

**The Somerset Hills School District
PUBLIC INPUT & ACTION MEETING AGENDA – DECEMBER 12, 2012**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – 5:30 P.M.
PRINCIPAL’S CONFERENCE ROOM AT BERNARDS HIGH SCHOOL**

**PUBLIC INPUT & ACTION MEETING – 7:30 P.M.
BERNARDS HIGH SCHOOL**

I. Call to Order

II. Welcome

Welcome to a meeting of the Board of Education of Somerset Hills. Please be advised that this and all meetings of the Board are open to the public and media, consistent with the Open Public Meetings Act: (Chapter 231 Laws of 1975), and that advance notice required therein has been provided. This is a meeting of the Board of Education of Somerset Hills at which formal action may be taken. The public will have an opportunity to be heard as shown on the Agenda.

III. Roll Call

IV. 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.

V. Pledge of Allegiance

VI. Correspondence

VII. Report of the Superintendent

1. Student/Staff Recognition
2. Annual Financial Audit - Warren Korecky, Partner - Suplee Clooney & Company

VIII. Public Questions & Comments

We very much welcome input from the public. Public comments are welcome at this time on any agenda item. Towards the end of the meeting there is a second public forum on any topic. Please state your name and address. Comments are limited to three minutes, but an individual may speak a second time after all others who wish to speak on the topic have been heard. Please understand that our public forums are not structured as question and answer sessions, but are offered as opportunities to share your thoughts with the Board. In instances where the Board feels that there is a misunderstanding or inaccuracy, the Board President or Superintendent may address the comment. In accordance with New Jersey Statute, the Board will not discuss matters regarding specific personnel. Thank you for your input.

IX. Approval of Minutes

Action
Resolution

1. Approval of Minutes
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the Public Input & Action and Executive meeting minutes for November 14, 2012.

X. Finance

A. Committee Report & Discussion:
B. Action Items:

Action
Resolution

1. Board Secretary & Treasurer Reports & Board Certification*
WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has received the Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month of October 2012 showing the following balances:

FUND	Board Secretary Cash Balance (1)	Treasurer Cash Balance (2)
(10) General Fund	\$5,758,763.81	\$5,758,763.81
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$24,230.83	\$24,230.83
(30) Capital Projects Fund	\$284,534.02	\$284,534.02
(40)Debt Service Fund	\$701,066.05	\$701,066.05
Total Government Funds	6,768,594.71	6,768,594.71

(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.

Action
Resolution

2. Approve 2011-2012 Budget Transfers*
Resolved that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the attached list of budget transfers for October, 2012.

Action 3. Payment of Bills*Resolution

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented a check register dated November, 2012 covering check numbers 27154 to 27349 in the amount of \$2,990,661.02 with the recommendation that they 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	\$2,834,674.55
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$89,949.39
(30) Capital Projects Fund	\$11,926.43
(40) Debt Service Fund	-0-
(60) Cafeteria Fund	\$54,110.65
TOTAL	\$2,990,661.02

Action 4. Acceptance of 2011-2012 Audit *Resolution

WHEREAS, the Somerset Hills Board of Education engaged the firm of Suplee, Clooney & Company to conduct a yearly audit of the district's financial records; and

Whereas the firm audited these records for the 2011-2012 school year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes reflect that the Somerset Hills Board of Education reviewed the 2011-2012 Audit Report, acknowledges the following recommendations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Secretary be directed to file the necessary reports with the State Department of Education.

Recommendations:

1. That the District takes greater care in completing the application for State Extraordinary Aid.

Action 5. Approve Corrective Action Plan*Resolution

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the Corrective Action Plan for the 2011-2012 Audit.

Recommendation Number	Corrective Action to be Approved by the Board	Method of Implementation	Person Responsible for Implementation	Completion Date of Implementation
1.	That the District takes greater care in completing the application for State Extraordinary Aid.	The Extraordinary Aid application, which is prepared by the Office of Special Services, will be reviewed in detail by, and submitted by, the School Business Administrator.	Nancy Lee Hunter Business Administrator	May 1, 2013

Action 6. Approve Fund Raiser*Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following fund raiser:

School	Event	Date
a) BHS Booster Club (Boys Lacrosse)	Odor Gladiators for Gym Bags	Dec 2012 thru June 2013

Action 7. Acceptance of IDEAResolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education accept the following IDEA Grant funds for the 2012/2013 school year and approve the filing of the grant application:

Basic:	\$ 410,963	Special Services
Preschool:	\$ 17,999	Special Services

XI. Curriculum

A. Committee Report & Discussion:

B. Action Items:

Action 1. Approve Field Trips*Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following field trips:

School	Trip	Date(s)	# of Students	# of Faculty	# of Chaperones
BHS	a) BHS Bands B.M.S. Music Assembly	01/10/13	93	2	5
BES	b) Multiply Disabled Class Trip Papermill Play House, Millburn, NJ	03/20/13	8	7	1
BES	c) 1 st Graders Trailside Nature Center Mountainside, NJ	05/10/13	140	9	21

Action 2. Approve Professional Development*Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following professional development:

School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Est. Cost	Date
BES	a) Crowley, Suzanne	29 th Annual <i>Winners</i> Workshop	\$189.00	4/26/13
BES	b) Settembrino, Lauren	Reading theory and Research Can Be a Powerful Resource	\$130.90	1/28/13
BES	c) Somers, Diana	A New Look at 3-5 Mathematics Workshop	\$114.34	1/15/13
BHS	d) DeTrolio, Karen	Alliance for NJ Education Conference	\$75.85	1/25/13
BHS	e) Neigel, Scott	ASCD 2013 Annual Conference	\$1,296.00	3/16-18/13

