

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
TOWNSHIP OF VERNON
AUGUST 27, 2009

- I. CALL TO ORDER (Cynthia Auberger, President)
- II. ROLL CALL & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. READING OF MEETING NOTICES
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
 - a) Work Session (7/16/09)
 - b) Public Meeting (7/16/09)
- V. CORRESPONDENCE (Mr. Kepnes)
- VI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS
- VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Questions limited to items listed on agenda ONLY
- VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (Dr. Alfieri)
 - a) Informational matters:
 - b) Recommendations – personnel: appointments, terminations, non-reappointments, leaves, recommendations regarding funding, student matters, etc.
- IX. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY (Mr. Kepnes)
 - a) Informational matters:
 - b) Recommendations – purchase orders, checks, transportation, maintenance agreements, etc.
- X. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Questions and comments pertaining to agenda items and any NEW business
- XI. ADJOURNMENT

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CORRESPONDENCE (Mr. Kepnes)

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- 1) Letter, **Leslie Deutch**, CMPS physical education teacher; requesting an extension to her previously approved medical leave; eff. 9/1/09 – 10/1/09.
- 2) Letter, **Kathy Shade**, RHPS classroom teacher and RHPS grade coordinator; indicating her resignation as RHPS grade coordinator, only; eff. 8/27/09.
- 3) Letter, **Erin Branagan**, RHPS part-time aide; indicating her resignation; eff. 8/27/09.
- 4) Letter, **Glenn Anton**, GMMS classroom teacher (interim replacement from 9/1/09-1/2/10); indicating his resignation; eff. 8/27/09.
- 5) Letter, **Marc Bray**, VTHS English teacher, Fall SAT Advisor, and REBEL advisor; indicating his resignation as Fall SAT Advisor and REBEL advisor, only; eff. 8/27/09.
- 6) Letter, **Katie Cimorelli**, VTHS Music (vocal) teacher, Drill Team Advisor, Choir Director, Year-Long Choral Advisor, and Asst. Spring Drama (piano/vocal) advisor; indicating her resignation; eff. 8/27/09.
- 7) Letter, **Bobbie Boulware**, VTHS Fall and Spring Piano Accompanist; indicating his resignation from both positions; eff. 8/27/09.
- 8) Letter, **Steven Jacoby**, RHPS/CMPS Music Teacher and VTHS Intramural Marching Band Advisor; indicating his resignation; eff. 8/27/09.
- 9) Letter, **Donna Romanick**, VTHS World Language Teacher and VTHS AV Tech Support; indicating her resignation for reasons of retirement; eff. 12/1/09.
- 10) Letter, **Lisa Magner**, GMMS Part-time aide; indicating her resignation; eff. 8/27/09.
- 11) Letter, **Cindy Rannazzisi**, WRPS Part-time aide; indicating her resignation; eff. 8/27/09.
- 12) Letter (forthcoming), **Kathy Weyant**, VTHS English Teacher; indicating her return to employment following a medical leave of absence; eff. 9/1/09.
- 13) Letter, **Christopher LePore**, RHPS part-time custodian; indicating his resignation; eff. 8/31/09.
- 14) Letter, **Nancy Lennon**, CST LDTC; indicating her resignation for reasons of retirement; eff. 12/31/10.
- 15) Letter, **Aileen Donovan**, GMMS part-time aide; indicating her resignation; eff. 8/27/09.
- 16) Letter, **Jean Shears**, RHPS part-time aide; indicating her resignation; eff. 8/27/09.

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- 1) **Orientation days** for faculty and support staff are listed below:

New Teacher Orientation – Wednesday, August 26 and Thursday, August 27
All Faculty and Staff – Tuesday, September 1 and Wednesday, September 2
School begins for Students – Thursday, September 3

- 2) All faculty will participate in **in-service training** on Tuesday, **September 1**, and Wednesday, **September 2**. On Tuesday, Brad Cohen, author of Front of the Class will speak; and on Wednesday, mandatory gang training will be presented by the State Police and the Sussex County Prosecutor's Office.
- 3) **Back to School Nights** will be held at each school starting at 7:00 p.m. as listed:

September 3	Glen Meadow Middle School
September 8	Walnut Ridge Primary School
September 14	Cedar Mountain Primary School
September 22	Vernon Township High School
September 23	Rolling Hills Primary School
September 29	Lounsberry Hollow Middle School

- 4) At our **June 11, 2009 work session**, the board approved **travel and business recommendations** that were immediately necessary. These recommendations which were approved are on our **Attachment A**.
- 5) **Jill Marchioni**, GMMS 8th grade student, won first place in the Sussex County Public Hero essay contest sponsored by the Sussex County Education Association. The subject of her essay was Mr. Nick Paolini, LHMS special education teacher.
- 6) **Mrs. Robin Moro**, approved as a RHPS special education teacher, non-tenure interim replacement for a teacher on maternity leave, will commence her duties on 9/21/09 – 6/30/10; rather than the 9/1/09 start date indicated in the July agenda.
- 7) The Vernon Township Board of Education is an equal opportunity employer and adheres to all aspects of **Affirmative Action Guidelines**. The affirmative action officer for the Vernon Township Public Schools is Ms. Barbara Linkenheimer, Assistant Superintendent, 539 Route 515, PO Box 99, Vernon, NJ 07462, 973.764.2900 ext. 4367. In our main office is a complete Affirmative Action/Comprehensive Equity Plan file which includes our district's policies, plans, procedures, and compliance with all state and federal mandate in regard to affirmative action and the state's Comprehensive Equity Plan for 2007 – 2010.

