LONG HILL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKESSION MEETING April 7, 2014

The Long Hill Township Board of Education held a Worksession Meeting on Monday, April 7, 2014 in the Long Hill Township Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Board President Rita Barone at 7:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Brown, Mr. Carn, Mr. DiGiorgio, Mr. LoCascio,

Mrs. Moakley, Miss Nyquist, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Barone.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Blocker.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Rovtar, Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Esposito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Mr. Blinder, Technology Coordinator

Dr. Jones, Gillette Principal/Curriculum Director

Mrs. Dawson, Millington School Principal

Mr. Villar, Central School Principal Mrs. Franklin, LHEA President

One Township Resident

One Reporter for the Echoes-Sentinel

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Ms. Barone led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADEQUATE NOTICE OF MEETING:

Adequate notice of this meeting of the Long Hill Township Board of Education was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows:

Notice was sent to the Courier News, Echoes Sentinel and the Daily Record on January 7, 2014. Notice was posted on the bulletin board in the first floor entrance hall of the School District Administration Building, Gillette, New Jersey. Notices were filed with the Township Clerk; and notices were mailed to all persons who have requested individual notice pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act.

COMMUNICATIONS: Dr. Rovtar noted that the District had received a letter from the American Civil Liberties Union regarding language on the district website which appeared to require that parents submit photo identification in order to enroll a child in the district. Dr. Rovtar explained that a photo ID is not required and that is clearly reflected in the Board's policy. The website language has been updated and Dr. Rovtar has communicated with both the ACLU and the Commissioner of Education's office to clarify what the district policy and practice has been with regard to this matter.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Committee – Miss Nyquist stated that the committee had met to review the policies that are on the agenda this evening. The policies are recommended for approval.

PTO Liaison – Mr. Carn thanked all of those who attended the Wizards versus the Masterminds Basketball game. It was a great event that raised more than \$10,000.

Finance Committee – Mr. LoCascio stated that the 2014-2015 budget has been approved by the Morris Executive County Superintendent. A public hearing on the budget will be held at the April 28th meeting. He indicated that there are resolutions on the agenda to approve the acceptance and execution of the ROD grants. There are also resolutions to appoint the Bond Counsel and Financial Advisor in connection with the sale of bonds authorized by the referendum.

WHRHS Liaison – Mr. Stevens stated that he attended the WHRHS Board meeting on March 4th at which the Board did a review of the Code of Ethics for Board members. The WHRHS Board will have a retreat on April 8th. He will attend their meeting tomorrow which will include a hearing on the budget.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Dr. Rovtar stated that both Millington and Central Schools had completed the Performance Based Assessment (PBA) portion of the PARCC Field Test over the past two weeks. She thanked the principals and the teachers who served as test administrators for their efforts in managing this new assessment. She also thanked Mr. Blinder for the large amount of time and effort that he invested in preparing the computers for the assessment and managing some of the last minute technological changes that PARCC sent out to the participating districts. It was good to have this opportunity for the teachers and students to have some experience with this new online form of assessment before it becomes fully operational next year.

ADMINISTRATORS AND SUPERVISORS UPDATES

Gillette School

Dr. Jones reported on the following:

- The first grade students are finishing the Terranova testing and have make ups this week.
- She thanked Mr. Rideout for the 1st Grade Concert. The students did a great job.
- The marking period ends this Friday and report cards will be ready to view on the 24th.
- The All School Read is tomorrow at 2:30PM. The book is "A Girl Named Dan" and the pillar of the month is Fairness.
- April 11th is the Kindergarten field trip and 1st Grade Career Day.
- She and Mrs. Dawson will be conducting interviews together for the open teaching positions within the next few weeks.
- Kindergarten Workshop is May 1-2 and to date 76 students have enrolled.
- May 9th is Field Day with a rain date of May 16th.
- She is also finishing up observations and getting ready to finalize Student Growth Objectives(SGOs).

Millington School

Mrs. Dawson reported on the following:

- The English Language Arts PARCC field testing was completed during the week of March 24th. Two third grade classes and two fifth grade classes took part in the testing, and the field testing provided an idea of what to expect for next year.
- The teachers followed all guidelines and she will be meeting with these teachers for feedback on the experience. They will also complete the online survey for the state.
- There were two testing issues that came up which we immediately reported back to the state.
- Last week the second grades took part in the Terra Nova testing.
- April 29th is the 2nd Grade Environmental Day.
- April 29th is also the Millington Chorus concert. The concert will be held at 7:00 in the APR.