BMS	f) MacGorman, Kristen	What's New in Young Adult Literature	\$241.52	2/6/13
Olcott	g) Miller, Peter	Techspo 2013 Annual Conference	\$654.00	1/31-2/1/13
Olcott	h) Young, Charles	Techspo 2013 Annual Conference	\$684.00	1/31-2/1/13
Bedwell	i) Butler, Colleen	Teachers' College 9 th Annual Coaching Institute	\$750.00	1/27-31/13

Action
Resolution

3. Adopt B.H.S. Courses 2013-2014 School Year
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the adoption of the following new Bernards High School courses for the 2013-2014 school year:
- Spanish Culture and Communication (H)
 - Anatomy for Life
 - Introduction to Probability and Statistics (A-Full Year)
 - AP World History
 - Grade 12 English semester courses (H)- Contemporary Nonfiction, Multicultural Literature, Social Issues in Literature, Science Fiction and the Imagination, and Literature and the Mind

XII. Facilities & Operations

- A. Committee Report & Discussion:
B. Action Items:

Action
Resolution

1. Acceptance of Foreign Exchange Students
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education accept foreign exchange student Ina Albrektsen from Denmark hosted by the Hofman family, Bedminster NJ for the 2012-2013 school year.

Action
Resolution

2. Approve B.H.S. Change Order No. 1
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve B.H.S. Change Order No. 1 – Wonderstar in the amount of \$18,000 for to replace additional brick due to deterioration.

Action
Resolution

3. Approve Resolution to Amend Federal Budget Control Act of 2011
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the attached resolution from New Jersey School Boards Association.

XIII. Policy

- A. Committee Report & Discussion:
B. Action Items:

XIV. Personnel

- A. Committee Report & Discussion:
B. Action Items:
All personnel action is on the recommendation of the Superintendent.

- Action 1. Approve Collective Bargaining Agreement – S.H.E.A.
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the agreement between the Somerset Hills Education Association and Somerset Hills Board of Education covering the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014.
 (Roll Call)

- Action 2. Approve Salary Advancement (2011-2012)
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve salary advancement for the following teachers for the 2011-2012 school year retroactive to September 1, 2011.

Name	Current Level/Step	Current Salary	New Level/Step	New Salary
Ayres, Karen	MA+45/16	\$87,343	MA+60/16	\$89,195
Berger, Dianne	MA+15/17	\$86,412	MA+30/17	\$88,553
Both, Kristene	MA+30/4	\$61,530	MA+45/4	\$63,465
Carpiniello, Lisa	BA/4	\$53,790	BA+15/4	\$55,725
DeRoberts, Theresa	MA+30/9	\$67,465	MA+45/9	\$69,400
DiCarlo, Peter	MA+30/4	\$61,530	MA+45/4	\$63,465
Falletta, LuAnn	MA+30/15	\$82,054	MA+45/15	\$84,078
Fox, Lindsay	MA+30/4	\$61,530	MA+45/4	\$63,465
Frazier, Jessica	BA/3	\$52,790	BA+15/3	\$54,725
Fresco, Angela	MA+45/12	\$75,431	MA+60/12	\$77,255
Georgiana, Michael	BA/3	\$52,790	BA+15/3	\$54,725
Janosko, Ashley	MA+15/3	\$58,595	MA+30/3	\$60,530
Jongema, Holly	BA+15/5	\$56,725	MA/5	\$58,660
Kasulanis, Sally	MA+45/16	\$87,343	MA+60/16	\$89,195
Leavenworth, Patrice	BA/17	\$78,745	BA+15/17	\$80,977
MacGorman, Kristen	MA+45/4	\$63,465	MA+60/4	\$65,400
Reeves, Jamie	BA/4	\$53,790	BA+15/4	\$55,725
Seela, Lisa	MA+45/20	\$102,561	MA+60/20	\$104,837
Sorge, Melissa	MA/4	\$57,660	MA+15/4	\$59,595
Sosley, Anna	MA+30/11	\$71,215	MA+45/11	\$73,150
Trumpy, Fred	MA+30/14	\$79,030	MA+45/14	\$80,962

- Action 3. Approve Longevity Adjustments (2011-2012)
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the longevity adjustments for the following staff members for the 2011-2012 school year.

Name	Paid 11-12	New 11-12	Retroactive
Teachers			
Angri, John	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Burke, Mary	\$500	\$750	\$250
Brum, Sharon	\$500	\$750	\$250
Clendenny, Marilyn	\$500	\$750	\$250
Cutler, Suzanne	\$500	\$750	\$250
Davis-Campbell, Malinda	\$500	\$750	\$250

DeStefano, Phyllis	\$500	\$750	\$250
DiMarco, Thomas	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Ellard, Thomas	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Foglia, Joseph	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Forsythe, Cynthia	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Gardner, Alexis	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
George, Karen	\$500	\$750	\$250
Heppes, Laurie	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Jastrabek, Linda	\$500	\$750	\$250
LaCotta, Katherine	\$500	\$750	\$250
LaSpada, Joseph	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Maddaluna, Patricia	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Martin, Judith	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Roberson, Margaret	\$500	\$750	\$250
Virtue, Janis	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Teachers Retired as of 6/30/12			
LaNeve, George	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Miller, Janet	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Tiffenbach, Eileen	\$500	\$1,000	\$500
Technology			
Prunty, Mark	\$500	\$750	\$250
Saez, Rickey	\$500	\$750	\$250
Secretaries			
Acuff, Anne effective 2/13/12	0	\$1,434	\$1,434 (prorated)
Harknett, Virginia effective 2/2/12	0	\$1,434	\$1,434 (prorated)

Action 4. Approve Salaries for Tenured Teachers

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve salaries for tenured teachers for the 2012-2013 school year.