Our school district achieves and maintains compliance with all applicable laws, codes, regulations, and guidelines governing equity in education including, but not limited to the following:

Federal Law

- Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990
- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (I.D.E.A.) of 1997
- Equal Pay Act of 1973

State Law

- Article I, Paragraph 5 of the New Jersey State Constitution
- N.J.S.A. 18A:36-20 Equality in Education Programs
- N.J.S.A. 10:5 New Jersey Law Against Discrimination
- N.J.A.C. 6A:7
- N.J.S.A. 18A:35-1 History of the United States and New Jersey
- N.J.S.A. 18A:36-20 Prohibition of Discrimination

If there are any problems or questions dealing with affirmative action, it is important that our school's affirmative action officer(s) be informed immediately so that a meeting can be arranged for remediation of any situation or problem that may arise. No pupil will be denied access to any educational program or activity based upon race, color, creed, religion, gender or economic status. The following approved board policies pertain to affirmative action and are covered by statute:

Policy/Regulation

- 1510 Rights of Persons with Handicaps or Disabilities
- 1520 Equal Educational and Employment Opportunities and Avoidance of Harassment by Reason of Gender
- 1523 Comprehensive Equity Plan 2004 – 2006
- 1530 Equal Education Opportunity
- 1550 Affirmative Action Program for Employment and Contract Practices
- 2260 Affirmative Action Program for School and Classroom Practices
- 3362 Sexual Harassment – Professional Employees
- 4362 Sexual Harassment – Non-certified Employees
- 5512 Intimidation, Bullying and Harassment
- 5750 Equal Educational Opportunity – Pupils
- 5751 Sexual Harassment – Pupils
- 5755 Equity in Educational Programs and Services
- 9130 Public Complaints and Grievances

The New Jersey Comprehensive Equity Plan for 2007 – 2010 has been approved by the NJ Department of Education Office of Specialized Populations/Equity and the Sussex County Office of Education for approval.

The district's Comprehensive Equity Plan objectives are:

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Provide training opportunities to all interested parents and community members, certified and non-certified staff to inform, identify and resolve problems in the following areas:

- Student achievement gap
- Bullying
- Sexual Harassment
- Prejudice, bias and stereotyping
- Diverse learning styles

The district will create and administer an interest survey to ensure equitable opportunities for female and male students to participate in athletics at Vernon Township High School. Survey results will be used to analyze the current athletic offerings to create a match once every three years.

- 8) As per the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Individuals with Disabilities Act, Americans with Disabilities Act and New Jersey Statutes and New Jersey Administrative Code is Vernon’s **Policy 1510 – Rights of Persons With Handicaps or Disabilities/Policy on Non-Discrimination (Attachment B)** is attached and included in this agenda as it needs to be publicly disclosed yearly prior to the beginning of the school year.
- 9) **Holly Terrill**, high school special education teacher, will be presenting “**Differentiated Instruction for Low-Level Math Learners**” for Texas Instruments at the New Jersey Mathematics Conference on October 15. The focus of her presentation will be the use of the TI-84 graphing calculator and the TI-Navigator.
- 10) **Justin Runne**, former VTHS graduate, has volunteered to assist the VTHS football coaching staff for the 2009/2010 school year. We thank Mr. Runne for his time and dedication to the students of Vernon Township.
- 11) The following **college student(s)**, some of them Vernon graduates, are doing their student teaching, practicums, field experience, student internship, volunteering and observations here in the Vernon Township School District:

Student’s Name	Timeframe	School	Cooperating Teacher	Type of Request	College
Jess Pew	3 day	WRPS	Mrs. Cummins, Mrs. Hintzen, Mrs. Ranzan	Observation	Sussex County Community College
Liam Milburm	4 months	VTHS	Ms. Cleary, Mr. Barta	Student Teaching	William Paterson University
Liz Curcio	4 months	GMM S	Mr. Willer	Student Teaching	William Paterson University
Noelle Deluca	72 hours	RHPS	Mrs. Berrigan, Mrs. Ryder	Student Practicum	Seton Hall University
Kimberly Sokolewicz	60 hours	VTHS /GMM S/CM PS	Mrs. Berge/Mrs. Shapiro and Mrs. Gagg/Mrs. Baer	Student Practicum	Felician College

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12) In May 2009, 249 high school students took **Advanced Placement (AP) examinations** in 18 subject areas. Below is a summary of the results:

Advanced Placement Testing - 2009				
Subject Area	# Students Tested	# Students in course	Grades of 3 or Higher	Section Average
Art History	3	6	3	100%
Art Major	3	3	3	100%
Biology	46	46	29	63%
Calculus AP	14	21	12	85%
Chemistry	26	26	16	61%
English Language/Comp	37	38	27	73%
English Lit/Comp	33	38	23	70%
Environmental Science	7	14	5	71%
European History	8	8	2	25%
Music Theory	6	5	4	67%
Aural Subscr.	6	5	4	67%
Non-Aural Subscr.	6	5	6	100%
Physics	11	15	10	91%
Psychology	1	120	1	100%
Spanish Language	4	4	3	75%
US Gov't & Politics	6	6	4	67%
US History	17	17	11	65%
World History	15	15	3	20%

13) Indicated below are the **newly hired teachers** for the 2009/2010 school year and the names of their mentors and fees payable to these mentors for the NJ State provisional mentoring process”

Alternate Route – (\$1,000 total - \$550 for 30-week mentoring fee to be deducted from new teacher’s salary at 10% per month/\$450 Phase I mentoring fees not to be deducted because of New Pathways courses taken with Mr. Powell)

Names

Ann Marie MacDonald (VTHS)
William Panfiles (VTHS)
June Nezamis (VTHS)
Christian Frenzko (CMPS/RHPS)

Mentors

Teresa Sabia
Sandra Coleman
Ellen Sang
Debbie Zweier

Traditional Route – (As first year teachers the following teachers need to be mentored. The mentoring fee of \$550 will be deducted from their salary on a monthly basis of 10% (\$55).

