

# ***EAST WINDSOR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, HIGHTSTOWN, NJ 08520***

## **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**DATE: August 17, 2009**

The Board of Education of the East Windsor Regional School District held a regular meeting on Monday, August 17, 2009 the Hightstown High School cafeteria.

### **ITEM 1: WELCOME**

Board President Alice Weisman called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. and read the Open Public Meeting Act Statement as follows:

“Written advance notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with law. Minutes of this meeting are being kept by the Board Secretary and will be made available promptly to any member of the public requesting them from the Board Secretary at the Administration building 25A Leshin Lane, Hightstown, NJ. Minutes will be provided at cost and in accordance with Board policy.”

Ms. Weisman asked “Are there any Board members present who believe this meeting to be in violation of the Open Public Meeting Act?” No one objected. “There being none, we may proceed.”

Members Present: Paul Connolly, Stuart Dolgon, Bruce Ettman, Susan Lloyd, Kennedy Paul, and Alice Weisman.

Members Absent (with advance notice): Suzann Fallon, Bonnie Fayer, Bob Laverty

Also Present: Ronald Bolandi, Chief School Administrator  
Kurt Stumbaugh, Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
David Coates, Board Legal Counsel.

Fire Code Compliance: Ms. Weisman made the following announcement: “In compliance with the fire code of the State of New Jersey, I call your attention to the emergency exit for this room, which is located.....”  
(Ms. Weisman pointed to the emergency exit.)

### **ITEM 2: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Board president asked those present to join in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

### **ITEM 3A APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Having read the material received, Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Mr. Dolgon to approve the agenda. On a roll call vote, members voting yes: Mr. Connolly, Mr. Dolgon, Mr. Ettman, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul and Ms. Weisman. Voting no: none. Abstaining: none. Motion to approve was carried unanimously.

### **ITEM 3B: RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Mr. Dolgon, to approve the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the East Windsor Regional School District will hold a closed session during its regular meeting on August 17, 2009.

This closed session concerns:

Personnel Matters, Litigation, and Contract Negotiations

Minutes of this closed session will be available in accordance with Board policy when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

On a roll call vote, members voting yes: Mr. Connolly, Mr. Dolgon, Mr. Ettman, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul and Ms. Weisman. Voting no: none. Abstaining: none. Motion to approve was carried unanimously.

**ITEM 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Bolandi announced there will be a regular meeting of the Board of Education to be held on August 31, 2009\*. \*(this meeting was canceled ).

Mr. Bolandi gave a full update on the Roofing Project. We are on time and under budget except for the high school pool area roof. The Board will be receiving a full report of the roof construction project in the next Board run.

Mr. Bolandi also updated on school opening, stimulus money and technology upgrades. We are in great shape. Staffing is nearly complete. Facilities cleaning and building set ups are progressing and will be ready for school opening.

**ITEM 5. FIRST OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

Margaret Strickland, Hightstown: spoke regarding a letter she received on the cancellation of bus transportation between the Hightstown YMCA and WCB school. Feels that it should not matter where they live or what their primary address is to have the ability to be dropped off at the YMCA since it is a courtesy stop to begin with.

Mr. Bolandi comment: There is no cancellation of policy regarding daycare transportation and the district is abiding by the same policy that has been in existence, this policy is not new. He noted there is a waiting list at the majority of the daycare centers.

Pamela Bauer, Hightstown: Her two children are wait listed and told they won't be provided transportation to the YMCA this year. Does not understand why some children are provided transportation and some are not and it seems discriminatory and unfair.

Renee Miller, East Windsor: concerned about email she received regarding the band program. She is unnerved regarding harassing emails signed off as "Josh Hartnett". She asks what the administration plans to do about it.

Mr. Bolandi offered that we can not act since the email is not addressed directly to the Board or Administration. He suggested if the email is a concern a complaint can be filed with police.

Darlene Mount, Hightstown: spoke about the YMCA transportation issue. Her child does have a spot on the YMCA bus. But was told that her child could be bumped if a child moves into the District. She relies on the YMCA for her child's daycare and feels the walking students need additional resources to provide transportation.

Lisa Kollman, Hightstown: spoke on transportation and YMCA daycare. Please revisit the whole policy. Six year old walkers are vulnerable and she requests an accommodation for these students.

