Lopatcong Township Board of Education
Minutes – November 11, 2014

President Taggart called the meeting to order on November 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present, lead by Boy Scout Troop 54.

ROLL CALL
Present: David Corrado, Yvette Day, Ernest Gallant, Terry Glennon, Bruce Hall, Gena James, Robert McFarlane, Lee Rozycki, and William Taggart
Absent: None

OPENING STATEMENT - *Mrs. Broennle read the Opening Statement*

READING OF MISSION STATEMENT - *Mrs. Roncoroni read the Mission Statement*

PRESENTATION – NJASK Scores, *by Mrs. Roncoroni*

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS - *None*

REVIEW OF OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE
Unofficial Election Results, *by Mrs. Broennle*

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS
Motion by Bob McFarlane, second by Ernie Gallant,

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October 14, 2014 Executive Session Meeting Minutes

Voice Vote:
Yvette Day abstained on all of the Meeting Minutes.
All in Favor
Motion Carried

FINANCIAL

There was a blanket motion on R-153-15 through R-157-15 on motion by Terry Glennon, second by Lee Rozycki,

R-153-15 Authorization for Payment of Bills

BE IT RESOLVED, that the bills list as submitted for the period October 15, 2014 – November 11, 2014 be approved as recommended by the Superintendent and School Business Administrator.

Fund 10 – Current Expense	**$1,703,866.88**
Fund 20 – Special Revenue	**23,834.31**
Fund 30 – Capital Outlay	
Fund 40 - Debt Service	
Fund 62 - Enterprise Fund (After Care)	**2,842.46**
Grand Total	**$1,730,543.65**

R-154-15 FINANCIAL REPORTS

Report of the Treasurer and Board Secretary

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept the Treasurer and Board Secretary's Financial Reports for the month of September 2014 as per the procedure instituted by the State Department of Education, wherein the required certification by the Board Secretary is adhered to in the attachment.

R-155-15 Line Item Transfers for September 2014

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the budget transfers as listed in the attachment and request the Board Secretary to attach a copy of the list to the minutes.

R-156-15 Approve Food Service Fund Bill List

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Food Service Fund bills list as submitted for October 2014 be approved as recommended by the Superintendent and School Business Administrator.

Fund 60 – Enterprise Fund - Food Service $32,072.97

R-157-15 Approve the M-1 and Comprehensive Maintenance Plan

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the M-1 and Comprehensive Maintenance Plan as attached.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: David Corrado, Yvette Day, Ernest Gallant, Terry Glennon, Bruce Hall, Gena James, Bob McFarlane, Lee Rozycki, and William Taggart
No: None
Motion carried

EDUCATION

There was a blanket motion on R-158-15 through R-174-15 and R-179-15 through R-181-15 on motion by Terry Glennon, second by Lee Rozycki,

R-158-15 Approve HIB Report

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the HIB report from October 14, 2014 – November 11, 2014 as attached.

R-159-15 Employee Travel and Expense Reimbursement

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve employee travel and expense reimbursement as attached.

R-160-15 Permission to Hire Staff

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent to take appropriate action to effectuate any necessary emergent hires in order to address any unanticipated resignations and/or retirements that may occur between today and the date of the next Board meeting so that the District's schools are appropriately staffed to provide support and instruction during the 2014-2015 school year. Any such emergent hires are subject to ratification and approval by the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

R-161-15 Approve Substitutes for 2014-2015

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve a list of substitutes for the 2014-2015 school year as attached.

R-162-15 Approve ELA Maternity Leave

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the maternity leave for Mrs. Kimberly Thompson, beginning February 2, 2015, using 4 sick days prior to delivery, 20 sick days post delivery, and the NJFLA for leave for six weeks. The remaining weeks of the 2014-2015 school year will be unpaid and she will return the first staff day of the 2015-2016 school year.

R-163-15 Approve ELA Maternity Leave Replacement

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the hiring of Andrea Hartman as an ELA Maternity Leave Replacement commencing on or before December 1, 2014 through February 27, 2015 at MA/YY $54,344.00.

R-164-15 Approve Contract for Behavioral Consultant
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the contract with Doreen Quinn, Behavioral Consultant for the 2014-2015 school year.

R-165-15 Approve Contract for LDTC from WCSSSD
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the contract with WCSSSD for an LDTC for 1 day per week from approximately November 14, 2014 through December 31, 2014 at a rate of $425.00 per day as needed.

R-166-15 Approve Hiring of LDTC
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the hiring of Jennifer Reuber as a Learning Disabilities – Teacher Consultant at a salary of $68,000, pro-rated, for the 2014-2015 school year commencing on or before January 12, 2015.

R-167-15 Approve Revised Contract for Interim Child Study Team Supervisor
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the revised contract for Mrs. Laura Newman as attached.

R-168-15 Approve Transportation Costs with Phillipsburg School District for OP & Honors Algebra
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the Transportation Costs with Phillipsburg School District for the 2014-2015 school year as attached.

R-169-15 Approve Fundations Training
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve Mrs. Jayne Krusman to train four Elementary Academic Support Teachers in the use of "Fundations" on dates to be determined, at no cost to the district.

R-170-15 Approve Dental Health Lessons
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve Dental Health Lessons at the Elementary School on February 11, 2015 by Karoline Genung, Public Health Dental Hygienist, at no cost to the district.

R-171-15 Approve Field Trips
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the list of Field Trips for the 2014-2015 school year as attached.