Bedwell Elementary School

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
ANGRI	JOHN	MA	20	96,745*
AYRES	KAREN	MA+60	17	92,985
BOHR	JENNIFER	MA	5	59,080
BROOTEN	DARCEY	MA+15	6	62,080
BRUM	SHARON	MA+60	18	97,380*
BURNETT	SHERILYN	MA+15	20	98,440
COLLINS	JESSICA	MA	6	60,080
COOPER	MEGAN	MA+30	8	66,450
CRAVER	MARCELLA	MA+30	16	85,524

CROWLEY	LORETTA	MA+60	14		82,949
DAVIS	EMMA	MA+15	6		62,080
DAVIS CAMPBELL	MALINDA	MA+60	20		106,587*
DAVITT	ROBERTA	BA+15	17		81,272
DESTEFANO	PHYLLIS	BA	18		82,860*
FALZARANO	SARAH	BA+15	4		56,080
FISCHER	DANA	BA+15	11		65,770
FORSYTHE	CYNTHIA	BA+15	20		93,035*
FREDA	MICHELE	MA	12		70,323
FULTON	CYNTHIA	BA	16		76,120
GEORGE	KAREN	BA+15	20		92,785*
HALL	KRISTINE	MA	14		75,445
HEPPES	LAURIE	BA+15	19		88,746*
HOROWITZ	SUSAN	MA+60	15		86,145
JAEGER	LARAINÉ	MA	20		95,745
JASTRABEK	LINDA	BA+15	20		92,785*
JONGEMA	HOLLY	MA	6		60,080
KASULANIS	SALLY	MA+60	17		92,985
KING	DAWN	MA	6		60,080
KLEINSTEIN	MARY	MA+60	17		92,985
KOSTELAK	ANDREA	BA+15	15		75,398
LEAVENWORTH	PATRICE	BA+15	18		84,434
LEMBERG	CHRISTINE	MA+60	18		96,630
LEONARD	MELISSA	MA	8		62,450
MADDALUNA	PATRICIA	MA+60	20		106,837*
MASTRANGELI	KAREN	MA+30	14		79,325
MC CARRON	JAMES	MA	18		87,712
MUSTICH	JONELLE	MA	7		61,080
NOONAN	MARK	BA	18		82,110
OCH	LAURIE	MA	18		87,712
PATERNO	AMY	MA	10		65,920
PIKE	EMILY	MA+60	15		86,145
REED	PATRICK	MA+15	6		62,080
ROKOSKY	DEBORAH	MA+15	16		83,471
ROLL	JILL	MA	14		75,445
ROSENTHAL	MARGARET	MA	18		87,712
RUDIN	ELIZABETH	MA+30	18		92,323
SEELIG	SOPHIA	BA	8		61,790
SMITH	LAUREN	MA	6		60,080
SOMBERS	DIANA	MA+30	12	50%	36,970
THURLOW	ALLEN	BA+15	5		57,080

VIRTUE	JANIS	MA+60	20	106,837*
WEBER-HUMMEL	LISA	MA	20	95,745
WILKINSON	PHILIP	BA	11	63,770
WINDISCH	MARY	MA	17	84,420
ZIOLKOWSKI	MAUREEN	BA+15	10	65,770

*includes longevity

Bernardsville Middle School

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
BOTH	KRISTENE	MA+45	5	65,080
BURKE	MARY	MA+60	20	106,587*
CALABRESE	ERIC	BA+15	5	57,080
COUCH	ANDREW	BA	5	55,080
COZIN	SYBIL	BA+15	16	67% 52,434
DORFMAN	OLIVIA	MA	13	72,783
DREW (1/2/13)	LISA	MA+15	15	80,385
ELLARD	THOMAS	MA+60	20	106,837*
FLYNN	KIMBERLY	MA+45	17	91,054
FRAZIER	JESSICA	BA+15	4	56,080
GARDNER	ALEXIS	BA	20	90,405*
FURBISH	MARY ELLEN	MA	6	60,080
GEORGIANA	MICHAEL	BA+15	4	56,080
HABERMAS	CHRISTOPHER	MA+30	6	64,080
HASPEL	MARY	MA+15	20	98,440
KING	BRIAN	MA+60	19	100,425
JACKSON	KAREN	MA+15	16	83,471(prorated)
LACOTTA	KATHERINE	MA+60	18	97,380*
LASPADA	JOSEPH	MA+60	20	106,837*
LATZKE	BRIAN	MA+45	8	68,450
MAC GORMAN	KRISTEN	MA+60	5	67,080
MALWITZ	CARRIE	MA+30	6	64,080
MARASHLIAN	NICOLE	MA+45	8	68,450
MC GINN	JESSICA	BA+15	8	60,450
MC MILLAN	PATRICIA	BA	18	82,110
OBERT-THORN	KARRIE	MA+15	12	72,186
PALEK	TIMOTHY	MA	4	58,080
PORTER	SHANE	BA+15	6	58,080

PROCACCI	ERIKA	BA	4	54,080
REZNICK	CAROLANN	MA+45	8	68,450
RIZZUTO	ROSEMARIE	MA+60	18	96,630
ROBERSON	MARGARET	MA+45	20	104,311*
RYAN	SUZANNE	MA+30	15	82,349
SANDS	STEPHEN	BA+15	12	67,940
SNYDER	JASON	BA+15	5	57,080
SORGE	MELISSA	MA+15	5	61,080
ST. OURS	ELIZABETH	BA+15	7	59,080
TCHORZ	VALERIE	MA+45	9	70,020
TERRACIANO	VINCENT	MA+30	17	88,848
WELLS	KELLY	MA+30	9	68,020
WHITE	JOY	BA+15	6	58,080
WISNIEWSKI	LORI	MA+60	10	73,790