Names

Blaine Crawn (VTHS)
Kevin Boehm (VTHS)
Rachel Whitty (LHMS/GMMS)
Elizabeth Westerweller (GMMS)

Mentors

Charles McKay
Jennifer Krott
Jody Young
Dawn Basso

Grants & Testing

The Vernon Township Public Schools District's Regulations For Student Conduct was updated this past month and will be shared with students and their family members at the beginning of the 2009 – 2010 school year.

A memo from the NJDOE released on July 15, 2009 addressed the New Standards for NJASK 3 and NJASK 4. Students must attain at least 50 percent of the possible points to attain proficiency as opposed to the between 40 and 45 percent previously established. New language arts literacy assessments include more reading passages, new types of writing tasks, and more items overall. Math assessments include greater emphasis on numerical operations, additional constructed response items and more overall test items. The state continues to move forward in raising the expectations for student achievement at all grade levels.

The 2009 – 2010 NCLB Grant application will be submitted by August 28, 2009 for approval by NJDOE.

Curriculum & Instruction

QSAC – At this time the district is moving forward to prepare for state monitoring. This process involves gathering documentation throughout the district which will verify that state mandates have been met and proper protocols followed. Divided into five areas, the complete review includes: curriculum, operations, personnel, governance and fiscal management. The district expects state representatives to visit this winter.

Curriculum – As a result of the newly revised 2009 NJCCCS, our district will put into operation a plan to accelerate curriculum reforms in order to ensure that the new standards are in place in their entirety by 2013.

Concurrent Courses – The district has renewed its affiliation with Seton Hall University in regard to accelerated courses. Commonly referred to as concurrent courses the district's intent is to increase from 3 courses to perhaps 5-10 courses. Seton Hall is in the process of reviewing the course outline, as well as the instructor's credentials. If the course deems to be equivalent to the university's course, then it could be included on the list of courses that, if successfully completed, will provide students with college credits upon graduating from Vernon Township High School.

Special Services

Parents of students attending the Pre-School Inclusive Program for the 2009-10 school year are invited to attend an orientation program scheduled to be held at Walnut Ridge Primary School on Friday, August 28, 2009. This orientation begins at 9:00am.

An evening program for parents entitled: "*Teaching Our Children How to Do Math*" is scheduled to be held in the auditorium at Vernon Township High School on Wednesday, October 7, 2009 at 7:00pm. All are invited to attend.

Athletics & Physical Education

As we prepare for the start of the 2009-10 fall athletic season, Vernon students, faculty and parents will have to adjust to a number of new acronyms. The SCIL will be replaced by the NJAC (Northwest Jersey Athletic Conference-39 schools) along with the H-W-S (Hunterdon-Warren-Sussex-20 schools) Association for tournament play. After the fall season is completed, the NJAC athletic directors will discuss league realignment regarding geographic considerations. Traditionally, the school day ends a little later in Morris County which may present a problem for the 4:00 pm start time for fall athletic events.

With any new league or in this case, two new leagues; scheduling conflicts have been the norm. Only time will tell if the NJAC is in the best interest of Vernon Township HS.

Hot humid weather has greeted our fall athletes as they prepare for the start of the fall season. The NJSIAA has followed the NCAA model regarding acclimatization which limits the amount of time an athlete can spend on the field during the first three days of practice.

Thanks to the Viking Club who funded the program and Mrs. Ploch and Mr. Berge who are implementing the program, Vernon athletes have participated in ImPact testing. ImPact is a state recognized computer program which evaluates individual athletes prior to a head injury and in the event of a head injury, will provide valuable computer information before an athlete is cleared by his or her physician to return to athletic competition.

The building is once again alive with the sounds of students. It's nice to hear.

- 1) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board approved the following **resignations** as listed on a motion by Mr. McGowan; 2nd by Mr. Kirchmer and carried on a unanimous roll call vote:

Kathy Schade	RHPS Grade Coordinator, only; eff. 8/27/09.
Erin Branagan	RHPS Part-time Aide; eff. 8/27/09.
Glenn Anton	GMMS Classroom Teacher; eff. 8/27/09.
Marc Bray	VTHS Fall SAT Advisor and REBEL Advisor, only; eff. 8/27/09.
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Donna Romanick	VTHS World Language Teacher and VTHS AV Tech Support; for reasons of retirement; eff. 12/1/09.
Lisa Magner	GMMS Part-time Aide; eff. 8/27/09.
Cindy Rannazzisi	WRPS Part-time Aide; eff. 8/27/09.
Jacqueline Krystofik	VTHS Part-time Aide; eff. 8/27/09. (Terminated)
Christopher LePore	RHPS Part-time Custodian; eff. 8/31/09.
Nancy Lennon	CST LDTC; for reasons of retirement; eff. 12/31/10.
Aileen Donovan	GMMS Part-time Aide; eff. 8/27/09.
Jean Shears	RHPS Part-time Aide; eff. 8/27/09.

