

The Board of Education of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, convened in Regular Session on Monday, November 17, 2008 at 7:00 P.M in the C. W. Lewis, 875 Erial Road, Blackwood, New Jersey.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Notices of this meeting were forwarded to the Record Breeze, Inquirer, Courier-Post, Clerk of the Township and members of the Board of Education, and posted in the Board of Education offices at 17 Erial Road, Blenheim, New Jersey.

The following members of the Board of Education were present:

Mrs. Linda K. Gilch	Mrs. Ellen Reese
Mrs. Felicia Reid	Concetta Venuto
Andrew R. Lalli	William G. Collins

The following members of the Board of Education were absent:

Raymond J. Carr	Mrs. Honey Ceccanecchio
Barry D. Engelbert	

Others present:

Thomas D. Seddon	John D. Wade, Esq.
John Bilodeau	And Others As Listed
Dion Davis	In The Guest Book

Resolution 1109-03

Motion by Mr. Lalli, seconded by Mrs. Venuto that the minutes of the following meetings be approved:

That the minutes of the following meetings be approved:

Special Session - October 13, 2008
Regular Meeting - October 20, 2008

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Shinning Stars Program

Two students from Glen Landing Middle School and two students from each of Glen Landing's sending schools (Chews Elementary, Glendora Elementary and Loring Fleming Elementary) were honored by the Board of Education as Shining Stars for the Month of November 2008.

Principals and Assistant Principals from all of the aforementioned schools participated in the program by reading accomplishments and attributes of the selected pupils as prepared by their teachers.

The guests in attendance applauded each of the honored students.

At the conclusion of the Shining Stars program Mr. Seddon invited all in attendance to stay for the remainder for the Board Meeting.

Recognition of Guests - N/A

Report of the Solicitor - N/A

Report of the Superintendent - Mr. Seddon stated that the annual Hero's Luncheon held by the C.W. Lewis staff will be on Thursday (November 20, 2008).

The Superintendent also indicated that the New Jersey Network's Classroom Close up series will be filming C.W. Lewis' Val Daniels and his Men of Distinction program on Monday (November 24, 2008).

Finance/Business/Budget Committee

Resolution 1109-04

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that bills itemized on List of Bills to be Paid in the amount of \$10,481,445.00 be approved for payment, as presented to the Board.

The bill list is available for distribution to the public and on file in the Business Office for public review.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-05

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Investment Report for October be approved as presented and the Treasurer's Report for October be approved as presented.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-06

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Secretary's Report for the month of October be approved as presented and as certified by the Secretary of the Board that no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education pursuant to N.J.A. 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(3), the Board of Education certifies that, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0
Finance/Business/Budget Committee (Cont.)

Resolution 1109-07

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the attached Budget Transfers.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-08

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the expenditures for professional development workshops and travel, as per the attached listing.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-09

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby authorize the Board Secretary to make payments up to 10% in excess of the original amount of a purchase order upon proper documentation as required under N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.10.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-10

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board accept the Audit for the 2007-2008 school year, as prepared by Bowman & Company and presented by the Board Secretary and does direct the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator to file a copy of the Audit Summary and a copy of the minutes of this meeting with the State Department of Education and the Camden County Superintendent of Schools.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Finance/Business/Budget Committee (Cont.)Resolution 1109-11

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Department of Education requires New Jersey School Districts to submit three-year maintenance plans documenting "required" maintenance activities to each of its public school facilities, and

WHEREAS, the required maintenance activities, as listed in the attached document for the various school facilities of the Gloucester Township Public School District, are consistent with these requirements, and

WHEREAS, all past and planned activities are reasonable to keep school facilities open and safe for use or in their original condition and to keep their system warranties valid,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Gloucester Township Board of Education does hereby authorize the School Business Administrator to submit the attached Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for the Gloucester Township Public School District in compliance with NJ Department of Education requirements.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-12

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby appoint Beneficial Bank as an official depository for the Board of Education for the 2008-09 school year, and that accounts in the name of this Board of Education be maintained for deposit in said bank, to the credit of this Board of Education, any and all moneys, checks, drafts or funds coming into the possession of this Board of Education, and that said bank be and is hereby authorized to make payment from the funds on deposit with it on warrants or drafts signed by the Board Secretary and Superintendent of Schools.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-13

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Gloucester Township Board of Education in the County of Camden is undergoing evaluation under the NJ QSAC for the 2008-2009 school year, and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:30-3.2 (f) requires participating school districts to hold a public meeting to approve the submission of the district's DPR responses and the Statement of Assurance with respect to this process, and

Finance/Business/Budget Committee (Cont.)Resolution 1109-13 (Cont.)

