

**REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2011  
ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS**

Mission Statement

Our mission as a school community is to provide quality education through an environment which promotes individual excellence and that all pupils achieve the Common Core State Standards and the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards at all grade levels.

- TIME AND PLACE** The Board of Education of the Borough of Somerville in the County of Somerset, New Jersey convened a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 23, 2011 at the Administrative Headquarters, 51 West Cliff Street, Somerville.
- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Kerestes, Board President.
- ROLL CALL**
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. James Adamec, Mr. Kenneth Cornell, Mrs. Michelle Edgar, Mr. Al Kerestes, Mr. Peter Lawton, Mrs. Melissa Looby, Mr. John Prudente
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mr. Norman Chin, Mr. Dennis Garot, Mrs. Linda Olson
- ALSO PRESENT:** Dr. Timothy Purnell, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Bryan P. Boyce, Board Secretary/School Business Administrator
- Mr. Kerestes announced that adequate Notice of this meeting in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act," has been provided by action of the Board of Education at the Reorganization Meeting of May 10, 2011, notices to the three newspapers circulated in the school district, and a posted notice to this effect on the Board of Education building bulletin board, Administrative Headquarters, 51 West Cliff Street, Somerville, New Jersey.
- PUBLIC COMMENT** There was no public comment.

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Board of Education Meetings as follows:

\*The motion was made by Mr. Cornell and seconded by Mr. Prudente to approve the Minutes of the July 12, 2011 Regular Meeting.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Adamec	YES	Lawton	ABSTAIN
Chin	ABSENT	Garot	ABSENT
Cornell	YES	Olson	ABSENT
Edgar	YES	Prudente	YES
Kerestes	ABSTAIN	*Looby	ABSTAIN

**SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT**

District Highlights

Dr. Timothy Purnell, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Purnell reported on the following:

- Finance Committee determined additional state aid awarded to the district will be used to offset the local tax levy for the 2012-2013 Budget
- VilleTV featuring new series entitled "All About Our Schools" hosted by Dr. Purnell highlighting programs in the district
- Dr. Purnell attended a Branchburg Township Board of Education meeting
- District administrators attended an administrative retreat where school principals were challenged to prepare a mission statement based on their goals
- Board of Education retreat scheduled for October 1, 2011 where Board of Education goals and district's need assessment will be reviewed

Technology Presentation

Mr. Jason Solomon, Director of Technology

Mr. Jason Solomon gave a presentation on the rationale and details behind a 2011-2012 Technology Department Reorganization. The presentation included accomplishments over the summer, current status of the technology department, comparison to technology departments

in other districts and proposals for the future. Mr. Solomon answered questions from Board of Education members.

Emergency Management Plan for 2011-2012

Mr. Thomas Conroy,  
Director of Curriculum & Instruction

Mr. Thomas Conroy reviewed changes in the Emergency Management Plan for 2011-2012 made in collaboration with the Somerville Police Department. A discussion followed on how to account for students out to lunch in the event of an emergency.

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Emergency Management Plan for 2011-2012 as presented.

Mr. Cornell introduced and moved the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Prudente seconded.

Upon call for a voice vote, the vote was as follows:

Adamec	YES	Lawton	YES
Chin	ABSENT	Garot	ABSENT
Cornell	YES	Olson	ABSENT
Edgar	YES	Prudente	YES
Kerestes	YES	*Looby	YES

Nutritional Improvements in School Cafeterias

Michelle Edgar,  
Somerville Board of Education

Mrs. Michelle Edgar reviewed the following improvements to the school cafeteria operations:

- Creation of a Fresh Vegetable and Fruit Program that increases the offering of local fresh fruit and vegetables daily
- Maschio's Chef to School Program
- Nutritional education support to teachers from registered dietitian
- Food Advisory Committee schedule to meet two times a year
- Enhanced communication through new

Somerville Focus and website link

- Replacing styrofoam trays with plastic trays at Somerville High School and Van Derveer School

Dr. Purnell continued his report on District Highlights by discussing the following:

- Reviewed steps the district has taken to date to satisfy requirements under the new Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Law
- Preschool program has received new playground equipment and computers
- Van Derveer School plans to open up building to students and parents before the first day of school
- Somerville Middle School Pre-Algebra and Algebra Institutes were well attended
- Camp SMS scheduled for August 31 and September 1 for incoming sixth grade students
- Two Somerville High School students participated in a DNA research project at the Waksman Institute of Rutgers
- All Somerville School District teachers are highly qualified

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

It is recommended that Items 1 to 3 be moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

**1. DONATION FOR VAN DERVEER SCHOOL**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept a donation of \$231.71 from A+ Stop & Shop. This is a result of a program that gives a portion of the revenues collected from families using their A+ card while shopping at Stop & Shop.