- 2a) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board approved the following faculty/staff **appointments** as listed on a motion by Mr. Sparta; 2nd by Mr. Whidden and carried on a unanimous roll call vote:

*All new appointments are required to comply with State Statute regarding fingerprinting, security checks and appropriate legal agency clearance, and Federal Employment Eligibility Verification (Form I-9) – such employment is provisional. Each employee

and/or substitute will attest that he or she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq., or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq., as applicable. The positions are being filled as a result of resignations, retirements, new positions being added or in the case of substitutes, to fill in for regular personnel:

Eileen Aquino	Substitute, Group I
*Danielle Oehrlich	Substitute, Group I
Janice Bennett	Substitute, Group I (Renewal)
Susan Supino	Substitute, Group I (Renewal)
Cheryl Turner	Substitute, Group II (Renewal)
Steven Vazquez	Substitute, Group II (Renewal)
*Toni Hopp	Substitute, Group II/Aide
Sarah Ulrich	VTHS Asst. cross country coach; Step 1 - \$4,749; eff. 9/1/09. (Repl/Cummins)
*Elizabeth Westerweller	GMMS classroom teacher; non-tenure interim position for teacher on maternity leave; BA, Level 1 - \$44,610; eff. 9/1/09 – 11/20/09. (Repl/Clifford) Ms. Westerweller possesses a Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing. Throughout her 09/10 employment in the VTSD she will be completing her certification requirements in accordance with the NJDOE. Ms. Westerweller will be mentored by GMMS teacher, Dawn Basso, during her mentoring process. The mentoring fee of \$550 will be deducted from Ms. Westerweller's salary on a monthly basis of 10% (\$55).
Mackenzie Coursen	Transfer from VTHS part-time aide (10:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. to CMPS part-time aide (9:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.)
Marcia Tarantino	Transfer from WRPS part-time aide (9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. to VTHS part-time aide (7:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.)
Cindy Weber	Transfer from VTHS part-time aide (7:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.) to WRPS part-time aide (9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.)
Jill Marchesani	Transfer from WRPS part-time aide (11:40 a.m. – 3:25 p.m.) to VTHS part-time aide (10:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

Sheila McNally	Transfer from WRPS part-time aide (9:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.) to VTHS part-time aide (7:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.)
Dawn Harrsch	Transfer from WRPS part-time aide (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.) to WRPS part-time aide (9:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.)
Diane Hainzl	Transfer from VTHS part-time aide (10:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.) to WRPS part-time aide (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)
Michelle Roth	Transfer from VTHS part-time aide (10:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.) to VTHS part-time aide (7:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.)
Darcy Fisher	Transfer from CMPS part-time aide (11:45 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.) to LHMS part-time aide (11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)
Kathryn Meyer	Transfer from VTHS part-time aide (7:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.) to WRPS part-time aide (11:40 a.m. – 3:25 p.m.)
Mary McKenna	Transfer from WRPS part-time aide (9:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.) to VTHS part-time aide (7:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.)
Stephanie Brindley	Transfer from WRPS part-time aide (9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.) to VTHS part-time aide (10:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)
Lillian Goldhirsch	Transfer from RHPS part-time aide (9:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.) to GMMS part-time aide (11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)
Donna Doran	Transfer from VTHS part-time aide (7:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.) to RHPS part-time aide (12:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.)
Patricia Hoyt	Transfer from GMMS part-time aide (11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.) to WRPS part-time aide (11:40 a.m. – 3:25 p.m.)
Barbara Marques	Transfer from CMPS part-time aide (12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.) to WRPS part-time aide (11:55 a.m. – 3:25 p.m.)
CarolAnn Fazio	Transfer from RHPS part-time aide (8:50 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.) to WRPS part-time aide (9:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.)

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Susan Yaiser	Transfer from LHMS part-time aide (8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.) to WRPS part-time aide (9:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.)
Darlene Sabol	Transfer from WRPS part-time aide (9:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.) to LHMS part-time aide (8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)
*Julie Franklyn	VTHS English Teacher; BA Level 8 - \$50,735; eff. 9/1/09. (Repl/McKay)
*Gaetano Della Torre	LHMS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 4 hrs./day (11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.); eff. 9/1/09.
Kevin Boehm	VTHS Music Teacher; BA Level 1 - \$44,610; eff. 9/1/09. (Repl/Cimorelli) Mr. Boehm holds a Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing. Throughout his 09/10 employment in the VTSD he will be completing his certification requirements in accordance with the NJDOE. Mr. Boehm will be mentored by VTHS teacher, Jennifer Krott, during his year-long mentoring process. The mentoring fee of \$550 will be deducted from Mr. Boehm's salary on a monthly basis of 10% (\$55).
Kevin Boehm	VTHS Asst. Spring Drama Advisor; Step 1 – \$3,349; eff. 9/1/09. (Repl/Cimorelli)
Kevin Boehm	VTHS Intramural Marching Band Advisor; Step 1 - \$1,949; eff. 9/1/09. (Repl/Jacoby)
Adam Coleman	GMMS Intramural Volleyball coach; Step 1 - \$1,949; eff. 9/1/09. (Repl/Storms)
Marjorie Huhn	VTHS Fall SAT Advisor; Step 1 - \$6,549; eff. 9/1/09. (Repl/Bray)
Christian Frentzko	RHPS/CMPS Music Teacher; BA, Level 1 - \$46,610; eff. 9/1/09. (Repl/Jacoby) Mr. Frentzko holds a Certificate of Eligibility. Throughout his 09/10 employment in the VTSD he will be completing his certification requirements in accordance with the NJDOE New Pathways Program. Mr. Frentzko will be mentored by CMPS faculty member, Debbie Zweier, during his year-long mentoring process. The mentoring fee of \$550 will be deducted

