

TO ALL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS:

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Union will be held on Tuesday, June 19, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at Union High School, Union, New Jersey 07083.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Union was held at Union High School on Tuesday, June 19, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. pursuant to notice sent to each member.

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL: Mrs. Linda Gaglione, Mr. Steven Helmstetter, Mr. Anthony Manochio , Mrs. Versie McNeil, Mr. Francis Perkins, Mr. Steve Ruhl, and Mrs. Judy Salazar

ABSENT AT ROLL CALL: Mr. Gary Abraham, President and Mr. Manuel Figueiredo

Mrs. McNeil led the board members and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The secretary read the statement required under the "Open Public Meeting Act", a copy of which is on file in the office of the secretary.

Mrs. Gaglione stated that Mr. Figueiredo and Mr. Abraham were not present tonight as they were attending the awards ceremony at Burnet Middle School as their children were receiving awards. She said that tonight the Township of Union Board of Education was planning its Annual Reception honoring the retirees and staff members with 25 years service, 50 years service and all volunteers.

Dr. Jakubowski congratulated all those being honored this evening. He said that every year the district did honor its 25 years of service employees, retirees and the volunteers. Dr. Jakubowski said that the volunteers were a very big part of what is done in the district and it would be impossible for the district to run without the assistance of the people who volunteer their time.

Dr. Jakubowski gave a "Certificate of Appreciation" to the following volunteers: Tom Leddy - 41.5 hours; Anna Checko - 56 hours; Laura Finnerty - 53.25 hours; Pricilla Menendez - 73 hours; Patricia Cohn - 115 hours; Fernanda Manochio - 149.25 hours; Karen Scanlon - 123.5 hours; Stella Cruz - 197 hours; Leslie Laurino - 285 hours; Ruth Levitz - 668 hours;

Loretta Lee Matthews – 764 hours; Cathy Dombrowski – 1,047.25 hours; Pat Frey – 1,809 hours; and Eddy Leddy 1,845.5 hours. Dr. Jakubowski stated that it is very important what these volunteers do for the district and he thanked them for all of their hard work. He thanked Wendy Ferrara for all of her hard work in organizing the 50 year graduate reception and organizing the volunteer program. Dr. Jakubowski said that Ms. Ferrara was an integral part of the district and he wanted to personally thank her.

Dr. Jakubowski said that each year the district honors all of its staff that have 25 years of service: Irene Riolo, math teacher at Union High School; Marlene DeBaer, teacher at Livingston School; Cheryl Erman, teacher at Connecticut Farms; Wendy Greenspan, teacher at Franklin School; Helen Mollack, school nurse at Hannah Caldwell School; Cindy Stollar, teacher at Connecticut Farms School; Cathy Kuzan, teacher at Washington School; Ramona Russell, teacher at Central 5/Jefferson School; Cathy Sharp, classroom assistant at Battle Hill School; and Lynn Swatland, teacher at Franklin School.

Dr. Jakubowski said that it was rare when an employer can honor someone who has worked in one place for fifty years. He said that Jim Jesky was an individual who was a gentleman at all times. Dr. Jakubowski said that he knew Mr. Jesky very well and he was very happy to honor Mr. Jesky with this award for 50 years service.

Dr. Jakubowski honored the individuals from the district who were retiring: Sandy Caliguire – 34 years of service; Michael Cohan – 29 years of service; Elaine Lombardino – 39 years of service; Martin Poltrock – 34 years of service; Lynn Swatland – 25 years of service; and Maureen Vandebrande – 26 years of service.

Mrs. Gaglione congratulated all the individuals who were honored tonight. She thanked all the volunteers for their work. Mrs. Gaglione thought it was very important for a district to have teachers who were dedicated and serve the district for many years. She thanked all the staff honored on behalf of the board of education for doing such a good job all of the time.

THE BOARD TOOK A FIVE MINUTE BREAK.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Mr. Helmstetter, seconded by Mrs. McNeil that the minutes of the worksession of May 8, 2007 be adopted:

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Manochio, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Ruhl and Mrs. Salazar
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: Mrs. Gaglione

MOTION WAS CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Helmstetter, seconded by Mrs. McNeil that the minutes of the executive session of May 8, 2007 be adopted:

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mr. Manochio, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Ruhl and Mrs. Salazar
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: Mrs. Gaglione

MOTION WAS CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Helmstetter, seconded by Mrs. McNeil that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 15, 2007 be adopted:

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Ruhl, Mrs.
Salazar and Mrs. Gaglione
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: Mrs. Manochio

MOTION WAS CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

LETTER OF RESIGNATION – CASTIGLIONE

Debbie Castiglione, part time bus assistant, submitted a letter of resignation, effective May 9, 2007.

REQUEST FOR EXTENDED UNPAID CHILD REARING LEAVE – VOELKSEN

Pamela Voelksen, science teacher at Kawameeh Middle School, submitted a letter dated May 8, 2007, requesting extended unpaid child rearing leave for the 2007-2008 school year.

REQUEST FOR MATERNITY AND EXTENDED FAMILY LEAVE – WHITEMAN-LAND

Michaela Whiteman-Land, school psychologist at Burnet Middle School, submitted a letter dated May 8, 2007, requesting maternity and extended family leave for the period November 1, 2007 to March 2, 2008.

COMMUNICATIONS:

REQUEST FOR UNPAID MEDICAL LEAVE – INGRASSIA

Mary Ingrassia, classroom assistant at Connecticut Farms School, submitted a letter dated May 15, 2007, requesting unpaid medical leave for the period May 5, 2007 to the end of the 2006-2007 school year.

REQUEST FOR UNPAID CHILD REARING LEAVE – MORENO-GOLD

Karen Moreno-Gold, music teacher at Union High School, submitted a letter dated May 16, 2007, requesting unpaid child rearing leave for the 2007-2008 school year.

