
**The Somerset Hills School District
PUBLIC INPUT & ACTION MEETING AGENDA – JUNE 30, 2010**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – 6:30P.M.
PRINCIPALS CONFERENCE ROOM AT BERNARDS HIGH SCHOOL**

**PUBLIC INPUT & ACTION MEETING – 7:30 P.M.
THE COMMUNITY ROOM AT 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

1. Scholarship Thank You – Alana Szodny

VII. Report of the Superintendent

1. Student/Staff Recognition

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 Public Input & Action and Executive meeting minutes of June 9, 2010 be approved.

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 May, 2010 showing the following balances:

FUND	Board Secretary Cash Balance (1)	Treasurer Cash Balance (2)
(10) General Fund	\$3,724,274.35	\$3,724,274.35
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$45,091.73	\$45,091.73
(30) Capital Projects Fund	\$(637,309.65)	\$(637,309.65)
(40)Debt Service Fund	\$(317,854.00)	\$(317,854.00)
Total Government Funds	\$2,814,202.43	\$2,814,202.43

(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

2. Approve 2009-2010 Budget Transfers*

Resolution Resolved that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the attached list of 2009-2010 budget transfers for May, 2010.

Action 3. Approve 2009-2010 Budget Transfers*

Resolution Resolved that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the attached list of 2009-2010 budget transfers for June, 2010. (Report to be distributed at meeting)

Action 4. Payment of Bills*

Resolution WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented a check register dated May, 2010 covering check numbers 20800 to 20801 in the amount of \$6,333.00 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	\$175.00
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$6,158.00
(30) Capital Projects Fund	-0-
(40) Debt Service Fund	-0-
(60) Cafeteria Fund	-0-
TOTAL	\$6,333.00

Action 5. Payment of Bills*

Resolution WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented a check register dated June, 2010 covering check numbers 20802 to 21076 in the amount of \$2,953,666.38 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	\$2,765,878.00
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$137,954.66
(30) Capital Projects Fund	-0-
(40) Debt Service Fund	-0-
(60) Cafeteria Fund	\$49,833.72
TOTAL	\$2,953,666.38

Action 6. Approve Out of District Placement

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the out of district placement for student #699, Camp Okee, Bridgewater, NJ.

Action 7. Approve Out of District Placement

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education enter into a contract with Montgomery Academy, St. John's Drive, Gladstone, NJ for student #20111633.

Action 8. Approve Behavior Specialist
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve Michele Gould, Behavior Specialist for student #786.

Action 9. Approve Insurance Renewals*
Resolution Resolved that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the following insurance policies for 2010-2011:

Coverage Type	Carrier	2009-2010	2010-2011	Change
Package/Auto	Zurich	\$76,788	\$80,919	+4,131
Umbrella Liability	Zurich	\$8,484	\$8,988	+504
Workers Compensation	NJSBAIG	\$163,229	\$164,026	+797
School Board Legal Liability	NJ.S.B.I.G.	\$30,927	\$33,399	+2472
Student Accident	NJSBAIG	\$17,500	\$18,780	+1280
Bonds	Selective	\$1,272	\$1272	-0-
TOTAL (3.0% increase)		\$298,200	\$307,384	+9184

Action 10. Approve New Bid Threshold
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the new bid threshold of \$36,000 and the new quote threshold of \$5,400 in accordance with Local Finance Notice 2010-13 under the Public Contracts School Law.

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) Marching Band Drum & Bugle Corps Show J. Birney Crum Stadium Allentown, PA	8/7/10	27	3	0
BHS	b) Marching Band Away Football Game North Warren Regional HS Blairstown, NJ	9/17/10	45	4	0
BHS	c) Marching Band Band Competition Roxbury High School Roxbury, NJ	10/2/10	45	4	0
BHS	d) Key Club Fall Service Rally Great Adventure Jackson, NJ	10/30/10	15	1	1

BHS	e) Marching Band Band Competition Rutgers University Stadium Piscataway, NJ	10/16/10	45	4	0
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Action
Resolution

2. Approve Professional Development

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following professional development:

Name	To	Estimated Cost	Date
a) Bracero, Jeannette	World Language Education and Smart Board Skills	\$79.76	7/7/10 & 7/22/10
b) Janosko, Ashley	Guidance Counselor Tour Group of New Hampshire colleges	\$100.00	10/17/10

Action
Resolution

3. Approve Participation in the Child Assault Prevention Program (C.A.P)*

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves participation in the Child Assault Prevention program at Bedwell School for the 2010-2011 school year.

