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OF THE TENAFLY BOARD OF EDUCATION
TUESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 27, 2011
HELD AT THE HEGELEIN BUILDING, 500 TENAFLY ROAD, TENAFLY, NJ

DATE 10/11/11

APPROVED Louis P. Mondella

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In accordance with provisions of this act, the Tenafly Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be publicized by having the date, time and place thereof posted at the Borough office, Tenafly Public Library, administrative building, in the local press and on the district’s web site.

On roll call, the following Board members answered present:

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| Sam A. Bruno | Lynne W. Stewart |
| Donald H. Kaplan | Jonathan M. Teall |
| Richard H. Press | Phyllis Perskie-Kesslen |

The following staff members were present:

Ms. Lynn Trager, Superintendent
Ms. Barbara Laudicina, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Louis P. Mondello, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Ms. Terry Collins, Assistant to the Superintendent for Human Resources

A motion was made by Mr. Mark Aronson and seconded by Ms. Lynne W. Stewart that the Board convenes in closed session. The session may include discussions of negotiations, contractual matters, litigation and personnel. Pursuant to Open Public Meetings Act, the Tenafly Board of Education is required to notify the public when the minutes of this closed session will be available. At this time that cannot be determined. When the need for confidentiality no longer exists, the minutes will be available to the public.

The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting recessed to closed session at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting reconvened from closed session at 8:07 p.m.

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The following principal representatives were present:

Dr. Dora P. Kontogiannis, Principal of High School
Dr. Ann Powell, Principal of Middle School
Mr. John Fabbo, Principal of Mackay School

Also present:

Ms. Terry Collins, Assistant to the Superintendent for Human Resources
Mary Delouvrier, Vice Principal of Middle School
Adam Zane, Student Representative
Allison Starer, Student Representative

President Perskie-Kessler opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Edward J. Salaski and seconded by Mr. Jonathan M. Teall to approve the Minutes of the Regular Public and Closed Executive Meetings of August 30, 2011 and September 13, 2011.

The Minutes of the Regular Public and Closed Executive Meeting of August 30, 2011 were unanimously approved.

The Minutes of the Regular Public and Closed Executive Meeting of September 13, 2011 were approved as follows:

Yes - 7 Mark Aronson
 Sam A. Bruno
 Donald H. Kaplan
 Richard H. Press
 Edward J. Salaski
 Lynne W. Stewart
 Jonathan M. Teall

Abstain - 1 Phyllis Perskie-Kesslen

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Perskie-Kesslen spoke of the recent Board Retreat which covered goals set and Board self-evaluations.

Ms. Perskie-Kesslen announced that there are five candidates who have applied for the vacant Board seat. Interviews with the candidates are planned for October 6, and a make-up date will be determined for those candidates not able to meet on that date. By law, the interviews can be conducted in open or closed session, and Ms. Perskie-Kesslen polled the Board and received the following opinions on this matter.

Open Session (5 Board members are in favor of open interviews)

- Edward Salaski - stated that since Board elections are in open session, he is in favor of open sessions for Board candidate interviews.
- Jonathan Teall - yes
- Sam Bruno - stated that he is in favor of interviews in open session, since Board business is done in open session.
- Richard Press - yes
- Mark Aronson - yes

Closed Session (3 Board members are in favor of closed interviews)

- Phyllis Perskie-Kesslen - personally felt a closed session is less intimidating
- Lynne Stewart - expressed that because the open sessions are televised, a candidate may be more comfortable in a closed session for better communication.
- Donald Kaplan - expressed that it is more appropriate for the Board to scrutinize the candidate in closed session.

Ms. Perskie-Kesslen polled the Board about whether to televise the interviews or not.

To Televise (6 Board members are in favor of televising the interviews)

- Mark Aronson - expressed that because Candidates' Night is televised, the interviews should be also.
- Lynne Stewart - if the interviews are in open session, then yes to televised.

- Richard Press - yes to televising, however, he raised the issue that if in the future candidates were asked for their preference, he would take this into consideration.
- Sam Bruno - yes
- Jonathan Teall - yes
- Edward Salaski - yes

Not to Televis (2 Board members are not in favor of televising the interviews)

- Don Kaplan - expressed that since the Board is voting on the candidate, and not the community, it should not be televised.
- Phyllis Perskie-Kessler - no to televising

The majority of the Board voted that candidate interviews will be in open session and will be televised. In addition, all agreed that the room will be set up for individual interviews to take place at a rectangular shaped table, with remaining candidates not present in the room until their interview. Board deliberations will be in closed session and then will go back to public session to explain choices made.

Ms. Perskie-Kessler stated that last night was the first Community Conversation of the year. A request was made for the Board to create a task force of citizens who would make, in particular, financial recommendations to the Board. Mr. Kaplan, chair of the Finance Committee, was asked to raise this question at the next meeting of whether to have open public finance committee meetings, or assign an advisory group for the meetings. Some members of the Board brought up points on this matter, and Ms. Perskie-Kessler suggested a work session be conducted allowing the Board more time to discuss this issue fully.