REQUEST FOR MATERNITY AND EXTENDED FAMILY LEAVE – CHIMENTI

Jodi Chimenti, teacher at Franklin School, submitted a letter dated May 21, 2007, requesting maternity and extended family leave for the period September 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

REQUEST FOR MATERNITY AND EXTENDED FAMILY LEAVE – BEUTE

Jennifer Beute, Educational Clerk at Union High School, submitted a letter dated May 18, 2007, requesting maternity and extended family leave for the period September 1, 2007 through November 30, 2007.

LETTER OF RESIGNATION (RETIREMENT) – TAMAGNINI

Leonard J. Tamagnini, Social Studies teacher at Burnet Middle School, submitted a letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement, effective July 1, 2007.

REQUEST FOR MATERNITY AND CHILD REARING LEAVE – BIRSTLER

Christina Birstler, teacher at Battle Hill School, submitted a letter dated May 24, 2007, requesting maternity and child rearing leave for the period June 4, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

LETTER OF RESIGNATION – GARRAN

Darlene Garran, districtwide school psychologist, submitted a letter of resignation, effective July 1, 2007.

LETTER OF RESIGNATION – SANSEVERE

Travis Sansevere, Foods teacher at Union High School, submitted a letter of resignation, effective July 1, 2007.

LETTER OF RESIGNATION – CONWELL

Ruth Conwell, part time bus driver, submitted a letter of resignation effective June 6, 2007.

COMMUNICATIONS:

LETTER OF RESIGNATION – SCHLUMPF

Elissa Schlumpf, German Teacher at Burnet Middle School, submitted a letter of resignation, effective July 1, 2007.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Jakubowski gave his Superintendent's Report a copy of which is appended to these minutes.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON RESOLUTIONS ON THE AGENDA

Ms. Ciampi asked if the district has ever had a bus of the type referred to in resolution O-10. Ms. Dunn said that the district definitely had this type of vehicle. Ms. Ciampi asked if resolutions O-13 and O-14 could be explained. Ms. Dunn said that originally the board had thought that it wanted to entertain a lease-purchase for computer equipment that was needed in the district and RFP's were requested from financial institutions for funding. She said subsequently it was determined that extraordinary aid could be used for this purpose. Ms. Dunn said that resolutions O-13 and O-14 accept and reject the RFP's received.

EDUCATION/STUDENT DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

Moved by Mrs. McNeil, seconded by Mrs. Salazar that the following resolution be adopted:

E-1. AMEND LIST OF STUDENTS REMOVED FROM THE ROLLS

That approval be given to amend the list of students removed from the rolls [two (2) students exited during the period May 1, 2006 through May 31, 2006; a total of 68 students have been removed from the rolls for the 2006-2007 school year] who are not domiciled in this school district and ten (10) students who will be allowed to complete the 2006-2007 school year in accordance with the information appended to the non-public portion of these minutes.

E-2. APPROVE TUITION AGREEMENT CONTRACT – UNION COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

That the board approve Tuition Agreement Contract with Union County Vocational Technical Schools in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

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E-3. CONTRACT WITH UNION COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER NONPUBLIC SCHOOL INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT-B INITIATIVE (IDEA-B)

That the board contract with the Union County Educational Services Commission to administer the district's Nonpublic School Individuals with Disabilities Education Act-B Initiative (IDEA-B) funds, both preschool and basic, pursuant to the requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Grant Application on behalf of the Board, effective September 1, 2007 until August 31, 2008. The Board agrees to pay the Commission the full amount of the Nonpublic School IDEA-B grant funding in support of the Nonpublic School Individuals with Disabilities Education Act-B Initiative (IDEA-B) which shall include the five percent (5%) administrative cost, by September 30, 2007 or by the date that the IDEA-B Aid is received. It is understood that the Commission will provide services for all of the eligible Nonpublic schools identified by the district's grant application and in accordance with the information in the hands of each board member.

E-4. RENEWAL OF STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE – BOLLINGER INSURANCE COMPANY

That the board approve renewal of Student Accident Insurance for the 2007-2008 school year with Bollinger Insurance, 101 JFK Parkway, Short Hills, New Jersey 07078 at an annual premium of \$34,779 in accordance with the information appended to these minutes. (There is a \$4,536.75 increase in the previous year's premium.)

E-5. APPROVE COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR – UNION COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

That the board approve Coordinated Transportation Services for 2007-2008 school year with Union County Educational Services Commission in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

E-6. APPROVE PARENT/PUPIL TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

That the board approve parent/pupil transportation contract for the 2007-2008 school year to transport a student from Lakeview School, Edison, New Jersey from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 at a rate of \$70 per day. (There is no increase in the rate from 2006-2007 school year)

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E-7. APPROVE COURSE GUIDES

That the Board approve course guides in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

E-8. APPROVE TEXTBOOKS

That the Board approve textbooks in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

E-9. AMEND 2006-2007 OUT OF DISTRICT ATYPICAL STUDENT PLACEMENT

That approval be given to amend the 2006-2007 Out-of-District Atypical Student Placement, Exit Lists and tuitions in accordance with the information appended to the non public portion of these minutes.

DISCUSSION:

None

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mr. Manochio, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Ruhl, Mrs. Salazar and Mrs. Gaglione

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION WAS CARRIED

FISCAL AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

Moved by Mr. Helmstetter, seconded by Mr. Ruhl, that the following resolutions be adopted:

F-1. ACCEPT TREASURER'S REPORT

That the Treasurer's Report dated May 31, 2007 be accepted.

F-2. ACCEPT SECRETARY'S REPORT

That the Secretary's Report dated May 31, 2007 be accepted.