Action
Resolution

4. Approve Professional Affiliation with Princeton University *

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve participation in the Princeton University Teachers AS Scholars program through June 2011 at an annual cost of \$3,000.
Note: Paid for with Federal Title II Funds

Action
Resolution

5. Approve B.M.S Textbook

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the following Bernardsville Middle School Grade 5, BMS Tools for Success course book for the 2010-2011 school year:
The Middle School Students Guide To Ruling the World (2006)
Publisher: Tween Publishing, LLC

Action
Resolution

6. Approve B.M.S Novel

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the following Bernardsville Middle School Grade 6, Character Education novel for the 2010-2011 school year:
Freak The Mighty (2001)
Publisher: Scholastic

Action
Resolution

7. Approve Application for NCLB Grant Funds

Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education authorizes the application for Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) grant funding as follows:

<u>Grant</u>	<u>Public Allocation</u>	<u>Non Public Allocation</u>	<u>Total</u>
Title 1	Declined		
Title II Part A	\$23,048	\$1,566 (St.E's)	\$29,538
Title II Part D	\$ 86	\$ 5 (St.E's)	\$ 110

Title III	\$10,426	Declined	\$13,179
Title III Immigrant	\$ 8,400	Declined	\$ 8,667

Approve Resolution 8. Approve B.H.S Textbook Adoption*
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the following Bernards High School Social Studies (Comparative World Religions) textbooks for the 2010-2011 school year:
A Concise Introduction to World Religions (2007)
Publisher: Oxford University Press

The Illustrated Guide to World Religions (2003)
Publisher: Oxford University Press

The World's Wisdom (1994)
Publisher: Harper Collins

Action Resolution 9. Approve B.H.S Textbook Adoption*
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the following Bernards High School Social Studies (Global Politics and Global Conflicts) textbook for the 2010-2011 school year:
Global Politics: A New Introduction (2009)
Publisher: Routledge: Taylor & Francis

Action Resolution 10. Approve BHS Textbook Adoption*
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following Bernards High School English (English III AP Language and Composition) textbook for the 2010-2011 school year:
The Bedford Reader ,10th edition (2008)
Publisher: Bedford/St.Martin's

XII. Facilities & Operations

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

Action Resolution 1. Approve Vehicle Maintenance Agreement 2010-2011*
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the Vehicle Maintenance Agreement for the 2010-2011 school year with the Morris-Union Jointure Commission.

Action Resolution 2. Approve Purchase of Vehicle*
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the purchase of a 2010 Ford F-250 truck and western plow from Warnock Fleet, East Hanover, NJ under State Contract #A73961 in an amount not to exceed \$29,127.
Information Replacement of a 1998 truck.

XIII. Policy

A. Committee Report & Discussion:

B. Action Items:

- Action Resolution 1. Second Reading and Approval Policy # P7460 Energy Conservation – Revision
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the second reading and approval of Policy # P7460 Energy Conservation – Revision.
- Action Resolution 2. First Reading Policy #2436 Activity Participation Fee – New
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the first reading of Policy #2436 Activity Participation Fee – New.
- Action Resolution 3. First Reading Policy #5111 Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Pupils(M) – Revision
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the first reading of Policy #5111 Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Pupils(M) – Revision.
- Action Resolution 4. First Reading Policy #6360 Political Contributions(M) – Revision
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the first reading of Policy #6360 Political Contributions(M) – Revision
- Action Resolution 5. First Reading Policy #6422 Budget Transfers(M) – Revision
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the first reading of Policy #6422 Budget Transfers(M) – Revision.
- Action Resolution 6. First Reading Policy #6631 Privately Funded Athletic Teams and Co-Curricular Activities – New
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the first reading of Policy #6631 Privately Funded Athletic Teams and Co-Curricular Activities – New.
- Action Resolution 7. First Reading Policy #6740 Reserve Accounts – New
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the first reading of Policy #6740 Reserve Accounts – New.
- Action Resolution 8. First Reading Regulation #6740 Reserve Accounts – New
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the first reading of Regulation #6740 Reserve Accounts – New.
- Action Resolution 9. First Reading Policy #8420 Emergency and Crisis Situations (M) – Revision
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the first reading of Policy #8420 Emergency and Crisis Situations (M) – Revision.
- Action Resolution 10. First Reading Regulation #8420.1 Fire and Fire Drills (M) – Revision
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the first reading of Regulation #8420.1 Fire and Fire Drills (M) – Revision.

Action Resolution 11. First Reading Regulation #8420.7 Lockdown Procedures (M) - New
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the first reading of Regulation #8420.7 Lockdown Procedures (M) - New

XIV. Personnel

A. Committee Report & Discussion:

B. Action Items:

All personnel action is on the recommendation of the Superintendent.

Action Resolution 1. Approve Appointment of Interim Supervisor of Special Services*
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the appointment of Vincent D'Elia, Interim Supervisor of Special Services, at a per diem rate of \$584.00, effective July 1, 2010 – August 12, 2010.

Action Resolution 2. Approve Appointment of Interim Supervisor of Special Services*
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the appointment of Nicholas Del'Re, Interim Supervisor of Special Services, at a per diem rate of \$550.00, effective August 16, 2010 through January 31, 2011, with five additional days for transition services to be determined.

Action Resolution 3. Approve Appointment of Special Education Teacher
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the appointment of Christa Lagatic, special education teacher at Bedwell Elementary School, Level MA, Step 1-2, at an annual salary of \$55,660, effective September 1, 2010 for the 2010-2011 school year.