Deidre Gocke, Hightstown: asks that daycare transportation policy for walkers be revisited. Current policy seems unfair. Walkers are not given same courtesy of having transportation to daycare as children who are bused.

Lauren Berman, East Windsor: spoke regarding "Josh Hartnett" emails. Considers it a poison pen campaign against a district employee. Feels administration response is inadequate and too nonchalant. Does not understand the seemingly little concern about it.

Randall Strickland, Hightstown: re: YMCA transportation issue. Though his daughter has this transportation, is concerned about uncertainty that this transportation would be provided for the whole school year. Was told a 10 day notice would be given to find other means of transportation or daycare if she is bumped with a new child coming in.

## **6. FIRST OPPORTUNITY FOR BOARD MEMBER'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Ettman: noted that the Board of Education has not received the so called Josh Hartnett emails. The one email he has been shown appears juvenile, and does not appear threatening. The email seemed kind of silly when he read it.

## **7. FIRST EXECUTIVE SESSION: Not needed.**

## **8. MOTION TO APPROVE ROUTINE AGENDA ITEMS BY EXCEPTION**

Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Mr. Paul to approve the following items as submitted:

- A. Staffing
- B. Emergent Hiring
- C. Volunteers
- D. Field Trips
- E. Travel Related Expenses
- F. Addendum To Fall Sports - Cross Country Schedule
- G. NJ Child Assault Prevention (CAP) Grant
- H. Reimbursement for District Travel
- I. Curriculum Approval for HHS
  - 1. English (on SharePoint)
  - 2. Social Studies (on SharePoint)
- J. Out of District Placement
- K. Professional Services for Students
- L. School Nursing Plan 2009-2010
- M. Removal of Ineligible Students
- N. Readmission for Previously Ineligible Students
- O. Approval of Minutes for July 20, 2009\*
- P. Resolution: Cooperative Pricing Agreement with MCSSSD
- Q. New Contract Amount with East Windsor Family Practice
- R. Renewal of Cooperative Services Agreement with Robbinsville Board of Ed.
- S. Joint Transportation Agreement with Robbinsville Board of Ed. for Athletic Trips
- T. 2009-2010 Transportation Routes
- U. ACES Resolutions:
  - 1. Electricity
  - 2. Gas
- V. Comprehensive Maintenance Plan
- W. Transfer Report – June 2009
- X. Board Secretary's Report – June 2009
- Y. Treasurer's Report – June 2009
- Z. Bill List – August 17, 2009

\*Mr. Dolgon noted that his comment on page 3 of 8 in the July 20, 2009 minutes should be amended to read as Board *Vice* President.

### **8. A Staffing (as submitted)**

## 8 B. AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENT HIRENT PENDING COMPLETION OF CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the submission of applications to the county Superintendent for the following individual(s):

Lindsay Ashton	Teacher	Donenique Pinho	Teacher
Kaitlin Antonaccio	Teacher	Victoria Pirher	School Counselor
Justin Bauman	Teacher	Michael Puccio	School Counselor
Anna Cotis	Teacher	Samantha Rozycki	Asst. Principal
Ross Gary	Teacher	Jessica Siegel	Social Worker
Ryan Lee	Teacher	Jodi Steinfeld	Teacher
Kelly Murphy	Teacher	Justin Toomey	Teacher
Patricia Phillips	Supervisor	Amber Wilno	Teacher

## 8. C VOLUNTEERS/CHAPERONES

The Board of Education approves all volunteers/chaperones who serve in the East Windsor Regional School District.

For Hightstown High School: Diane Ackerman  
Bruce Ackerman  
Stephanie Ward

## 8. D FIELD TRIPS

Field Trips planned for the Perry L. Drew School:

10/2/09, 10/5/09,10/9/09 and 10/26/09 - Twin Rivers Library, East Windsor NJ

## 8.E TRAVEL RELATED ITEMS FOR BOARD APPROVAL

Susan Fernandez	Perry L. Drew	October 28, 2009	American Academy Of Pediatrics - 18th Annual School Health Conference "Community Medicine & School Health Hot Topics for 2009" - Pines Manor, Edison, NJ	\$172.00	
Kelly Wood	HHS	August 3-6, 2009	Camden County College - Academic Programs AP Summer Institute	\$895.00	
Robyn Klim	Student Services	October 8, 2009	Autism New Jersey Annual Conference, Atlantic City	\$225.00	
Julie Wiehe	Student Services	October 8, 2009	Autism New Jersey Annual Conference, Atlantic City	\$225.00	
Mark Beckman	Student Services	October 8-9, 2009	Autism New Jersey Annual Conference, Atlantic City	\$225.00	
Robyn Floom	Student Services	October 6, 2009	SkillPath Publications Getting The Most From Microsoft Excel	\$149.00	
Joyce Elorza	Student Services	October 6, 2009	SkillPath Publications Getting The Most From Microsoft Excel	\$149.00	<b>YTD</b>
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,040.00</b>	<b>\$2,040.00</b>

**8.F REVISED 2009 CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE FOR HIGHTSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL**

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>MEET/OPPONENT</u>	<u>SITE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Saturday	12-Sep	Cherokee Challenge	Cherokee High School	9:00
Tuesday	15-Sep	Trenton/Steinert/Lawrence	Veterans Park	4:00
Tuesday	22-Sep	WWPN/Hopewell	Mercer County Park	4:00
Saturday	26-Sep	Cougar Invite	Bucks Mill Park	4:00
Saturday	3-Oct	Shore Coaches Invite	Holmdel	TBA
Tuesday	6-Oct	ND/Allentown/Ewing	Washington Crossing	4:00
Tuesday	13-Oct	WWPS/Robbinsville	Mercer County Park	4:00
Saturday	17-Oct	Old Bridge Classic	Thompson Park	TBA
Tuesday	20-Oct	Conference Championship	Vets Park	4:00
Friday	30-Oct	Counties	Washington Crossing	1:30
		Central Jersey Group III		
Saturday	7-Nov	Sectionals	Thompson Park	TBA
Saturday	14-Nov	Group III State Championships	Holmdel	TBA
Saturday	21-Nov	Meet of Champions	Holmdel	TBA

**8. G APPLICATION TO PEI KIDS FOR CHILD ASSAULT PREVENTION CAP FY10 FUNDS**

CAP seeks to integrate the best resources of a community in an effort to reduce a child or young person's vulnerability to verbal, physical and sexual assault by working closely with the local school districts, parent/teacher associations and home school groups, and other community groups. CAP has a threefold educational approach to prevention which includes trainings in the following areas: staff in service, parent program and individual classroom workshops for children and teens.

All four elementary schools have applied for grades 2 and 4 classroom workshops.

In addition Perry L. Drew has applied for one staff and one parent workshop.

The total cost for all workshops is \$5,108.00 of which EWRSD's contribution is 30% or \$1,532 which will be paid with FY10 NCLB Title IV Drug Free School Free Schools funding.

**8. H MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT FOR DISTRICT TRAVEL 2009-10**

Lori Stein – Principal PLD

Daniel Rozycki - Technology Center

**8. I HIGHTSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM**

Journalism I

Honors Journalism II

Honors Journalism III

Humanities English 12

Humanities History 12

Introduction to World Religions

**8. J OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENTS FOR APPROVAL: ESY AND REGULAR PROGRAMS PRIVATE & PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**CPC Behavioral Healthcare. High Point Schools**

Tuition July 13, 2009 through June 30, 2010

1. Student:	#720019	ESY	\$ 8,500.00
		Reg.	\$61,200.00
2. Student:	#700333	ESY	\$ 8,500.00
		Reg.	\$61,200.00
3. Student:	#201055	ESY	\$ 8,500.00
		Reg.	\$61,200.00
4. Student:	#004886	ESY	\$ 8,500.00
		Reg.	\$61,200.00

**COLLIER High School**

Tuition September 9, 2009 through June 30, 2010

1. Student:	#50028	Reg.	\$46,389.60
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**The Rugby School**

Tuition September 3, 2009 through June 30, 2010

1. Student:	#600961	Reg.	\$53,632.80
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**The Center School**

Tuition September 3, 2009 through June 30, 2010

1. Student:	#500069	Reg.	\$56,068.00
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**8.K PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR STUDENTS**

The special education department requires services of consultants to provide children with disabilities a free appropriate public education as defined by The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Name	Type of Service	Rate
Gladys Portacio	Evaluations	\$450.00

**8. L APPROVAL FOR SCHOOL NURSING PLAN: 2009-10**

Annually each school district must develop a School Nursing Plan. The 2009-2010 plan has been developed by the ESRSD nursing staff and reviewed by the administration.