	from Mr. Frentzko's salary on a monthly basis of 10% (\$55).
*Jane DiCarlo	CMPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 3 hrs./day (9:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
Kristen Genneken	CMPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 4 hrs./day (11:45 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.) (New)
*Colleen McCurry	CMPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 4 hrs./day (11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
*Linda Sabyan	CMPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr. 3 hrs./day; (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
*Nancy Sebastiano	CMPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 1.5 hrs./day (9:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
*Bernadette Stokem	CMPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 1.5 hrs./day (9:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
Michele McQuillan	RHPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 3.5 hrs./day (12:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.) (New)
*Melanie Ruel	RHPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 3.5 hrs./day (8:50 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.) (New)
Cheryl Turner	RHPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42 hr.; 3.5 hrs./day (11:40 a.m. – 3:40 p.m.) (New)
Jeanne Capozzoli	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42 hr.; 2.5 hrs./day (12:55 p.m. – 3:25 p.m.) (New)
*Tamara DePace	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 2.5 hrs./day (12:55 p.m. – 3.25 p.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
*Colleen Drache	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 2.5 hrs./day (12:55 p.m. – 3:25 p.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
*Cindy Langenfeld	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 2.5 hrs./day (12:55 p.m. – 3.25 p.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
*Lynn Livoti	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 2.75 hrs./day (9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)

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*Julia McDevitt	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 2.5 hrs./day (12:55 p.m. – 3:25 p.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
*Bobbi-Jo McLachlan	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 3.25 hrs./day (12:25 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
*Mieke Minchin	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 2.5 hrs./day (12:55 p.m. – 3:25 p.m. pending fingerprint approval. (New)
*Marie Kowalenko	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 3.5 hrs./day (9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
*Sue Selimo	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 3.25 hrs./day (12:10 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
*Dianne Updike	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 3.25 hrs./day (9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.) pending fingerprint approval. (New)
* Karen DeVincenzi	WRPS part-time aide; Step 1 - \$13.42/hr.; 2.5 hrs./day (12:55 p.m. – 3:25 p.m.); pending fingerprint approval (New)

2b) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board approved the following faculty/staff **appointments** as listed on a motion by Mr. McGowan; 2nd by Mr. Kirchmer and carried on the following roll call vote: YES: Mr. McGowan, Mr. Whidden, Mr. Castellana, Mr. DeYoung, Mr. Gilson, Mr. Kirchmer, Mrs. Auberger; ABSTAINED: Mr. Sparta; ABSENT: Mr. Hughes:

Mary Ann Ventura Transfer from RHPS 2nd Grade Coordinator to RHPS 3rd Grade Coordinator; ;eff. 9/1/09. (Repl/Transfer/Ventura)

Robin Sparta Transfer 2nd Grade Coordinator: Step 1 - \$4,418; eff. 9/1/09. (Repl/Schade)

3) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board approved the following resolution (as listed below) for **professional development travel** that complies with the provisions of the School Ethics Act (SEA), N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24 and 12-24.1 on a motion by Mr. Whidden; 2nd by Mr. Castellana and carried on a unanimous roll call vote:

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WHEREAS, the Vernon Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. requires Board members to receive prior approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, a Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel only as described in NJOMB Circular Letter 06-02, including amendments or revisions thereto, a threshold amount not to exceed the NJ State Travel Reimbursement Guidelines as established by the Department of Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education establishes, for district business travel only, an annual school year threshold not to exceed \$1,500.00 for each faculty/staff/board member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff/Board member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

WHEREAS, travel and related expenses not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq., but deemed by the Board of Education to be necessary and unavoidable are excluded from the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq.; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves all travel not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. as being necessary and unavoidable as per noted on the attached Board of Education Approval of Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement Form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the travel and related expense reimbursements as listed on **Attachments C and D**, Board of Education Approval of Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement Form.

- 4) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board approved, as per VTEA Contract Article VIII.B.1.6 (Teachers will be compensated for 180 days at 1/200th of the teacher's annual salary based on thirty-six (36) five (5) day weeks that they **teach the sixth class** (actual classes taught) the following teacher(s) for VTHS Math SRA instruction effective 9/3/09 through March 2010. Motion by Mr. Castellana; 2nd by Mr. DeYoung and carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

Terry Cassidy – VTHS Math teacher – five (5) additional VTHS Math classes per week. Mr. Cassidy will be compensated \$89.39 per class.

David Freifelder – VTHS Math teacher – five (5) additional VTHS Math classes per week. Mr. Freifelder will be compensated \$80.35 per class.

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- 5) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board approved an extension to the previously approved FMLA medical leave of absence to **Mrs. Leslie Deutch**, CMPS Physical Education teacher; eff. 9/1/09 – 10/1/09, in keeping with her letter of request, physician’s statement, board policy, VTEA agreement, and in accordance with the Federal Family Leave Act (FMLA) and the New Jersey Family Leave Act. It is stipulated that Mrs. Deutch must inform the superintendent’s office in writing on or before September 10, 2009 of her intention to return to employment or request an extension of this leave. Motion by Mr. Castellana; 2nd by Mr. Sparta and carried on a unanimous roll call vote.
- 6) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board approve the **2009/2010 Vernon Township School District Assignment Plan for Certified and Non-Certified Nurses** as listed on a motion by Mr. Kirchmer; 2nd by Mr. Whidden and carried on a unanimous roll call vote:

The district employs seven full-time nurses (one for each of the K-8 schools and two for the high school) and one 3/5ths school nurse. Each nurse maintains a list of students requiring medications while in school and the medications are administered by the school nurse. Appropriate personnel such as faculty and staff, bus drivers, food service personnel, advisors and coaches are confidentially made aware of students with medical conditions. The 3/5ths school nurse is utilized whenever a school nurse is absent and also to assist the school nurses with screenings and testing. The 3/5ths school nurse is also utilized for school field trips. A certified school nurse is assigned to each school when school is in session to complete the duties outlined in N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.1(e)1.