The "Bright Lights of Tenafly" fund raiser is coming up. The dinner dance, with auction, will be on November 17, and is a first of this type of event for the Tenafly district. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Ms. Lynne Stewart may be contacted with any questions.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Lynn Trager offered congratulations to the following:

- Ms. Anna Bruno (captain of the volleyball team) – for being named the Record's Female Athlete of the Week.
- The four semi-finalists for the 2012 National Merit Scholarship competition are: Warren Bloom, Sarah Jang, Daniel Konstantinovsky, and Michael Myung.
- The 30 commended students for the National Merit program.
- Ken Barrett (THS Social Studies teacher) – was nominated for the University of Chicago Outstanding Educator award. The criteria for this award is each university freshman is asked to nominate an educator who has challenged, changed or helped them to the path of intellectual growth; and Mr. Barrett was nominated by a THS graduate.

Ms. Trager announced that the Middle School is having family fun night on October 4 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m, at the THS gym. The theme of the night is "Putting the Brakes on Bullying." The event is supported by the TEF and the Middle School HSA. The mayor will be present and special entertainment and discussion is planned by BMX World Champions. The entire community is invited.

October 10 is a professional day, and parents are reminded that all students will attend a ½ day of school.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

Adam Zane reported on the following:

- The girls varsity volleyball team defeated Vernon to win the 8th annual Tiger Spike tournament. With recent wins, the team has a present record of 83.
- Congratulations to Anna Bruno who was the MVP, and for also being named Athlete of the Week (in Tenafly's history there have only been 30 other athletes to receive this honor).
- The freshman boys soccer team is getting ready for a county tournament.
- The varsity boys soccer team and the JV girls tennis team both had wins today.
- The girls and boys cross-country teams have recent wins.
- The boys varsity football team had a dramatic win against Bergen Tech.
- The girls varsity soccer team had a big win recently against Mahwah.

Allison Starer reported on the following:

- THS held its annual club fair. It was very organized and many students signed up.
- Senior and freshman peer groups met for the second time this year.
- The new 2011-2012 Impact Ambassadors were trained.
- A principal's cabinet meeting was held today. One topic discussed by students was weighting of grades.
- Upcoming events: Elections for freshman class officers; the SO is holding a meeting tomorrow; and October 3 - 10 will be the Week of Respect against bullying in NJ. Many events are planned.

Mr. Sam Bruno acknowledged the passing of Mr. Frank Ingannamorte, who was a THS graduate many years ago, a great supporter of Tenafly's public schools, and helped accomplish the successful turf project at the Maugham School field. Ms. Lynne Stewart also gave praise and thanks to the generous nature of Mr. Ingannamorte and his family.

BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mr. Louis Mondello gave the September Report on Fire and Security Drills.

| FIRE DRILLS & SECURITY DRILLS 2011 - 2012 SCHOOL YEAR | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| MO. | HIGH | MIDDLE | MACKAY | MAUGHAM | SMITH | STILLMAN |
| Sept 2011 | 9/13/11 p.m. | 9/09/11 p.m. | 9/08/11 p.m. | 9/09/11 p.m. | 9/09/11 p.m. | 9/09/11 p.m. |
| | 9/26/11 a.m. | 9/26/11 a.m. | 9/09/11 p.m. | 9/19/11 a.m. | 9/13/11 p.m. | 9/14/11 a.m. |
| | Security/ Evacuation Drill: | Security/ Evacuation Drill: | Security/ Lockdown(inside) Drill: | Security/ Lockdown(inside) Drill: | Security/ Lockdown(inside) Drill: | Security/ Lockdown(inside) Drill: |
| | 9/19/11 p.m. | 9/15/11 p.m. | 9/20/11 p.m. | 9/20/11 a.m. | 9/20/11 a.m. | 9/21/11 a.m. |

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Mr. Kaplan stated the committee met on September 15. Mr. Mondello handed out an analysis on the current budget and its present state. It is earlier in the process to make a determination, but the district appears to be on budget, or slightly ahead of budget. The budget process for the 2012-13 year was discussed, focusing primarily on the calendar, and what the process will be regarding issues of surplus, how to deal with state aid, and some of the goals the committee wishes to build into the budget.

Alternative Revenue Committee

Ms. Stewart stated that the focus of the committee is on the dinner dance coming up in November. There has been a terrific outpouring of community help so far. The invitations are prepared for mailing and will arrive in mailboxes next week, and teachers will receive their invitations at school. Contingent upon a raffle license, the Smart car of Englewood is available for a deal. The press is being contacted, and signs and posters will be put up in town. The journal is moving forward well and ads are still being accepted. Auction items are being collected and they will be placed on the website as they are collected (www.brightlightsoftenafly.org). Negotiations are ongoing with Advantage 3.

