

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CHATHAMS BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
September 19, 2011**

A regular business meeting of the Board of Education was held this day in the courtroom located in the Chatham Township Municipal Building, 58 Meyersville Road, Chatham, New Jersey.

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM by the Board President, Tom Belding.

II. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT: Mr. Belding read the following statement:

In accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, Mr. Belding announced that: The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of the Public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act the School District of the Chathams Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Board Administrative Office, sent to the Clerks of Chatham Borough and Chatham Township, the Library of the Chathams, the Chatham Courier, the Daily Record, the Star Ledger, and the Independent Press.

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Stephen Barna, Al Burgunder, Kim Cronin, Matthew Gilfillan, Lata Kenney, John Nonnenmacher, Jill Critchley Weber, Richard Connors and Tom Belding.

Also Present: Dennis Fyffe, Interim Superintendent, Peter Daquila, Business Administrator / Board Secretary, Dr. Michael LaSusa, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, and Dr. Vincent D'Elia, Special Services Director, members of the public and press.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mr. Belding led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Belding thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

V. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Mr. Fyffe reported that there were some difficulties at the high school pep rally on Friday. Darren Groh, Chatham High School Principal, reported to the board the events of the pep rally dealing with a few intoxicated students, the steps that were taken to deal with the issue and the behavior of the students at the pep rally. The board thanked Mr. Groh for his handling of the incident. Mr. Belding reported there is a concern about the alcohol abuse and if the district needs to alter its policies and procedures.
- **Welcome New Staff** – Mr. Fyffe introduced the 29 new district staff members. He noted that these individuals have been very well received and are doing a great job.
- **Sharing of Emergency Information** – Mr. Fyffe spoke about the issue of sharing emergency information and that he attended a meeting with Berkeley Heights, New Providence and Summit superintendents along with the five police chiefs of the districts about how to report any emergency information.

- **Research Study** – Morris-Union Jointure Commission – Mr. Fyffe reported on a study that will be done on the genetic analysis of autistic individuals. Mr. Nonnenmacher spoke about the report for CDC and that autism is not genetically transferred.
- **Facilities Update**
Mr. Daquila gave the following update on construction:

Chatham High School Parking Lot and Addition Project

Parking lot – The completion of the entire parking lot has been delayed due the contractor not ordering the sand filter for the drainage system in a timely manner. Approximately 40 parking spaces, which is half of the new parking lot, will be made available for district’s use by Monday September 26th. The remaining section of the parking lot will be completed by the third week of October. The entire lot will have the final paving work completed the first week of November and be 100% complete and available to the district by Monday, November 14th.

Addition - The project is behind schedule due to the revision of the storm water design. The contractor will present a detailed work schedule and an anticipated completion date at the next construction meeting on September 23rd. The contractor has been informed that the second semester starts January 26th and the classrooms are needed on that date.

The Board asked if there is a contingency plan if the addition is not completed by January 26, 2012. Mr. Groh responded that Chatham High School is currently operating on the contingency plan since the four classrooms were needed in the fall.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Curriculum – Mr. Barna reported that the committee met on September 12 and discussed standardized testing which will be presented at the October 3 board meeting.

Finance/Facilities – Mr. Gilfillan indicated that the committee is scheduled to meet on September 28.

Personnel – Mr. Connors reported that the committee met on September 12 and there are numerous items on this evening’s agenda as a result of that meeting. The Athletic Director position was discussed and the committee was impressed with the process used by Darren Groh. The committee is scheduled to meet again on October 5.

Policy – Ms. Kenney reported that the committee has not met recently.

Strategic Planning – Ms. Kenney reported that the committee met, discussed the issue and will gather more information on strategic planning and report back to the board.

Liaisons:

Chatham Borough – Nothing to report

Chatham Township – Nothing to report

Athletic Boosters – Mr. Connors reported the committee met on September 13. Ms. Weber attended that meeting. One of the items discussed was raising revenue with the use of ad banners on the field. There will be no annual fund raiser this year. The next meeting is scheduled for October 14.

Theater/Music Boosters – Ms. Weber reported that nine CHS students were accepted into the 2011-12 All-State Chorus. She also indicated that a Chatham High School junior performed for audiences in Europe along with 60 other students over the summer. Another CHS junior participated in the Tolentino Music and Art Festival in Italy over the summer. Ms. Weber also reported that the high school play has been cast and rehearsal is taking place for the November 16-18 performances. She went on to say that fundraising has begun for the 2011-12 school year.