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F-3. CERTIFY TREASURER'S AND SECRETARY'S REPORTS

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a), I certify that as of May 31, 2007 no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and 18:22-8.1.

James J. Damato, Board Secretary

Dated

Pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.2(h)*, we certify that as of May 30, 2006 after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of *N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.2(d)3* and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. This certification is solely based on the information provided by the School Business Administrator and Board Secretary and is assumed by the board to be correct.

F-4. APPROVE LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

That the Board approve line item transfers in accordance with the copy appended to these minutes.

F-5. CONCUR WITH INVESTMENTS

That the Board concur with the investments made by the Business Administrator as follows:

Mature Date	Purchase Date	Number of Days	Amount	Invest. Held by	Home A/C Account	Interest Rate	Estimated Income
06/19/07	05/15/07	35	1,000,000	Commerce	UCNB Café	5.16%	5,016.67
06/19/07	05/15/07	35	1,100,000	Commerce	Unity SUI	5.16%	5,518.33
06/19/07	05/15/07	35	22,000,000	JP MORGAN	UCNB OP AC	5.22%	111,650.00
06/19/07	05/15/07	35	4,700,000	JP MORGAN	UCNB Jan03 Bond	5.17%	23,624.03
06/19/07	05/15/07	35	1,600,000	Commerce	UCNB Cap. Res.	5.16%	8,026.67

F-6. APPROVE ATTACHED LIST OF CONTRACTS AND/OR PURCHASES PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF *N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(21)*

That the board approve attached list of contracts and/or purchases pursuant to the requirements of *N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(21)* in accordance with the information in the hands of each board member: (a) Green Meadows Cultural Events, Inc. - \$1,035 - fourth grade trip - Hannah Caldwell Elementary School; (b) Forest Lodge - \$5,175 - eighth grade picnic - Kawameeh Middle School

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F-7. APPROVE ATTACHED LIST OF CONTRACTS AND/OR PURCHASE ORDERS PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF *N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5* and *18A:18A-10(a)*

That the board approve the attached list of contracts and/or purchase orders pursuant to the requirements of *N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5* and *18A:18A-10(a)* in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

F-8. APPROVE TUITION RATES FOR 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR

That the board approve tuition rates for the 2007-2008 school year as follows and in accordance with the information appended to these minutes:

Pre-School (non-resident)	\$	4,389.50
Pre-School Disabled (part-time)		11,862.00
Pre-School Disabled (full-time)		14,300.00
Kindergarten		8,779.00
Elementary School (Grades 1-5)		10,267.00
Middle School (Grades 6-8)		10,502.00
High School (Grades 9-12)		10,354.00
Cognitive Moderate		22,005.00
LLD (Learning/Language Disabled)		13,766.00
MD (Multiple Disabilities)		19,155.00
Autism		39,967.00

F-9. APPROVE DISTRICTWIDE TRAVEL AND RELATED EXPENSES PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF *N.J.A.C. 6A:23B* and Board Policy File Codes 4133, 4440 and 9250

That the Board approve districtwide travel and related expenses pursuant to the requirements of *N.J.A.C. 6A:23B* and Board Policy File Codes 4133, 4440 and 9250 and in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

F-10. ACCEPT GRANT FY 08 GRANT ALLOCATION – CARL D. PERKINS

That the Board accept Carl D. Perkins Grant Allocation for FY08 in the net amount of \$41,386 in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

F-11. ADOPT FORMAL RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE TO 2006-2007 GENERAL FUND

That the board adopt formal resolution to transfer \$ 228,000 to 2006-2007 General Fund from Unreserved Fund Balance in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

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F-12. APPROVE OPERATIONAL PLAN FOR USE OF TARGETED AT RISK AID (TARA)

That the board approve that the Operational Plan for the use of Targeted At Risk Aid (TARA) for low income students in the amount of \$1,035,500 be sent to the County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

DISCUSSION

None

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mr. Manochio, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Ruhl, Mrs. Salazar and Mrs. Gaglione

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION WAS CARRIED

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Moved by Mr. Ruhl, seconded by Mr. Helmstetter that the following resolutions be adopted:

O-1. REPORT RECEIPT OF BIDS

Report receipt of bids received on May 15, 2007 for Science Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; for Athletic Uniform Reconditioning for the 2007-2008 school year; for Physical Education Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; for Athletic Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; for Nursing Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; for Service/Maintenance of Buses and Other Vehicles for the 2007-2008 school year; for Gym Locker Replacement; report receipt of bids received on May 24, 2007 for Janitorial Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; for Plumbing Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; for Musical Instruments for the 2007-2008 school year; for Musical Instrument Repair for the 2007-2008 school year; for Piano Tuning/Repairs for the 2007-2008 school year; for Music Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year and for Art Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; report of bids received on May 31, 2007 for Hardware and Lumber Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; for Lock/Key Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; for One Type A 2008 School Bus with Wheelchair Lift; for musical instrument repair for the 2007-2008 school year; for piano tuning/repairs for the 2007-2008 school year and report of bids received on June 7, 2007 for Electrical Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; Vocational Education Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; Family and Consumer Science Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; Technical Occupations Supplies for the 2007-2008 school year; four (4) 2008 Type D School Buses and one (1) Type A 2008 sixteen (16) passenger bus.