Curriculum Committee

Ms. Perskie-Kesslen stated the committee met on September 20. Ms. Cathy Paz, K-12 Science Supervisor, reviewed the new science curriculum with the K-12 realignment and adherence to state standards. Updates have been made to make it more dynamic and interactive for the learning experience. A grant was received from PSE&G /ANGEE for \$15,000 for doing environmental type units. Also, we now have a NJ Science Olympiad advisor at the Middle School.

Dr. Kontogiannis gave an update on the Weighting and Ranking Committee and presented a comprehensive report as follows:

- The highest and lowest GPA's will be reported on the High School report card.
- The top two students will be listed (if the differential is large, it will be noted for colleges).
- Guidance counselors will report the top ten students in their recommendations to colleges.

The committee's findings were the following:

- GPA's are important
- Many colleges un-weight and then do their own weighting
- Transcripts are paramount in reporting academic rigor
- Course titles should reflect the level and depth of content
- Change the word "enriched" to "advanced" for course descriptions
- A curriculum audit is being conducted at the high school to ensure all courses are named properly at the correct level
- Appropriate course level placement is critical
- All students should be intellectually challenged for optimum learning

The sub-committee will meet with parents and the community on October 13 at Tenafly High School for further input and feedback on the weighting issue.

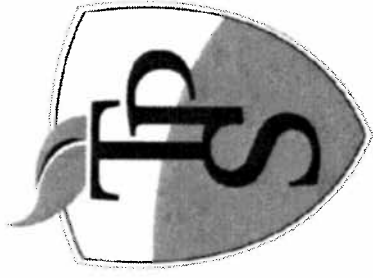
Joint Use Committee

The committee met yesterday and three topics were discussed:

- 1) Sidewalks at Smith School and how this is working out.
Parents are using Leroy St. sidewalk, located at the back of the school, successfully and a teacher's aide is there to help escort children. A sidewalk was installed in front of the school between the south side of Downey Dr. from Thatcher to the school, and the mayor and council are now discussing the possibility of adding additional sidewalks and crosswalks.
- 2) The council requested the Board look into having a backup generator system for dealing with technology during severe storms and power outages and the Facilities Committee will follow up.
- 3) The borough will be sharing the district's AESOP attendance services system starting in January 2012.

REPORTS, PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

Ms. Trager gave a summary report on the district's re-registration process and final outcome (see attached).



Tenafly
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Re- Registration 2011

Process Continued

- Re-registration dates evening and morning
 - Maugham 4/4,6,7
 - Smith – 4/11,12,13
 - Stillman 5/2,4,5
 - Mackay – 5/5,9,10,11
 - Middle School – 5/16,17,18,19,
 - High School – 5/23,24,25,26
- Families who did not attend were sent a notification and make –up dates were established
 - Make-up dates were in the morning and in the evening on 6/6,8,9,13,14,15; 7/5,6,12,14
- Keep the public in the loop:
 - Articles in the record and Suburbanite
 - CBS News Report
- Throughout the process contact with lawyer about questions regarding documentation
- Formal disenrollment letters sent to students who did not re-register
- Schools notified of the names of students
- Identified families who moved from the district

Process

- September – November 2010
 - Board responds to citizens’ concerns regarding residency
 - Superintendent and attorney met to outline re-registration process and forms
- November 2010 – met with Central Office team to identify dates, timeline and schedule of personnel at re-registration
- January –March 2011 communicated the process to the community:
 - March 1, 2011 - Initial Letter sent to parents/guardians explaining process
 - Information and forms put on the website
 - Information was included in the Suburbanite and the Record

Personnel Involved

- Superintendent, Mrs Lynn Trager
- Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Barbara Laudicina
- Business Administrator, Mr. Louis Mondello
- Assistant to the Superintendent for HR, Mrs. Terry Collins
- Assistant to the Superintendent for Special Services, Mrs. Suzanne Bassett
- Administrative Assistants, Peg Mondello, Maureen Duffy, and Laureen Haight
- Central Office Secretaries
- 1 building level Secretary from each building
- Board Attorney, Mr. Jamie Plosia

Outcomes

September 2011

- 12,037 documents processed in 5 months
- 2,090 families representing 3,524 students re-registered while also registering 251 new students
- 149 families, representing 251 students, had incomplete registration forms needing additional documentation
- 206 families, representing 319 students, did not re-register initially
- 426 total hours worked outside of the workday
- 1 Family appealed
- 106 families (142 students) withdrew their children from the district
- Re-Registration Cost - \$8,153.73 (postage, Payroll and Attorney Fees)
- 25 Families are living with other families in the district – information given to the Town

Conclusion

- All students that are now attending Tenafly Public Schools have met registration requirements

PUBLIC RECOGNITION-COMMUNITY COMMENTARY

President Perskie-Kessler inquired if there were any members of the audience who wished to address the Board on any item on the agenda.