Chatham Education Foundation – Ms. Kenney reminded everyone that a “Taste of Chatham” will be on October 24.

Recreation – Mr. Nonnenmacher indicated that the committee me on September 14 and discussed the allocation of fields and gymnasiums. Mr. Gilfillan reported on the current status that is lacking a central

utilization source. The board discussed how to improve scheduling between the district and the rec departments. Mr. Gilfillan and Mr. Nonnenmacher will work together to determine a solution.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE - None

VIII. MINUTES

Mr. Connors moved the following:

RESOLVED: That the School District of the Chathams Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey approves the minutes as amended from the following meeting:
September 6, 2011 – public and executive sessions

The motion was seconded by Mr. Barna and approved by 8-0-1 roll call vote. (Mr. Gilfillan abstained.)

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTARY - None

X. ACTION ITEMS

A. PERSONNEL

On motion by Mr. Connors, seconded by Mr. Nonnenmacher, the consent agenda items A.1 – A.15 were approved by a 9-0 roll call vote.

Ms. Weber asked a question about Item A.2 – What is CAA. Dr. LaSusa noted it is the Chatham Administrators Association and that the Athletic Director is considered an administrator along with the principals, assistance principals and other directors. The full name will be written out in this motion in the minutes.

1. (210 – 11/12) Appointment –Treasurer of School Monies

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education extends the appointment of *Annette M. Wells* as the Treasurer of School Monies, (N.J.S.A 18A:17-31 and Policy 0172), effective October 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, at an annual salary of \$7,500.00 to be prorated to \$5,625 for nine month period.

2. (211 – 11/12) Approval –Chatham Administrator Director of Athletics/Supervisor Health & Physical Education

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the contract for the *Alexis Korsak*, for the 2011-2012 school year, as per agreement between the School District of the Chathams and CAA (Chatham Administrators Association). (*Attachment A-2*)

3. (212 – 11/12) Approval – Maternity Leave

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, Board of Education approves *Maternity Leaves* as listed below:

Name	School	Paid Sick Leave Begins	Paid Sick Leave Ends	FMLA leave/ no pay w/benefits	Unpaid Leave/no pay /no benefits	Return Date
Laura Fornuff	Spec Services/ Speech	December 23, 2011	February 14, 2012	February 15, 2012 through May 18, 2012	May 19, 2012 through June 30, 2012	September 1, 2012
Amanda Seibert	CMS/Math	January 25, 2012	March 23, 2012	March 26, 2012	June 21, 2012	September 1, 2012

4. (213 – 11/12) Approval- Paid Medical Leave

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves *Paid Medical Leave*, for staff members, as listed below:

Last Name	First Name	Location	Dates	Total Days
Thomson	Sharon	SBS/Paraprofessional	October 3 through October 14	10 Days

5. (214 – 11/12) Approval- Unpaid Leave

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves *Unpaid Leave*, for staff members, as listed below:

Last Name	First Name	Location	Dates	Total Days
Skurat	David	B&G/Maintainer	August 29, 2011 through September 6, 2011 and one additional day when needed.	7 Days
Furda	Sharon	WAS/Paraprofessional	January 3,4,5,& 6, 2012	4 Days
Borchers	Deanna	CMS	November 4, 7, 8, & 9, 2011	4 Days

6. (215 – 11/12) Rescission/Approval-Mentors 2011-2012

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education rescinds *Mentors* for the year 2011-2012 school year:

Mentor	Novice Teacher	School	Certificate	Program	Time/Weeks	Rate
Chris Carroll	Meri Walters	CHS	CEAS	Traditional	30	\$550.00
Laura Noonan	Jaime Patel	SBS	CEAS	Traditional	30	\$500.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following *Mentors* for the year 2011-2012 school year:

Mentor	Novice Teacher	School	Certificate	Program	Time/Weeks	Rate
Laura Noonan	Jaime Patel	SBS	CEAS	Traditional	20	\$367.00
Kathleen Quinn	Meri Walters	CHS	CEAS	Traditional	30	\$550.00
Lisa Lattarulo	Anna Chesnakova	CHS	CEAS	Traditional	10	\$184.00

7. (216 – 11/12) Rescission/Approval – Contracts – Paraprofessional Staff

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education rescinds a contract for *Grace Walsh*, Paraprofessional, SBS, .49 for the 2011-2012 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a contract for *Grace Walsh*, Paraprofessional, SBS, .65 FTE, at a salary of \$17,048.00, effective September 6, 2011, for the 2011-2012 school year, as per agreement between the School District of the Chathams and ACTS.