*includes longevity

Bernards High School

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
BABICKE	DENNIS	MA+60	13	80,260
BALE-PENA	MATTHEW	BA	5	55,080
BENNER	CAROLYN	MA+60	18	96,630
BERGER	DIANNE	MA+30	18	93,073*
BRACERO	JEANNETTE	MA	5	59,080
BROTHERS	DAVID	MA+30	17	88,848
BURNS	LYNDA	BA+15	18	84,434
CARPINIELLO	LISA	BA+15	5	57,080
CASWELL	JEFFREY	BA	18	82,110
CHERNG	JONATHAN	MA	4	58,080
CLARK	KELLY	MA	13	72,783
CLENDENNY	MARILYN	MA+60	20	106,587*
COLLINS	KAY	MA+15	18	90,094
CONNOR	ANNE	MA+45	17	91,054
COPPOLA	CAROLYN	BA	10	61,790
CUTLER	SUZANNE	BA	20	90,155*
DE ROBERTS	THERESA	MA+45	10	71,790
DE TROLIO	KAREN	MA+15	4	60,080
DEMEO	JANET	MA+30	15	82,349

DI CARLO	PETER	MA+45	5	65,080
DIMARCO	THOMAS	MA+60	20	106,837*
DOOLEY	MEGAN	MA	2-3	62,788
DRAG	NICOLE	BA	2-3	53,080
DU BOIS	LOUISE	MA+60	18	96,630
FALLETTA	LUANN	MA+45	16	87,638
FALZARANO	JEFFREY	MA+15	20	98,440
FERRARA	JAMES	MA+60	20	105,837
FOGLIA	JOSEPH	BA+15	20	93,035*
FOX	LINDSAY	MA+45	5	65,080
FRESCO	ANGELA	MA+60	13	80,260
GRAY	PAULA	MA+60	20	105,837
GRUND	JOHN	MA+15	20	98,440
HOGGE	JOHN	MA+60	18	96,630
HUNKELE	HEATHER	BA+15	9	62,020
JANOSKO	ASHLEY	MA+30	4	68,288
KULAKOWSKI	JACQUELINE	MA+45	8	68,450
LA BRUNO	WENDI	MA+60	11	75,770
LALLIS	JOHN	MA+30	20	100,963
MARTIN	JUDITH	MA+60	20	106,837*
MILDE	JOSEPH	BA	17	79,040
MORAWICK	AMANDA	MA+30	4	62,080
O'BRIEN	JANICE	MA	13	72,488
O'CONNOR	LESLIE	BA+15	6	58,080
PEPPE	THERESA	BA	2-3	53,080
SEELA	LISA	MA+60	20	105,837
SILVA	KAREN	MA+60	18	96,630
SIMONEAU	JON	MA	9	64,066
SNYDER	ALLISON	BA+15	4	56,080
SOSELY	ANNA	MA+45	12	75,940
SPIEGEL	SKY	MA	4	58,080
SZAKIEL	MARK	MA	18	87,712
SZOSTAK	DAVID	MA+45	12	75,940
TINQUIST	ALAN	BA	12	65,940
TRUMPY	FRED	MA+45	15	84,373
VASSIL	CHERYL	MA+60	16	89,490
VENEZIO	MARIA	MA+60	20	105,837
VIOLILLO	MADDALENA	MA+45	11	73,770
WELTLER	LYNN	MA+30	17	88,848

WHITLOCK	CHRISTINE	MA+60	18	96,630
WHITTLE	ELIZABETH	MA+45	20	103,561
YUKNIS	MARY	MA	20	95,745

*includes longevity

Action 5. Approve Salaries for Non-Tenured Teachers
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve salaries for the following non-tenured teachers for the 2012-2013 school year.

Third Year Teachers

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Fischer, Susan	Bedwell	MA	10	65,920
Fitzgerald, Marianne	MS	BA+15	5	57,080
McCabe, Kathleen	MS	MA+60	16	89,490
Pietroluongo, Jade	HS	BA	2-3	53,080
Procacci, Erika	MS	BA	4	54,080
Reeves, Jamie	Bedwell	BA+15	5	57,080
Ryersen, Kathleen	HS	MA+15	14 50%	38,725
Spangler, Franklin	HS	BA	2-3	53,080

Second Year Teachers

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Baker, Ashley	HS	BA +15	4	56,080
Brown, Nicole	HS	MA	5	59,080
Colicchio, Andrea	Bedwell	BA+15	2-3	55,080
Gilly, Zoltan	MS	MA+60	4	66,080
Hemans, Nick	HS	BA	6	56,080
Heydt, Jaimie	MS	BA	4	54,080
Swanson, Donald	HS	MA+60	11	75,770

First Year Teachers

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Costigan, Rita	HS	MA	2-3	57,080
DeAngelo, Stephanie	MS	MA	1	56,080
Driska, Sheila	Bedwell	MA+45	8 50%	34,225
Jandoli, Denise	MS	BA	2-3	53,080
Kawecki, Cloe	MS	BA	1	52,080
LaPine, Matthew	HS	MA	2-3	57,080
Majewski, Tiffany	MS	BA	2-3	53,080 (prorated)
Mariani, Jessica	Bedwell	BA	8	58,450
Mulcahy, Kevin	HS	BA	1 50%	26,040
Rigler, Meaghan	MS	MA	2-3	57,080
Settembrino, Lauren	Bedwell	BA	2-3 50%	26,540
Spadaccini, Jianna	Bedwell	BA	2-3	53,080
Stolarz, Lizabeth	HS	MA+45	1 50%	31,040
Wotanowski, Eileen	Bedwell	MA+45	9	70,020

Action 6. Approve Salary for Non-Tenured Teacher
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve a non-tenure contract for Jose Daben, Spanish Teacher at Bernards High School, Level MA+45, Step 11, at an annual salary of \$73,770 for the 2012-2013 school year.