Steven Savas - S. Park Dr. - congratulated the district for the fine management of the re-registration process.

David Schussel - Erledon Rd. - thanked the district for the good job done of re-registration, and asked for clarification of the 251 new students and whether this included Kindergarten students.

Ms. Trager replied that the 251 students did not include Kindergarten students, as these students had to provide the same documents during the February Kindergarten registration time.

Mr. Mark Feldman - Lylewood Dr. - asked if the district is in a position to evaluate the effects of the changes made regarding the traffic situation near Smith School as it relates to child safety.

Ms. Perskie-Kessler replied that the district is already recognizing the alleviation of traffic, due to parents using the rear school entrance on Leroy Street, people using sidewalks, and the use of the pedestrian plaza in front of Smith School. In time, the effects will be formally evaluated.

Mr. Salaski added that it is still early to do a true evaluation on safety, as we have not gone through the fall or winter yet when leaves, snow and glare make traffic more difficult.

Regarding the agenda resolution on sharing of IT services with Cresskill, Mr. Feldman asked if this type of practice is a special case.

Ms. Trager replied that this is not a special case and that we are hoping to expand shared services with Cresskill, in addition to our present shared services with the borough.

Mr. Feldman inquired what the latest student enrollment is from last year.

Ms. Trager replied that we do have an increase from last year in the MS and HS and that the elementary schools have remained approximately the same. The enrollment is about 3615.

Mr. Feldman inquired about the policy whereby children of staff members are allowed to attend Tenafly public schools tuition free.

Ms. Perskie-Kessler clarified that this is not a policy, but a district practice that has proven to be an important point year after year in attracting highly qualified staff for hiring.

RESOLUTIONS

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Mr. Sam A. Bruno and seconded by Mr. Richard H. Press to approve Resolutions P-1 through P-10.

RESOLUTION P-1 APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTE (WALK-IN FOR ADDITION OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHER)

BE IT RESOLVED that the substitute with a NJ Teacher's Certification or County Substitute License listed below be approved by the Board of Education for the 2011-12 school year in accordance with Senate Bill #851 regarding criminal history background check:

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>DEGREE</u> | <u>CERTIFICATION</u> | <u>MAJOR/MINOR</u> |
|-------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Lori Cohen | B.A. | County License | Sociology/Business |
| Renat Murad | B.A. | Teacher of E.S.L. | Social Studies/English |

RESOLUTION P-2 RESIGNATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board accepts, with regret, the following resignation:

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>REASON</u> | <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u> |
|--|---------------|-----------------------|
| Michaela Freemantle Mackay Lunch Aide | Personal | September 20, 2011 |

RESOLUTION P-3 HIRE

BE IT RESOLVED that the following person be employed to fill the position listed for the length of time and compensation indicated and subject to all federal, state, county and local regulations governing said employment and in accordance with Senate Bill #851 regarding a criminal history background check:

| <u>NAME AND POSITION</u> | <u>EMPLOYMENT DATES</u> | <u>CLASSIFICATION AND SALARY</u> |
|---|-------------------------|---|
| Jacqueline Cutro Lunch Aide-Smith School | 9/19/11-6/30/12 | \$18.25 an hour, \$5,557 annual prorated |

RESOLUTION P-4 LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR SMITH SCHOOL TEACHER

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, in accordance with Article VI, B. and C. grants Brenda Yoo, Grade 4 Smith School teacher a maternity/disability leave of absence using accumulated sick days effective on or about December 5, 2011, not to exceed 30 calendar days after the birth of her baby expected December 31, 2011, to be followed by an unpaid child-rearing leave of absence under the Family Medical Leave Act for no more than 12 weeks, to be followed by an unpaid leave through May 4, 2012.

RESOLUTION P-5 LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL ART TEACHER

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, in accordance with Article VI, B. and C. grants Stacey Lanni, Middle School Art teacher a maternity/disability leave of absence using accumulated sick days effective January 13, 2012, not to exceed 30 calendar days after the birth of her baby expected January 24, 2012, to be followed by an unpaid child-rearing leave of absence under the Family Medical Leave Act for no more than 12 weeks, to be followed by an unpaid leave, if necessary through April 30, 2012.

RESOLUTION P-6 LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR HIGH SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board, in accordance with Article VI, B. and C. grants April Celli, High School Social Studies teacher a maternity/disability leave of absence using accumulated sick days effective February 27, 2012, not to exceed 30 calendar days after the birth of her baby expected March 16, 2012, to be followed by an unpaid child-rearing leave of absence under the Family Medical Leave Act for no more than 12 weeks, to be followed by an unpaid leave, if necessary, through June 2012.