8. (217 – 11/12) Approval - Building & Grounds Overtime

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves *John Cataldo*, Supervisor of Building & Grounds and *Gasper Major*, Assistant Supervisor of Building and Grounds, to work overtime on a limited basis and each project will be preapproved by the Business Administrator, paid at the rate of \$42.00 per hour for the 2011-2012 school year.

9. (218 – 11/12) Rescission/Approval – Contracts – Custodial Staff

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education rescinds a contract for *William Stollery*, Custodian, District, for the 2011-2012 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a contract for *William Stollery*, Custodian, SBS, effective September 16, 2011, for the 2011-2012 school year, as per agreement between the School District of the Chathams and Custodial Employees. (*Attachment A-9*)

10. (219 – 11/12) Rescission/Approval - CPR Instruction Payment

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education rescinds the CPR Instruction payment of \$600 to Anna Chesnakova.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following payment:

COURSE	INSTRUCTOR	PAYMENT
CPR Instruction	Lisa Lattarulo	3 two hour sessions @ \$47 per hour = \$282

11. (220 – 11/12) Approval - UCPD Payment

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following payment for UCPD instruction:

COURSE	INSTRUCTOR	PAYMENT
Elementary Science: Both Fun & Productive	Margaret Holzer	One three hour session @ \$47 per hour = \$141

12. (221 – 11/12) Rescission/Approval – Winter and Fall Coaches

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education rescinds *Coaches* as listed for the 2011-2012 school year:

First Name	Last Name	Sport	FTE	Salary
John	Gomez	Ice Hockey- A	0.6	\$5,740

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves *Coaches* as listed for the 2011-2012 school year:

First Name	Last Name	Sport	FTE	Salary
Timothy	Wrynn	Soccer-Volunteer	NA	N/A

13. (222 – 11/12) Approval – Substitutes

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves *Substitutes* as listed for the 2011-2012 school year:

Teacher	Para	Clerical	Nurse	Last	First	Residence	Certificate
X	X	X		Blair	Kristen	Madison	STD
X	X	X		Brown	Daniel	Bogota	1/2/2017
X	X	X		Dellano	Kimberly	Long Valley	STD
X	X	X		Dovico	Marc	Cedar Grove	CEAS
X	X	X		Falis	Mary	Short Hills	1/2/2017
X	X	X		Hajjar	Michelle	Chatham	CEAS
X	X	X		Hamersma	Jessica	Montville	CEAS
X	X	X		Healy	Erin	Morristown	CEAS
			X	Hurley	Nancy	Summit	STD

X	X	X		Kressler	Lisa	Chatham	STD
X	X	X		Moir	Margaret	New Providence	CEAS
X	X	X		Patel	Jamie	Morris Plains	CEAS
X	X	X		Patterson	Donna	Chatham	1/2/2017
X	X	X		Petrucci	Christine	North Arlington	CEAS
X	X	X		Stockl	Alyssa	Springfield	CEAS
X	X	X		Stryker	Maureen	Chatham	STD
X	X	X		Tweeten	Lynna	Berkeley Heights	STD
X	X	X		Ventura	Nicole	Towaco	1/2/2015
X	X	X		Walker	Mary	Basking Ridge	STD
X	X	X		Weiss	Deana	Morris Plains	STD
X	X	X		Wong	Pamela	Livingston	STD

14. (223 – 11/12) Approval – Emergent Hiring

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the submission of applications to the County Superintendent for the emergent hiring, and the applicants’ attestations that they have not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provision 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. for the individual’s listed:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	
Scott	Polly	Learning Lab LLC (B 10)

15. (224 – 11/12) Approval – Travel

WHEREAS: N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et. seq. requires that each board of education adopt a formal policy and procedures relating to travel and expense reimbursement for its employees and board members; and

