



Regular Meeting
February 23, 2010

Bell Oaks School
Media Center
7:00 P.M.

**Revised
Administrative Memorandum**

Call to Order – Mr. N. John Amato, Interim Board Secretary/Business Administrator, will call the roll: Board Members: Ms. Jody Mangus, President, Mr. Jamie Casey, Vice President, Mr. Jeff Brickner, Mrs. Mary DiMattesa, Mr. Ron Henry, Mrs. Carla Salas and Mr. Mike Williams.

Reading of the Sunshine Law

- a) Posting written notice on the official bulletin boards at each Bellmawr School April 29, 2009.
- b) Advertising notice in the Gloucester City News on May 7, 2009 and in the Retrospect Newspaper on May 8, 2009.
- c) Filing written notice with the Borough Clerk of Bellmawr on April 29, 2009.

Salute to the Flag

Preliminary 2010-2011 Budget Presentation

Board Award – Chief James Burleigh

Staff Recognition Award – February 2010

Bell Oaks	Joan Crane
Bellmawr Park	Marianne Shaffer
E. M. Burke	Gail Nelson

Committee Reports

Discussion Items/Superintendent's Report:

- QSAC
- Techspo
- Handle with Care
- Testing Update
- Haiti Relief Kits
- Enrollment Figures as of January 31, 2010 (ENC)
- School Calendars (ENC)
- Suspensions (ENC)

Public Discussion of: Items on the Agenda

- B.1.a. **Approval of the Minutes - BE IT RESOLVED** - That the Board approves the minutes of the Work Session and Executive Session of January 21, 2010 and the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 26, 2010. (NJA)(ENC)

- B.1.b. **Approval of the Treasurer's Report - BE IT RESOLVED** - That the Board approves the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month ending December 2009. (NJA)(ENC)
- B.1.c. **Approval of the Secretary & Budget Report** – That the Board approves the Secretary & Budget Report for the month ending January 2010. (NJA)(ENC)
- B.1.d. **Approval of Bills - BE IT RESOLVED** - That the Board approves the enclosed list of bills dated February 23, 2010. (NJA)(ENC)
- B.1.e. **Certification of Line Item - BE IT RESOLVED** - That the Board approves the Board Secretary's certification and budgetary line item status report for the month ending January 31, 2010 as required by the N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13 (a). (NJA)(ENC)
- B.1.f. **Board of Education's Monthly Certification of Budgetary Major Account/Fund Status - BE IT RESOLVED** - That pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13 (e), the Board certifies that as of January 31, 2010 after review of the secretary's monthly financial reports, to the best of their knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. (NJA)

BE IT RESOLVED-That the Board approve the above resolutions B.1.a. through B.1.f.

Mr. Brickner
Mrs. DiMattesa
Mr. Henry
Mrs. Salas
Mr. Williams
Mr. Casey
Ms. Mangus

- B.2.a. **Ballot Positions – April 20, 2010 Election – BE IT RESOLVED** – That in accordance with State of New Jersey election laws, the drawing of names for ballot position be on Wednesday, March 10, 2010 at 4:00 P.M. in the Board Office at the Bell Oaks School. The last day that nominating petitions may be filed with the Board Secretary has been established by law as Monday, March 1, 2010 by 4:00 P.M.. Election results on April 20, 2010 will be gathered and announced in the Board Office at the Bell Oaks School.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that polling places be established at the E. M. Burke and Bellmawr Park Schools, with polls open from 2:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M. and election workers compensated at a rate of \$10.00 per hour. (NJA)

- B.2.b. **Ratify Use of Facilities - BE IT RESOLVED** – That the Board ratifies approval for the following request to use facilities:

E.M. Burke PTO – Due to inclement weather on February 5, 2010, the PTO requested a change in date of their previously approved Family Bingo Night at E. M. Burke School to Friday, February 12, 2010.

E. M. Burke PTO – E. M. Burke Gym – Thursday, February 18, 2010 from 5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. for “Pro-Kids Show” (magic show for students and families). (NJA)

- B.2.c. **Request Use of Facilities – BE IT RESOLVED** – That the Board approves the enclosed request for use of facilities. (NJA)(ENC)

- B.2.d. **Request to Fundraise - BE IT RESOLVED** – That the Board approves the enclosed request to fundraise. (NJA)(ENC)

- B.2.e. **Request for Fieldtrips - BE IT RESOLVED** – That the Board approves the enclosed request for fieldtrips. (NJA)(ENC)