Action 7. Approve Salary Advancements
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve salary advancement for the following teachers for the 2012-2013 school year retroactive to September 1, 2012.

Name	Current Level/Step	Current Salary	New Level/Step	New Salary
Connor, Anne	MA+45/17	\$91,054	MA+60/17	\$92,985
Craver, Marcy	MA+30/16	\$85,524	MA+45/16	\$87,638
Falletta, LuAnn	MA+45/16	\$87,638	MA+60/16	\$89,490
Fox, Lindsay	MA+45/5	\$65,080	MA+60/5	\$67,080
Flynn, Kimberly	MA+45/17	\$91,054	MA+60/17	\$92,985
Jaeger, Laraine	MA/20	\$95,745	MA+15/20	\$98,440
Janosko, Ashley	MA+30/4	\$68,288	MA+45/4	\$70,488
Morawick, Amanda	MA+30/4	\$62,080	MA+45/4	\$64,080
Ryersen, Kathleen	MA+15/14	\$38,725	MA+30/14	\$39,662
White, Joy	BA+15/6	\$58,080	MA/6	\$60,080

Action 8. Approve Salaries for Technology Employees
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve salaries for the following technology employees for the 2012-2013 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Step</u>
Luik, Norman	Salary \$32/hour (not to exceed 8 hours)	10
Pike, Max	Salary \$28/hour (not to exceed 19.5 hours)	2
Prunty, Mark	Salary 63,220 Microsoft MCSA 1,800 Longevity 750 Total Salary 65,770	18
Saez, Rickey	Salary 59,245 Microsoft MCP 700 Longevity 750 Total Salary 60,695	15

- Action 9. Approve Salaries for Maintenance Employees
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve salaries for the following maintenance employees for the 2012-2013 school year.

			<u>Step</u>
Fulper, James	Base Salary	54,395	12
	System Maintenance	16,774	
	Assistant Heating Controls	2,472	
	Boiler License	1,206	
	Longevity	786	
	Total Salary	\$75,633	
Lucas, Douglas	Base Salary	54,395	12
	System Maintenance	16,774	
	Boiler License	1,206	
	Plaster Mason	1,830	
	Longevity	1,574	
	Total Salary	\$75,779	
Rodaligo, Thomas	Total Salary	\$46,975	8
Vought, Rufus	Base Salary	54,395	12
	System Maintenance	16,774	
	Assistant Heating Controls	2,472	
	Boiler License	1,206	
	Longevity	2,621	
	Total Salary	\$77,468	

- Action 10. Approve Salaries for Secretarial Support Staff
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve salaries for the following secretarial support staff for the 2012-2013 school year.

Name	Location	Step	Salary	Longevity	Total Salary
Acuff, Anne	BHS	18	58,446	1,434	59,880
Collins, Virginia	BHS	18	58,446	1,434	59,880
Foote, Marilyn	BHS	OG	60,851	3,457	64,308 (prorated)
Grant, Christine	Olcott	18	58,446	1,434	59,880
Harknett, Virginia	BHS	13	52,821	1,434	54,255
Malzone, Emilia	BHS	10	49,746		49,746 (prorated)
Mehan, Kathleen	Olcott	9	48,771		48,771
Meyer, Deborah	BMS	15	54,996		54,996
Nickell, Robin	BHS	7	46,896		46,896
Pedota, Patricia	BMS	13	52,821		52,821
Roehr, Dolores	BES	2	42,646		42,646
Russoniello, Lucy	BES	17	57,271	1,434	58,705
Shannon, Joan	BHS	18	58,446	1,434	59,880

- Action 11. Approve Stipend for Transportation Coordinator
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve Virginia Harknett, transportation coordinator for the district at a stipend of \$4,367 for the 2012-2013 school year.
- Action 12. Approve Stipend for Attendance Officer
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve John McMahon, attendance officer for the district at a stipend of \$4,198 for the 2012-2013 school year.
- Action 13. Approve Rate for Nurse Clerk
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve Melissa Jordan, part time (not to exceed 19.5 hours per week) nurse clerk at Bedwell Elementary School at an hourly rate of \$34.59 for the 2012-2013 school year.
- Action 14. Approve Stipend for Board Messenger/Board Mail Person
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the stipend for Bhanca Komsiri as a Board Messenger/Board Mail Person effective July 1, 2012 for the 2012-2013 school year.
Board Messenger Stipend \$1,218
Board Mail Person Stipend \$5,245
- Action 15. Approve Rate for Bus Duty
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve Shane Porter for bus duty at Bernardsville Middle School effective September 7, 2012 at a per diem rate of \$30, for the 2012-2013 school year.
- Action 16. Approve Rate for Writing Lab Proctors
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve Melissa Sorge and Patricia McMillan as proctors for the middle school writing lab, 1 day per week each, at an hourly rate of \$59.11, effective October 1, 2012 through May 30, 2013.
- Action 17. Approve Overload Salary Adjustments
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve overload salary adjustments for the following Bernards High School teachers for the 2012-2013 school year:

Teacher	Subject Area	Overload	Length	Salary
Brown, Nicole	Science	3 periods	Full year	\$5,909
Collins, Kay	Math	5 Periods	Full year	\$15,019
Foglia, Joseph	Science	3 periods	Full year	\$9,205
Fresco, Angela	Psychology	5 periods	Full year	\$13,379
Peppe, Theresa	Social Studies	2 periods	Full year	\$3,539
Silva, Karen	Science	2 periods	Full year	\$6,443
Snyder, Allison	English	5 periods	Full year	\$9,349
Swanson, Donald	Science	3 periods	Full year	\$7,579

- Action 18. Approve Rate for Girls on Track Coaches
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following staff members as Girls on Track coaches at the Bernardsville Middle School, at an hourly rate of \$59.11, beginning September 21, 2012 for 10 weeks:
- DeTrolio, Karen 2 sessions weekly
 Malwitz, Carrie 2 sessions weekly
 (Funded by the Municipal Alliance Committee)

- Action 19. Approve Co-Curricular Stipend Adjustments
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve stipend adjustments for the following staff members for the 2012-2013 school year.