The following is a list of our nurses and their assigned school:

Barbara Wickenheisser	Walnut Ridge Primary School
Renate Gratzl	Cedar Mountain Primary School
Lori Wilt	Rolling Hills Primary School
Kathleen Alexander	Lounsberry Hollow Middle School
Cathy Insolera	Glen Meadow Middle School
Beverly Lipari	Vernon Township High School
Cathy Toth	Vernon Township High School
Pamela Cavallo	3/5th Rotational Nurse.

No other nursing personnel are employed. The district does utilize certified substitute nurses whenever appropriate.

- 7) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board approved the **arbitration settlement** with the VTEA regarding part-time aides and custodians as outlined in the attached **Memorandum of Agreement (Attachment E)** on a motion by Mr. Whidden; 2nd by Mr. Gilson and carried on the following roll call vote: YES: Mr. Gilson, Mr. Kirchmer, Mr. Whidden, Mr. Castellana, Mr. DeYoung, Mrs. Auberger; NO: Mr. McGowan, Mr. Sparta; ABSENT: Mr. Hughes.

- 8) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board approved the following professional certified staff for **salary adjustments** based upon their submission of appropriate documentation attesting to their further professional development and improvement. (Degree levels and salaries are listed in the VTEA contract). Motion by Mr. McGowan; 2nd by Mr. Castellana and carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

Shannon Flannery (VTHS)	to MA+30, Level 3
Nancy Micholov (VTHS)	to MA+15, Level 14
Douglas Miller (VTHS)	to MA+15, Level 13
Suzanne Ross (VTHS)	to BA+30, Level 5
Paula Fetherman (VTHS)	to MA+60, Level 10
Nancy Hughes (VTHS)	to MA+15, Level 11
Barbara Decker (VTHS)	to MS+15, Level 6
Marianne Amato (GMMS)	to BA+30, Level 11
Donna VanDenHeuvel (GMMS)	to MA+60, Level 15+lg
Julie Muehe (GMMS)	to MA+60, Level 15+lg
Sharon Kenerson (GMMS)	to BA+30, Level 10
Robert Henry (GMMS)	to MA, Level 7
Paula Kuzicki (GMMS)	to MA+45, Level 15+lg2x
Jeanine Weinreb (GMMS)	to BA+15, Level 9
Patti Weiss (LHMS)	to MA+45, Level 10
Carol Reidmiller (LHMS)	to MA+45, Level 15+lg2x
Patricia Petruska (LHMS)	to MA+45, Level 15+lg
Debra Lynch (RHPS)	to MA+30, Level 11
Suzanne Mayer(RHPS)	to MA+60, Level 15+lg
Kathy Vanderbeck (RHPS)	to MA+60, Level 15+lg
Laura Merck (CMPS)	to MA+30, Level 14+lg
Laura Scovell (WRPS)	to BA+15, Level 5
Cathy Zuckerman (CST)	to MA+15, Level 12
Christine Voorhees (CST)	to MA+30, Level 14
Georgia Dowles (CST)	to MA+30, Level 2

- 9) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board approved the **creation of the following positions** on a motion by Mr. Kirchmer; 2nd by Mr. DeYoung and carried on a unanimous roll call vote:

- Interim Assistant Director of Special Services
- Supervisor of Elementary Special Services (PK-6)

- 10) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board approved the **re-titling of the Teaching Training Technology Specialist to Supervisor of Educational Technology** on a motion by Mr. Gilson; 2nd by Mr. DeYoung. All in favor.

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

INFORMATIONAL: Mr. Kepnes

1. Use of Buildings and Grounds

NO.	REQUESTING ORGANIZATION	BUILDING OR GROUNDS	DATE
1	Vernon Youth Football & Cheerleading	CMPS - Gym	9/14/09 - 10/26/09
2	Ballyowen FC Seniors	VTHS - Turf Field	9/13/09 - 11/1/09
3	Vernon Girl Scouts of Northern NJ	LHMS - Home Ec. Room	10/2009 - 6/2010
4	Vernon Youth Football & Cheerleading	LHMS - Gym	9/8/09 - 10/30/09
5	Vernon Youth Football & Cheerleading	GMMS - Gym	9/8/09 - 10/30/09
6	Vernoy Paolini - Trip Meetings	LHMS - Library	10/1/09 - 11/11/09
7	Vernon Girl Scouts Troop #1526	RHPS - Music Room	9/30/09 - 6/23/09
8	Vernon Girl Scouts of Northern NJ	CMPS - Cafeteria	9/22/09 - 6/8/09

2. Field Trips

DATE OF TRIP	SCHOOL	GRADE	TEACHER	DESTINATION	EXPENSE
8/27/2009	VTHS	9	Desmet	Freshman Orientation	Board
10/23/2009	GMMS	7 - 8	Gebhardt	Vernon Senior Center	Board
8/17 - 8/19/2009	VTHS	10	Berge	Teen Pep Retreat	Board
10/21/2009	GMMS	7 - 8	Gebhardt	Sussex County Tech	Board
9/2009 - 6/2010	VTHS	9 - 12	Bailly-Orlovsky	Errand Run Service - Every Friday	Board
10/9/09 - 10/11/09	VTHS	9 - 12	Bray/Demsak	Salem/Boston - HS English Class	Student
12/3/09 - 12/5/09	VTHS	9 - 12	Bray/LoGuidice	Washington, DC - HS Journalism	Student
2/3/2010	VTHS	12	Bray	NYC/Central Park/Broadway - English	Student

3. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12 (C) 3, I certify that, as of July 31, 2009, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 22-8 and 18A: 22-8.1.