Central Middle School

Mr. Villar reported on the following:

- The PTO Book Fair was held on March 4th and 5th. He thanked all of the parents who volunteered their time to assist with the event.
- Selected groups of 6th grade students completed 3 sessions of the English Literacy portion of the PARCC Field Test on March 31, April 1 and 2.
- Congratulations to Ashil Jhaveri who represented Long Hill Township on April 4 at Rowan University for the state championship of the National Geography Bee.
- -Central Middle School is preparing staff and students for the 2014 NJASK test, which will be administered to all students during the week of April 29 to May 2.

Technology

Mr. Blinder stated that he spent a significant amount of time over the past month preparing the computer equipment and assisting the teachers in their roles as test administrators for the PARCC field test. He also indicated that he will be presenting a Flex Day workshop on the use of ELMO document cameras tomorrow.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY'S UPDATE

Mr. Esposito stated that he has been working on the presentation of the 2014-2015 budget for the public hearing. He has also been working on finishing his assigned teacher observations for the year.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

At this point, the Board of Education welcomes comments from any member of the public. Please note that as per Board Policy #1130, a total of fifteen (15) minutes is allocated for public comments at any single Board meeting. In order to provide residents the opportunity to comment, individual speakers are limited to three minutes each at any particular Board meeting. The Board may extend these time limits at its discretion.

Mr. Dennis Sandow stated that he would like to propose a challenge to the Board members in serving as role models to the students in terms of physical fitness. He invited the Board Members to form a bicycle team to compete against the members of the Township Committee in the annual Freedom Tour on July 27th. Mr. Sandow said he would be proposing this to the Township Committee as well. He asked if someone would be willing to serve as team captain to help plan the race. Mr. Stevens expressed concern about safety in riding in a competitive event.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. It was moved by Mr. Carn and seconded by Mr. DiGiorgio that the following minutes of the Long Hill Township Board of Education be accepted as presented and made part of the public record:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 24, 2014 Regular Meeting – Public and Private Sessions

ROLL CALL VOTE on resolution #1:

YES: Mr. Brown

Mr. LoCascio

Mr. Carn

Mrs. Moakley

Mr. Stevens

Mr. DiGiorgio Miss Nyquist

Ms. Barone

NO: None.

Resolution #1 carried 8-0.

It was moved by Mr. LoCascio and seconded by Mr. DiGiorgio that the Long Hill Township Board of Education approve the following recommendations of the Superintendent numbered 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9.

Any Board Member who takes exception to any of the following actions may reserve the right to object now, and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

2. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, hereby approves and authorizes the execution and delivery of the Grant Agreements with the State of New Jersey Schools Development Authority as listed below: **AUTHORIZATION OF** THE EXECUTION AND **DELIVERY OF THE GRANT AGREEMENTS**

Long Hill Township School District/Morris County

Central Middle School

Project Description: Upgrades to HVAC System

DOE Project #: 4000-030-14-1001 SDA Project #: 4000-030-14-G2GC

Grant #: G5-5580

Total Project Cost: \$860,600 Grant Amount: \$344,240

Long Hill Township School District/Morris County

Gillette Elementary School

Project Description: Upgrades to HVAC System

DOE Project #: 4000-050-14-1002

SDA Project #: 4000-050-14-G2GD

Grant #: G5-5581

Total Project Cost: \$435,000 Grant Amount: \$174,000

Long Hill Township School District/Morris County

Millington Elementary School

Project Description: Upgrades to HVAC System

DOE Project #: 4000-060-14-1003 SDA Project #: 4000-060-14-G2GE

Grant #: G5-5582

Total Project Cost: \$659,930 Grant Amount: \$263,972

Long Hill Township School District/Morris County

Millington Elementary School

Project Description: Partial Roof Replacement

DOE Project #: 4000-060-14-1004 SDA Project #: 4000-060-14-G2GF

Grant #: G5-5583

Total Project Cost: \$1,319,000 Grant Amount: \$527,600

3. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, hereby approves the delegation of authority to Mr. John Esposito, School Business Administrator, for supervision of the School Facilities Projects as per the Grant Agreements with the State of New Jersey Schools Development Authority as listed below:

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4. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, approve a Non-public Services agreement with the Educational Services Commission of Morris County to provide administration of the following programs for the 2014-2015 school year; and authorize the Business Administrator to sign and submit the agreement to the ESCMC on behalf of the district:

APPROVAL OF NON PUBLIC AGREEMENT

Chapter 192 Chapter 193 Non-Public Technology Non-Public Textbooks Non-Public Nursing

5. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, hereby approve the following resolution regarding the HVAC Upgrades Project at Gillette Elementary School (#5696), Millington Elementary School (#5697) and Central Middle School (#5695).