**2. EZRA JACK KEATS MINI GRANT FOR SOMERVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Somerville Middle School to apply for the Ezra Jack Keats Mini-Grant in the amount of \$492.50. This grant supports the school's literacy initiative by pairing Somerville Middle School English Language Learners (ELL) with preschool students in a monthly read aloud by the ELL students. The funds will be used to expand the preschool's age appropriate literature

collection.

**3. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT AWARD FOR VERBAL BEHAVIORAL APPROACH SERVICES**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the agreement with Verbal Behavior Network to provide verbal behavior approach services at \$750.00 per day per the attached quotation proposal form pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5a(1) for the 2011-2012 school year. Verbal Behavior Network was the lowest responsible proposal.

Mr. Kerestes introduced and moved the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Cornell seconded.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Adamec	YES	Lawton	YES
Chin	ABSENT	Garot	ABSENT
Cornell	YES	Olson	ABSENT
Edgar	YES	Prudente	YES
Kerestes	YES	*Looby	N/A

It is recommended that Items 4\* through 12\* be moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

**4\* RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR CISCO LAN SWITCHING EQUIPMENT**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), the Somerville Board of Education may by resolution without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury ("Division of Purchase and Property"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Division of Purchase and Property has entered into an agreement with Cisco Systems for Data Communications Equipment and Associated OEM Maintenance through a Participating Addendum under the Western States Contracting Alliance ("WSCA") Master Agreement for the period April 20, 2009 through May 31, 2012 with two (2) additional one (1) year extensions; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the terms of the Participating Addendum Cisco Systems has designated certain authorized partners/dealers as have been approved by the Director of the

\*Branchburg Vote Eligible

Division of Purchase and Property to sell authorized products and services in the State of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, the Somerville Board of Education is seeking to upgrade Cisco Equipment at the Somerville Middle School, Somerville High School, and Van Derveer Elementary School including Cisco equipment from the Participating Addendum to the WSCA Master Agreement (Data Communications Equipment and Associates OEM Maintenance and Training Contract #73979); and

**WHEREAS**, the Somerville Board of Education has not requested configuration services as part of the purchase; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the requirements of the Division of Purchase and Property for purchases of \$100,000 or less, the Somerville Board of Education has solicited quotes from two (2) of the Cisco authorized partners/dealers; and

**WHEREAS**, Aspire Technology Partners submitted a bid in the amount of \$68,194.14 with requirements that were not in accordance with the WSCA Agreement by requiring all shipping and handling and all risk of transportation to be the responsibility of the Board of Education; and

**WHEREAS**, Millennium Communications Group, Inc. is the authorized partner/dealer which has submitted the quotation for the required goods and services at the lowest price and in conformity with the WSCA requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Somerville Board of Education intends to enter into a contract with Millennium Communications Group, Inc. through this resolution which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current WSCA Master Agreement as amended by the State Participating Addendum; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, the above referenced paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Somerville Board of Education hereby authorizes the contract with Millennium Communications Group, Inc. for the provision of Cisco Equipment for an amount not to exceed \$65,466.00; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(e) the duly authorized and executed purchase order shall serve as the contract between the Somerville Board of Education and Millennium Communications Group, Inc. and shall include the State cooperative purchasing system identifier, 1NJCP, and the State contract number for Cisco Systems, Inc. #73979.

**5\* EDUCATION AND  
TRANSPORTATION  
OF STUDENTS WITH  
DISABILITIES**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent of Schools to make arrangements for the education and transportation of students with disabilities for the 2011-2012 school year.