- B.2.f. **Resolution Requesting Additional Federal Aid to the States – BE IT RESOLVED** – That the Board approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Federal Government passed the American Recovery Reinvestment Act of 2009, which included domestic spending for education; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey benefited from this legislation with over \$1 billion being directly utilized for funding the education budget for 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, as all states in the union, are amidst a fiscal crisis that could potentially and negatively affect the educational system; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey continues to score above the national average in achievement tests; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey’s educational system has made great strides in increasing the improvement of student achievement, and has been recently recognized by the Education Trust as one of the top states in closing the achievement gap between low-income or minority students and their peers; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey Department of Education has focused on implementing an accountability system for the spending of taxpayers resources; and

WHEREAS, the future of all the states and the nation as a whole are dependent upon the education of our children; in the words of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy: "Our progress as a nation can be no swifter than our progress in education. The human mind is our fundamental resource;" and

WHEREAS, without the infusion of federal aid, education in the State of New Jersey is destined to go backwards;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bellmawr Board of Education, Camden County, New Jersey to respectfully request the enactment of federal legislation that would secure funding for the 2010-2011 school year similar to the American Recovery Reinvestment Act of 2009 that funded the 2009-2010 education budgets. (NJA)

BE IT RESOLVED-That the Board approve the above resolutions B.2.a. through B.2.f.

Mr. Brickner

Mrs. DiMattesa

Mr. Henry

Mrs. Salas

Mr. Williams

Mr. Casey

Ms. Mangus

- B.3.a. **Participation – Camden County Children’s Songfest** – BE IT RESOLVED – That the Board approves Mrs. Kolody, Eight 4th grade students from Bellmawr Park Elementary and Eight 4th grade students from E. M. Burke Elementary to participate at the Camden County Children’s Songfest on Saturday, March 27, 2010 at Haddonfield High School. The parents will be responsible for registration and transportation to the festival. (AC)
- B.3.b. **Long-Term Substitutes**– BE IT RESOLVED – That the Board approves the following long-term substitutes: (AC)
M. D. - for T. H., teacher at Bell Oaks School effective March 31, 2010 through June 2010.
M. H. - for S. H., teacher (self-contained, special ed.) at Bellmawr Park School effective March 1, 2010 through June 2010.
- B.3.c. **Retirement of Professional Staff** – BE IT RESOLVED – That the Board accepts the resignation for retirement of K. S., teacher at Bell Oaks School. The Board thanks him for his 38 years of services and wishes him well. (AC)
- B.3.d. **Approval of 2010-2011 Academic Calendar** - BE IT RESOLVED - That the Board approves the enclosed 2010-2011 academic calendar. (AC)(ENC)
- B.3.e. **Call Control** - BE IT RESOLVED -That the Board approves the following substitutes to be added to the Call Control list for the 2009-2010 academic year. (AC)

B.3.f. **Open Space Application** – BE IT RESOLVED – That the Board approves the Camden County Open Space Application for enhancements to the E. M. Burke field. (AC)

B.3.g. **2010 – 2013 Technology Plan** – BE IT RESOLVED – That the Board ratifies and amends the district’s 2010 – 2013 Technology Plan.
Action taken at February 18, 2010 Work Session

B.3.h. **Home Instruction** – BE IT RESOLVED – That the Board ratifies approval for home instruction for A. R. (special ed. – Bellmawr Park) for ten hours per week at the contractual hourly rate effective February 1, 2010 – end date TBD. (AC)

Addition

B.3.i. **Policy Amendments** – BE IT RESOLVED – That the Board approves amendments to the following policies: (AC)

- 3351/4351 Healthy Workplace Environment
- 5338 Diabetes Management
- 5512.01 Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying
- 5533 Pupil Smoking
- 6360 Political Contributions
- 6660 Student Activity Fund
- 7434 Smoking on School Grounds
- 8461 Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Alcohol, and Other Drug Abuse
- 9700 Special Interest Groups
- 0142.1 Nepotism
- 0174 Legal Services
- 0177 Professional Services
- 1570 Internal Controls
- 1620 Administrative Employment Contracts
- 6111 Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program
- 6471 School District Travel
- 8220 School Day
- 3250 Hours and Days of Work

BE IT RESOLVED-That the Board approve the above resolutions B.3.a. through B.3.i.

- Mr. Brickner
- Mrs. DiMattesa
- Mr. Henry
- Mrs. Salas
- Mr. Williams
- Mr. Casey
- Ms. Mangus

PTO's

Public Discussion

Executive Session - BE IT RESOLVED - That the Board of Education intends to enter into Executive Session at the Work Session of March 23, 2010 and/or the Public Hearing/Regular Meeting of March 29, 2010 for the purpose of discussing personnel, negotiations, legal or other confidential matters.

Adjournment