HVAC UPGRADES PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contract Law (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq) permits award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids,

WHEREAS, the Board is in need of architectural services as it pertains to the HVAC Upgrades Project at Gillette, Millington and Central Schools which requires submissions and drawings to the Department of Education,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board President and/or Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute an agreement between Parette Somjen Architects, 439 Route 46 East, Rockaway, NJ 07866 and the Long Hill Township BOE, for such services as listed below:

Central Middle School	27-4000-030-14-1001	\$71,000	Flat Fee
Gillette Elementary School	27-4000-050-14-1002	\$36,000	Flat Fee
Millington Elementary School	27-4000-060-14-1004	\$54,500	Flat Fee

These fees exclude reimbursable expenses (i.e. printing, deliveries, etc.) which will be billed separately, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Long Hill Township Board of Education authorize and approve Parette Somjen Architects and the Business Administrator to submit all necessary plans and paperwork for these projects as "Other Capital Projects" to the Department of Education for approval, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this project is included in the Long Range Facilities Plan. A Regular Operating District Grant has been submitted to the New Jersey Department of Education for partial funding of this project.

A copy of this resolution will be printed in the official newspaper pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5. The contract is available for public inspection in the office of the Board of Education.

6. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Long Hill Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey authorizes Parette Somjen Architects to submit all necessary plans and paperwork to the Department of Education concerning the Nurse's Suite and Library Improvements at Central Middle School, to serve as an application to the Office of School Facilities; and

ARCHITECT TO SUBMIT PLANS

TO DOE

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this project shall be a General Fund/Capital Reserve project.

7. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, approve the Travel/Conference registration for the staff indicated for professional improvement or development as per the attached listing.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL

8. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, approve the following resolution appointing Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A. as Bond Counsel; and authorize the Business Administrator to sign a contract with the firm for services related to the issuance of bonds to partially fund the projects approved in the March 11, 2014 referendum. (Note: all fees to be paid from bond proceeds):

APPOINTMENT OF WILENTZ, GOLDMAN & SPITZER, P.A. AS BOND COUNSEL

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR CERTAIN LEGAL (BOND COUNSEL) SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for specialized legal services in connection with the undertaking of a referendum and the authorization and the issuance of obligations by The Board of Education of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, New Jersey (the "Board"), a body corporate of the State of New Jersey, including the review of such procedures and the rendering of approving legal opinions acceptable to the financial community; and

WHEREAS, such special legal services can be provided only by a recognized law firm, and the law firm of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Woodbridge, New Jersey is so recognized by the financial community; and

WHEREAS, funds are or will be available for this purpose;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The law firm of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Woodbridge, New Jersey is hereby retained to provide specialized bond counsel legal services necessary in connection with the undertaking of a referendum and the authorization and the issuance of obligations by the Board.
- 2. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute a Bond Services Contract (the "Contract").
- 3. The Contract is awarded without competitive bidding and as a "Professional Service" in accordance with the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1), because it is for services performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
- 4. A copy of this resolution as well as the Contract shall be placed on file with the Secretary of the Board. The publication required pursuant to Section 5(a)(1) of the School Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:-1 et seq. is hereby authorized
- 9. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, approve the following resolution appointing Phoenix Advisors, LLC. as Financial Advisor; and authorize the Business Administrator to sign a contract with the firm for services related to the issuance of bonds to partially fund the projects approved in the March 11, 2014 referendum. (Note: all fees to be paid from bond proceeds):

APPOINTMENT OF PHOENIX ADVISORS, LLC. AS FINANCIAL ADVISOR

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR CERTAIN FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for specialized financial advisory services in connection with the undertaking of an referendum and the issuance of obligations by The Board of Education of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, New Jersey (the "Board"), a body corporate of the State of New Jersey, including the financial analysis of the Board's financing

options, the tax impact implication of such options and other financial services related to the issuance of the obligations; and

WHEREAS, funds are or will be available for this purpose;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The firm of Phoenix Advisors, LLC, Bordentown, New Jersey is hereby retained to provide specialized financial advisory services in connection with the undertaking of a referendum and the issuance of obligations by the Board.
- 2. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute a Financial Advisory Services Contract (the "Contract").
- 3. The Contract is awarded without competitive bidding in accordance with the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3(a), because the cost for such services does not exceed \$17,500.
- 4. A copy of this resolution as well as the Contract shall be placed on file with the Secretary of the Board.