**6\* BID AWARD FOR  
FIBER OPTIC WIDE  
AREA NETWORK**

**WHEREAS**, on August 9, 2011, the Somerville Board of Education ("Board") held a public bid opening for the Fiber Optic Wide Area Network Upgrade project (the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, the lowest bid was submitted by Integrated Micro Systems, Inc., 74 Lee Avenue, Haledon, New Jersey 07508, with a base bid for the primary project of Eighty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Ten Dollars (\$89,610.00) and a Bid on the Alternate of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for a total bid of Ninety Nine Thousand Six Hundred Ten Dollars (\$99,610.00); and

**WHEREAS**, Integrated Micro Systems, Inc. has submitted all of the required documents in support of its Bid; and

**WHEREAS**, upon the Board has determined Integrated Micro Systems, Inc. to be the lowest responsible and responsive bidder; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board's counsel has determined Integrated Micro Systems, Inc.'s bid to be awardable.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby awards the contract for the Fiber Optic Wide Area Network including Alternate project to **Integrated Micro Systems, Inc.** in the total amount of **Ninety Nine Thousand Six Hundred Ten Dollars (\$99,610.00)**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board's Counsel is authorized to prepare the contract for the Project, forward same to **Integrated Micro Systems, Inc.** and to obtain all documentation required thereby; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that upon receipt of the signed contract from **Integrated Micro Systems, Inc.**, and the approval of the insurance information, performance and payment bonds, and other required documentation from **Integrated Micro Systems, Inc.**, the Business Administrator is authorized to return the bid bonds to all bidders with a note of thanks for their participation.

**7\* ATHLETIC/CO-CURRICULAR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education award a renewal contract to **James Hager, Inc.** of Ringoes, New Jersey for Athletic/Co-curricular Transportation services for the 2011-2012 school year, as needed, at a cost of \$67.50 per hour. This represents an increase over the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 school years of 50 cents per hour.

**8\* JOINT TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education enter into the following joint transportation agreements with Branchburg Township Board of Education for the 2011-2012 school year. Branchburg Township Board of Education will be the host district.

Athletic & Field Trips	\$52.50 per hour
Somerset County Vo-Tech shuttle	\$10,278.00 for the 2011-2012 school year
Brama Center	31.00 per diem (as needed basis)
Somerset Vo-Tech Twilight Program	\$52.50 per diem
Hillsborough High School	\$13,750.00 for the 2011-2012 school year

**9\* JOINT TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education enter into the following joint transportation agreement with Branchburg Township Board of Education for the 2011-2012 school year. Somerville Board of

Education will be the host district.

Stepping Stone School                      \$83.00 per diem

**10\* AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT TO ACCEPT PUBLIC WORKS COMMODITIES AND SERVICES THROUGH COOPERATIVE AND JOINT PURCHASING AND SERVICES WITH SOMERSET COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the County of Somerset is a leader in the concept of shared services as evidenced by a history of Interlocal Services Agreements pursuant to N.J.A.C 40:8A-1 et. seq. and Cooperative Pricing System #2-SOCCP pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the County of Somerset is desirous of contracting public works services to the county municipalities and public units in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 et. seq. and the terms of an agreement, copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the County of Somerset is desirous of implementing a Commodity Resale System in accordance with N.J.A.C 5:34-7 for the resale of gasoline, diesel fuel, snow removal chemicals and public works materials and supplies and will act as Lead Agency for the County municipalities and public units desiring membership; and

WHEREAS, the Somerville Board of Education wishes to enter into this Master Agreement for services described above.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Somerville Board of Education that we do hereby authorize execution of the agreement by the Board President and the Board Secretary to accept public works commodities and services through cooperative purchasing and services with Somerset County for the period of January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2021.

**11\* STATE CONTRACT VENDORS**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED STATE CONTRACT VENDORS FOR BOARDS OF EDUCATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10a**

WHEREAS, the Somerville Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey

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Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

**WHEREAS**, the Somerville Board of Education has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing State contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Somerville Board of Education intends to enter into contracts with the attached Referenced State Contract Vendors through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current State contracts; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** the Somerville Board of Education authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods or services from those approved New Jersey State Contract Vendors on the attached list for the 2011-2012 school year pursuant to all conditions of the individual State contracts; and be it further

**RESOLVED** that the Somerville Board of Education School Board Administrator/Board Secretary shall certify to the availability of sufficient funds prior to the expenditure of funds for such goods or services; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the duration of the contracts between the Somerville Board of Education and the referenced State Contract vendors shall be from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

Warnock Fleet	A78848	Light Duty Truck
Malouf Ford Inc.	A78846	Cargo Van

**12\* TRAVEL  
EXPENDITURE  
RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has determined that the school district travel expenditures for the attached programs are in compliance with State travel guidelines as established by the Department of the Treasury and within the guidelines established by the federal Office of Management and Budget; except as superseded by conflicting provision of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes and in compliance with the

\*Branchburg Vote Eligible

district policy on travel; therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the attendance of the listed number of school board members and district employees at the attached training and informational programs, and the costs of attendance including all registration fees, and statutorily authorized travel expenditures, provided that such expenditures are within the annual maximum travel expenditure amount.

