

**The Somerset Hills School District
PUBLIC INPUT & ACTION SESSION - December 13, 2017**

Call to Order & Welcome

Mr. Palma called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

Pledge of Allegiance**Roll Call**

Present:

Mr. Baker

Ms. Burch

Mr. DiGiacchino

Mrs. Leiss

Mr. McDonald

Mr. Palma

Ms. Sooy (5:45pm)

Mrs. Tober

Ms. Virtue

Absent:

Mrs. Hoppe

Also Present:

Frances Wood

Jennifer Shouffler

Nancy Lee Hunter

Cheri Adams, Esq.

Executive Session

Mr. Palma moved the following at 5:30pm.

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.

Mr. DiGiacchino seconded. The Board returned to public session at 7:00pm.

Special Addendum:

Mr. Baker moved the following:

Action**Approve Annual Lou Palma Civic Leadership Award****Resolution**

WHEREAS, Lou Palma has served on the Somerset Hills School District Board of Education for 20 years, and WHEREAS he has served three terms as President of the Somerset Hills Board of Education, and WHEREAS he played an integral part in the successful completion of two building referendums, and has always demonstrated an unselfish dedication to the Somerset Hills School District, and has always been the consummate professional and volunteer; Now, therefore, be it Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the creation of the annual Lou Palma Civic Leadership Award to be given to a deserving senior at Bernards High School every year at the Senior Awards Assembly.

Motion seconded by Mr. DiGiacchino. Resolution was passed by a roll call vote of 9-0.

Mr. Palma thanked everyone and read a speech:

Somerset Hills School District Farewell

First I want to thank everyone for coming out tonight during this busy time of the year. Thank you Greg, Bob Dr. Wood, Nancy Hunter, the Board of Education, and the Somerset Hills School District for putting this all together.

It has been a privilege and pleasure to serve the Somerset Hills School District, the community and especially the children of our district for the past 20 years.

Over the past 20 years I have served with many dedicated board members, superintendents, assistant superintendents, principals, central office staff, teachers, coaches, bus drivers, custodians, secretaries, paraprofessionals and volunteers.

All of these people have helped shape and are continuing to shape the course of the Somerset Hills School District today.

Thank you to the voters of Peapack-Gladstone who entrusted me to serve on the board.

I would like to thank the board members I have been privileged to work with. We may have had different views at times but no matter what the issues or challenges were, we always worked for what was best for our students and fair for our employees.

I want to thank the communities that make up the Somerset Hills School District and for the wonderful people out there who volunteer their time, talents and financial support to the district. With your help the mission of educating our children is truly made easier by your involvement. It is greatly appreciated.

The next group I want to thank are the employees of the district. Without their dedication to the education of our students this district would not be the truly exceptional district it is. They are the heart and soul of the district.

I have been on the facilities and operations committee for the 20 years I have been on the board and have worked with our Business Administrator Nancy Hunter and the support staff who drive our buses, cook the meals, keep the buildings clean and maintained, plow and shovel the snow, and do hundreds of other things without which we could not operate a school system. To each of you goes a special thank you.

Thank you to the dedicated teachers and paraprofessionals who support them. Teaching becomes more demanding and difficult each year but you continue to work collectively to make the system better for our students.

The next group I would like to thank is the Administrative team lead by our Superintendent Dr. Wood and Assistant Superintendent Jen Shouffler. They are the group that implements the policies that come from the Board of Education and provide the leadership for the district.

They spend many hours managing the district and are responsible for the business of educating our students. They are truly professionals who look to do what is best for our students.

I want to thank my family and most importantly my wife Pam. She has endured countless hours and meetings that have taken time away from us during the past 20 years and she has fully supported my passion and calling to serve.

I have been blessed for having had the opportunity to be on the board during some very tough and also some very gratifying times.

We have seen great increases in student achievement and district growth. But there is much work to be done in a district that is “committed to excellence” I hope that you take encouragement from our progress, continue to build strong relationships, and choose your battles carefully to win the wars that really make a difference. We must stand firm, continue to advocate, and work to find common ground to ensure that we provide an equitable and personalized education to every child.

I hope you never lose sight of the guiding principle that every student is entitled to an education that meets his or her needs.

I thank you for having had that opportunity to serve the children of the Somerset Hills School District.

The meeting was adjourned temporarily for coffee and cake.