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O-2. AWARD SUPPLY BIDS FOR 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR

That the board award supply bids for the 2007-2008 school year as follows: Service/Maintenance of Buses and Other Vehicles – Port Truck Repair, Inc., 141 Seventh Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey in an amount not to exceed \$120,000 for labor; \$24,000 for towing and a ten percent (10%) discount on parts in a total bid amount not to exceed \$144,000; Janitorial Supplies: Central Poly - \$618.80; Eagle - \$4,171.90; Gartland - \$435.75; Madsen & Howell - \$19,388.89; Scoles - \$177,514.34; and Unipak - \$14,409.00 TOTAL BID - \$216,537.88; Plumbing Supplies: Grant Supply - \$20,483.42; Madsen & Howell - \$3,526.47; Westside Plumbing - \$16,105.86 TOTAL BID- \$40,115.75; Hardware/Lumber Supplies: Bayway Lumber-\$7,882.94; Jaeger Lumber - \$1,863.93 TOTAL BID - \$ 9,746.87; Locks and Keys: Maffey's - \$ 371.28; Bayway Lumber - \$ 4,310.00 TOTAL BID-\$4,681.28; Science Supplies: Carolina Biological - \$1,964.92; Flinn Scientific - \$3,548.13; Sargent-Welch - \$6,635.43; Science Kit & Boreal - \$2,342.15; Ward's - \$1,773.84 TOTAL BID - \$ 16,264.47; Physical Education Supplies: Efingers - \$5,275.91; Passons - \$8,323.87 TOTAL BID - \$13,599.78; Nurses' Supplies: Efingers-\$ 7,065.00; Henry Schein-\$10,967.10; PSS - \$3,586.45 TOTAL BID - 21,618.55; Athletic Supplies – Efingers - \$127,132.65; Passons - \$4,842.74; PSS - \$1,123.52; TOTAL BID-\$133,098.91; Athletic Equipment Reconditioning: Circle System - not to exceed \$45,000.00; Musical Instrument Repairs: K&S Music – not to exceed \$12,000; Frank PLO – not to exceed \$7,175.00; Piano Tuning/Repairs: Glenn Paulsen – not to exceed \$16,000; Art Supplies: Valley Litho Supply - \$2,958.38; Unique Photo - \$5,462.31 TOTAL BID - \$8,420.69; Purchase of Musical Instruments: NEMC - \$1,450.00; K&S Music - \$9,724.00 TOTAL BID - \$ 11,174.00; Electrical Bid: Cooper Electric - \$ 9,846.26; Jewel Electric - \$6,648.14; Turtle & Hughes - \$4,656.94 TOTAL BID - \$ 21,151.30.

O-3. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR PROPOSED REPAVING OF UNION HIGH SCHOOL ROCK ENTRANCE, BATTLE HILL ELEMENTARY PATHS AND ADMINISTRATION APRON – POTTER ARCHITECTS

That the board accept proposal (No. P2007088) from Potter Architects, 410 Colonial Avenue, Union, New Jersey for architectural services in connection with proposed repaving of Union High School Rock entrance, Battle Hill Elementary Paths and Administration Apron in an amount not to exceed \$26,800 in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

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O-4. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR PROPOSED LINTEL REPLACEMENTS AT BURNET MIDDLE SCHOOL – POTTER ARCHITECTS

That the board accept proposal (No. P2007090) from Potter Architects, 410 Colonial Avenue, Union, New Jersey for architectural services in connection with proposed Lintel Replacements at Burnet Middle School in an amount not to exceed \$7,800 in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

O-5. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH BLEACHER RENOVATIONS FOR COOKE MEMORIAL FIELD AT UNION HIGH SCHOOL – POTTER ARCHITECTS

That the board accept proposal (No P2007092) from Potter Architects, 410 Colonial Avenue, Union, New Jersey for architectural services in connection with Bleacher Renovations for Cooke Memorial Field at Union High School in an amount not to exceed \$17,700 in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

O-6. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH CONSTRUCTION OF NEW COMPACTOR PAD AT HANNAH CALDWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – POTTER ARCHITECTS

That the board accept proposal (No. P2007093) from Potter Architects, 410 Colonial Avenue, Union, New Jersey for architectural services in connection with the construction of a new Compactor Pad at Hannah Caldwell Elementary School in an amount not to exceed \$3,800 in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

O-7. AWARD BID FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOCKERS IN BOTH BOYS' LOCKER ROOMS AT UNION HIGH SCHOOL – NICKERSON CORPORATION

That the board award bid for replacement of lockers in the both boys' locker rooms at Union High School to Nickerson Corporation, 745 Poole Avenue, Suite 18, Hazlet, New Jersey in the total bid amount of \$80,275.

O-8. APPROVE DISCARD OF TEXTBOOKS

That the board approve discard of textbooks in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

O-9. APPROVE ADVERTISEMENT FOR DISPOSAL OF EQUIPMENT

That the board approve advertisement for disposal of the following equipment (a) One (1) IBM Actionwriter 1 Typewriter; (b) One (1) Impression3Plus Computer Monitor; (c) ACER 6311 Computer Keyboard; and (d) Besta CPU from the Business Office at the Administration Building, which is no longer functional and deemed unserviceable for school use in accordance with information appended to these minutes. If equipment is not sold, it will be disposed of as scrap.

O-10. AWARD BID FOR ONE (1) TYPE A 2008 SCHOOL BUS WITH WHEELCHAIR LIFT – AMERICAN BUS AND COACH, LLC

That the board award bid for one (1) type A 2008 School Bus with Wheelchair Lift to American Bus and Coach, LLC., 2595 East State Street, Trenton, NJ for the total bid amount of \$64,495.

O-11. AWARD BID FOR ONE (1) TYPE A 2008 SIXTEEN-PASSENGER SCHOOL BUS – WOLFINGTON BODY CO., INC.

That the board award bid for one (1) type A 2008 sixteen (16) passenger bus to Wolfington Body Co., Inc., 1315 Route 38, Mount Holly, NJ for the total bid amount of \$49,300.

O-12. AWARD BID FOR FOUR (4) 2008 TYPE D SCHOOL BUSES – AMERICAN BUS AND COACH, LLC

The committee recommends and I so move that the board award bid for four (4) 2008 Type D School Buses to American Bus and Coach, LLC, 2595 East State Street, Trenton, NJ for the total bid amount of \$347,536.