Mr. Kerestes introduced and moved the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Cornell seconded.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Adamec	YES	Lawton	YES
Chin	ABSENT	Garot	ABSENT
Cornell	YES	Olson	ABSENT
Edgar	YES	Prudente	YES
Kerestes	YES	*Looby	YES

**REPORT OF BOARD ITEMS**

**A. Finance Committee:**

Dennis Garot, Chairperson  
James Adamec, Member  
Kenneth Cornell, Member

It is recommended that Items 1 through 3 be moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

**1. ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the monthly reports as listed below:

- A. Middle School Fund (June)
- B. Van Derveer School Fund (June)

**2. BILLS LISTS**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the payment of the following obligations of the School District:

Van Derveer and Middle Schools	
Bills List Dated July 29, 2011	
10 General Fund	\$244,931.19
20 Special Revenue Fund	1,193.98

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30 Capital Projects Fund	13,226.25
TOTAL	\$259,351.42

Mr. Adamec introduced and moved the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Cornell seconded.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Adamec	YES	Lawton	YES
Chin	ABSENT	Garot	ABSENT
Cornell	YES	Olson	ABSENT
Edgar	YES	Prudente	YES
Kerestes	YES	*Looby	N/A

### 3. PAYROLL PAYMENTS

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the payroll payments for the following dates:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYROLL</u>
July 15, 2011	\$36,073.58 (MS & VDV)
July 30, 2011	\$72,455.35 (MS & VDV)
August 15, 2011	\$39,235.80 (MS & VDV)

Mr. Adamec introduced and moved the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Cornell seconded.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Adamec	YES	Lawton	YES
Chin	ABSENT	Garot	ABSENT
Cornell	YES	Olson	ABSENT
Edgar	YES	Prudente	YES
Kerestes	ABSTAIN	*Looby	N/A

It is recommended that Items 4\* through 6\* be moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

### 4\* ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY REPORTS

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the monthly reports as listed below:

- A. High School Fund (June)
- B. Athletic/Extracurricular Fund (June)

### 5\* BILL LISTS

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve payment of the following obligations of the School District:

Bills List Dated July 29, 2011  
Administrative and High School

10 General Fund	\$ 940,614.38
20 Special Revenue Fund	40,695.99
30 Capital Projects Fund	23,239.21
40 Debt Service	947,294.38
60 Cafeteria Fund	83,802.88
TOTAL	\$2,035,646.84

**6\* PAYROLL  
PAYMENTS**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the payroll payments for the following dates:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYROLL</u>
July 15, 2011	\$229,246.32 (ADMIN & HS)
July 15, 2011	\$ 15,363.37 (FICA)
July 30, 2011	\$167,955.30 (ADMIN & HS)
July 30, 2011	\$ 11,911.56 (FICA)
August 15, 2011	\$155,381.17 (ADMIN & HS)
August 15, 2011	\$ 8,973.15 (FICA)

Mr. Adamec introduced and moved the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Cornell seconded.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Adamec	YES	Lawton	YES
Chin	ABSENT	Garot	ABSENT
Cornell	YES	Olson	ABSENT
Edgar	YES	Prudente	YES
Kerestes	YES	*Looby	YES

**B. Building and Grounds:**

Kenneth Cornell, Chairperson  
Peter Lawton, Member

Mr. Cornell stated that community members are taking note of the interior and exterior facility improvements completed over the past year. Mr. Cornell also stated the synthetic turf fields are being used extensively.

**C. Athletics and Student Activities:**

John Prudente, Chairperson

Mr. Prudente noted the fall athletic programs are in full swing and he has been impressed by student participation and school spirit.

**D. Curriculum:**

Linda Olson, Chairperson

James Adamec, Member

No Report

E. Policy:

Al Kerestes, Chairperson

Mr. Kerestes noted responsibilities of Board of Education members under the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Law.

