season	Stipend
a	Maurizio	Andrew	Winter Track: Assistant	Winter	\$5,400

8. Amend Approval Athletic/Co-Curricular Volunteer*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, amends the approval of the following volunteers for the 2021- 2022 school year:

	Last Name	First Name	Season	Position
a	Witty	Dean	Winter Spring	Volunteer Fencing Lacrosse

9. Approve Athletic/Co-Curricular Positions*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following BHS co-curricular and athletic stipends for the 2021-2022 school year:

	Last Name	First Name	BHS Co-Curricular Position	Season	Stipend
a	Falzarano	Jeffrey	Assistant AD: Winter (50%)	Winter	\$2,400 (½ of \$4,800)
b	Hammond	Jaclyn	Fencing: Assistant	Winter	\$5,400
c	Maginnis	Luke	Basketball: Women's Assistant (FR) (50%)	Winter	\$3,325 (½ of \$6,650)
d	LaValle	Alexa	Basketball: Women's Assistant (FR) (50%)	Winter	\$3,325 (½ of \$6,650)
e	Dolson	Margaret	Media Center After Hours Supervisor		\$25/hour

f	Hart	Amy	Media Center After Hours Supervisor		\$25/hour
g	Pair	Randall	Media Center After Hours Supervisor		\$25/hour
h	Snyder	Allison	Media Center After Hours Supervisor		\$25/hour

10. Approve Athletic/Co-Curricular Positions

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following BMS co-curricular and athletic stipends for the 2021-2022 school year:

	Last Name	First Name	BMS Co-Curricular Position	Season	Stipend
a	Koch	Kevin	Basketball: Boys' Assistant	Winter	\$3,115

11. Approve Increase in Assignment*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve an increase in assignment from part-time to full-time for the Confidential Secretary to the Assistant Superintendent, Cynthia Duchantier.

12. Approve Substitute*

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

	Last Name	First Name	Substitute Position	Certification	Effective
a	DeStefano	Dominick	Teacher/Paraprofessional	County Substitute	<i>Pending Clearance</i>

XIV. POLICY

- A. Committee Report and Discussion. Mrs. Leiss gave the report. The committee met on October 11, 2021.
 B. Action Items: Mrs. Leiss moved items #1-2, Mrs. Frenda seconded. Items #1-2 were approved by a roll call vote of 10-0-0.

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
P2425	Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program (M) (New)
P5751 & R5751	Sexual Harassment of Students (M) (Revised)

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
P0164	Conduct of Board Meeting (Revised)
P1648.13	School Employee Vaccination Requirements (M) (New)
R5131	Student Random Drug Testing (Revised)
P2422	Comprehensive Health and Physical Education (M) (Revised)
P2425	Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program (M)
P2467	Surrogate Parents and Resource Family Parents (M)
P3224 & R3224	Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (M) (Revised)
P5116	Education of Homeless Children (Revised)
P7432 & R7432	Eye Protection (M) (Revised)
P8420	Emergency and Crisis Situations (M) (Revised)
R8420.1	Fire and Fire Drills (M) (Revised)
P8540	School Nutrition Programs (M) (Revised)
P8550	Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Service Bill (M) (Revised)
P8600	Student Transportation (M) (Revised)

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

A. Committee Report & Discussion: Mrs. Frenda gave the report. The committee met on November 9, 2021.

SUPPLEMENTARY MATTERS

1. Mrs. Frenda clarified her committee report from October's meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. John Tober - student - permission to wear Eagle Scout cord during BHS graduation ceremony.

Dr. Dempsey encouraged John to speak to Dr. Neigel.

2. Steve Tobin - parent, resident - CRT is being taught to our students under various different headings.

3. Ilene Fowley - parent, resident - honored to speak about Eagle Scout and asked to approve wearing cord for BHS graduation ceremony.

4. David Loudon - Assistant Scout Master for Bernardsville Troop 150 - wanted to show sample cords that the scouts will be wearing and will address the issue with Dr. Neigel.
5. Kathleen Shepard - resident - change CRT to DIE (diversity, inclusion, and equity).
6. Barbara Long - resident - disappointed in our school's rating compared to Ridge.
7. Steve Tobin - parent, resident - concerned about various sexually-based books being available to our students.

Mr. Baker moved to close public comments, Mrs. Leiss seconded.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Baker moved to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Mr. Rosin seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Jinnee DeMarco
Business Administrator/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)**