Bernards High School

Position	Person Recommended	Stipend
Activities Technician II	James Ferrara	2,044
Bernardian: Literary Advisor	Janice O'Brien 50%	2,800
	Heather Hunkele 50%	2,800
Bernardian: Financial Advisor	Janice O'Brien 50%	1,299
	Heather Hunkele 50%	1,299
Class Advisor: Senior	Angela Fresco	4,387
Class Advisor: Junior	Allison Snyder	3,827
Class Advisor: Sophomore	Nicole Drag	1,701
Class Advisor: Freshman	Jon Simoneau	1,592
Community Service	Anna Sosely	4,812
Crimson	Heather Hunkele	5,374
Drama: Fall Director	Lynn Weltler	3,696
Drama: Fall Assistant Director	Judith Martin	1,701
Drama: Fall Set Construction	Todd Weltler	1,500
Forensics Team	Angela Fresco	1,336
Mock Trial Team	Kevin Mulcahy	1,336
Green Team	Karen DeTrolio	1,851
Harvard Model Congress Advisor	John Hogge	1,557
Key Club	Anne Connor	3,208
Marching Band: Director	Peter DiCarlo	10,169
Marching Band: Assistant Front	Scott LeFurge	4,520
Marching Band: Asst. Marching	Jason Snyder	4,078
Marching Band: Asst. Percussion	Michael Eagle	4,078
Math League	LuAnn Falletta	2,408
Musical: Spring Director	Lynn Weltler	4,777
Musical: Spring Choreographer	Jade Petroloungo	4,220
Musical: Spring Instrumental	Fred Trumpy	4,220
Musical: Spring Asst. Director	Judith Martin	2,521
Musical: Spring Vocal	Stephen Sands	3,832
Musical: Spring Set Construction	Todd Weltler	1,500

National Honor Society	Theresa Peppe 50%	1,356
	John Hogge 50%	1,356
Peer Leadership	John Grund	8,452
Peer Leadership – Asst. Advisor	Kelly Clark	4,059
Pinnacle	Allison Snyder	2,484
Robotics	Franklin Spangler	2,671
Science Team: Biology	Thomas DiMarco	2,711
Science Team: Chemistry I	Joseph Foglia	2,711
Science Team: Chemistry II	Christine Whitlock	2,711
Science Team: Physics	James Ferrara	2,711
Student Council	Paula Gray	5,284
Technology Honor Society	Alan Tinquist	2,711
TV Studio Coordinator	Jon Simoneau	8,112
Vocal Music Accompanist	Brian Harlow	4,135

Bernardsville Middle School

Position	Person Recommended	Stipend
Clubs (per hour – max. 8 hrs.)		
Art Club (Oct-Dec)	Katherine LaCotta	43/hr
Art Club (Jan-Mar)	Katherine LaCotta	43/hr
Digital Photography (Oct-Dec)	Katherine LaCotta	43/hr
Digital Photography (Mar-May)	Katherine LaCotta	43/hr
Drama: Fall	Lynn Weltler	2,578
Drama: Fall Assistant	Judith Martin	1,289
Drama: Spring	Lynn Weltler	2,578
Drama: Spring Assistant	Vacant	1,289
Forensics	Kristen MacGorman	2,578
Robotics	Cloe Kawecki	2,578
Green Team	Carrie Malwitz	2,578
Open Gym: Boys' Fall	Zoltan Gilly	574
Open Gym: Girls' Fall	Kristene Both	574
Open Gym: Boys' Spring	Zoltan Gilly	574
Open Gym: Girls' Spring	Kristene Both	574
Literary Magazine	Joy White	2,578
Newspaper	Joy White	2,578
Peer Leadership	Kristen MacGorman	2,578
Science Team: Earth Science	Brian King	2,578
Service Organization	Kristene Both	3,710
Student Council	Stephanie DeAngelo	2,799
Team Leader – Grade 5	Vincent Terraciano	2,475
Team Leader – Grade 6	Marianne Fitzgerald	2,475
Team Leader – Grade 7	Kimberly Flynn	2,475
Team Leader – Grade 8	Thomas Ellard	2,475

Vocal Music Accompanist	Brian Harlow	1,153
Yearbook	Jamie Trapp	2,578

Bedwell Elementary School

Position	Person Recommended	Stipend
Community Service Advisor	Cynthia Forsythe 50%	1,517
	Laurie Heppes 50%	1,517
Student Activities Coordinator	Jianna Spadaccini 50%	989
	Deborah Rokosky 50%	989
Bookroom Coordinator	Janis Virtue 50%	701
	Loretta Crowley 50%	701
Team Leader – Grade K	Linda Jastrabek	2,475
Team Leader – Grade 1	Patrice Leavenworth	2,475
Team Leader – Grade 2	Jessica Collins	2,475
Team Leader – Grade 3	Elizabeth Rudin	2,475
Team Leader – Grade 4	Melissa Leonard	2,475
Tutor Mentor	TBD	59.11/hr
Homework Club	TBD	59.11/hr
Continental Math Program	Emily Pike	59.11/hr
Word Masters Program	Emily Pike	59.11/hr

Action Resolution

20. Approve Athletic Stipends

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve stipends for the following teachers for the 2012-2013 school year.