\* First Reading

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the following policies and regulations for a first reading:

Bylaw 0144 Board Member Orientation and Training (Revised)  
 P 5350 Pupil Suicide Prevention (Revised)  
 P/R 5512 Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying (Revised)  
 P/R 8461 Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (Revised)

Mr. Kerestes introduced and moved the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Cornell seconded.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Adamec	YES	Lawton	YES
Chin	ABSENT	Garot	ABSENT
Cornell	YES	Olson	ABSENT
Edgar	YES	Prudente	YES
Kerestes	YES	*Looby	YES

\* Second Reading

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the following policies and regulations for a second reading:

P/R 5512 Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying (Revised)

Mr. Kerestes introduced and moved the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Cornell seconded.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Adamec	YES	Lawton	YES
Chin	ABSENT	Garot	ABSENT
Cornell	YES	Olson	ABSENT

Edgar	YES	Prudente	YES
Kerestes	YES	*Looby	YES

F. Technology Committee:

Norman Chin, Chairperson  
James Adamec, Member  
Kenneth Cornell, Member

Mr. Adamec reviewed topics discussed at the last Technology Committee meeting.

G. Special Education Parent Advisory Committee:  
Michelle Edgar, Liaison

Mrs. Edgar reported the committee will be meeting the second Wednesday of every month at Van Derveer School.

H. Borough Council/BOE:  
John Prudente, Liaison

No Report

I. Somerset County Educational Services:  
Commission: James Adamec, Liaison

Mr. Adamec stated that Somerset County Educational Services Commission officials are meeting with Somerset County Freeholders to secure funding for the Career Center.

The Educational Services Commission is also setting up a virtual school to teach Spanish. Mr. Adamec also highlighted a program that mainstreams special education students in the Hillsborough and Piscataway School Districts.

J. New Jersey School Boards Association:  
Mrs. Linda Olson, Delegate

No Report

K. Somerset County School Board Association  
Delegate - John Prudente

No Report

## PERSONNEL

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve and/or accept the Superintendent's Recommendations as follows:  
*(All appointments and salaries subject to verification of documentation.)*

K-8

Motion by Mr. Cornell seconded by Mr. Prudente that items K-8 - 1 to 11 and 40 be moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent.

1. MORNING AND  
AFTERNOON  
MONITORS - SMS

REVISE the approval of the enclosed list of staff members to the positions of morning and afternoon monitors at Somerville Middle School for the 2011-2012 school year changing the rate of \$33.00 per hour to a rate of \$34.00 per hour per the SEA contract.

2. CATS AND  
DETENTION  
MONITORS - VDV

APPROVE the enclosed list of staff members to the positions of CATS (Homework Help) monitors and detention monitors at Van Derveer School for the 2011-2012 school year at a rate of \$35.00 per hour per the SEA contract. (Attachment P-2)

3. MORNING AND  
AFTERNOON  
MONITORS - VDV

APPROVE the enclosed list of staff members to the positions of morning and afternoon monitors at Van Derveer School for the 2011-2012 school year at the rate of \$34.00 per hour per the SEA contract.

4. CAFETERIA/  
PLAYGROUND AIDES  
- VDV

APPROVE the following individuals as cafeteria/playground aides at Van Derveer School for the 2011-2012 school year at a rate of \$11.75 per hour:

Marilyn Bellantoni  
 Paula DeCanio  
 Guiseppina DeMarino-Cacchione  
 Christine Fellin  
 Colleen Gadson  
 Evelyn Johnson  
 Lay L. Kwa  
 Kathryn Moore  
 Nicholas Perovich  
 Barbara Petrushka

5. RUTH MCKEAN

APPROVE the appointment of Ruth McKean as a substitute cafeteria/playground aide at Van

Derveer School for the 2011-2012 school year at a rate of \$11.75 per hour.

**6. BRITTANY MCCABE**

**APPROVE** a request for Brittany McCabe, a student at Susquehanna University to complete a 40 hour early childhood teaching externship at the Somerville Preschool. Ms. McCabe will be supervised by Katherine Neary.

**7. STACEY PETERSON**

**ACCEPT** the resignation of Stacey Peterson from the position of assistant principal at Van Derveer School effective August 26, 2011.

**8. NICHOLAS DIAZ**

**APPROVE** the appointment of Nicholas Diaz to the position of interim assistant principal, administrative: principal certification at Van Derveer School to fill a vacancy caused by a resignation (Peterson) effective August 24, 2011 to October 15, 2011 at a salary of \$84,000.00. (prorated)

**9. HELENA SROCZYNSKI**

**APPROVE** Helena Sroczyński to serve on the Somerville Middle School Safety Team for the 2011-2012 school year at no additional remuneration.