WHEREAS, the Gloucester Township Board of Education in the County of Camden has reviewed the district's DPR responses and Statement of Assurance and hereby approves these documents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gloucester Township Board of Education does hereby authorize the Superintendent of Schools to submit the attached DPR and Statement of Assurances to the Commissioner of Education in compliance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:30-3.2 (f).

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Instruction/Special Services CommitteeResolution 1109-14

Motion by Mrs. Reid seconded by Mrs. Gilch, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the following Tuition Students for the 2008-09 school year as per the list below:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Amount</u>
C.H.	Brookfield Elementary	\$36,225
J.J.	Garfield Park Academy	\$40,995

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-15

Motion by Mrs. Reid seconded by Mrs. Gilch, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education acknowledge receipt of intent to Home Schooling of the student listed below for the 2008-2009 school year.

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Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Note: A Motion was made by Mrs. Reid seconded by Mrs. Gilch, that Resolution 1109-16 be **tabled**:

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Instruction/Special Services Committee (Cont.)Resolution 1109-17

Motion by Mrs. Reid seconded by Mrs. Gilch, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the tuition for the following homeless student, to Woodbury Board of Education.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
GM	\$10,000.00
AM	\$13,000.00

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Policy/Planning CommitteeResolution 1109-18

Motion by Mrs. Venuto seconded by Mrs. Reese, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the Assignment Plan for Nurses for the 2008-09 school year.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-19

Motion by Mrs. Venuto seconded by Mrs. Reese, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the Intervention and Referral Services (I&RS) Resource Manual as on file with the Department of Instruction.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Personnel CommitteeResolution 1109-20

Motion by Mr. Lalli seconded by Mrs. Reese, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the following Non-Instructional Appointments for the 2008-09 school year:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Date</u>
Margaret Getchel	Bus Driver	Trans.	1		12/1/08

Tonya Harrison	CNA	L.F.	\$15,960	1/1/09
Penny Kowalski	Asst. Coord.	Glendora	\$13,973.50	11/1/08
	Latchkey			

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0
Personnel Committee (Cont.)

Resolution 1109-21

Motion by Mr. Lalli seconded by Mrs. Reese, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the attached list of Substitutes and Non Contracted Employees for the 2008-09 school year.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-22

Motion by Mr. Lalli seconded by Mrs. Reese, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the following Employee Transfers/Reassignments, effective as noted.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>STEP/SALARY</u>	<u>DATE</u>
E. Monteleone (S. Ledrich)	Asst. Coord. Glendora Ltky	Asst. Coord. L.F. - Ltky	No Change	11/1/08

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-23

Motion by Mr. Lalli seconded by Mrs. Reese, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the following Employee retirements, effective as noted.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Mary Berardi	Teacher	2/1/09
Louis Morford	Teacher	1/1/09
Marie Sahn	Teacher	1/1/09
Barbara Venditti	Bus Driver	6/30/09

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-24

Motion by Mr. Lalli seconded by Mrs. Reese, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the following Employee resignations, effective as noted.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Shannon Ledrich	Asst. Site Coord. Latchkey	11/7/08

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Personnel Committee (Cont.)