RESOLUTION P-7 APPROVAL OF THERAPIST/PROVIDER

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the following therapist/provider to evaluate classified students, deliver therapies and/or provide consultation services as outlined in the students' Individual Education Programs:

ADDITION TO THERAPIST/PROVIDER

Dr. Hugh Bases, Neuro-developmental Pediatrician

Psychiatric Care Associates, Englewood, NJ
Katelyn Frank, ABA Provider

RESOLUTION P-8 APPROVAL OF ELEMENTARY AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB INSTRUCTORS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the following as elementary school After-School Club Instructors for the 2011-12 school year pending successful completion of criminal history background check:

| NAME | CLUB | SCHOOL |
|------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Fall 2011 | | |
| Shannon | Lamendola | In Motion |
| Leah | Sposa | In Motion |
| Lawrence | Bongon | Hobby Quest |
| Gabriel | Weiner | Hobby Quest |
| Benny | Sabag | Hobby Quest |
| Ivette | Rubio | Chess |

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| Izyaslav | Kaza | Chess | Mackay |
| Bruce | Meakem | Golf | Mackay |
| Tania | Ortega | Magic 1-2 | Mackay |
| Mark | Calabrese | Magic 3-5 | Mackay |
| Regina | Morrissey | Intro Science 1-2 | Mackay |
| Thomas | Klics | Intro Science 3-5 | Mackay |
| Anne | Kim | Aviation | Mackay |

RESOLUTION P-9 EXTRA COMPENSATION APPOINTMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the following extra-compensation appointment for the 2011-12 school year:

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>STIPEND</u> |
|----------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Donna Smith | Smith School Dismissal Supervision | \$ 825 |
| | Smith School Arrival Supervision | 825 |
| Eloise Zerling | NJ ASK Test Advisor | 1,586 |

RESOLUTION P-10 APPROVAL OF MIDDLE SCHOOL ARTISTS-IN-RESIDENCE FOR THE 2011/12 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approve the following as Artists-In-Residence for the Middle School Gifted and Talented Program:

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>PROGRAM</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Bonnie Deustch | Pottery |
| Jill Baratta | Watercolor Painting |
| Joseph Camporeale | Focal Point Photography |

Resolutions P-1 through P-6, and P-8 through P-10 were approved by those present. Ms. Lynne W. Stewart left the meeting at 9:30 p.m. and was absent for vote.

Resolution P-7 was approved as follows:

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| Yes - 6 | Mark Aronson | Abstain - 1 | Jonathan M. Teall |
| | Sam A. Bruno | | |
| | Donald H. Kaplan | | |
| | Richard H. Press | | |
| | Edward J. Salaski | Absent - 1 | Lynne W. Stewart |
| | Phyllis Perskie-Kessler | | |

ADMINISTRATION

The Board and administration agreed to pull Resolution A-2 for review.

A motion was made by Mr. Donald H. Kaplan and seconded by Mr. Mark Aronson to approve Resolutions A-1, A-3 and A-4.

RESOLUTION A-1 ANNUAL APPROVAL OF UNIFORM STATE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN EDUCATION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS-1999 REVISIONS

WHEREAS, the Tenafly Public School District Superintendent of Schools and the Chief of the Tenafly Police Department met on September 19, 2011, to have an annual review of the Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement-Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials-1999 Revisions, and

WHEREAS, at the meeting a statement to uphold the NJ Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act, PL 2010, Chapter 122 was added to section 8.6. No further recommendations for changes were deemed necessary,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tenafly Board of Education approves the Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement-1999 Revisions, and that four (4) signed copies of an annual *Update* Form be forwarded to the County Superintendent of Schools for signature and forwarding to the County prosecutor for approval and processing.

(Resolution A-2 was pulled)

RESOLUTION A -2 SECOND READING OF POLICY #5600 “PUPIL DISCIPLINE/CODE OF CONDUCT”

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education will have its second reading of #5600 Pupil Discipline/Code Of Conduct”

RESOLUTION A -3 SECOND READING OF POLICY #5561 “USE OF PHYSICAL RESTRAINT”

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education will have its second reading of #5561 “Use Of Physical Restraint”

RESOLUTION A-4 TENAFLY EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board accept with thanks and appreciation funding for the following:

| School & Teacher Requesting Grant | Proposal | Amount |
|--|---|---------------|
| High School Math Dept. (Shane Johnson) | “The Settlers of Catan” #4/2011-2012 | \$251.93 |

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|-------------------------------------|--|------------|
| High School Music (James Millar) | "The Class Notes, Cornell A Cappella" #5/2011-2012 | \$1,100.00 |
|-------------------------------------|--|------------|

Resolutions A-1, A-3 and A-4 were approved by those present. (Resolution A-2 was pulled.) Ms. Lynne W. Stewart was absent for the vote.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

A motion was made by Mr. Edward J. Salaski and seconded by Mr. Jonathan M. Teall to approve Resolutions S-1 through S-4.

