

School Board Meeting *Highlights*

Township of Ocean Board of Education • 163 Monmouth Road • Oakhurst, New Jersey 07755

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February 21, 2006

At the Public Meeting on Tuesday, January 17, 2006, the Township of Ocean Board of Education took the following action:

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Congratulations to the following students in Mrs. Kowaliwskyj's 10th Grade Honors Biology class who were selected to receive a grant award from the Young Science Achievers Program:

REBECCA LEE – The Study of the Effects of Iron Infused Water on the Strength of Byssal Threads of the Common Blue Mussel

KARI LEIBOWITZ – The Effects of Aloe Vera Properties on Various Fruits and Vegetables

AMELIA STEELMAN – The Effect of Redworms

CHRISTINA BONIHA – The Effects of Addition of Antioxidants to Chlorinated Tap Water in Phaseolus lunatus

While the competition for grant awards was very intense, the Board of Directors felt these proposals have the potential for being successful science projects. A mentor from either Lucent-Bell Labs or AT&T will help these students get started on their projects.

Congratulations to **JENNIFER SHINN**, an 11th grade student in Mrs. Kowaliwskyj's Honors Biology class, for being selected to present her research project at the 44th Monmouth Junior Science Symposium at Fort Monmouth in March. **JENNIFER'S** project, "The Effects of Capsaicin Found in Pepper Seeds as an Insecticide/Repellent in Geraniums" is one of only six selected out of sixty proposals.

In November, 23 Ocean Township High School students auditioned for the Monmouth County Arts High School at Sandy Hook. Fifteen students were selected and four were chosen as alternates. Of the total acceptances, eleven will be attending the program every Monday from 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. from January-May. The students are:

SHANNON COCALIS
PATRICK FENIELLO
FREDERICK KNITTEL
SABINA PARIGIAN
LISA PARKER
NAOMI PARNES
RACHAEL STINE
DANIEL TRAVERSO
ELLPETHA TSIVICOS
JONATHAN ZACSH
DANIELLE ZARCARO

MULTI-GENRE WRITING
JAZZ IMPROV
JAZZ IMPROV
MODERN DANCE
VOCAL MUSIC-BROADWAY
MULTI-GENRE WRITING
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MODERN DANCE
VISUAL ARTS
JAZZ IMPROV

Congratulations to **JOSELYN SLOAN** who advanced to finalist standing in the National Merit Scholarship Program competition.

Congratulations to **DARLENE BIASI**, 5TH grade teacher, who has received a fellowship from the Alfred Lerner Jewish Foundation for the Righteous to attend the Summer Institute for Teachers at Columbia University. She will be one of 35 participants who have been selected worldwide. The Summer Institute is an intensive academic seminar in which participants hear from Holocaust survivors. Participants meet in small groups to discuss pedagogy and to share teaching concepts related to the subject of the lectures.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Finance – Mr. John Oltarzewski

- All bills on the regular Bill List for January/February and payroll were approved for payment.
- The Board certified and accepted the monthly financial reports.
- Appropriation Transfers in the 2005-06 General Fund 10 were approved.
- The Fire Drill Report for the month ending January 31, 2006 was approved.
- Use of Facilities were approved
- The 2003-04 No Child Left Behind Audit was approved
- The Camp David Lease was approved and will operate during the summer of 2006 at the Township of Ocean Intermediate School
- The Jewish Community Center lease was approved and will operate during the summer of 2006 at the Ocean Township Elementary School
- The Jewish Community Center Bus Rental Agreement was approved for the Summer camp session
- Sovereign Bank was approved as an official depository for school district funds for the 2005-06 fiscal year

2. Instruction & Education Committee – Mr. James R. Wagner

- The following overnight trip requests were approved:

Group:	Forensics
No. of Students	15
Destination:	Ridge High School, Basking Ridge, NJ
Dates:	March 10-11, 2006
Destination:	Randolph High School, Randolph, NJ
Dates:	March 24-25, 2006
Purpose:	State Championship (Ridge HS) District Championship (Randolph HS)
Transportation:	School Bus
Cost Per Pupil:	Tournament fees and room – Forensics Funds Students pay for food
Chaperones:	S. Malta and L. Wagner

- Alexis Smock, a Brookdale Community College student, was approved to observe Mrs. Murphy's Kindergarten class at Ocean Township Elementary School, during the month of January 2006.
- The Ocean Township Family & Community Leaders of America Scholarship was approved
- John A. Desimini, Athletic Trainer, was approved to do his internship for a Master's of Arts in Education Administration, with Mrs. Davidow, Mr. Todd, Mr. West, and Mr. Conti, starting in January, 2006. This will not interfere with his contractual duties.
- The following cancellations-out of district private tuitions were approved:

<u>School</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Collier H.S.	2	ESERS	February 1, 2006
Oakwood School	1	ESERS	February 1, 2006
Coastal Learning South	1	ESERS	February 6, 2006
Coastal North	1	ESERS	February 17, 2006

- The following cancellations-out of district public tuitions was approved:

<u>School</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Kiva H.S.	1	ESERS	December 23, 2005

- Filomena Contella, RN, a Monmouth University student, was approved for a Nurse Practicum Internship with John Nacarlo/Health Teacher, at Ocean Township Elementary School, one day per week from January 17 – May 8, 2006
- Emily Bower, a Monmouth University student, was approved for Junior Practicum placement with William Overton/Social Studies Teacher, at Ocean Township High School, Spring 2006 for 30 hours.
- The 2006-07 school calendar was approved
- Youth Art Month 2006 Proclamation was approved
- The following overnight trip requests were approved:

Group:	High School Spartan Band
No. of Students	82
Destination:	Azalea Festival Parade, Norfolk, VA
Dates:	April 28-30, 2006
Destination:	Part of Trip Package
Dates:	\$420.00 – All monies raised by students
Chaperones:	James Solda Edie Minot Sue Smith Mrs. Zane (parent) Mrs. Zacaro (parent)

Group:	DECA
No. of Students	25
Destination:	Hilton at Cherry Hill
Purpose:	DECA State Competition
Dates:	March 1 – 3, 2006
Transportation:	(1) School Bus
Chaperones:	Greg Colon Michael Lambusta Sal Spampinato Don Klein

Group:	Swim Team
No. of Students	5
Destination:	Gloucester County Institute of Technology, Sewell, NJ
Purpose:	Meet of Champions
Dates:	March 4, 2006 – March 5, 2006
Transportation:	Private Vehicles
Cost Per Pupil:	0
Chaperones:	Kelly Umbach

- Laura Miles, a Monmouth University graduate student, was approved to observe Mrs. Keane's class for 1 day at the Wanamassa Elementary School
- Approval was given for Alison Albee, a Monmouth University graduate student, to observe at the Wayside Elementary School, for a total of 10 hours.
- The following out of district private tuitions were approved:

<u>School</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Woodcliff Academy	1	ESERS	February 15, 2006
The Educational Academy	1	ESERS	February 21, 2006

3. Negotiations Committee - Mr. John Oltarzewski

- Approval was given for the Memorandum of Agreement between the Township of Ocean Board of Education and the Township of Ocean Administrators' Association for 2005-2006 and 2006-2007

4. Personnel Committee - Mr. Raymond J. Menell

- Approval was given for the issuance of contracts to the following:

Nicole Trego	Basic Skills	Effective: February 1, 2006
	Wayside School	
Christopher Amato	Special Education	Effective: February 1, 2006
	Intermediate School	
Ann Marie Condon	Instructional Assistant	Effective: March 1, 2006
	Intermediate School	

- Approval was given for the issuance of revised contracts to the following:

Janet Forino	Secretary Level 1	Effective: March 1, 2006
	Wanamassa School	
Jane Fries	Instructional Assistant	Effective: March 1, 2006
	Wayside	
Rose Savino	Instructional Assistant	Effective: February 10, 2006
	Transportation Department	
Richard Connard	Custodian	Effective: March 1, 2006
	High School	

- Administrator's salaries for 2005-2006 were approved
- A 5-year contract for Thomas M. Pagano, Superintendent of Schools, from July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2011, was approved.
- Dr. Donna K. Doi was approved as a volunteer tutor in mathematics at Ocean Township High School
- Susan Fisher and Heather McCreight, School Psychologists, were approved to complete psychological exams on new district personnel
- The following volunteer coaches were approved:

Nan O'Connor	Girls Freshman Basketball Team
Susan Palmer	Softball Team

- Mark Cook was approved as Vocal Director-Spring Musical, for the 2005-2006 season
- 2006 Spring Coaches were approved
- Deborah Carascia was approved as a Substitute Instructional Assistant
- The following job descriptions were approved:

Secretary I
Secretary II
Secretary III
Head Financial Bookkeeper

- The following substitute custodians were approved:

Joseph Buscemi
Barry Bloodgood
Elaine Davidson

- The following salaries were approved for the 2005-2006 school year:

John Lysko	Asst. Superintendent Curriculum & Instruction
Joseph Petillo	Asst. Superintendent Special Services
Kenneth Jannarone	School Business Administrator

- The following retirements effective July 1, 2006, were approved:

Jane Grabelle	6 th Grade Teacher
William Rogers	Guidance Counselor

- A Family Leave of Absence for Ira Werksman, Bus Driver, from February 14, 2006 – March 31, 2006, was approved
- Substitute teachers were approved

The next regular meeting of the Township of Ocean
Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2006
at 8:00 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Administration Building.