

DEMAREST BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA – COW/REGULAR MEETING

December 18, 2012

7:30 P.M.

I. OPENING

A. Meeting called to order.

B. Board President's Announcement:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Demarest Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted at the Borough Hall and at the Middle School and by notifying in writing two newspapers: The Record and The Suburbanite.

C. Flag Salute.

D. Roll Call: Galtieri, Geisenheimer, Geller, Majeski, Molina, Woods and Holzberg.

E. Move to accept the minutes of the:

Regular Meeting – November 20, 2012

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

F. Review of correspondence.

II. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Presentation of the CAFR

IV. REVIEW OF AGENDA

A. Board members review the items.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

B. Move to open the meeting to public discussion limited to agenda items.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

C. Public discussion.

D. Move to close the meeting to public discussion.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

V. ACTIONS (Continued)

D. Support Services – Board of Education (Continued)

2. Move to approve Diane Holzberg, Board President, to attend the 40th Annual Federal Relations Network (FRN) Conference on January 27-29, 2013 in Washington, D.C. with reimbursement for registration, lodging, meals and travel at the statutory rate as per board policy, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

3. Move to schedule the 2013 Annual Organization Meeting on Monday, January 7, 2013 at 7:30 p.m., with the January Committee of the Whole meeting to follow originally scheduled for January 8, 2013, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

4. Move to appoint the Board Secretary as temporary chairman of the Annual Organization Meeting on January 7, 2013, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

5. Move to approve the following resolution, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator:

RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE MEMBERSHIP IN THE NORTHEAST BERGEN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD INSURANCE GROUP

WHEREAS, a number of Boards of Education in Bergen County have joined together to form a Joint Insurance GROUP as permitted by N.J. Title 18A-.18B and;

WHEREAS, said GROUP was approved effective July 1, 1985 by the New Jersey Commissioner of Insurance and has been in operation since that date and;

WHEREAS, the Bylaws and regulations governing the creation and operation of this Insurance GROUP contain elaborate restrictions and safeguards concerning the safe and efficient administration of the public interest entrusted to such a GROUP, and;

WHEREAS, the Demarest Board of Education has determined that membership in the NORTHEAST BERGEN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD INSURANCE GROUP is in the best interest of the District;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Demarest Board of Education does hereby agree to renew membership in the NORTHEAST BERGEN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD INSURANCE GROUP and hereby accept the Bylaws as approved and adopted. The renewal term is from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Secretary/Business Administrator is authorized to execute the application for membership and the accompanying certification on behalf of the District and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Secretary/Business Administrator is authorized and directed to execute the Indemnity and Trust Agreement and such other documents signifying membership in the GROUP as are required by the Group's Bylaws and to deliver the same to the Executive Director.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

V. ACTIONS (Continued)

D. Support Services – Board of Education (Continued)

6. Move to approve the following resolution seeking amendment to Federal Budget Control Act of 2011, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator:

**RESOLUTION
Seeking Amendment to 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 Demarest Board of Education, in the County of Bergen, 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 Unites States Senator Robert Menendez, United States Senator Frank Lautenberg, U.S. Representative Scott Garrett, State Senator Gerald Cardinale, Assembly Representative Holly Schepisi, Assembly Representative Robert Schroder, the New Jersey School Boards Association, and the National School Boards Association.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

7. Move to authorize notification to the Executive County Superintendent and the New Jersey Department of Education for a waiver, as required, that the Demarest School District will not participate in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative/Medicaid Administrative Claiming Program, as we have no Special Education/Classified students receiving Free or Reduced Lunches, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

V. ACTIONS (Continued)

E. Support Services –Fiscal Management (Continued)

2. Move to confirm the November 16th – 31st, 2012 payroll in the amount of \$326,453.68

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

3. Move to confirm the December 1st – 15th, 2012 payroll in the amount of \$352,452.10

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

4. Move to approve the November 2012 bills in the amount of \$381,042.78

<u>Subtotal Per Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
10 General Current Fund Expense Funds	\$368,265.29
12 Capital Outlay	12,777.49

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

5. Move to approve the following resolution:

Receipt of Certification from Board Secretary

Pursuant to N.J.A.C 6:20-2.13 (d), I, Frank G. Chilson certify that as of November 30th, 2012, no budgetary line item account has obligations or payments (contractual orders) which in total exceeds the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

6. Move to approve the following resolution:

Certification of Board of Education

Pursuant to N.J.A.C 6:20-2.13 (e), we certify that as of November 30th, 2012, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district official, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-extended in violation of NJAC 6:20-2.13 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

7. Move to acknowledge receipt of October 31st, 2012 Report of the Board Secretary, A148 and Report of the Treasurer, A-149.

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

8. Move to confirm the following transfers for November 2012:

<u>From:</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
11-000-217-106-1-0000-18	Extraordinary Services	\$ <u>4,000</u>
<u>To:</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
11-000-217-320-0-0000-18	Extraordinary Services	\$ <u>4,000</u>

Moved by: *Seconded:*
Action (RC): G Gei Gel Maj M W H

V. ACTIONS (Continued)

F. Other

- 1. Move to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Demarest Board of Education will convene in a closed Executive Session on Tuesday, January 15, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss personnel and/or legal matters.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the nature of the discussion is expected to be disclosed to the public at a future date.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

VI. REPORTS

VII. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

- A. Move to open the meeting to public discussion.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

- B. Move to close the meeting to public discussion.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

VIII EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

- A. Move to reenter the Executive Session to discuss personnel/legal matters/negotiations.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

- B. Move to close the Executive Session and reenter the public session.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Move to adjourn at _____ P.M.

Moved by:

Seconded:

Action (v):

DEMAREST BOARD OF EDUCATION

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA – COW/REGULAR MEETING

December 18, 2012

7:30 p.m.

V. **ACTIONS (Continued)**

C. **Support Services – Staffing (Continued)**

Add Resolution No. 3

3. Move to approve the employment of Lauren Zaccaria, Step 1, as an Instructional Aide for the following students (ID #'s 212004, 212003 and 212061) for the 2012/2013 school year, effective January 11, 2013 based on the Student's Individual Education Plan (IEP), as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

<i>Moved by:</i>					<i>Seconded:</i>			
<i>Action (RC):</i>	G	Gei	Gel	Maj	M	W	H	