Board Secretary

Date

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1. It is recommended that the Board approve the list of checks (#46818-47141) for July in the amount of \$3,397,500.11.
2. It is recommended that the Board approve purchase orders for July 2009.
3. It is recommended that the Board approve the list of checks (#47147-47338) for August in the amount of \$1,447,257.54. Abstain: DeYoung
4. It is recommended that the Board accept the Report of the Secretary for Current Operating Fund for the month of July 2009 and the Report of Treasurer of School Monies for July 2009. Further, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12 (c) 4, the Board hereby certifies that, after review of the secretary's financial reports for the month of July 2009 and consultations with the appropriate district officials, no fund has been overextended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. These reports will be included in the minutes of this meeting. Both the Secretary's Report and the Treasurer's report are in agreement.
5. It is recommended that the Board approve July 2009 transfers as authorized according to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-211(d). **ATTACHMENT F**
6. It is recommended that the Board approve Transportation as listed:

QUOTE NUMBER	CONTRACTOR	PROGRAM/SCHOOL	COST PER DIEM/TRIP	TOTAL COST	DESTINATION	DATES	TYPE
							EXPEN
Q09-02	Berkshire Trans.	Special Trans.	\$91.18	\$ 1,732.42	ESY Program	9/1-6/22	Boar
Q09-03	Bob Baldwin Trans.	Shuttle	\$102.22	\$16,150.76	Sussex Tech	9/1-5/11	Boar
Q09-04	Bob Baldwin Trans.	WRPS	\$39.50	\$ 7,110.00	WRPS	9/1-6/30	Boar

I. Jointures

Jointures with the High Point Board of Education to transport Walkkill students on the following Vernon routes for the 2009-2010 school year (180 days):

<u>Route</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>High Point Cost</u>
595 Kinnelon)	Chapel Hill	\$144.01 p.d. (1 Vernon, 1 Walkkill, 1
563	Phoenix Center	\$144.19 p.d. (1 Vernon, 1 Walkkill)
VT4	Sussex Tech	\$956.25 p.s. (42 Vernon, 1 Walkkill)
VT8	Sussex Tech Hardyston)	\$7,001.88 (36 Vernon, 12 Walkkill, 2

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Jointure with the Kinnelon Board of Education to transport Kinnelon students on the following Vernon out of district routes for the 2009-2010 school year (180 days)

<u>Route</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Kinnelon Cost</u>
532	Lake Drive School	\$63.30 p.d. (1 Kinnelon, 2 Vernon)
95	Chapel Hill	\$34.56 p.d. (1 Kinnelon, 1 Wallkill, 1 Vernon)

Jointure with the Sussex County Regional Cooperative to transport Hardyston students on the following Vernon routes for the 2009/2010 school year (180 days)

<u>Route</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>SCRC Cost</u>
VT1	Immaculate Conception	\$8,872.71 (32 Vernon, 11 Hardyston)
VT5	Sussex Tech	\$920.13 (51 Vernon, 1 Hardyston)
VT8	Sussex Tech/Charter	\$1,166.98 (36 Vernon, 12 Wallkill, 2 Hardyston)
MS2	Lounsberry Hollow	\$79.66 p.d. (1 Vernon, 1 Hardyston)

Jointure with the Sussex County Technical School to transport share time students to and from Vernon Township High School for the 2009-2010 school year (180 days).

<u>Route</u>	<u>Vernon Cost</u>
VST-1	\$9,450.00

Jointure with the High Point Board of Education to transport 1 Vernon student on the following High Point out of district bus route:

<u>Route</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Vernon Cost</u>
HP-21	Willow Glen	\$1,050.00 (\$35.00 p.d. x 30)

Jointure with the Paramus Board of Education to transport a Paramus student on the following Vernon route:

<u>Route</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Vernon Cost</u>
568	Willow Glen	\$70.79 p.d. (1 Vernon, 1 Paramus) \$12,742.20

II. Parent Transport

Parental contract P-09-10-06 to transport a student with special needs to Cedar Mountain Primary School for the 2009/2010 school year (180 days) at a cost of \$50.00 p.d. for a total cost of \$9,000.00. A copy of the parent’s license, registration, and liability insurance has been provided as required by law.

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III. Addendum

D.W. Clark & Son
Route 577
2009/2010 School Year
180 Days

Addendum for 52 additional miles per day @ 1.90 per mile (\$98.80 p.d.) for a total cost of \$333.21. p.d.

Decker Transportation
Route MS-2
2009/2010 School Year
180 Days

Addendum for 12 additional miles per day @ \$1.90 per mile (\$22.80 p.d.) for a total cost of \$136.51 p.d.

7. It is recommended that the Board approve the following resolution:

The Vernon Township School District hereby resolves to accept the allocation for the following funds under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA-B and pre-school) for the Fiscal Year 2010.

Basic (ages 3-21)	\$906,288
Preschool	30,023

8. It is recommended that the Board approve the submission of the IDEA application to the New Jersey Department of Education for their review and approval.
9. It is recommended that the Board accept the allocation for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act-Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (ARRA-IDEA) in the amount of

Basic	\$966,561
Preschool	34,938

10. It is recommended that the Board approve the submission of the ARRA-IDEA application to the New Jersey Department of Education for their review and approval.
11. It is recommended that the Board approve the following Special Education Contracts:

a) The Special Education Contract between the Vernon Township Board of Education and Chancellor Academy for student # 41592 for the 2009-10 School Year at a cost of \$ 50,504.40.