RESOLUTION S-1 APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL ADDENDUM TO APRIL 2009 STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT

WHEREAS, a dispute has arisen between the Tenaflly Board of Education and the parents of student #740; and

WHEREAS, a proposed Supplemental Addendum to April 2009 Stipulation of Settlement has been negotiated between counsel for the Tenaflly Board of Education and counsel for the parents that would fully resolve all outstanding claims, issues and disputes involving the parties; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Addendum would avoid a significant expenditure of time and resources on the part of the Board and its officials that would be necessary for litigation;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the Supplemental Addendum to April 2009 Stipulation of Settlement and authorizes Ms. Lynn Trager to execute the written Addendum.

RESOLUTION S-2 APPROVAL OF PLACEMENT 10 MONTH PROGRAM FALL 2011

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the placement for the following pupils.

| STUDENT | SCHOOL | TYPE | TUITION |
|---------|------------------|---------|-------------|
| #602 | Bleshman | BCSS | \$65,300.00 |
| #705 | Bleshman | BCSS | \$65,300.00 |
| #430 | Clearview School | Private | \$48,858.00 |
| #413 | Springboard | BCSS | \$51,000.00 |
| #713 | Springboard | BCSS | \$51,000.00 |

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| #517 | Transition Center at Wood-Ridge | BCSS | \$51,000.00 |
| #507 | Transition Center at Wood-Ridge | BCSS | \$51,000.00 |
| # 153 | Transition Center at Wood-Ridge | BCSS | \$51,000.00 |
| #715 | Visions | BCSS | \$51,000.00 |

RESOLUTION S-3 APPROVAL OF TWELVE MONTH EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PLACEMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the placements for the following pupils.

| STUDENT | SCHOOL | TYPE | TUITION |
|---------|-----------------------------|---------|-------------|
| #766 | New Alliance Academy | Private | \$69,965.70 |
| #741 | River Edge Building Bridges | Public | \$57,999.00 |
| #743 | River Edge Building Bridges | Public | \$57,999.00 |
| #625 | River Edge Building Bridges | Public | \$49,855.00 |

RESOLUTION S-4 RESCIND A PLACEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education Rescind the placement for the following pupil.

| STUDENT | SCHOOL | TYPE | TUITION |
|---------|----------------------|---------|--|
| #763 | New Alliance Academy | Private | Effective September 6 th , 2011 |

Resolutions S-1 through S-4 were approved by those present. Ms. Lynne W. Stewart was absent for the vote.

FINANCE

A motion was made by Mr. Sam A. Bruno and seconded by Mr. Richard H. Press to approve Resolutions F-1 through F-12.

RESOLUTION F-1 SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR AUGUST 2011

BE IT RESOLVED that the Secretary's report for the month of August 2011, be accepted as submitted (or amended if changes are made during the meeting) and filed in the official minutes of this meeting.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11, we certify that as the board secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) did not reflect an over expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected in this report and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

RESOLUTION F-2 TREASURER'S REPORT FOR AUGUST 2011

BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer's report for the month of August 2011, be accepted as submitted and filed in the official minutes of this meeting.

RESOLUTION F-3 DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby designate the following listed bank as depositories for funds of the Board of Education and Tenafly schools; that the indicated accounts be authorized, and that the designated school officials be approved as the signatories for each account and the designated depositories of funds and school officials will serve at the pleasure of the Board.

| <u>CAPITAL ONE, N.A.</u> | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--|
| ACCOUNT | TYPE | NUMBER | SIGNATURE |
| General (Board) | Checking | 7047888152 | (3 of 4): Board Pres. or Vice Pres. Board Secretary School Treasurer |
| Net Payroll (Board) | Checking | 7047888160 | (2): School Treasurer Board Secretary |
| Petty Cash Account (Board) | Checking | 7047888179 | (2): Board Secretary Senior Accountant |
| School General (Board) | Checking | 7047888187 | (2): Board Secretary or Senior Accountant |
| Student Organization (Middle School) | Checking | 7047888233 | (2 of 4): M.S. Principal or Vice Principal/ and M.S. Prin. Secretary or M.S. (Bookkeeper) |
| Unemployment Acct. (Board) | Checking | 7047888241 | (2): School Treasurer Board Secretary |
| Cafeteria | Checking | 7047888195 | (2): Board Secretary |

| | | | |
|---|----------|------------|--|
| (Board) | | | Senior Accountant |
| T. E. F. (Board) | Checking | 7047888209 | (2): Board Secretary Senior Accountant |
| Special Projects (Board) | Checking | 7047888217 | (2): Board Secretary Senior Accountant |
| Student Organization (High School) | Checking | 7047888268 | (2 of 4): H.S. Principal or Vice Principal/ and H.S. Bookkeeper or Prin. Secretary |
| Class (High School) | Checking | 7047888276 | (2 of 4): H.S. Principal or Vice Principal/ and H.S. Bookkeeper or Prin. Secretary |
| Capital Reserve (Board) | Checking | 7047888225 | (2): Board Secretary Senior Accountant |
| Extra-Curricular Fee Account (Board) | Checking | 7047888284 | (2 of 4): Board Secretary or Supt./ and Senior Accountant or School Treasurer |
| Athletic Account (High School) | Checking | 7047888292 | (2 of 5): H.S. Principal or Vice Principal, or Board Secretary, or Supervisor of Athletics, or Athletic Sec'y |
| Compensating Balance Account | Checking | 7047895736 | (2 of 4) Board Secretary or Board President, or Board Vice President and School Treasurer |

