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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Carlucci.

I. Salute to Flag

II. Roll Call

PRESENT: Mr. Byrne, Ms. Carlsson, Mr. Carlucci, Mr. Koch, Ms. McGowan,
Ms. Smith, Ms. Stevens, Ms. Winter, Ms. Woolford, Dr. Goger,
Ms. Rudolph

ABSENT: None

III. Statement of Public Notice

This was a regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Bernards Township. Notice of the time and place of this meeting was provided and copies of that resolution were forwarded to the official newspapers as designated by the Board of Education and to the Township Clerk and a copy of the notice was posted on the bulletin board of the Board of Education Offices in accordance with P.L. 1975 Chapter 231A.

IV. Executive Session – 6:35 p.m. – William Annin Middle School Faculty Dining Room

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bernards Township Board of Education shall meet in closed session to discuss the following: litigation; matters pertaining to specific personnel; confidential student matters; and further

BE IT RESOLVED that the matters discussed in closed session will be disclosed to the public as soon as and to the extent that such disclosure can be made without adversely affecting the public interest or without violation of the confidentiality of personnel.

On motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Ms. Carlsson, and approved by all present, the Board recessed into closed executive session at 6:35 p.m.

On motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Ms. Winter, and approved by all present, the Board returned to public session at 7:28 p.m.

The Board reconvened the regular meeting in the William Annin Middle School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

V. Ridge High School Student Government – 7:30 p.m. – William Annin Middle School Auditorium

VI. Regular Session – Call to Order – 8:00 p.m. – William Annin Middle School Auditorium

VII. Student Representative’s Report

Student Representative Phil Moroni reported on the Pep Rally, volleyball, powder puff football, Senior tailgate party, Homecoming, and changes to food service.

VIII. Business Administrator’s Report

IX. Superintendent’s Report

- 1) Updates on Program Budget Reductions
 - a) Elementary World Language
 - b) Schoolwide Enrichment Model
 - c) Guidance Director
 - d) Middle School Assistant Principal

Dr. Goger explained the board presentation format, which will include eleven items set as standards. These standards will be utilized for future budget presentations. Presenters will determine which elements are applicable.

Director of Curriculum Cheryl Dyer and William Annin Middle School Principal Nick Markarian presented the effects of the following previously made budget cuts: elementary world language schoolwide, enrichment program, third assistant principal position at William Annin, and the position of Director of Pupil Personnel Services.

X. Public Forum on Agenda Items

Comments were made regarding the repercussion of the .5 teacher cut in world language, the need for more integration, gifted and talented program, the lack of teaching contact with enrichment program, the importance of introduction of world languages at the elementary level, 9-period vs. 8-period day, and cost of health care and sick days. Additional comments were made regarding Ridge High School guidance, SEM, and third assistant principal at WAMS.

XI. Committee Reports

Finance Committee

Chairperson William Koch stated the next committee meeting is schedule for October 17. He emphasized the importance of the November board meeting's presentations regarding potential impact on instructional programs.

Personnel Committee

Chairperson Ann Marie Woolford stated the next committee meeting is October 18.

Policy Committee

Chairperson Susan McGowan asked the Board's opinion of the 'value checklist'.

Curriculum Committee

Chairperson Lisa Winter stated that the next committee meeting is scheduled for October 13.

Community Relations

Chairperson Lisa Winter updated the Board on the PTO Advisory Committee Meeting held on October 9, responses from government representatives regarding state funding, and ongoing activities of the committee.

Facilities Committee

Dr. Goger stated that bids for WAMS, MPS, and OSS will be received on October 19 and will be awarded on October 23. The Monday, November 27 Board meeting will be moved to Monday, November 20 for the purpose of awarding bids on the Ridge High School project.

Liaison Reports

Ms. McGowan stated that she attended the Municipal Alliance meeting (minutes are on township website), and noted the revision of athletic handbook regarding substance abuse.

XII. Public Forum on Other Than Agenda Items

Comments were made regarding local representatives involvement with Board of Education and classroom sites at Liberty Corner School.

XIII. Board Forum

Comments were made regarding adding the athletic attendance policy to the Student Athlete Handbook and strategies regarding special education funding.

XIV. Adjournment

On motion by Ms. Carlsson, seconded by Ms. Stevens and approved by all present, the board meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Alexander
Assistant Board Secretary