O-13. REPORT RECEIPT OF PROPOSALS FOR FINANCING OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

Report receipt of proposals for financing of computer equipment in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

O-14. REJECT ALL PROPOSALS FOR FINANCING OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

That the board reject all proposals for financing of computer equipment as this project is being funded as a direct purchase.

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O-15. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM FOR THE DISTRICT – POTTER ARCHITECTS

That the board accept proposal for services in connection with a new telephone system for the district from Potter Architects, 410 Colonial Avenue, Union, NJ in a lump sum fee of \$17,850 in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

O-16. APPROVE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR PHOTOCOPY MACHINES – IKON

That the board approve lease agreement for photocopy machines from IKON in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

DISCUSSION:

Mrs. Salazar asked that the paperwork for the items being disposed be completed in case questions arise at a later date about the disposal of these items. Ms. Dunn stated that these items are presently located in the business office work room and they have not been functional for about 10 years. She said that these items are being disposed of due to space constraints. Ms. Dunn said that these items will be advertised for disposal at least two times and by the July agenda she would distribute a completed disposal sheet.

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mr. Manochio, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Ruhl, Mrs. Salazar and Mrs. Gaglione

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION WAS CARRIED

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Moved by Mr. Manochio, seconded by Mrs. McNeil that resolutions P-1 through P-12 be adopted:

P-1. APPROVE PERSONNEL ACTIONS

The Superintendent recommends, the committee concurs and I so move that the Board approve personnel actions in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

P-2. APPROVE JUNE 2006 SUBSTITUTE LIST

That the June, 2007 Substitute/Home Instruction List, substitute custodians and substitute playground/ cafeteria aides, classroom assistants and secretaries be approved in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

P-3. ACCEPT LETTERS OF RESIGNATION

That the Board accept letters of resignation from the following staff: (a) Debbie Castiglione, part time bus assistant, effective May 9, 2007; (b) Leonard J. Tamagnini, social studies teacher at Burnet Middle School, effective July 1, 2007 (retirement); (c) Darlene Garran, districtwide school psychologist, effective July 1, 2007; (d) Travis Sansevere, Foods teacher at Union High School, effective July 1, 2007; (e) Ruth Conwell, part-time bus driver, effective June 6, 2007; and (f) Elissa Schlumpf, German teacher at Burnet Middle School, effective July 1, 2007.

P-4. APPROVE EXTENDED UNPAID CHILD REARING LEAVE

That the Board approve extended unpaid child rearing leave for the following staff: (a) Pamela Voelksen, science teacher at Kawameeh Middle School, for the 2007-2008 school year; and (b) Karen Moreno-Gold, music teacher at Union High School, for the 2007-2008 school year.

P-5. APPROVE PAYMENT TO STAFF TO MONITOR UNION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

That the Board approve payment to staff to monitor Union High Graduation on June 20, 2007 at a rate of \$58.00 per person in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

P-6. REAPPOINTMENT TO RECORD AND TRANSCRIBE MINUTES OF BOARD'S WORKSESSIONS – SOKOL

That the board reappoint Rose Sokol to record and transcribe the minutes of the board's worksessions effective July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 at a rate of \$250 per meeting.

P-7. REAPPOINTMENT TO RECORD AND TRANSCRIBE MINUTES OF BOARD'S WORKSESSIONS, REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS AS ASSIGNED – DITRI

That the board reappoint Patricia Ditri to record and transcribe the minutes of the board's worksessions, regular and special meetings, as assigned, effective July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 at a rate of \$250 per meeting.

P-8. REAPPOINTMENT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL MONIES

That the board reappoint Debra Cyburt as Treasurer of School Monies for the 2007-2008 school year at an annual salary of \$3,400.

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P-9. REAPPOINTMENT OF ADA/FACILITY COORDINATOR, IPM COORDINATOR, AND AHERA DESIGNATED PERSON FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR – MAGLIACANO

That the board reappoint Anthony Magliacano as ADA/Facility Coordinator, IPM Coordinator and AHERA designated person, for the 2007-2008 school year at no cost to the District.

P-10. REAPPOINTMENT OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICER FOR 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR – DAMATO

That the board reappoint James J. Damato, as Affirmative Action Officer for awarding contracts for the 2007-2008 school year under PL1975, c. 127, at no cost to the District.

P-11. REAPPOINTMENT OF CUSTODIAN OF SCHOOL RECORDS FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR – DAMATO

That the board appoint James J. Damato, as Custodian of School Records for the 2007-2008 school year at no cost to the District.

P-12. APPROVE MATERNITY AND EXTENDED FAMILY LEAVE

That the board approve maternity and extended family leave for the following staff: (a) Michaela Whiteman-Land, school psychologist at Burnet Middle School for the period November 1, 2007 to March 2, 2008; (b) Jennifer Beute, Educational Clerk at Union High School, for the period September 1, 2007 through November 30, 2007; (c) Jodi Chimenti, teacher at Franklin School, for the period September 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007; and (d) Christina Birstler, teacher at Battle Hill School, for the period June 4, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Manochio commented that there were some individuals present who wished to comment on personnel transfers. He asked those individuals who had comment on this issue to come forward.

Felicia Hrdina-Brown a second grade teacher at Livingston School said that she was a calm and patient type of person and she did not speak out unless she really felt strongly about something. She said that Livingston

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School staff and faculty feel very strongly about their ability to hold on to Dr. Lentine as principal of Livingston School. Ms. Hrdina-Brown stated that Dr. Lentine has made great changes in the building and has begun many initiatives that they would like him to see through fruition. She said that the faculty and staff would like many of Dr. Lentine's "mapping" initiatives and many of the different things he has done at Livingston School to be completed. Ms. Hrdina-Brown said that Dr. Lentine has made a great difference in the children's lives and although she respected any decision made by the board, she wanted the board to know that the faculty and staff at Livingston greatly respects the time that they have spent with Dr. Lentine and think that two years is not enough to show what an amazing principal he is.