RESOLUTION F-4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF BOARD'S INTENTION TO ACCEPT GIFTS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education acknowledges by formal resolution its acceptance with gratitude the potential gifts that will provide artificial turf for Geissinger Field for the benefit of Tenafly students and residents of Tenafly with all costs associated with its construction and installation including insurance coverage, to be paid by fundraising outside of the General or other Funds associated with school district budget.

RESOLUTION F-5 REVISE PORTION OF RESOLUTION F-9 OF AUGUST 30, 2011, AGREEMENT FOR NON-PUBLIC NURSING SERVICES WITH BERGEN COUNTY DEPT OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR FOR LUBAVITCH ON THE PALISADES

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the funds and approves the agreement with the Bergen County Department of Health Services to provide non-public nursing and related services to eligible students for the following schools as stipulated in PL. 1991, Chapter 226:

Lubavitch on the Palisades

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that The Tenafly Board of Education will pay the nurses employed in the NP schools listed below following the federal, county and local regulations governing said employment in accordance with Senate Bill #851 regarding a criminal history background check:

| Name and Position | NP School | Hourly Pay |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| <i>Elaine Gilboa Nurse</i> | <i>Lubavitch on the Palisades</i> | <i>\$25 per hr.</i> |

RESOLUTION F-6 APPROVE SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CRESSKILL BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

Approve shared services agreement with Cresskill Board of Education for Information Technology support services from October 3, 2011 to June 30, 2012. (Contract is on file in the Business Office)

RESOLUTION F-7 APPROVAL TO RENEW TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT FOR JOHN LECKIE, INC. FOR 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves renewing a contract for the following transportation for the 2011-2012 school year to John Leckie, Inc., 395 South River Street, Hackensack, NJ 07601; at an increase of 1.23%.

| <u>PUBLIC ROUTE NO.</u> | <u>TO</u> | <u>COST OF ROUTE</u> |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| BA-09 | Bergen Academy | \$18,466.20 |

| <u>PUBLIC ROUTE NO.</u> | <u>TO</u> | <u>COST OF ROUTE</u> |
|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| T-2 | Tenafly High School | \$14,682.60 |

| <u>PUBLIC ROUTE NO.</u> | <u>TO</u> | <u>COST OF ROUTE</u> |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| NP-13 | Solomon Schechter | \$44,733.60 |

RESOLUTION F-8 APPROVAL FOR THE RENEWAL OF TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT TO FIRST STUDENT, INC. FOR 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the renewal contract for the following transportation for the 2011-12 school year to First Student, Inc., 170 South Dean Street, Englewood, N.J. 07631; at an increase of 1.23%.

| <u>PUBLIC ROUTE NO.</u> | <u>TO</u> | <u>COST OF ROUTE</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| NC-1 | Nature Center | \$132.87 per trip |
| SO-1 | Elem. Schools/Middle School | \$92.97 per trip |

| <u>PUBLIC ROUTE NO.</u> | <u>TO</u> | <u>COST OF ROUTE</u> |
|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| T-1 | Tenaflly Middle School | \$29,361.60 |

RESOLUTION F-9 APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT WITH ENGLEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR 2011-2012

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Board of Education approves the cost of transportation to Teterboro Tech, Teterboro, NJ for the following student for the 2011-2012 school year. The cost of transportation has now been established.

| Route No. | Student | School | Cost |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| Englewood BOE will pick up student | #150265 | Teterboro Tech | Cost of transportation is \$13.25 per diem |

RESOLUTION F-10 APPROVAL TO APPOINT THE DISTRICT INDOOR AIR QUALITY DESIGNATED PERSON FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board appoints Mr. Vincent Benenati as the Indoor Air Quality Designated Person for the 2011-2012 school year.

RESOLUTION F- 11 APPROVAL TO DESIGNATE THE DISTRICT INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Mr. Vincent Benenati to serve as the district's Integrated Pest Management Coordinator for the period of July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012. Services are provided by Alliance Commercial Pest Control, Inc.