ROLL CALL VOTE on resolutions #2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9:

YES: Mr. Brown

Mr. LoCascio

Mr. Carn

Mrs. Moakley

Mr. Stevens

Mr. DiGiorgio Miss Nyquist

Ms. Barone

NO: None.

Resolutions #2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9 carried 8-0.

It was moved by Miss Nyquist and seconded by Mr. Stevens that the Long Hill Township Board of Education approve the following recommendations of the Superintendent numbered 10,11,12,13,14,15,16.

Any Board Member who takes exception to any of the following actions may reserve the right to object now, and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

10. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Business Administrator, and the Director of Special Services approve placements, and payment of tuition, as per student's IEP for the 2014 Extended School Year Programs. Placements are as follows:

APPROVAL OF **EXTENDED YEAR** TUITION

Student #	Placement	Tuition
2839236123	Midland School	\$ 8046.00
9488214070	ECLC	\$ 4828.20
9438898793	Crossroads	\$ 6598.00

11. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Business Administrator, and the Director of Special Services approve payment of \$750.00 to Dr. Vanna Amorapanth for a Neuro-Developmental Evaluation for student, State ID# 1026259797 to assist in determining special education category.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO DR. AMORAPANTH

12. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Business Administrator, and the Director of Special Services approve payment of \$700.00 to Dr. Haley Cohen for a Psychiatric Evaluation for student #2150553825 to assist in determining special education category.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO DR. COHEN

13. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, accept with regret the letter of resignation, from Shawn Doyle, Second Grade Teacher at Millington School [PCR MES0000010], effective July 1, 2014.

S. DOYLE RESIGNATION

14. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, appoint Gina Marie Pizzigoni as a leave replacement Teacher Assistant Millington School (to fill the position of Katie Castro who Will be filling the maternity leave of Christina Lattoz – PCR MESO000042) at The Step 1 TA salary of \$31,828.00 for the period April 28, 2014 through June 25, 2014 and \$32,363.00 for the period September 1, 2014 through November 21, 2014 with an additional three days of transition training prior to April 28, 2014.

G. PIZZIGONI APPOINTED LEAVE REPLACEMENT

15. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, approve the appointment of Brittany Hudock to complete Child Study Team evaluations at a per diem rate based on the Step 1 BA+3/MA salary of \$51,800 for up to ten additional days through June 30, 2014.

B. HUDOCK TO COMPLETE CST EVALUATIONS AT A PER DIEM RATE

16. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Business Administrator, approve the addition of the following people to the Substitute List for the 2013-2014 school year:

APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES

Carolyn Tangreti

John Castaldo

ROLL CALL VOTE on resolutions #10,11,12,13,14,15,16:

YES: Mr. Brown

Mr. LoCascio

Mr. Carn

Mrs. Moakley

Mr. Stevens

Mr. DiGiorgio Miss Nyquist

Ms. Barone

NO: None.

Resolution #16 carried 7-0-1. Miss Nyquist abstained.

Resolutions #10,11,12,13,14,15 carried 8-0.

It was moved by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Moakley that the Long Hill Township Board of Education approve the following recommendations of the Superintendent numbered 17,18,19.

Any Board Member who takes exception to any of the following actions may reserve the right to object now, and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

17. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Superintendent, the Business Administrator and the Building Principal, approve the field trips listed below:

APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIPS

May 2, 2014 STAR Class Trip

Marcello's Restaurant

11:00 a.m. to 1:20 p.m.

Stirling, NJ

\$6.00 per student plus bus

District Paid

4 students, 1 teacher, 1 Teacher Assistant

May 15, 2014 STAR Class Trip

Long Hill Police Dept.

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m

Biaggio's

\$6.00 per student plus bus

Marcello's

District Paid

Stirling, NJ

4 students, 1 teacher, 2 Teacher Assistants

May 30, 2014 STAR Class Trip

Recorder Publishing

8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Bernardsville, NJ

\$10.00 per student plus bus

District Paid

4 students, 1 teacher, 1 Teacher Assistant

June 11, 2014 STAR Class Trip

Friendly's

11:00 a.m. to 1:20 p.m.