Sue Doyle, stated that she taught at Livingston School for 22 years and she too was present at the meeting to speak on behalf of Dr. Lentine and she said she would like to see Dr. Lentine continue as principal of Livingston School. She said that the first year a principal is in a building is a learning year; the second year is a year of change and implementation and the third year plus is when you start to receive the fruits of your labor. Ms. Doyle said that the faculty and staff of Livingston School would like to go along with that and see the positive changes and what will continue to happen at Livingston School under Dr. Lentine's leadership.

Dr. Jakubowski stated that there were other individuals in the audience were all faculty and staff members at Livingston School and not parents of students at Livingston School who have come to the meeting tonight.

Dr. Jakubowski said that an amendment was made to resolution P-1 which included the hiring of a German teacher for Union High School and it also included the hiring of Mr. Corey Lowrey to be an elementary principal to replace Mr. Poltrock, who is retiring. He stated that Mr. Lowrey will be assigned to be the principal of Franklin School. Dr. Jakubowski said that he appreciated the comments made by the staff members from Livingston School; however, he has decided that Dr. Lentine will be transferred from Livingston School to Hannah Caldwell School and Mrs. DiGiovanni will be transferred as principal of Franklin to principal of Livingston School. He said he knew how difficult it was when a principal is moved from one

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building to another; last year there were a number of individuals from Franklin School when Mr. Tsirikos was moved to Central-5. Dr. Jakubowski said that in his position he had to look out for the entire district and it was his belief that these moves are in the best interest of the entire district. He knew that Dr. Lentine would be missed at Livingston School and he has spoken to both him and Mrs. DiGiovanni and many of the programs that are in place at Livingston School will be carried out by Mrs. DiGiovanni. Dr. Jakubowski said that from a positive point of view it is not a new person going to Livingston School; it is someone who knows the district. He said that Dr. Lentine and Mrs. DiGiovanni will continue to talk. Dr. Jakubowski said that the changes are based on the hiring of Mr. Lowrey, who he thought was an outstanding selection for principal at Franklin Elementary School.

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mr. Manochio, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Ruhl, Mrs. Salazar and Mrs. Gaglione
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None MOTION WAS CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Manochio, seconded by Mrs. McNeil that resolution P-13 be adopted:

P-13. REAPPOINTMENT OF STAFF FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR

That the board reappoint principals, supervisors, directors, teachers, security monitors, classroom assistants, cafeteria/playground aids, custodians, maintainers and transportation employees, twelve-month secretaries, ten-month secretaries, confidential secretaries and central office personnel for the 2007-2008 school year in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Ruhl, Mrs.
Salazar and Mrs. Gaglione
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: Mr. Manochio MOTION WAS CARRIED

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Moved by Mr. Manochio, seconded by Mrs. McNeil that resolutions P-14 through P-40 be adopted:

P-14. APPOINT BOARD ATTORNEY – DAMATO

That the board appoint James J. Damato, as Board Attorney for the 2007-2008 school year at an annual salary of \$29,000 in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

P-15. APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF POLICE FOR PRE AND POST GRADUATION BUILDING AND GROUNDS SECURITY AND GRADUATION SECURITY

That approval be given to appoint police for pre and post graduation building and grounds security and graduation security at an hourly rate of \$22 per hour per patrolman and \$24 per hour for supervisor.

P-16. REAPPOINTMENT TO RECORD AND TRANSCRIBE MINUTES OF RESIDENCY COMMITTEE MEETINGS – HUBBARD

That the board approve Donna Hubbard to record and transcribe the minutes of Residency Committee meetings as assigned, effective July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 at a rate of \$250 per meeting.

P-17. APPROVE PAYMENT TO REVIEW MEDICAL RECORDS OF SUMMER REGISTRANTS – KRANTZ

That the board approve payment to Laurie Krantz, Livingston School nurse, to review medical records of summer registrants at a rate of \$41.64 per hour not to exceed seventy-five (75) hours from July 1st through August 31st, 2007.

P-18. APPROVE PAYMENT TO STAFF FOR TELEVISION BROADCASTING COVERAGE FOR AFTER SCHOOL HOURS DURING THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR

That the board approve payment to Karen Gainey, Christopher Capodice and Steven Geller for television broadcasting coverage for after school hours during the 2007-2008 school year at a per person rate of \$40 per hour.

P-19. APPROVEMENT PAYMENT FOR PRINTING SERVICES FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR – SCHAFFER

That that the board approve payment to John Shaffer for printing services during the 2007-2008 school year at a rate of \$30 per hour.

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P-20. APPOINT AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICER, ASSISTANT AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICER AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICER FOR CLASSROOM PRACTICES FOR 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR

That the board appoint Gregory A. Tatum, as Affirmative Action Officer; Edward Gibbons as Assistant Affirmative Action Officer and A. Judith Marcus as Affirmative Action Officer for classroom practices for the 2007-2008 school year at no cost to the District.

P-21. REAPPOINT CHIEF MEDICAL INSPECTOR - MULLICK

That the board reappoint Dr. Bharati Mullick as Chief Medical Inspector for the Township of Union Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year for an annual stipend of \$15,000.

P-22. REAPPOINT TEAM PHYSICIAN – GALLICK

That the board reappoint Dr. Gregory Gallick as team physician for the Township of Union Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year for an annual stipend of \$3,500.

P-23. REAPPOINT MEDICAL INSPECTOR – EISENSTAT

That the board reappoint Dr. Steven Eisenstat as medical inspector for the Township of Union Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year for an annual stipend of \$1,300.