**8. M. MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING of the BOARD of EDUCATION JULY 20, 2009**

As submitted...copy on District website and in Board Secretary's office for review.

**8. N RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT WITH THE MERCER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT**

It is in the best interest of the District to participate in the Cooperative Pricing System and enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Mercer County Special Services School District for the purchase of work, materials services, supplies and such other items.

**RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZING EAST WINDSOR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT WITH MERCER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**WHEREAS, N.J.S.a. 40a:11-11(5)** authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

**WHEREAS, MERCER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT** hereinafter referred to as the “Lead Agency” has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of work, materials, services, supplies and such other items; and

**WHEREAS,** on June 8, 2009 the governing body of the East Windsor Regional School District in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in the Mercer County Special Services School District Cooperative Pricing system for the purchase of work, materials, services, supplies and such other items:

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** as follows:

**AUTHORITY**

Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the Business Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

**CONTRACTING UNIT**

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for Complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

**8. Q APPROVAL OF NEW CONTRACT AMOUNT WITH EAST WINDSOR FAMILY PRACTICE**

At its reorganization meeting on April 27, 2009 the EWRSD Board of Education approved Dr. Howard Cohen, of East Windsor Family Practice, 569 Abbington Drive, East Windsor, NJ as District Health Services Director for the 2009-10 school year.

The 2009-10 annual fee for Dr. Cohen’s services is \$27,500.00 to be paid in 10 monthly installments of \$2,750.00 from September 2009 to June 2010.

**8. R INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ROBBINSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The N.J.S.A authorizes New Jersey School Districts to enter into joint agreements to provide goods and services. The Robbinsville Board of Education desires to enter into a joint agreement with the East Windsor Regional School District for the provision of transportation equipment, maintenance, repair and training services.

**8. S RESOLUTION: JOINT TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT WITH ROBBINSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR ATHLETIC TRIPS**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the East Windsor Regional School District Board of Education approves the following joint transportation agreement for the 2009-10 school year with the Robbinsville Public School District.

East Windsor will be the “Host District” for the following agreement:

Per diem athletic trips from Robbinsville High School and Pond Road Middle School going to various destinations at a cost of \$55.00 per hour on an as needed basis for the 2009-10 school year.

**8. T 2009 – 2010 TRANSPORTATION ROUTES**

District transportation routes must be Board approved each school year. (as submitted).

## 8. U1 ACES RESOLUTION - ELECTRICITY

ACES is the Alliance for Competitive Electric Service and is a state wide consortium to bulk purchase utilities services for the benefit of NJ school districts. It is a recommended business practice of the new accountability regulations and we have been well served by joining the ACES program for the past several years.

### **A RESOLUTION BINDING THE EAST WINDSOR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PURCHASE ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICES THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES (“ACES”) Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS**

**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 EAST WINDSOR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 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 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

**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.

## 8. U2 ACES RESOLUTION - GAS

ACES is the Alliance for Competitive GAS Service and is a state wide consortium to bulk purchase utilities services for the benefit of NJ school districts. It is a recommended business practice of the new accountability regulations and we have been well served by joining the ACES program for the past several years.

### **A RESOLUTION BINDING THE EAST WINDSOR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PURCHASE NATURAL GAS SERVICES THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES (“ACES”) Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS**

**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”) the regulations promulgated there under; and

**WHEREAS**, the EAST WINDSOR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 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 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

**BE IT 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.

## **8. V COMPREHENSIVE MAINTENANCE PLAN**

Each year the school district must approve a comprehensive maintenance plan.

The anticipated budget for maintenance must meet a minimum annual target for each school. These targets are listed in Form M-1 column F. The school district's budget as shown in column G exceeds the target for each school. The comprehensive maintenance plan report shows all the different types of maintenance performed at each school and the amount spent in 2008-09, the current year budget, and the amounts planned for 2010-11.