Correspondence

None

Report of the Superintendent

1. School Resource Officer – Chief Kevin Valentine- Chief Valentine discussed various options for a School Resource Officer and responded to questions from the Board.
2. Student Representative Report - John “Jack” Broderick gave the student report commenting on student activities and athletics. Jack thanked Mr. Palma for his service to the Board. Jack also called the Board’s attention to the survey in the Crimson by the students on the new Random Drug Policy.

Public Questions & Comments

1. Sujin Beckerman stated that she was very much in support of hiring a School Resource Officer.
2. Joe Rossi said the position of a School Resource Officer was very successful in prior years and would recommend having one at the Bedwell/Middle School campus and one at the High School campus. He recommended a zero tolerance policy for drugs and alcohol.
3. Megan Cook is very much in favor of hiring a School Resource Officer.
4. Samantha Frenda is very much in favor of hiring a School Resource Officer.
5. Allison Ecko stated that the school district really needs a School Resource Officer.

Approval of Minutes*

<u>Action</u>	1. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>
<u>Resolution</u>	Mrs. Leiss moved and Mrs. Tober seconded that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the Public Input & Action and Executive meeting minutes for November 15, 2017. Minutes were approved by a roll call vote of 9-0.

Finance

A. Mr. Baker gave the report. The committee met on December 12, 2017. The Board can expect budget books by the end of January.

B. Mr. Baker moved items #1-9, Mr. DiGiacchino seconded. Ms. Burch moved to table item #5, no one seconded the motion. Items #1, 2, 3, 7, 8 and 9 were approved by a vote of 9-0. Item #4 was approved by a vote of 8-0, Item #5 was approved by a vote of 8-1. Item #6 was tabled.

**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 November, 2017 showing the following balances:

FUND	Board Secretary Cash Balance (1)	Treasurer Cash Balance (2)
(10) General Fund	\$6,061,990.35	\$6,061,990.35
(20) Special Revenue Fund	(\$38,231.94)	(\$38,231.94)
(30) Capital Projects Fund	\$379,875.65	\$379,875.65
(40) Debt Service Fund	\$198,666.52	\$198,666.52
Total Government Funds	\$6,602,300.58	\$6,602,300.58

(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 2017-2018 Budget Transfers***

Resolved that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the attached list of budget transfers for November, 2017.

**Action
Resolution****3. Payment of Bills***

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented attached 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	AMOUNT
(10) General Fund	\$3,980,242.37
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$183,506.61
(30) Capital Projects Fund	\$61,535.20
(40) Debt Service Fund	\$0
(60) Cafeteria Fund	\$62,003.19
(90) Agency Fund	\$1,116,747.37
TOTAL	\$5,404,034.74

- Action 4. Approve of Out of District Placement
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following out of district placement for the 2017-2018 school year:

Student ID	Provider	Location
4686992100	Hunterdon Prep	Annandale, NJ
4362084900	East Mountain School	Belle Mead, NJ

- Action 5. Approve Budgeted Bedminster Tuition Rate*
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the budgeted tuition rate for 2018 - 2019 Bedminster students at Bernards High School in the amount of \$18,300.

- Action 6. Approve Transfer* TABLED
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve a transfer from unexpended funds in the Capital Project Fund to the Debt Service Fund in the amount of \$300,000. These funds will be used to reduce the Debt Service tax levy in the 2018/2019 budget.

- Action 7. Approve Non-Public School Security Aid Program
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following 2017-2018 NJ Non-Public School Security Aid Program:

School	Description	Total \$
Far Hills Country Day School	825 Hours of security service at \$29 per hour.	\$23,925.00

- Action 8. Approve Parent Organization Fundraiser
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following parent organization fund raiser for the 2017-2018 school year:

Organization	School	Event	Date
Bernards Athletics Booster Club	BHS	Booster Bingo Night	5/8/18

- Action 9. Approve Settlement Agreement
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the settlement agreements for the following student:

Student ID
2021274

Curriculum

- A. Ms.Virtue gave the report. The committee met on December 5, 2017.
 B. Ms. Virtue moved items #1-4, Mrs. Leiss seconded. Items #1 & 4 were approved by a vote of 8-0, items #2 & 3 were approved by a vote of 9-0.