P-24. REAPPOINT MEDICAL INSPECTOR – CALAMARI

That the board reappoint Dr. Dawn E. Calamari, medical inspector for the Township of Union Public Schools for the 2007-2008 school year for an annual stipend of \$1,300.

P-25. APPROVE UNPAID MEDICAL LEAVE – INGRASSIA

That the board approve unpaid medical leave for Mary Ingrassia, classroom assistant at Connecticut Farms School, for the period May 5, 2007 to the end of the 2006-2007 school year.

P-26. APPROVE SUBSTITUTE/HOME INSTRUCTION LIST AND SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIANS FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR

That the 2007-2008 school year Substitute/Home Instruction List, and substitute custodians be approved in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

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P-27. APPROVE SUBMISSION OF WAIVER APPLICATION

That the board approve the submission of Waiver Application to the New Jersey Department of Education to permit substitutes credentialing before notification of criminal history review is received in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

P-28. APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR – UNION COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

That the board approve 2007-2008 Agreement for Professional Services with Union County Educational Services Commission in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

P-29. APPROVE PAYMENT TO SAT/PSAT TESTING COORDINATOR – WILEZOL

That the board approve payment to Ellen Wilezol as SAT/PSAT Testing Coordinator at a rate of \$30 per hour not to exceed fifty (50) hours or \$1500 for the 2007-2008 school year.

P-30. APPROVE PAYMENT TO SUMMER 2007 GUIDANCE COUNSELOR – WILEZOL

That the board approve payment to Ellen Wilezol a Summer Guidance Counselor stipend of \$3,312 for summer 2007.

P-31. APPROVE PAYMENT TO CURRICULUM WRITING TEAMS

That the board approve payment to curriculum writing teams at a per person compensation rate of \$20 per hour not to exceed fifteen (15) hours for all teams, except the technology team who will be compensated at a per person compensation rate of \$20 per hour not to exceed forty (40) hours in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

P-32. APPROVE PAYMENT FOR MENTOR TRAINING SESSION – MANGARELLA

That the board approve payment to Sandra Mangarella for presenting a two (2) hour mentor training session on May 29th, 2007 at a rate of \$40 per hour not to exceed \$80.

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P-33. APPROVE PAYMENT FOR UPDATING AND MAINTAINING COMPUTERS AND PREPARATION OF NEWLETTER AT UNION HIGH SCHOOL – JONES

That the board approve payment to David Jones for updating and maintaining the computers and preparation of newsletter in Union High School Digital Computer Lab, Room D232, during Summer 2007 at a rate of \$20 per hour not to exceed 50 hours or \$1000.

P-34. APPROVE PAYMENT TO STAFF FOR PRE/POST GRADUATION SECURITY

That the board approve payment to the following staff for pre/post graduation security in the amount of \$22.00 per hour: (a) Greg Solla – not to exceed 19 hours or \$418.00; (b) Tony Stewart – not to exceed 24 hours or \$528.00 (c) Carmen Marano – not to exceed 19 hours or \$418.00; (d) Dee Stewart-not to exceed 16 hours or \$352.00; (e) Joe Florio – not to exceed 16 hours or \$352.00 and (f) Johnny Desrosiers – not to exceed 18 hours or \$396.00.

P-35. APPROVE INCREASE OF PURCHASE ORDER #07-04458 – ST. BARNABAS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM PEDIATRIC SPECIALTY CENTER

That the board approve an increase of PO# 07-04458 to St. Barnabas Health Care System Pediatric Specialty Center from \$450 to \$600 to cover a neurological evaluation performed on a student on May 29th, 2007 in accordance with the information in the hands of each board member.

P-36. APPROVE ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM FOR SUMMER 2007

That the board approve additions or changes to the extended school year program for individuals to perform required services and/or attend determination/eligibility IEP meetings from July 2, 2007 through August 31, 2007 for a combined total of the summer program including extended school year, not to exceed \$122,600 in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

P-37. APPROVE CERTIFIED THERAPISTS AND EVALUATORS TO SERVICE DISTRICT STUDENTS FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR

That the board approve certified therapists and evaluators to service district students, as recommended by the IEP teams, for the school year July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

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P-38. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR INSURANCE BROKER SERVICES FOR EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FOR 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR – BUSINESS & GOVERNMENT INSURANCE AGENCY

That the board accept proposal for Insurance Broker Services for Employee Benefits for the 2007-2008 school year from BGIA Business & Government Insurance Agency, 900 Route 9 North, Woodbridge, NJ in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

P-39. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR INSURANCE BROKERAGE SERVICES – MARQUIS AGENCY

That the board accept proposal for Insurance Brokerage Services for the 2007-2008 school year from Marquis Agency, 900 Route 9 North, Woodbridge, NJ in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

P-40. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR AUDITING SERVICES – SUPLEE, CLOONEY & COMPANY

That the board accept proposal for auditing services for the fiscal year 2006-2007 to Suplee, Clooney & Company, 308 East Broad Street, Westfield, NJ in an amount not to exceed \$46,375 in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

AYE:	Mr. Helmstetter, Mr. Manochio, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Ruhl, Mrs. Salazar and Mrs. Gaglione
NAY:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

MOTION WAS CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Manochio, seconded by Mrs. McNeil that resolutions P-41 and P-42 be adopted:

P-41. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR LEGAL SERVICES TO HANDLE LITIGATION MATTERS – WEINER LESNIAK, LLP

That the board accept proposal for legal services to handle litigation matters assigned by the Board and general counsel for the 2007-2008 school year to Weiner Lesniak, LLP, 629 Parsippany Road, Parsippany, NJ at a rate of \$150 per hour for attorneys; \$65 per hour for paralegals in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

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P-42. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR ENVIRONMENTAL, ENGINEERING AND REGULATORY COMPLIANCE – PMK GROUP

That the board accept proposal for Environmental, Engineering and Regulatory Compliance for the 2007-2008 school year (Proposal #070516) from PMK Group, 65 Jackson Drive, Cranford, NJ fees are in accordance with the fee schedule included with the information appended to these minutes.