WHEREAS: the School District of the Chathams Board of Education (the “Board”) adopted a Travel Expense Reimbursement Policy that addresses the reimbursement of travel-related expenses by Board members and employees of the District; and

WHEREAS: the Board has considered all other relevant guidelines and circulars associated with the adoption of its Travel Expense Reimbursement Policy; and

WHEREAS: the Board has determined that the travel listed in this Resolution is educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS: the Board has concluded that the travel and expense reimbursement listed in this Resolution are directly related to and within the scope of the employee’s current responsibilities; and

WHEREAS: the Board has determined that the travel and expense reimbursements listed in this Resolution are for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS: the Board has concluded that the travel and expense reimbursement listed in this Resolution are in compliance with State travel reimbursement guidelines as established by the Department of Treasury and incorporated herein;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23B and Board Policy and upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves travel requests as listed:

Month	Day	Year	First	Last	Vendor	Purpose	Location	Cost
Sept	21	2011	Julie	Patterson	DHS	Developmental Assets Facilitator Workshop	Parsippany	\$0.00
Sept	21	2011	Kyle	Lynott	AMTNJ	Assessing the Common Core	Lawrenceville	\$130.00
Sept	21	2011	Kathleen	O'Connor	AMTNJ	Assessing the Common Core	Lawrenceville	\$100.00
Sept	21	2011	Lisa	Lattarulo	DHS	Sharing the Asset Message	Parsippany	\$0.00
Sept	28	2011	Kathleen	O'Connor	Educational Research Newsletter	Increase K-8 Math Achievement Webinar	In District	\$204.50
Oct	3,4	2011	Eric	Hreha	AENJ	Art Educators of NJ	New Brunswick	\$171.00
Oct	3,4	2011	Bina	Patel	SBCS	Practical Sense in SI	Queens, NY	\$200.00
Oct	5	2011	Colleen	Mullen	SPE	Autism Spectrum Disorders	New Brunswick	\$179.00
Oct	10	2011	James	Kaiser	TCB	AP French Language Workshop	Hasbrouck Heights	\$180.00
Oct	10	2011	Laura	Scerbo	TCB	AP Calculas Conference	Hasbrouck Heights	\$204.80
Oct	11	2011	Christopher	Duvall	NJSC	NJ Science Convention	Somerset	\$125.00
Oct	11	2011	Jonathan	Capizzi	NJSC	NJ Science Convention	Somerset	\$125.00
Oct	12	2011	Margaret	Holzer	NJSC	NJ Science Convention	Somerset	\$0.00
Oct	14	2011	Gail	Lavallee	NJIDA	26th Annual Conference	Somerset	\$0.00
Oct	14	2011	Susan	Sylvester	NJIDA	Perfectly Pieced Together	Somerset	\$195.00
Oct	21	2011	Elizabeth	Walker	Health-Ed	Successful Strategies to Treat Stuttering	Piscataway	\$179.00
Oct	24-26	2011	John	Abdelmalak	NJSBA	2011 Annual Workshop	Atlantic City	\$690.00
Oct	28	2011	Margaret	Holzer	NSTA	National Conference of Science Education	Hartford	\$0.00
Dec	2, 3, 4	2011	Andrea	Williams	NCSS	Annual Conference	Washington D. C.	\$255.00
Apr	12	2012	Jennifer	Lehotay-Taylor	AMTNJ	Focus on Fractions and the New Standards	Warren	\$25.00

Total: \$2,963.30

B. FINANCE

On motion by Mr. Gilfillan, seconded by Mr. Burgunder, the consent agenda items B.1 – B.17 were approved by a 9-0 roll call vote.

Mr. Burgunder questioned Item B.17 and ERIC WEST. Mr. Daquila responded that ERIC WEST is an insurance consortium for school districts.

Mr. Gilfillan acknowledged the two donations from the Chatham Middle School PTO – one to be used for the purchase of two water coolers and the other one to fund a school beautification project. He also thanked the Southern Boulevard School PTO for their donations for the purchase of signs for the front and side entrances at the school. Mr. Gilfillan also acknowledged the donations from Target to the Chatham High and Milton Avenue schools to purchase materials at the discretion of the principals.

Mr. Burgunder questioned Item B.14 – Is there a uniform size and design for the existing signage. It was decided that the Facilities Committee will review signs throughout the district and develop a policy and uniformity on signage.