- 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
BMS	5th grade- Natural History Museum- NYC	May 14	130	9	6

Action 2. 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
a) BHS	Anatomy classes- Liberty Science Center (heart surgery)	March 9	75	2	3
b) BHS	AP Statistics- Bronx Zoo (animal taxonomy)	June 7	72	6	0
c) BHS	SIP Class- ACCUPLACER testing-RVCC	Dec. 14	8	1	0
d) BHS	Harvard Model Congress- Boston	Feb. 22-25	32	4	0
e) BHS	Robotics Competition- Sparta HS	Jan. 6	10-15	1	0
f) BHS	Special Ed- Michael's and ShopRite(Vocational/Life Skills)	Dec. 21	8	5	0
g) BHS	Special Ed- Chipotle, Michael's, ShopRite-Functional Spanish & Vocational/Life Skills	Jan. 25	8	4	0
h) BHS	Special Ed- Esther Raab Holocaust Museum-Cherry Hill (US HistII)	Jan. 26	8	5	0
i) BHS	World History A- Nat'l Museum of Industrial Hist- Bethlehem	Feb. 13	44	5	0
j) BHS	Jazz, Madrigals, Marching Band- BMS & Bedminster Schools	Jan. 12	70	3	2
k) BHS	AP European History- Metropolitan Opera	Jan. 13 (Sat)	13	1	1

Action 3. Approve Professional Development
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following professional development:

School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Est. Cost	Date
a) BES	Evans, LaToya	Crisis Intervention & Prevention training- New Providence	\$90.00	Feb. 1
b) BES	Griffin, Emily	Crisis Intervention & Prevention training- New Providence	\$90.00	Feb. 1
c) BES	Horel, Kelly	Therapy Techniques for Challenging Articulation Cases- Voorhees	\$266.67	Jan. 11
d) BMS	Craver, Marcella	Creating a Positive Culture and Climate- Bridgewater	0	Jan. 16 (am)
e) BMS	DeAngelo, Stephanie	North East Conf. on the Teaching of Foreign Lang.- NYC	\$275.00	Feb. 8
f) BMS	DeAngelo, Stephanie	Foreign Lang Educators of NJ Conf- Conference & Presenter-Iselin	\$175.00	April 13
g) BMS	Dempsey, Gretchen	Creating a Positive Culture and Climate- Bridgewater	0	Jan. 16 (am)
h) BMS	Habermas, Chris	Creating a Positive Culture and Climate- Bridgewater	\$4.40	Jan. 16 (am)
i) BMS	Latzke, Brian	Creating a Positive Culture and Climate- Bridgewater	0	Jan. 16 (am)
j) BMS	Porter, Shane	Creating a Positive Culture and Climate- Bridgewater	0	Jan. 16(am)
k) BHS	Carmon, Dave	Football Safety Clinic- AC	\$68.20	Feb. 23

l) BHS	Collins, Kay	Algebra I Roundtable - Flemington	0	Jan. 11
m) BHS	Corbett, Mike	NJ Science Ed Leadership Assoc- Somerset	\$9.74	Dec. 15
n) BHS	DeBarra, Katherine	Next Generation Science Standards workshop- Somerset	\$13.33	Dec. 8
o) BHS	Falzarano, Jeff	Inside Baseball Coaches Clinic- Plainsboro	\$215.74	Jan. 12
p) BHS	Ferrara, James	Am Assoc of Physics Teachers- San Diego	\$100.00	Jan. 5 (evening) - Jan. 8
q) BHS	Foglia, Joe	Next Generation Science Standards workshop- Somerset	\$22.38	Dec. 8
r) BHS	Morris, Ashley	Strengthening Your Special Needs Students' Executive Functioning Skills-W. Orange	\$259.00	Feb. 7
s) BHS	Neigel, Scott	NJ State Interscholastic Athletic Assoc.- luncheon honoring BHS coach - Edison	0	Dec. 4
t) BHS	Simoneau, Jon	Football Safety Clinic- Temple U- Philadelphia	0	Dec. 8
u) BHS	Simoneau, Jon	Football Safety Clinic- AC	\$284.00	Feb. 23
v) BHS	Stolarz, Liz	Ramapo College Counselor Luncheon & Information	0	Dec. 1
w) BHS	Violillo, Maddalena	North East Conf, on Teaching of Foreign Languages- NYC	\$175.00	Feb. 9
x) District	Butler, Coleen	Municipal Alliance- Bedminster Town Hall	0	Mar. 15 & June 14
y) District	Vail, Peggy	Awareness & Security for School Bus Drivers- New Providence	0	Jan. 4
z) District	Vail, Peggy	Annual School Transportation Supv Conf.- AC	\$598.88	Mar. 21-22
aa) BMS	Georgiana, Michael	Algebra I Roundtable	0	Jan. 11
bb) District	Fischer, Susan	Coaching Institute on the Teaching of Writing: Teachers College	\$800.00	Jan. 29-31
cc) District	Kolmer, Grant	NJ Educational Computing Cooperation Conference	0	Jan. 9
dd) BHS	Fallas, Heiner	NJ Educational Computing Cooperation Conference	0	Jan. 9