Fall Positions	Person Recommended	Stipend
Assistant AD: Fall	Nick Hemans	4,029
Cheerleading: Fall Head	Amanda Porter	5,053
Cheerleading: Fall Assistant	Jade Pietroluongo	3,801
Cross Country: Head	David Szostak	7,428
Cross Country: Assistant	Thomas DiMarco	4,857
Field Hockey: Head	Sarah Falzarano	7,428
Field Hockey: Assistant (JV)	Leslie O'Connor	6,246
Field Hockey: Assistant (FR)	Lynda Burns	5,014
Football: Head	Jon Simoneau	10,775
Football: Assistant	David Carmon	8,035
Football: Assistant (JV)	Brian Latzke	8,035
Football: Assistant (JV)	Bryce Baldwin	8,035
Football: Assistant (FR)	Joseph Milde	7,366
Football: Assistant (FR)	David Brothers	7,366
Open Gym: Fall	John McMahon	1,856
Men's Soccer: Head	Joseph LaSpada	8,035

Men's Soccer: Assistant (JV)	Jose Daben	6,246
Men's Soccer: Assistant (FR)	Allen Thurlow	5,014
Women's Soccer: Head	Christopher Habermas	8,035
Women's Soccer: Assistant (JV)	Philip Wilkinson	6,246
Women's Soccer: Assistant (FR)	Andrew Couch	5,014
Women's Tennis: Head	Kelly Clark	7,142
Women's Tennis: Assistant	Franklin Spangler	4,631

Winter Positions	Person Recommended	Stipend
Assistant AD: Winter	Nick Hemans	5,259
Basketball: Men's Head	Brad Greenman	9,730
Basketball: Men's Assistant (JV)	Allen Thurlow	8,035
Basketball: Men's Assistant (FR)	David Carmon	6,471
Basketball: Women's Head	Joseph Milde	9,730
Basketball: Women's Asst. (JV)	Jon Simoneau	8,035
Basketball: Women's Asst. (FR)	Vacant	6,471
Cheerleading: Winter Head	Amanda Porter	5,053
Fencing: Head	Vincent Paragano	7,283
Fencing: Assistant (JV)	Stephanie Chang	5,277
Fencing: Assistant (JV)	Vacant	5,277
Ice Hockey: Head	Nicholas Crouch	7,011
Ice Hockey: Assistant (JV)	Jason Snyder	4,073
Open Gym: Winter	John McMahon	2,374
Ski Team: Head	Kevin Malkin	6,592
Swimming: Head	Edwin Tsuzuki	7,142
Swimming: Assistant	Brendan Lawson	4,631
Winter Track: Head	David Szostak	7,142
Winter Track: Assistant	Brian Latzke	4,631
Winter Track: Assistant	Ashley Baker	4,631
Wrestling: Head	David Brothers	9,730
Wrestling: Assistant (JV)	Richard Russoniello	8,035

Spring Position	Person Recommended	Stipend
Assistant AD: Spring	Kelly Clark	4,029
Baseball: Head	Jeffrey Falzarano	7,953
Baseball: Assistant (JV)	Jon Simoneau	6,246
Baseball: Assistant (FR)	Vacant	5,014
Golf: Head	Joseph Milde	6,592
Lacrosse: Men's Head	David Brothers	7,428
Lacrosse: Men's Asst. (JV)	Alan Tinquist	6,246
Lacrosse: Men's Asst. (FR)	Nick Hemans	5,014
Lacrosse: Women's Head	Jessica McGinn	7,428
Lacrosse: Women's Asst. (JV)	Jose Daben	6,246

Open Gym: Spring	John McMahon	1,879
Softball: Head	Leslie O'Connor	7,953
Softball: Assistant (JV)	Jaimie Heydt	6,246
Tennis: Men's Head	Courter Smith	7,142
Tennis: Men's Assistant (JV)	Franklin Spangler	4,631
Track & Field: Men's Head	David Carmon	7,953
Track & Field: Women's Head	David Szostak	7,953
Track & Field: M/W Asst.	Brian Latzke	6,246
Track & Field: M/W Asst.	Ashley Baker	6,246
Track & Field: M/W Asst.	Jianna Spadaccini	6,246
Weight Training: Summer	Jon Simoneau	1,879

Action 21. Approve Leave Replacement Position
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve Jennifer Morra, reading specialist leave replacement at Bedwell Elementary School, level MA, step 6 at an annual salary of \$60,080 (prorated), effective February 4, 2013 through June 30, 2013. (Smith)

Action 22. Approve Long Term Substitute
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve Carolyn Sheehan, long term substitute at Bernardsville Middle School, effective November 26, 2012 through January 28, 2013, at per diem rate of \$260. (Obert-Thorn)

Action 23. Approve Appointment of Custodian
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of Alfredo Salazar, full time custodian, Step 1B, at an annual salary of \$25,000 (prorated) effective January 2, 2013. (Consulmagno)

Action 24. Approve Parenthood Leave
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve parenthood leave for Carolyn Coppola, art teacher at Bernards High School from May 13, 2013 through June 30, 2013 and from September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Action 25. Approve Parenthood Leave
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve parenthood leave for Jacqueline Kulakowski, media specialist at Bernards High School from May 8, 2013 through June 30, 2013 and from September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Action 26. Approve Longevity Adjustments
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve longevity adjustments for Deborah Thorp, Accounts Payable Clerk, \$356 for 2011-2012 and retroactive to July 1, 2012 for 2012-2013.

