

**Bass River Township Board of Education Meeting
Regular Meeting
October 20, 2009**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM – Bass River Elementary School Media Center

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the rights of the public to have advance notice of 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 Bass River Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted, as follows:

Board Office Bulletin Board)	
The Press of Atlantic City)	Date: <u>May 21, 2009</u>
Municipal Clerk)	

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

3. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Mrs. Cramer	_____	_____
Mrs. Gobosack	_____	_____
Mr. Hamilton	_____	_____
Mr. McGeoch	_____	_____
Mr. Nutt	_____	_____

4. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

PLEASE NOTE: This audience participation is limited only to items on the agenda. Audience Participation II is open to all comments.

Audience members attending Board of Education Meetings are permitted to voice their opinions on school related topics at specified times during the regular meeting. These times are included in the printed agenda for the meeting.

Members of the public are encouraged to speak during the public portion of the meeting. Complaints stated, or actions requested by the public, will be taken under advisement by the Board for investigation, discussion, and action or disposition at a later time/date.

When addressing the Board of Education, please respect the following procedure:

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Be recognized by the Board President.
State your full name and address before commenting.
Identify the agenda item on which you will be commenting.
Wait to be recognized before making your comment(s).
Limit your comment(s) to the specific agenda item.

5. MINUTES

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Meeting Minutes of the:

- Regular Meeting – September 15, 2009. (*Attachment #1*)

Action: Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Held for Study _____
Motion by: _____
Seconded by: _____
In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

6. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

a. Art Teacher

It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve Angela Stella-Randall as Art Teacher for the 2009-2010 school year at a salary of \$14, 142 (step 4 BA 1.5/5)(pro-rated)(pending negotiations).

Action: Motion By: _____ Seconded by: _____

Roll Call	Yes	No
Mrs. Cramer	_____	_____
Mrs. Gobosack	_____	_____
Mr. Hamilton	_____	_____
Mr. McGeoch	_____	_____
Mr. Nutt	_____	_____

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b. Part-Time Custodian

It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve _____ as Part-Time Custodian for the 2009-2010 school year at a rate of \$9.88 per hour (\$9485/year)(step 1)(pro-rated)(pending negotiations).

Action: Motion By: _____ Seconded by: _____

Roll Call	Yes	No
Mrs. Cramer	_____	_____
Mrs. Gobosack	_____	_____
Mr. Hamilton	_____	_____
Mr. McGeoch	_____	_____
Mr. Nutt	_____	_____

c. Substitutes

It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the following substitutes for the 2009-2010 school year.

Non Instructional: Krista Harrsch

7. BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

a. Old Business

None

b. New Business

i. Travel/Training (Attachment #2)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached seminars/workshops and all associated costs.

Action: Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Held for Study _____
 Motion by: _____
 Seconded by: _____
 In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

c. For Your Information

i. Shared Service Update

- a) Business Office Inter local agreement
- b) Special Education Pilot Program

8. 2009 New Jersey School Boards Association Workshop

New Jersey School Boards Association will hold its annual convention October 28-30, 2009 at the Atlantic City Convention Center.

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9. Correspondence

None

10. BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

a. Budget Transfers (Attachment #3)

Pursuant to 18A:22-8.1, The Business Administrator recommends the budgetary transfers

Action: Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Held for Study _____

Motion by: _____

Seconded by: _____

In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

b. Board Secretary Report – August 31, 2009 (Attachment #4)

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12(d), I do certify that as of August 31, 2009 no budgetary line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.S.A.18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1.

Action: Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Held for Study _____

Motion by: _____

Seconded by: _____

In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

c. Treasurer of School Funds Report – August 31, 2009 (Attachment #4a)

The August 31, 2009 Treasurer of School Funds Reports are in agreement with the August 31, 2009 Reports of the Board Secretary.

Action: Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Held for Study _____

Motion by: _____

Seconded by: _____

In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

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d. Board Certification

It is recommended that the Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:20.10(e), certify that as of June 30 & July 31, 2009 after review of the Board Secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriations section) and Treasurer's Reports and upon consultation with appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.12(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Action: Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Held for Study _____
Motion by: _____
Seconded by: _____
In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

e. BILLS LIST(Attachment #5)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Bills Lists for October 20, 2009.

Action: Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Held for Study _____
Motion by: _____
Seconded by: _____
In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

f. Comprehensive Maintenance Plan (Attachment 6)

RESOLVED, that the Bass River Township Board of Education approve the submittal of the 2009 Comprehensive Maintenance Plan to the Burlington County Executive Superintendent

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bass River Township Board of Education certifies that the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan is complete and in compliance with N.J.A.C 6A:26A-3 and it includes activities and expenditures for each school facility that qualify as requires maintenance pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A26A-2 and are reasonable to ensure such facilities are kept open and safe for use or in its original condition and maintain the validity of warranties.

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Motion by: _____
Seconded by: _____
In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

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g. COOPERATIVE ELECTRIC PURCHASING

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 Bass River Township Board of Education 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 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

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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

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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.

Action: Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Held for Study _____
Motion by: _____
Seconded by: _____
In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

h. COOPERATIVE GAS PURCHASING

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

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WHEREAS, the Bass River Township Board of Education 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

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

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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.

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Seconded by: _____
In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

i. GRANT AWARD-REAP (Attachment # 7)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the acceptance of the REAP Grant for the 2008-2009 school year in the amount of \$19,761.

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Seconded by: _____
In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

j. FIELD TRIPS

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It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following field trip:

Date: Tuesday, May 4, 2010
Destination: Bay Atlantic Symphony at Stockton College
Purpose: 3rd and 4th grade

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Motion by: _____
Seconded by: _____
In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

k. USE OF FACILITIES

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following use of facilities:

Date: October 1, 2009 – March 25, 2010
Room: All Purpose Room
Group: LEHT Softball – Lightning

Action: Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Held for Study _____
Motion by: _____
Seconded by: _____
In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

l. TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Pupil Transportation Contract Transfer Agreement between Bass River School District and Pinelands Regional School District. This agreement transfers ownership for Durham School Services contract C, route C from Bass River to Pinelands.

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Seconded by: _____
In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

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**m. Education Services Unit of Burlington County Agreement
(Attachment 8)**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Agreement for Professional Services between the Educational Services Unit of Burlington County and Bass River Board of Education as attached.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION II

13. ADJOURNMENT

It is recommended that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting

Action: Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Held for Study _____
Motion by: _____
Seconded by: _____
In Favor _____ Opposed: _____

Adjournment at _____ PM