Action 4. Approve Family Math Program
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following hours for the Family Math Program for January 2018 at Bedwell School:

Grades K-1 -- Cynthia Fulton, Lin Jastrabek, Penny Maddaluna and Phyllis DeStefano
(7 hours each at \$40/hr)

Grades 2-3 -- Monica DeMarco, Debbie Rokosky, Diana Sombers, Truc-Lan Vu (7 hours each at \$40/hr.)

Facilities & Operations*

A. Mr. Palma gave the report. The committee met on December 12, 2017.

B. Mr. Palma moved items #1-5, Mr. DiGiacchino seconded. Items #1-5 were approved by a vote of 9-0.

Action Resolution 1. HIB Report*
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education reviewed the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying cases presented on December 13, 2017 and upheld the findings and/or consequences recommended by the Superintendent.

Action Resolution 2. Approve Summer Camp*
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the contract for the Somerset County YMCA Summer Camp to be held at Bernards High School in the summer of 2018.

Action Resolution 3. Approve Equipment Disposal
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the disposal of a Hustler Snow Plow Tractor model # 923326.

Action Resolution 4. Approve Board Meeting Date Change
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve a Board Meeting date change from Wednesday - March 21, 2017 to Wednesday - March 14, 2017.

Action Resolution 5. Approve New Keying System Proposal
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve a proposal for a new keying system at Bernards High School and the Olcott Building at a cost of \$66,581.05 under ESCNJ Coop Bid. This project was included in the 2017-2018 budget.

Policy

- A. Mr. Palma reported that there was no meeting this month.
B. Mr. Palma moved item #1, Mrs. Tober seconded. The Board discussed changes to the Student Random Drug Testing policy and approved those changes by a vote of 9-0.

Action Resolution 1. Approve Second Reading
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the second reading and adoption of the following policy and regulation: (attachment)

Policy #	Title
5533 R	Pupil Smoking
5131 P	Student Random Drug Testing
5131 R	Student Random Drug Testing
5530 R	Substance Abuse
5535 P	Passive Breath Alcohol Sensor Device

Personnel

A. Mrs. Leiss gave the report. The committee met on December 5, 2017. Mrs. Leiss noted that the Board will be hiring a new Business Administrator, effective January 16, 2018. Mrs. Leiss thanked Mrs. Hunter for her many years of service. Several of the other Board members also thanked Mrs. Hunter.

B. Mrs. Leiss moved items #1-18, Mr. Palma seconded. Items #1-5 and #15-17a were approved by a vote of 8-0, items #6-14 and 17b were approved by a vote of 9-0.

Action Resolution 1. Accept Resignation
Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education accept the resignation of the following

employee:

Name	School	Position	Effective
Kawakami, Irving	Bedwell	Special Education Paraprofessional	11/27/17

Action 2. Approve Appointment Non-Certified Staff

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of the following non-certified staff for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	Position	Replace	Step	Salary	Effective
Senior, Jennifer	BES	Regular Education Paraprofessional	Smith	B/1	\$14.82	12/4/17

Action 3. Approve Parenthood Leave

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following parenthood leave for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	Position	Date
Tynan, Jessica	BMS	Special Education Teacher	2/5/18 - 6/30/18

Action 4. Amend Parenthood Leave

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education amend the following parenthood leave end date for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	Position	Start Date	End Date
Jaeger, Jamie	BES	Special Education Teacher	5/15/17	6/30/18

Action 5. Amend Appointment Leave Replacement

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education amend the appointment of the following leave replacement for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	Position	Replace	Start Date	End Date
Sevecke, Alexis	BES	Special Education Teacher	Jaeger	5/16/17	6/30/18

Action 6. Amend Appointment School Business Administrator*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education amend the appointment of the following School Business Administrator:

Name	Position	Replace	Salary	Effective
Goguen, Heather	School Business Administrator/Board Secretary	Hunter	\$137,000	January 16, 2018