Resolution 1109-25

Motion by Mr. Lalli seconded by Mrs. Reese, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the following of Extra-Curricular Appointments, effective as noted.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Renee Bishov	Cheerleading - Mullen	\$1,301.50
Elizabeth Castagna	Cheerleading - Mullen	\$1,301.50

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-26

Motion by Mr. Lalli seconded by Mrs. Reese, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the following Leaves of Absence, effective as noted.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>DATES</u>
C.C.	Social Worker	Maternity (Sick/Pers Days	3/9/09-6/30/09 3/9/09-3/19/09)
T.D.	Teacher	Maternity (Sick/Pers Days	12/8/08-3/23/09 12/8/08-1/15/09)
*Amended Dates A.M.	Teacher	Maternity (Sick Days	3/20/09-12/31/09 3/20/09-5/19/09)
K.M.	Teacher	Medical (Sick Days	12/10/08-12/31/08 12/10/08-12/23/08)
J.T.	Bus Driver	Medical	10/16/08-10/27/08
*Extension			Without Pay
P.W.	Teacher	FMLA	11/13/08-11/21/08 Without Pay

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-27

Motion by Mr. Lalli seconded by Mrs. Reese, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the following termination, effective as noted.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Reason</u>
J.O.	Custodian-2	10/24/08	Attendance

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Personnel Committee (Cont.)Resolution 1109-28

Motion by Mr. Lalli seconded by Mrs. Reese, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby recognize the Gloucester Township Central Administrative Support Group (GTCASG) as a Collective Bargaining Unit.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Old Business - N/ANew BusinessResolution 1109-29

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby recognize the request that Occupational Therapists and Physical Therapists as members of the Gloucester Township Education Association (GTEA). The effective date of this change is ...

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Resolution 1109-30

Motion by Mrs. Venuto seconded by Mr. Lalli, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the Second Reading on the following policy:

Contributions to Board Members and Contract Awards - 6362

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

New Business (Cont.)Resolution 1109-31

Motion by Mrs. Gilch seconded by Mrs. Venuto, that the following Resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Department of Education is investigating the consolidation of all school districts with K-6, K-8, 9-12 configurations into K-12 school districts, and
 WHEREAS, the Executive County Superintendent for the County of Camden has been charged with submitting recommendations for consolidation plans to the Commissioner of Education by the Spring of 2010 and
 WHEREAS, the Executive County Superintendent has urged the school districts in the County of Camden to begin discussions on the consolidation issue and,
 WHEREAS, the communities of Gloucester Township, Bellmawr, and Runnemede have an existing sending relationships with the Black Horse Pike Regional School District and
 WHEREAS, the Superintendents, Board of Education Presidents and Mayors of the three communities have held several meetings to discuss school consolidation issues, and
 WHEREAS, the consensus of these meetings is to conduct an independent feasibility study to determine the advantages and disadvantages of consolidation plans for these school districts,
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Boards of Education of Gloucester Township, Bellmawr, Runnemede and Black Horse Pike Regional do hereby authorize the securing of a contract with Educational Improvement Resource Center (EIRC) of Sewell, New Jersey to conduct said feasibility study, in an amount not to exceed \$31,000 and
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each Board of Education shall be responsible a prorated share of the contract, based upon the district's enrollment at rate of \$2.20 per student and not to exceed the following: Gloucester Township \$16,700, Black Horse Pike Regional \$9,600, Bellmawr \$2,750 and Runnemede \$1,900 and
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution will be valid upon adoption by the other entities involved and the execution of an appropriate inter-local agreement.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 5 Nays 1 (Reese)

Resolution 1109-32

Motion by Mrs. Reese seconded by Mrs. Gilch, that the following Resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the revised expenditures for professional development workshops and travel, as per the attached listing.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Board Member Comments - Mrs. Gilch complimented the Americanism Program which was held on November 14, 2008 at Gloucester Township School.

Mrs. Reid commended the Department of Instruction for its' efforts in regard to the Special Education Parent Advisory Committee. Mrs. Reid indicated a great deal of progress has been made by the committee.

Comments from the Public - Nancy D'Aquanno (Erial) indicated she was not in favor of class trips to water parks since supervision may be an issue. In addition Mrs. D'Aquanno inquired as to the availability of side dish offerings during the later lunch periods. (Mr. Bilodeau stated he would research and follow up with Mrs. D'Aquanno). Finally Mrs. D'Aquanno stated that she was not satisfied with the number of school days off during November and would like the Board to add more teaching days in future school calendars.

A motion was made by Mr. Lalli, to conclude the Special Session, seconded by Mrs. Venuto.

Roll Call Vote Ayes 6 Nays 0

Carried.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:55 P.M.



John Bilodeau
Secretary to the Board