R-172-15 Approve Stipend Position for the 2014-2015 School Year
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve Brook Degan to be an additional teacher included in the Special Olympics stipend allotment for the 2014-2015 school year.

R-173-15 Amend R-069-15 Regarding Stipends for Drama Club
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve Trish Steele to receive the full allotted stipends for the Drama Club per the Collective Bargaining Agreement for the 2014-2015 school year. (4 stipends @ $783.00 = $3,132.00)

R-174-15 Approve Volunteers for the 2014-2015 School Year
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the list of Volunteers for the 2014-2015 school year as attached.

R-179-15 Approve Speaker for Student Assembly
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve Joann Spera, Educational Liaison from Goryeb Children's Hiospital to present an assembly for seventh grade students on November 12, 2014 from 9:15-10:00 at the middle school at no cost to the district.

R180-15 Approve NJQSAC Statement of Assurance Submission
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve the submission of the NJ Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) Statement of Assurance for the 2014-2015 school year to the NJ Department of Education.

R-181-15 Approve Education, Inc Contract for Educational Services
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approve educational services for up to 10 hours per week for student # 2523805613 provided by Education, Inc at a cost of $47 per hour. In addition, one hour of administrative service per week will be paid at the same rate.

ROLL CALL VOTE:
Yes: David Corrado, Yvette Day, Ernest Gallant, Terry Glennon, Bruce Hall, Gena James, Bob McFarlane, Lee Rozycki, and William Taggart
No: None
Motion carried

POLICY

There was a blanket motion on R-175-15 through R-177-15 on motion by Bruce Hall, second by Ernie Gallant,

R-175-15 Abolish Board Policy
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Policy Committee, abolish Board Policy #1522 – School Level Planning.

R-176-15 First Reading of Revised Policies and Regulations
Be IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Policy Committee, approve for the first reading the following revised policies and regulations:

5200 & R5200 – Attendance
5305 – Health Services Personnel
5306 & R5306 – Health Services to Non-Public Schools
5308 & R5308 – Student Health Records
5310 & R5310 – Health Services
5530 & R5530 – Substance Abuse
5600 & R5600 – Student Discipline/Code of Conduct
8505 – Wellness Policy/Nutrient Standards for Meals and Other Foods

R-177-15 First Reading of New Policy

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Policy Committee, approve for the first reading the following new policy:

5339 – Screening for Dyslexia

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: David Corrado, Yvette Day, Ernest Gallant, Terry Glennon, Bruce Hall, Gena James, Bob McFarlane, Lee Rozycki, and William Taggart
No: None
Motion carried

FACILITIES & TECHNOLOGY

Motion by Terry Glennon, second by Bob McFarlane,

R-178-15 Facilities Use Requests

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent, approves the facilities use requests as follows:

ORGANIZATION	DATE	SCHOOL BUILDING
Cub Scout Pack #54	February 20 & 21, 2015	Middle
Cub Scout Pack #54	March 14, 2015	Middle

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: David Corrado, Yvette Day, Ernest Gallant, Terry Glennon, Bruce Hall, Gena James, Bob McFarlane, Lee Rozycki, and William Taggart
No: None
Motion carried

NEGOTIATIONS – NONE

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - ATTACHED

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES – *Mr. Taggart reported on legislation regarding smokeless tobacco, and suicide prevention.*

REPORT FROM PHILLIPSBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION REPRESENTATIVE –
The steel for the high school is going up.
An Assistant BA was hired.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Ad-hoc - *none*
b. Education – *Mrs. Rozycki reported on the SGOs, Dyslexia Screening, and the QSAC Report Card.*
c. Facilities and Technology – *Mr. Glennon reported;*
- new bathrooms are no longer in the plans
-replacement of doors and windows at the elementary school is still planned
- repair of the parking lots.
d. Finance - *none*
e. Negotiations - *none*
f. Policy – *Mr. Hall mentioned the policies of which were just voted*

ITEMS OF EMERGENT NATURE

Comments by Board of Education members –

Mr. Gallant commented on the School Board Convention regarding Dyslexia information.
Mrs. Day reported on the success of the township sports teams.
Mrs. Rozycki asked about communication between the school and the local day cares & Greenwich regarding curriculum.

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

- *Mr. George Scherer asked if the Board was surprised by the result of the vote regarding the full-day kindergarten question. He asked about the current number of kindergarten classes and the sizes of the classes. He commented that the public wasn't given this information.*
- *Mr. Olschewski asked about the break-down of "Economically Disadvantaged" from the report of state scores. He asked from where the new LDTC is coming. – Mrs. Roncoroni responded.*
- *Mrs. Duaime asked if the new windows at the elementary school are shatterproof and sun-blocking. – Mrs. Roncoroni responded that they are more energy efficient.*

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private session; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lopatcong Township Board of Education, that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving:

- Student Matters
- Personnel Matters

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education will return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session.

Motion by, Terry Glennon and second by, Bob McFarlane to go into executive session at 8:10 p.m.

Voice Vote: *All in Favor*

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

Motion by, Bruce Hall and second by, Lee Rozycki to leave executive session at 9:01 p.m.

Voice Vote: *All in Favor*

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by, Bob McFarlane and second by, Lee Rozycki to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 p.m.
Voice Vote: *All in Favor*

Respectfully submitted,

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William Bauer
Bd. Secretary/B.A.

Mr. William Taggart, President