**10. DEBRA TRIFARI**

**APPROVE** the transfer of Debra Trifari from instructional assistant at Van Derveer School to instructional assistant at Somerville Middle School effective September 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

**11. WILLIAM PENN**

**APPROVE** the transfer of William Penn from instructional assistant at Somerville High School to instructional assistant at Van Derveer School effective September 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

**40. LORRAINE POHORELY**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the Federal Family Leave of absence with health benefits for Lorraine Pohorely from March 14, 2011 through June 30, 2011; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approves a paid Federal Family Leave of absence using accumulated sick days from said employee from September 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Adamec	YES	Lawton	YES
Chin	ABSENT	Garot	ABSENT
Cornell	YES	Olson	ABSENT
Edgar	YES	Prudente	YES
Kerestes	YES	*Looby	N/A

9-12 and Districtwide

Motion by Mr. Cornell, seconded by Mrs. Looby that items 9-12 and Districtwide 12\* to 39\* and 41\* be moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent.

12\* GERALDINE  
BARROWS

APPROVE a paid maternity disability leave of absence for Geraldine Barrows, secretary to the assistant principal at Somerville High School, effective October 17, 2011 to November 16, 2011 and an unpaid child care leave of absence in accordance with the New Jersey Family Leave Act effective November 17, 2011 to January 6, 2012.

13\* MARYBETH  
ANNESE

APPROVE a paid maternity disability leave of absence for Marybeth Annese, teacher of social studies at Somerville High School, effective November 14, 2011 to January 3, 2012 and an unpaid child care leave of absence in accordance with the New Jersey Family Leave Act from January 4, 2012 to March 30, 2012.

14\* CHRISTINE  
GUERRERIO

APPROVE summer work for Christine Guerrerio for the purpose of closing out all health related documentation specifically related to graduating seniors and incoming freshman at Somerville High School at her per diem rate not to exceed 5 days.

15\*  
PARAPROFESSIONAL  
FOR SHS

APPROVE the enclosed list of individuals to the position of paraprofessionals at Somerville High School for the 2011-2012 school year.

16\* ROSA GUZMAN

RESCIND the appointment of Rosa Guzman to the position of teacher of Spanish.

17\* AIDA-JANET  
WAHBA

APPROVE the appointment of Aida-Janet Wahba, to the position of teacher of Spanish, instructional; with Spanish certification at

Somerville High School to fill a vacancy caused by a resignation (Krukowski) effective September 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 at a salary of \$69,305.00. (Step 12 BA+15)

18\* JAMIL  
MCENNIS

RESCIND the appointment of Jamil McEnnis to the position of teacher of English.

19\* SHARON  
GORNICK

APPROVE the appointment of Sharon Gornick, to the position of teacher of English, instructional; English certification at Somerville High School to fill a vacancy caused by a retirement (Peachey) effective October 31, 2011 to June 30, 2012 at a salary of \$60,060.00. (Step 7 MA, prorated)

20\* NICOLE  
BATTAGLIA

APPROVE the appointment of Nicole Battaglia, to the position of teacher of mathematics, instructional: mathematics certification at Somerville High School to fill a vacancy caused by a resignation (Perry) effective September 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 at a salary of \$52,020.00 (Step 1 BA).

21\* MICHAEL  
SKOMBA

APPROVE the appointment of Michael Skomba, to the position of teacher of social studies instructional: social studies certification at Somerville High School to fill a vacancy caused by a retirement (Calvo) effective September 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 at a salary of \$52,170.00. (Step 2 BA)

22\* MICHAEL  
DOUGHERTY

APPROVE the appointment of Michael Dougherty, to the position of leave replacement teacher of special education, instructional: students with disabilities certification at Somerville High School to fill a vacancy caused by a leave replacement (Rath) effective September 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 at a salary of \$56,420.00. (Step 1 MA)

23\* BETHANY  
CISTERNINO

APPROVE the appointment of Bethany Cisternino as a co-head gymnastics coach at Somerville High School for the 2011-2012 school year at a stipend of \$6,004.00.

24\* NICOLE  
FRANGIONE

APPROVE the appointment of Nicole Frangione as a choreographer for the 2011-2012 musical

performance at the high school at a stipend not to exceed \$1,800.00, which will be paid from the drama account in the Somerville High School Student Activities Fund.