1. (141 – 11/12) Approval – Bills List

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves payment of bills list as reviewed by the Finance Committee. (Attachment B-1)

Bills Description	Totals
September 19, 2011 Bills List	\$531,776.34
TOTAL:	\$531,776.34

2. (142 – 11/12) Approval of Transfers- September, 2011

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following September transfers within the 2011-2012 budget in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(A)2. (Attachment B-2)

3. (143 – 11/12) Approval of Monthly Report of County Transfers for July, 2011

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Monthly Report of County Transfers for July 2011. (Attachment B-3)

4. (144 – 11/12) Approval of Report of the Board Secretary for July, 2011

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves and affixes to the minutes of this meeting the Report of the Board Secretary for July 2011. (Attachment B-4)

5. (145 – 11/12) Approval of the Report of the Board Treasurer for July, 2011

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves and affixes to the minutes of this meeting the Report of the Board Treasurer for July, 2011. (Attachment B-5)

6. (146 – 11/12) Approval of the Finance Certification for July, 2011

Pursuant to N.J.A.S. 18A:17-9, the Board Secretary does certify that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.S. 18A:17-9.

Pursuant to N.J.A.S. 18A:17-36, the School District of the Chathams Board of Education has reviewed for the minutes of this meeting the Board Secretary and Treasurer’s monthly financial report for July, 2011 that no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.S. 18A:17-36.

7. (147 – 11/12) Approval of IDEA Application Submittal

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the submittal of the 2011-2012 IDEA Grant Application to the Department of Education with the following amounts for special education programs:

- IDEA Basic \$814,507.00
- IDEA Pre-School \$ 24,412.00

The IDEA Basic amount includes \$50,106 of Non-Public Funds. The district’s spending amount is \$764,401.

8. *(148 – 11/12) Approval of Aide at ECLC*
RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the provision of a 1:1 aide at ECLC of New Jersey as required by an individual student's IEP (#3319253055), at a cost of \$21,315.42 for the 2011-2012 school year.
9. *(149 – 11/12) Approval of Hiring of Aide for Special Education Student*
RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the hiring of a 1:1 aide by the Bright Beginnings learning Center for student (#8730702700) as required by the IEP. The aide will be hired for the 2011-2012 school year on a part time basis, effective September 2, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at the rate of \$56.00 per day, not to exceed a total amount of \$10,248.00.
10. *(150 – 11/12) Approval of Provision of Transition Skill Services*
RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Learning Laboratory to provide transition skill services for student (#9508152812) as per the IEP. Services will be provided from September 19, 2011 through June 21, 2012 for ten (10) hours per week at the rate of \$75.00 per hour not to exceed a total amount of \$29,250.00.
11. *(151 – 11/12) Acceptance of CMS PTO Donation*
RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts a donation in the amount of \$1,968.25 from the Chatham Middle School PTO for the purchase of two (2) water coolers for use by the middle school students and staff (this is a change in the amount of \$2,153.00 previously approved by the Board on June 13, 2011).
12. *(152 – 11/12) Acceptance of CMS PTO Donation*
RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts a donation from the Chatham Middle School PTO in the amount of \$18,600.00 to fund a school beautification project at the middle school as approved by the interim superintendent and principal.
13. *(153 – 11/12) Acceptance of SBS PTO Donation*
RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts a donation from the Southern Boulevard School PTO in the amount of \$2,200 to be used to purchase a new sign for the front of the school.
14. *(154 – 11/12) Acceptance of SBS PTO Donation*
RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts a donation from the Southern Boulevard School PTO in the amount of \$6,095 to be used to purchase a LED Sign for the side entrance of the building.
15. *(155 – 11/12) Acceptance of Target Donation to CHS*
RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts a donation from the Target Take Charge of Education Program to Chatham High School in the amount of \$405.83 to be used to purchase materials at the discretion of the principal.

16. (156 – 11/12) *Acceptance of Target Donation to MAS*

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts a donation from the Target Take Charge of Education Program to the Milton Avenue School in the amount of \$210.50 to be used to purchase materials at the discretion of the principal.