Action 7. Approve Salary Level Advancement*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve salary level advancement for the following administrator prorated for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	\$ Old Salary	New Level	\$ New Salary	Effective
Neigel, Scott	BHS	\$158,132	Doctorate	\$163,132	12/13/17

Action 8. Approve Appointment Interim School Business Administrator*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of the following

Interim School Business Administrator:

Name	Position	Replace	Salary	Effective
Puleio, Nicholas	Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary	Hunter	\$80/hour for 32 hours per week	January 1, 2018 - January 15, 2018

Action 9. Approve Co-Curricular Positions*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following co-curricular positions for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	Position	Stipend
Fry, Laurence	BHS	Boys Soccer: JV	\$6,000

Action 10. Approve Rate Increase*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following salary rate increase:

Name	Position	Rate	Effective
Luik, Norman	Part Time Technician	\$37.00/hour	12/1/17

Action 11. Approve Substitutes*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following substitutes for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	Substitute Position	Rate
a) Thorp, Debbie	Bus Aide	\$18.00/hour
b) Morales, Kyle	Custodian	\$13.00/hour
c) Chrapowicki, Stan	Teacher/Paraprofessional	Substitute Credential
d) Zambrano, Gabriela	Custodian	n/a

Action 12. Approve Sick Leave Bank*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the Sick Leave Bank established to provide compensable level coverage to bargain unit members who are absent for an extended period due to catastrophic illness or injury.

Action 13. Accept Resignations*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education accept the resignation of the following employees:

Name	School	Position	Effective
a) DeMarco, Jinnee	Olcott	Assistant Business Administrator	1/8/18
b) Latzke, Sarah	Olcott	Student Services Secretary	1/8/18

Action 14. Approve Appointment Non-Certified Staff*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of the following non-certified staff for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	Position	Replace	Salary	Effective
a) Latzke, Sarah	Olcott	Business Office Assistant	DeMarco	\$60,000	1/9/18

b) Patel, Mansi	Bedwell	Special Education Paraprofessional	Kawakami	\$15.70/hour	12/12/17
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Action 15. Rescind Co-Curricular Positions

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education rescind the following co-curricular positions for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	Position	Stipend
Gilly, Zoltan	BMS	Girls Basketball: Assistant	\$3,115

Action 16. Approve Co-Curricular Positions

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following co-curricular positions for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	Position	Stipend
Jacobs, Heather	BMS	Girls Basketball: Assistant	\$3,115

Action 17. Approve Family Medical Leave

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following family medical leave of absence for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	Position	Date
Leavenworth, Patrice	BES	Elementary School Teacher	1/2/18 - approximately 3/23/18

Action 18. Approve Substitutes - Extended and Long Term

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of the following substitutes for the 2017-2018 school year:

Name	School	Position	Replace	Salary	Date
a) Cooperstein, Rhonda	BHS	Extended Assignment Guidance Counselor	Ellis	\$210/day	11/28/17 - 12/20/17
b) Meeks, Maureen	BES	Long Term Substitute Elementary Teacher	Leavenworth	\$285/day	1/2/18-Approx. 3/23/18

Community Engagement Committee

Mr. DiGiacchino announced the members of this committee with him are: Mrs. Tober, Mrs. Santoro, Mr. Palma and Ms. Virtue. Everyone has been instrumental in getting the committee off to a great start.

Public Questions & Comments

- Jennifer Sciarra thanked the Board for passing the Drug Policy. She also thanked Mr. Palma and Mrs. Hunter for their service. In addition, she wanted the Board to know about a serious incident on

the late bus. She stated that although there was an investigation, she thought it was not properly done.

2. Samantha Frenda informed the Board that there are several activities in January and February between Community in Crisis and the HSAs.
3. Allison Ecko had some questions on the Drug Policy and also asked if the district will implement Stop-It, and if we were going to look at a policy for Narcon. Dr. Wood responded that the district will be looking into Stop-It and Narcon.

Supplementary Matters

1. Mrs. Leiss mentioned the active superintendent search and asked the public to respond to the survey on the website by January 1, 2018.
2. Ms. Burch mentioned that this might be her last meeting.

Adjournment

Mr. DiGiacchino moved to adjourn at 11:20pm, Mrs. Leiss seconded. Motion was approved by a vote of 9-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy Lee Hunter
Board Secretary

Resolutions:

***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)