Board approval is requested for the submitted Form M-1, the Detailed Actual Expenditures by Year by Building Worksheet, and the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan Report Actual FY 08-09, current FY 09-10, and Planned FY 10-11 and approve the submission of the worksheets and report to the NJ Department of Education.

## **8.W TRANSFER REPORT- JUNE, 2009**

The East Windsor Regional School District submits to the County School Business Administrator an updated report of budget transfers and changes in revenue and appropriations on a monthly basis.

The EWRSD Board of Education certifies to the best of its knowledge that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education ratifies the attached transfers between budget line items that have been approved by the Superintendent of Schools and reported to them pursuant to Board policy and State regulation.

## **8.X BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT: JUNE, 2009**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has received the report of the Board Secretary and Treasurer for the month of May, 2009 submitted pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:17-9, and

**WHEREAS**, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10 (d) the Secretary has certified that, as of the date of the reports, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education accepts the above referenced reports and certifications and certifies that after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriation section), to the best of its knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation on N.J.A.C.6:202A.10(a)(1), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the year.

## **8. Y TREASURER'S REPORT – JUNE 2009**

The Report of the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of June, 2009 is submitted for approval.

The Treasurer's report is in agreement with the Board Secretary's report.

## **8. Z BILL LIST – August 17, 2009**

The Bill and Claims Report must be approved by the Board of Education before being submitted for payment.

**RESOLVED**: That the Board of Education approves the payment of bills and claims in the amount of **\$4,503,490.59** as submitted in the attached report.

**Mr. Ettman moved, seconded by Mr. Dolgon to approve the routine agenda items as submitted.**

**On a roll call vote, members voting yes: Mr. Connolly, Mr. Dolgon, Mr. Ettman, Ms. Lloyd, Mr. Paul and Ms. Weisman. Voting no: none. Abstaining: none.**

**Motion to approve was carried unanimously.**

## **9. SECOND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

Melissa Wingo, East Windsor: commented that when a student sends a threatening email to another student it is called cyber-bullying and an action is taken by the district immediately because of zero tolerance. Doesn't understand when a district employee is slandered against in an email no action is taken even if the Board did not get them directly. The Board should not just brush this off.

Marianne Nicklaus, East Windsor: expected to hear more positive comments regarding the emails. She is happy to forward all the related email if Board requests. They target a specific segment of the EWRSD community. Can't believe there is such nonchalance. If you don't know who it is, then you don't know who it isn't. She feels we should be more concerned.

Mr. Bolandi reiterated that since he and the Board of Ed. did not receive the emails directly he cannot register a complaint with the police. Mr. Bolandi re stated his offer to assist with the investigation as to the source of the emails Mr. Bolandi also commented that our technology department has investigated and the emails did not originate from the District.

Sandy D'Abbraccio, East Windsor: Feels someone got the email distribution list and used it to send emails as "Josh Hartnett" and that he Board members should show more concern about this.

Laurie Berman, East Windsor: commented that some teachers and board members may have received these emails. It is an abuse and deliberate attempt to ruin somebody's career.

Margaret Strickland, Hightstown, re the transportation director's comment in an email that all WCB students going to the YMCA from the WCB school should be walkers because they are within that policy of less than 2 miles being that the YMCA is less than 2 miles. Feels this is very unsafe for children at such a young age.

## **10. SECOND OPPORTUNITY FOR BOARD MEMBERS'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Ettman: if safety is a concern, with the elevation of the issue to the public record, the risk is increased. The defamation is spread to a larger population.

Mr. Dolgon: unless the staff member received the email, then how could it be cyber bullying? Someone saying something negative and hurtful is not right, but the District is not an investigative agency. If there are concerns then go to the police, the police department is best able to handle this.

Mr. Bolandi responded that if it is found to be a current student within the district we can and will discipline. Until we get the right people to make the complaint we really cannot do anything.

Mr. Connolly: has two daughters in the marching band and they are very excited and looking forward to a great band experience. The kids remain at the forefront and are our prime focus.

## **11. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board went into closed session.

## **12. OPEN SESSION**

## **13. ADJOURN**

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KURT STUMBAUGH, BOARD SECRETARY