25\* RODNEY VAN  
NESS

APPROVE the appointment of Rodney Van Ness to the position of assistant wrestling coach at Somerville High School for the 2011-2012 school year at a stipend of \$6,474.00.

26\* ISAIAH  
DAVENPORT

APPROVE the appointment of Isaiah Davenport to the position of assistant boys' basketball coach at Somerville High School for the 2011-2012 basketball season at a stipend of \$6,474.00.

27\* MOLLY JAMES

APPROVE the appointment of Molly James to the position of head girl's fencing coach at Somerville High School for the 2011-2012 school year at a stipend of \$8,225.00.

28\* MICHAEL  
SKOMBA

APPROVE the appointment of Michael Skomba to the position of assistant football coach at Somerville High School for the 2011-12 football season at a stipend of \$7,604.00.

29\* ANTONIO  
MAGLIONE

APPROVE the appointment of Antonio Maglione to the position of assistant football coach at Somerville High School for the 2011-2012 football season at a stipend of \$7,604.00.

30\* REGINA ROSSI

APPROVE the appointment of Regina Rossi to the position of assistant girls' soccer coach at Somerville High School for the 2011-2012 school year at a stipend of \$6240.00.

31\* JESSICA  
CANGELOSI/  
CHRISTOPHER  
MULLIGAN

APPROVE the following individuals as 2011 summer technology helpers at the hourly rate of \$35.00 per the SEA contract not to exceed 20 hours each:

Jessica Cangelosi  
Christopher Mulligan

32\* SUMMER  
MAINTENANCE/  
CUSTODIAL  
HELPERS

APPROVE the following individuals as 2011 summer maintenance/custodial helpers at a rate of \$8.25 per hour:

Brendon Davis  
Matthew Bruskin  
William Schwartz

- 33\* VOLUNTEER BAND TRUCK DRIVERS APPROVE the following individuals as volunteer band truck drivers for the 2011-2012 school year:  
Thomas Cumello  
Kevin Harbinski  
Gary Vitaliano
- 34\* NEW POSITION DISTRICT COMPUTER HELP DESK TECHNICIAN APPROVE the creation of the following new position of District Computer Help Desk Technician for the district for the 2011-2012 school year.
- 35\* JOB DESCRIPTION - DISTRICT COMPUTER HELP DESK TECHNICIAN APPROVE the following job description for the newly created position of District Computer Help Desk Technician.
- 36\* JOB DESCRIPTIONS APPROVE the revision of all job descriptions of the Somerville Public Schools to include the following statement: "Any staff member who has witnessed, or has reliable information that a student has been subjected to harassment, intimidation or bullying shall verbally report on the matter to the Principal that same day. The staff member shall put the report in writing to the Principal within two days and the Principal shall immediately initiate the school district's procedures concerning school bullying."
- 37\* NICOLE DISTEFANO APPROVE the appointment of Nicole DiStefano to the position of substitute secretary for the district for the 2011-2012 school year.
- 38\* JOY CLEVELAND/MARY ELLEN GRIFFIN APPROVE the appointment of Joy Cleveland and Mary Ellen Griffin as substitute speech therapists at the rate of \$75.00 per hour on an as needed basis for the 2011-2012 school year.
- 39\* SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS AND SUBSTITUTE NURSES APPROVE the enclosed list of substitute teachers and substitute nurses at \$90.00 per diem and substitute secretaries at \$12.00 per hour for the 2011-2012 school year.
- 41\* DANIELLE BARBARICH APPROVE the appointment of Danielle Barbarich to the position of teacher of English at Somerville High School for September 1, 2011 to October 30,

2011 at a salary of \$56,720.00. (Step 3 MA)  
(prorated)

Upon call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Adamec	YES	Lawton	YES
Chin	ABSENT	Garot	ABSENT
Cornell	YES	Olson	ABSENT
Edgar	YES	Prudente	YES
Kerestes	YES	*Looby	YES

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

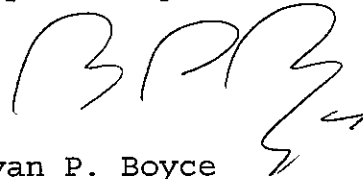
Mr. Lawton reported there is a ceremony planned acknowledging the September 11, 2001 tragedy at the monument on the courthouse lawn.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With nothing further, to be discussed, Mr. Cornell motioned to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Mr. Prudente that the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Upon call for a voice vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Bryan P. Boyce  
Board Secretary