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b) The Special Education Contract between the Vernon Township Board of Education and the Morris County Educational Services Commission for student # 102404 for the 2009-10 Extended School Year a cost of \$ 3,960.00.

c) The Special Education Contract between the Vernon Township Board of Education and the Morris County Educational Services Commission for student # 62995 for the 2009-10 Extended School Year a cost of \$ 3,960.00.

d) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 92989 for the 2009-10 Extended School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 20 hours.

e) The Tuition Contract between the Vernon Township Board of Education and the Minisink Valley Central School District for student # 73088 to attend Orange-Ulster BOCES for the 2009-10 School Year. The cost for Extended School Year is \$ 6,299.00 and the cost for the 10 Month School Year is \$ 67,563.00 for a total cost of \$ 73,862.00.

f) The Special Education Contract between the Vernon Township Board of Education and the Willowglen Academy-Sparta for student # 71900 for the 2009-10 Extended School Year at a cost of \$ 10,542.30, the 10 Month School Year at a cost of \$ 63,253.80 and Extraordinary Services at a cost of \$ 18,900.00. Total cost is \$ 92,696.10.

g) The Special Education Contract between the Vernon Township Board of Education and Lakeland-Andover School for student # 12093 for the 2009-10 School Year at a cost of \$ 48,600.00.

h) The Special Education Contract between the Vernon Township Board of Education and Lakeland Andover School for student # 9593 for the 2009-10 School Year at a cost of \$ 48,600.00.

i) The Special Education contract between the Vernon Township Board of Education and the Special Children's School for student # 11896 for the 2009-10 School Year. The cost for the 10 Month and Extended School Year is \$ 65,154.00 and the cost of a Teacher's Assistant is \$ 27,810.00 for a total cost of \$ 92,964.00

j) The Special Education Contract between the Vernon Township Board of Education and the Special Children's School for student # 42894 for the 2009-10 School Year. The cost for the 10 Month and Extended School Year is \$ 58,473.00, the cost of Therapy is \$ 2,022.00, and the cost of a Teacher's Assistant is \$ 27,810.00 for a total cost of \$ 88,305.00.

k) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 92989 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

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l) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 1989 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

m) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 101591 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

n) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 12188 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

o) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 12109 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

p) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 11289 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

q) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 31089 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

r) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 62789 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

s) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 92893 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

t) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 62292 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

u) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 33193 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

v) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 32793 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 40 hours.

w) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 92790 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 60 hours.

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x) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 73088 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 110 hours.

y) The Contract for Transition Services between the Vernon Township Board of Education and SCARC for student # 62489 for the 2009-10 School Year. Services are billed at an hourly rate of \$ 75.00, not to exceed 110 hours.

12. It is recommended that the Board approve the following resolution regarding the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) for the purchasing of electric energy:

A RESOLUTION BINDING THE VERNON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

TO PURCHASE ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICES

THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES (“ACES”)

Bid

Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS

WHEREAS, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as “ACES”), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as “NJSBA”), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from electric power suppliers for electric generation services through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the “Public School Contracts Law”, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.*, and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 *et seq.* (“EDECA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Vernon Township School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain electric generation services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to electric power suppliers following said bids for electric generation services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2014 hereinafter referred to as “Effective Period”) issue one or more Requests for Bids for electric generation services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale electric market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Electric Generation Service in each service territory to one or more electric power
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suppliers that submit bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous electric usage and utility provided Basic Generation Service rates; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said electric generation services to electric power suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic generation service; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period through any electric power supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law;

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for electric generation services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period from the electric power supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for electric generation services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase electricity at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the Districts relative to the price charged for basic generation service by the electric public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain electric generation services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2014 (the Effective Period) at which time the

Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission or expiration of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

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13. It is recommended that the Board approve the following resolution regarding the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) and the purchasing of natural gas services.

**A RESOLUTION BINDING THE VERNON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
TO PURCHASE NATURAL GAS SERVICES
THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES (“ACES”) Bid
Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS**

WHEREAS, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as “ACES”), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as “NJSBA”), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from natural gas suppliers for retail natural gas supply services including interstate transportation to the local natural gas distribution utility company (Natural Gas Supply Services) through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the “Public School Contracts Law”, N.J.S.A.18A:18A-1 *et seq.*, and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 *et seq.* (“EDECA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Vernon Township School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain natural gas services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to natural gas suppliers following said bids for natural gas services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2014, hereinafter referred to as “Effective Period”) issue one or more Requests for Bids for natural gas services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale natural gas market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Natural Gas Supply Service in each service territory to one or more natural gas suppliers that submits bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous natural gas usage and utility provided Basic Gas Supply Service rates; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said Natural Gas Supply Services to natural gas suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic gas supply service; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all Natural Gas Supply Services for its own use during the Effective Period through any natural gas supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being

understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law; and

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RECOMMENDATIONS: Mr. Kepnes

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for natural gas supply services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all natural gas supply services needed for its own use during the Effective Period from the natural gas supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for natural Gas supply services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase natural gas at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the districts relative to the price charged for basic gas supply service by the natural gas public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain natural gas services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2014 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

14. It is recommended that the Board approve the Facilities Referendum Payment for July.
ATTACHMENT G

15. It is recommended that the Board approve an adjustment of Policy #8310 to reflect a fixed rate of 10 cents per page to be more in line with the majority of municipalities in the county.

16. It is recommended that the Board approve the Corrective Action Plan for the Title I Audit. **ATTACHMENT H**

17. It is recommended that the Board approve that Bergen County Special Services be utilized as needed for evaluations and training for Assistive Technology and Alternative Augmentative Communication needs for the 2009-2010 year.