Action Resolution 4. Approve Appointment of Physics Teacher*
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the appointment of Timothy Mure, physics teacher at the high school, Level MA+45, Step 11, at an annual salary of \$73,150, effective September 1, 2010 for the 2010-2011 school year.

Action Resolution 5. Approve Appointment of Long Term Substitute
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the appointment of Jessica Wetzel, long term substitute at Bernardsville Middle School, Level BA, Step 1-2, at a per diem rate of \$259, effective September 1, 2010 through November 12, 2010. (Marashlian)

Action Resolution 6. Approve Appointment of Leave Replacement Math Teacher
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the appointment of Denise Jandoli, leave replacement math teacher at Bernardsville Middle School, Level BA, Step 1-2, at an annual salary of \$51,790, effective September 1, 2010 for the 2010-2011 school year. (Jackson)

Action 7. Approve Appointment of Leave Replacement Math Teacher

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the appointment of Katelyn Finley, leave replacement math teacher at Bernardsville Middle School, Level BA, Step 1-2, at an annual salary of \$51,790, effective September 1, 2010 for the 2010-2011 school year. (Fanning)

Action 8. Approve Reappointment of Administrators*
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the reappointment of the following administrators for the 2010-2011 school year:

	<u>Salary</u>
Nancy Lee Hunter	\$164,186
Barbara Piparo-Walls	\$153,459

Action 9. Approve Appointment of Performing Arts Center Manager*
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the appointment of Lyn nWeltler , part time performing arts center manager, at an annual salary of \$13,000, effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

Action 10. Approve Appointment of Executive Director of Development
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the appointment of Keith Kebel, part time executive director of development, at an annual salary of \$18,000, effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

Action 11. Approval of Staff for Extended School Year Program
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the following staff for the extended school year program to be held from July 6 through August 9, 2010, 4.5 hours per day, to be paid at their hourly per diem rates:

Christa Lagatic	Teacher
Patrice Cummings	Paraprofessional
Colleen Sutton	Paraprofessional
MaryAnn Amiano	Paraprofessional

Action 12. Approval of Paraprofessionals for Extended School Year Program
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the following paraprofessionals for the extended school year program to be held from July 6 through August 9, 2010, 4.5 hours per day, at an hourly rate of \$18.00:

Joseph Negri
 Lauren Senko
 Karen Aversa

Action 13. Approval of Substitute for Extended School Year Program
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the following staff member as a substitute teacher/paraprofessional for the extended school year program to be held from July 6 through august 9, 2010, 4.5 hours per day:

Nancy Negri

Action 14. Approval of Student Teacher
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the following student teacher for the 2010-2011 school year:
 Kevin Grant (Ramapo) Fall – Internship Bedwell

Action 15. Approval of Department Coordinators*
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the following staff members as Department Coordinators at the high school for the 2010-2011 school year, to be paid at their hourly per diem rate:
 Dianne Berger Special Education
 Joe Milde Physical Education
 Fred Trumpy Visual & Performing Arts

Action 16. Approve PAC Sound & Lighting Operators*
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the appointment of the following staff members to serve as PAC Sound & Lighting Operators for the 2010-2011 school year:

Dennis Babicke	Judi Martin
David Brothers	Sky Meakem
Jeff Caswell	Mark Prunty
Angela Cerza	Mark Reinman
Jose Daben	Jon Simoneau
Jim Ferrara	Dave Szostak
John Lallis	Mike Terraciano
George LaNeve	Eileen Tiffenbach
Jim McCarron	Lynn Weltler

Action 17. Approve Change in Status*
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills board of Education approves change in status for Lynn Weltler, Theater/English Teacher at Bernards High School, as follows:

From: part time (.83)	MA+30	Step 16	\$70,740
To: full time	MA+30	Step 16	\$85,229

Action 18. Accept Resignation
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education accepts the resignation of Robert Longueira, part time computer technician for the district, effective June 17, 2010.

Action 19. Rescind Co-Curricular Appointments*
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education rescind the following co-curricular appointments for the 2010-2011 school year:

High School
 Bernardian: Literary Advisor Jacqueline Oswald

Bernardian: Financial Advisor	Jacqueline Oswald
Pinnacle	Suzy Cutler
<u>Middle School</u>	
Team Leader – Grade 6	Lori Wisniewski

Action 20, Approval of Co-Curricular Position*
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approved the following co-curricular position:

<u>High School</u>		<u>Stipend</u>
Pinnacle	Allison Ernst	\$2,447
Winter Track – Volunteer	Carl Porambo	
<u>Middle School</u>		
Team Leader – Grade 5	Vincent Terraciano	\$2,438

Action 21. Approval of Substitutes/Home Instructors
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the following substitutes for the remainder of 2009-2010, and for the 2010-2011 school year:

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Home Instructors</u>
Stephen Bogart	Sarah Falzarano
Rachel Felter	Rachel Felter
Susan Fischer	Suzette Given
Suzette Given	Kristen Gondeck
Kristen Gondeck	Linda McMahon
Kevin Grant	Franca Roibal
Dianna Horvath	
Sandra Leskauskas	
Linda McMahon	
Franca Roibal	

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.