RESOLUTION F-12 APPROVAL OF DISTRICT TRAVEL AND WORK-RELATED EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

WHEREAS, in order to be in compliance with the State of New Jersey's adoption of P.L. 2007, c.53, An Act Concerning School District Accountability, also known as Assembly Bill 5 (A5), and the NJDOE enactment of N.J.A.C.6A:23B-1; and

TENAFLY, NEW JERSEY
TRAVEL AND WORK-RELATED EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS

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(Gas Allowance is \$.31 per mile)

TENAFLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

This listing is an attachment to the Tenafly Board of Education Resolution regarding Registration Fees, allowable Lodging, Transportation and M&IE (Meals and Incidental Expenses) reimbursements to be made by the Tenafly Public Schools.

The following staff/Board member(s) is/are administratively approved to attend work-related events according to the following particulars:

| | NAME | CONVENTION, SEMINAR, CONFERENCE, WORKSHOP | LOCATION & DATES | EXPENSES TO THE DISTRICT | | | | TOTAL EXPENSES | PROF. DEVELOP. ACCOUNT NUMBER |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--|
| | | | | REGIS. FEES | LODGING REIMB. | TRANSP. REIMB. | MEALS & IE REIMB. | | |
| 1 | Suzanne Bassett Central Office | Wrting Defensible I.E.P.'s | Long Branch, NJ (11/18/11) | \$149.00 | \$0.00 | \$40.30 | \$0.00 | \$189.30 | 4619 |
| 2 | Nazife Bilali High School | AP French Lang. & Culture Workshop | Hasbrouck Hts, NJ (10/10/11) | \$205.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$205.00 | 6469 |
| 3 | Sharon Hess Stillman School | 20th Annual AAP Health Conf. | Somerset, NJ (10/26/11) | \$195.00 | \$0.00 | \$30.54 | \$0.00 | \$225.54 | 6159 |
| 4 | Dana Maloney High School | NNER Conf | Hartford, CT (10/21/11) | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$92.06 & tolls | \$0.00 | \$92.06 | 6469 |
| 5 | William Paris High School | AP Japanese Lang. & Culture Wkshop. | Waltham, MA (11/7/11) | \$205.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$205.00 | 6469 |
| 6 | Catherine Paz Middle/High School | NJ Science Teachers Convention | Somerset, NJ (10/12/11) | \$125.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$125.00 | 6469 |
| 7 | Beatriz Pelaez- Martinez - THS | NECTFL | Baltimore, MD (4/20- 4/23/11) | \$200.00 | \$0.00 | \$225.00 | \$0.00 | \$425.00 | 6469 |
| 8 | Diane Semon Mackay School | Sounds in Motion- Early Literacy Prog. | NY, NY (10/1/11) | \$150.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$150.00 | 4619 |
| 9 | Matthew White High School | 2011 NJ Science Convention | Somerset, NJ (10/11/11) | \$125.00 | \$0.00 | \$26.84 | \$0.00 | \$151.84 | 6469 |
| TOTALS | | | | \$1,354.00 | \$0.00 | \$414.74 | \$0.00 | \$1,768.74 | |

WHEREAS, those on the attached list are attending the administratively approved conferences, conventions, staff training sessions, seminars, or workshops; and

WHEREAS, the total expected cost of such conferences, conventions, staff training sessions, seminars, or workshops has been provided; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the stated function was previously approved by the Superintendent of Schools through the appropriate administrator(s) as work related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the attendee; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the function(s) was approved as promoting delivery of instruction or furthering efficient operation of the school district, and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the travel and related expenses particular to attendance at the function(s) may exceed the state travel guidelines established by the Department of Treasury in NJOMB circular letter;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tenafly Board of Education approves attendance at the administratively approved function(s) as necessary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that those expenses that appear on the attached form titled "TRAVEL AND WORK-RELATED EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS" for lodging, meals and gratuities are within the limits of the State travel reimbursement guidelines and

are justified and reimbursable upon submission of the required receipts up to the current established limits as specified in the General Services Administration website, with any additional costs for lodging, meals and gratuities expenses above those established limits to be personally borne by the attendee(s).

Resolutions F-1 through F-12 were approved by those present. Ms. Lynne W. Stewart was absent for the vote.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS-SECOND OPPORTUNITY

President Perskie-Kesslen inquired if there were any members of the audience who wished to address the Board on any item not on the agenda.

No comments were made.

A motion was made by Mr. Donald H. Kaplan and seconded by Mr. Sam A. Bruno that the Board convenes in closed session. The session may include discussions of negotiations, contractual matters, litigation and personnel. Pursuant to Open Public Meetings Act, the Tenafly Board of Education is required to notify the public when the minutes of this closed session will be available. At this time that cannot be determined. When the need for confidentiality no longer exists, the minutes will be available to the public.

The motion was approved by those present. Ms. Lynne W. Stewart left the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

The meeting recessed to closed session at 9:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened from closed session at 9:40 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Edward J. Salaski and seconded by Mr. Mark Aronson to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was approved by those present.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Louis P. Mondello
Business Administrator/
Board Secretary