Action 27. Rescind Appointments
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education rescind the appointments of the following athletic positions at Bernards High School for the 2012-2013 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Jared Hammond	Fencing Assistant Coach (JV): Winter
Jon Simoneau	Basketball Women's Assistant Coach (JV): Winter

Action 28. Approve Co-Curricular Positions
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following co-curricular positions at Bedwell Elementary School, one day per week from January 9, 2013 through May 22, 2013.

Deborah Rokosky	Homework Club	\$59.11/hour
Philip Wilkinson	Homework Club	\$59.11/hour
<u>Homework Club Substitute Teachers</u>		
Cynthia Fulton	Homework Club	\$59.11/hour
Andrea Colicchio	Homework Club	\$59.11/hour

Action 29. Approve Athletic Positions
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following athletic positions at Bernards High School for the 2012-2013 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Jon Simoneau	Basketball Women's Assistant Coach (FR): Winter	\$6,471
Richard Smith	Basketball Women's Assistant Coach (JV): Winter	\$8,035

Action 30. Approve Girls on Track Spring Coaches
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following staff members as Girls on Track Spring coaches at the Bernardsville Middle School, at an hourly rate of \$59.11, beginning March 18, 2013 for 10 weeks:

Malwitz, Carrie 2 sessions weekly
 St. Ours, Elizabeth 2 sessions weekly
 (Funded by the Municipal Alliance Committee)

Action 31. Approve Family Math Program Instructors
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following staff members as Family Math Program instructors at Bedwell Elementary School, at an hourly rate of \$40.00 beginning January 22, 2013. (NCLB Funds)

Kindergarten
 Susan Horowitz – 9 hrs
 Diana Sombers – 9 hrs

Grade 2
 Susan Fischer – 9 hrs
 Deborah Rokosky – 9 hrs

Grade 4
 Darcey Brooten – 12 hrs

Jamie Reeves – 12 hrs

Action 32. Approve Appointment of Volunteers
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following volunteer positions at Bernards High School for the 2012-2013 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Carlyon, Kathleen	Fencing	Volunteer
Kotz, Lisa	Fencing	Volunteer

Action 33. Approve Substitute Rate
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following substitute rate:
 Substitute Custodian Extended Assignment \$15.00/hour

Action 34. Approve Extended Assignment Substitute Custodian
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve Chone Phouthapadith, extended assignment substitute custodian, effective December 13, 2012 until the end of assignment, at an hourly rate of \$15. (Chwiedosiuk)

Action 35. Approve Appointment of Substitutes
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following substitutes for the 2012-2013 school year:

Name	Substitute Position	Certificate
a) Benjamin, Emily	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Credential
b) Carpenter, Hannah	Teacher	CEAS
c) Goldstein, Caren	Nurse	School Nurse
d) Lawson, Brendan	Teacher	Substitute Credential
e) O'Brien, Ellen	Teacher	CEAS
f) Ramos, Steven	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Standard
g) Windisch, Casey	Teacher/Paraprofessional	CEAS

XV. Neighborhood Relations

XVI. Community Relations

XVII. Supplementary Matters

XVIII. Public Questions & Comments

XIX. Adjournment

Resolutions:

***Note:** The areas of permitted voting for the Bedminster district representative of the Board of Education are: 1) tuition charged by the sending district and bill lists or contracts to be used for the sending district's pupils; 2) new capital construction to be used by the sending district's pupils; 3) appointment, transfer or removal of teaching staff serving the sending district's pupils, including central administration; 4) addition or deletion of curricular or extracurricular programs involving the sending district's pupils.

Sequestration
Amend Federal Budget Control Act of 2011

WHEREAS, a world class public education is essential for the future success of our nation and today's schoolchildren; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Control Act of 2011 includes a provision to impose \$1.2 trillion in across-the-board budget cuts in almost all federal programs, including education, that would become effective January 2, 2013; and

WHEREAS, these across-the-board budget cuts, also known as "sequestration," would have a negative impact on education through a reduction in funds of 7.8 percent or more and could result in larger class sizes, fewer course offerings, possible four-day school weeks, loss of extracurricular activities, and teacher and staff lay-offs; and

WHEREAS, sequestration would affect almost every public school system in the nation and the millions of students educated through programs such as Title I grants for disadvantaged students, the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), English Language Acquisition, Career and Technical Education, and 21st Century Community Learning Centers; and

WHEREAS, public schools nationwide would be negatively affected by an estimated \$2.7 billion loss in just three programs alone – Title I grants, IDEA special education state grants and Head Start – that serve a combined total of 30.7 million children; and

WHEREAS, federal funding for K-12 programs was already reduced by more than \$835 million in Fiscal Year 2011; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey already ranks last among the states in the percentage of school expenditures (3.1%) supported by the federal government; and

WHEREAS, in Fiscal Year 2013, New Jersey will lose more than \$73 million in funding for elementary and secondary education programs, administered through the U.S. Department of Education, as well as over \$11.7 million in Head Start funding; and

WHEREAS, with a state-imposed tax levy cap and limited growth in state aid, New Jersey local school districts have limited capacity to absorb cuts in funding resulting from sequestration.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Somerset Hills Regional Board of Education, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey urges Congress and the Administration to amend the Budget Control Act to mitigate the drastic cuts to education that would affect our students and communities, and to protect education as an investment critical to economic stability and American competitiveness.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to United States Senator Robert Menendez, United States Senator Frank Lautenberg, U.S. Representative Leonard Lance, State Senator Anthony R. Bucco, Assembly Representative Anthony M. Bucco, Assembly Representative Michael Patrick Carroll, the New Jersey School Boards Association, and the National School Boards Association.