New Providence, NJ

\$10.00 per student plus bus

District Paid

4 students, 1 teacher, 1 Teacher Assistant

WORKSESSION MEETING

18. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Policy Committee, readopt the following policies which have been reviewed by the Policy Committee.

READOPTION OF POLICIES

2225 Rights of Persons with Handicaps or Disabilities 5125 Student Records 5127 Commencement Activities

19. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Policy Committee, adopt the following policy on second reading.

ADOPTION OF **POLICY**

2132 JD Job Description - Dean of Students

ROLL CALL VOTE on resolutions #17,18,19:

YES: Mr. Brown

Mr. LoCascio

Mr. Carn

Mrs. Moakley

Mr. Stevens

Mr. DiGiorgio Miss Nyquist

Ms. Barone

NO: None.

Resolutions #17,18,19 carried 8-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Moakley and seconded by Mr. Carn that the Long Hill Township Board of Education approve the following recommendation of the Superintendent numbered 20.

Any Board Member who takes exception to any of the following actions may reserve the right to object now, and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

20. RESOLVED that the Long Hill Township Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying report and affirm the Superintendent's decision as presented to the Board of Education in private session on March 24, 2014.

ACCEPTANCE OF HIB REPORT

ROLL CALL VOTE on resolution #20:

YES: Mr. Brown

Mr. LoCascio

Mr. Carn

Mrs. Moakley

Mr. Stevens

Mr. DiGiorgio Miss Nyquist

Ms. Barone

NO: None.

Resolution #20 carried 8-0.

It was moved by Mr. Stevens and seconded by Mr. LoCascio that the Board enter into private session for the purpose of having the Superintendent present a report to the Board on the investigation of one incident of harassment, intimidation and bullying as well as a pending legal matter. It is anticipated that the private session will last no more than one hour. No action is anticipated this evening. Into private session at 8:17 p.m.

PRIVATE SESSION

e session at 0.17 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. LoCascio and seconded by Mr. Stevens that the Board return to public session. Motion carried 8-0. Into public session at 8:40 p.m.

PUBLIC SESSION

It was moved by Mr. DiGiorgio and seconded by Miss Nyquist that the Long Hill Township Board of Education approve the following recommendation of the Superintendent numbered 21.

Any Board Member who takes exception to any of the following actions may reserve the right to object now, and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

21. RESOLVED that the Board approves the Settlement Agreement in the matter of J.P. o/b/o of Minor Child P.P. v. Long Hill Twp. Board of Education, Agency Dkt. No. 275-11/13B in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth therein and authorizes the Board President and Secretary to execute same on behalf of the Board, and the Board Attorney To take all steps necessary to bring this matter to closure.

APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

ROLL CALL VOTE on resolution #21:

YES: Mr. Brown Mr. LoCascio

Mr. Carn Mrs. Moakley Mr. Stevens Mr. DiGiorgio Miss Nyquist Ms. Barone

NO: None.

Resolution #21 carried 8-0.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION None.

OLD BUSINESS: Mr. Stevens suggested that a written response be sent to the ACLU to confirm that the district policy was already in compliance with the law in terms of the documents required for enrolling a child in the school district.

NEW BUSINESS: The Board discussion the 2015-2016 school calendar. Dr. Rovtar explained that in September 2015 Labor Day will be on September 7th. She indicated that some districts are opening

school for students before Labor Day. The Board discussed this possibility and indicated that they would like to know how the other regional districts are structuring their calendars. Dr. Rovtar indicated that she will obtain copies of the other calendars for the next Board meeting.

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On April 30th the Morris County School Boards Association will be presenting a program on social media and technology.

Mr. Carn asked about the magnetic strips for lock down security that were just acquired by St. Vincent de Paul School. Dr. Rovtar stated that Long Hill has been using the magnetic strips since last year.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

It was moved by Mr. Stevens and seconded by Miss Nyquist that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried 8-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

FUTURE MEETING DATES

April 28, 2014 – Regular Meeting/Public Hearing on the 2014-2015 Budget – Township Municipal Building – 7:30 p.m.

May 19, 2014 – Worksession/Regular Meeting – Township Municipal Building – 7:30 p.m.

June 9, 2014 – Worksession Meeting – Township Municipal Building – 7:30 p.m.

June 23, 2014 – Regular Meeting – Township Municipal Building – 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Esposito

Business Administrator/Board Secre

René Rovtar, Ed.D.

Superintendent of Schools

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Respectfully submitted,

John Esposito
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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