17. (157 – 11/12) *Approval of ERIC-WEST Membership for 2011-2014*

WHEREAS: The New Jersey School Boards Insurance Act, Assembly 1373, enacted and signed by the Governor in 1983, enables school districts to cooperate with each other to make the most efficient use of their powers and resources on a basis of mutual advantage in the areas of insurance and self-insurance and related services; and

WHEREAS: The School District of the Chathams Board of Education desires to secure protection, services, and savings relating to insurance and self-insurance for itself and its departments and employees; and

WHEREAS: The School District of the Chathams Board of Education finds that the best and most efficient way of securing this protection and services is by cooperating with other school districts across the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS: The School District of the Chathams Board of Education under its obligations as a member of the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group does allow for safety inspections of its properties, to pay contributions in a timely fashion and to comply with the bylaws and standards of participation of this Group;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the School District of the Chathams Board of Education joins with other school districts in organizing and becoming members of the ERIC WEST subfund, a fund within the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group; and

THAT: By adoption and signing of this resolution, the School District of the Chathams Board of Education is hereby joining the ERIC WEST Subfund, a fund within the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group effective the date indicated below, and for the duration of three consecutive years for all coverages bound during the policy year this resolution is adopted.

C. CURRICULUM

On motion by Mr. Burgunder, seconded by Ms. Kenney, the consent agenda items C.1 – C.4 were approved by a 9-0 roll call vote.

Mr. Burgunder raised a question about Item C.4 , asking where the Stewart Home School is located. Dr. D’Elia responded that the school is in the state of Kentucky.

1. (028 – 11/12) *Approval – Field Trip Destinations for 2011-12*

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves field trip destinations as listed:

SCHOOL	DESTINATION	CLASS
CHS	Killmeyer’s Old Bavaria Inn City, Staten Island, NY	CHS German Club
ACE Program (G&T) LAS/CMS	Morristown Unitarian Fellowship, Morristown, NJ	Math Marathon Learning Carnival Workshop on the Arts
	Seton Hall University South Orange, NJ	Jr. Model UN
	Presbyterian Church of Chatham, Chatham, NJ	Math Workshop Mini Model UN

	Chatham Township Municipal Court Chatham, NJ	CMS Mock Trial LAS Mock Trial
	Chatham Middle School Chatham, NJ	Oral Interpretation Tournament TheatreFest
	Hanover Park High School East Hanover, NJ	Forensics Tournament
	Absecon Lighthouse & Ocean Life Center, Atlantic City NJ	Sea the Light
	All Saints Church Parsippany, NJ	Spelling Bee
CHS	Union County College Cranford, New Jersey	CHS Technology Club
CMS	Juniper Village Chatham	Gr. 6-8 POPS Orchestra
CHS	Great Swamp Outdoor Education Ctr, Chatham NJ	Pre-AP and AP Studio Art Classes

2. (029 – 11/12) *Rescinds Placement of Special Education Student*

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education rescinds the contract and placement of a special education student (#1588309776) at East Mountain Youth Lodge, Belle Mead, NJ for the 2011-2012 school year at a total tuition cost of \$59,164.00.

3. (030 – 11/12) *Approval of Tuition Students to attend Morris County School of Technology for the 2011-12 School Year*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the tuition of students in the programs indicated below at the Morris County School of Technology for the 2011-12 school year:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Session</u>	<u>Cost</u>
700426	Cosmetology	PT	\$4,916

4. (031 – 11/12) *Approval of Out of District Placement for the 2011-2012 School Year*

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the agreement between the parents of educationally disabled student #5883409129 and the School District of the Chathams for the purposes of partially supporting placement in an out of state residential facility, The Stewart Home School, Kentucky. The School District of the Chathams will pay a total of \$35,000 for the 2011-12 school year.

XI. BOARD BUSINESS - None

XII. PUBLIC COMMENTARY - None

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:58 PM Mr. Barna moved the following:

WHEREAS: The Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: The Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss a matter concerning a student rendered confidential by federal or state law; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: The minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: No action will be taken.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Connors and approved by unanimous voice vote.

(Mr. Nonnenmacher left the meeting at 9:35 PM)

On motion by Mr. Connors, seconded by Mr. Gilfillan the board reconvened in open session at 9:47 PM.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT: On motion by Mr. Connors, seconded by Ms. Weber, the meeting adjourned at 9:48 PM.

Minutes recorded by:

Peter Daquila
Business Administrator/Board Secretary