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mr. Manochio, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Ruhl, and Mrs. Salazar

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Mrs. Gaglione MOTION WAS CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Manochio, seconded by Mrs. McNeil that resolutions P-43 through P-47 be adopted:

P-43. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR LEGAL SERVICES – APRUZZESE, McDERMOTT, MASTRO & MURPHY, P.C.

That the board accept proposal for legal services for 2007-2008 from Apruzzese, McDermott, Mastro & Murphy, PC, P.O. Box 112, Liberty Corner, NJ at a rate of \$175 per hour in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

P-44. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR LEGAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH FINANCE/BOND MATTERS – WILENTZ, GOLDMAN & SPITZER, P.A.

That the board accept proposal for legal services in connection with finance/bond matters for 2007-2008 from Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., 900 Woodbridge Center Drive, Woodbridge, NJ fees are in accordance with the fee schedule included with the information appended to these minutes.

P-45. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR LEGAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH BOARD'S EDUCATIONAL BROADBAND SERVICE – SCHWARTZ, WOODS & MILLER, ESQS.

That the board accept proposal for legal services in connection with the board's Educational Broadband Service for the 2007-2008 school year from Schwartz, Woods & Miller, Esqs., 1233 20th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. at a rate of \$300 per hour for attorneys and \$100-\$125 per hour for paralegals or law clerks in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

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P-46. ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES – POTTER ARCHITECTS

That the board accept proposal for architectural services for the 2007-2008 school year from Potter Architects, 410 Colonial Avenue, Union, NJ fees are in accordance with the fees contained in the appended to these minutes.

P-47. APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT – CUSTODIAL, MAINTENANCE AND TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (CMTE)

That the board approve Memorandum of Agreement between the Custodial, Maintenance and Transportation Employees Association (CMTE) and the Board of Education in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mr. Manochio, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Ruhl, Mrs. Salazar and Mrs. Gaglione
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None MOTION WAS CARRIED

POLICY COMMITTEE

Moved by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Mr. Ruhl that the following resolution be adopted:

POL-1. ADOPT STUDENT PARKING POLICY

That the board adopt Student parking policy in accordance with the information appended to these minutes.

DISCUSSION:

Mrs. Gaglione said that there have been numerous discussions regarding this policy and the board has asked for comments from the public on the website and in meetings. She believed that the policy committee has created a policy that can be put into effect in September, 2007. Mr. Perkins said that was correct.

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mr. Manochio, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Ruhl, Mrs. Salazar and Mrs. Gaglione
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None MOTION WAS CARRIED

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Mr. Helmstetter, seconded by Mr. Ruhl that the Board concur with the bills listed in the permanent bound register appended to these minutes and be ordered for payment.

AYE: Mr. Helmstetter, Mr. Manochio, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Ruhl, Mrs. Salazar and Mrs. Gaglione
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None MOTION WAS CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Perkins said that he wanted to comment on one of the outstanding teachers in the district and the initiative shown to go beyond the call. He was happy to see that Ms. Nicastro, a physical education teacher at Union High School, is receiving a stipend for the Teen Fit Program. Mr. Perkins said that the board has looked at nutrition, fitness and health and it is a matter of great concern to all board members. He said that he participated in this groups' culmination meeting in which the students come out three afternoons per week after school under the guidance of Ms. Nicastro and with the help of others to take part in physical activities, nutrition discussions and the like in preparation for life in a society that is frankly, overweight. Mr. Perkins said that both he and his wife participated and it was a lot of fun to watch the students who were participating enjoy the workout and obvious caring between the teacher and students during the whole activity. He wanted to commend both Ms. Nicastro and Ms. Ionta and the board for coming forth and giving Ms. Nicastro a stipend for her work. Dr. Jakubowski said that a guidance counselor at Union High School stopped in to see him and she will be doing a program at Columbia University next year which is on nutrition and how to counsel students. He said that after the counselor completes this course, he was sure that this individual will also become a part of the Teen Fit Program. Dr. Jakubowski said that there will be a focus on helping students understand the importance of exercise and wellness. Ms. Gaglione said that she felt it was very important that parents, as well as the school staff, observe the children that are out and about. She said that if the district doesn't do something now to help students know about healthy eating and exercise habits, ten to twenty years down the road there will be a problem. Ms. Gaglione said that the more the board can do in the education system, was the most important thing. She said that students must learn to live a healthy lifestyle to take care of themselves in the future.

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Mr. Manochio stated that tomorrow was the last day of the 2006-2007 school year and he asked Dr. Jakubowski if it was a good year. Dr. Jakubowski said that it was a good year considering the challenges that the district faced this year; the high school principal retired in the middle of the school year and there is an interim principal in place in that building; a supervisor also left in the middle of the school year and there was also an interim in that position. He said he was pleased to report that both of those interims were now in place. Dr. Jakubowski said that Ms. Schultz is the new Supervisor of English and Media at Union High School. He said that Mrs. Ford would be the new Supervisor of Language Arts and Math, K-8 to replace Mrs. Lombardino. Dr. Jakubowski said that the Supervisors have worked closely together and supported each other. He said that Mr. Fortunato is missed at the high school but things have been running smoothly under the guidance of Mr. Gibbons. Dr. Jakubowski said that the district's test scores have increased in some areas and the district will be working on other areas to see what can be done to make them better. He was happy that next year's budget was passed by the community. Mr. Manochio commented that the district's press releases have been very positive this past year and covered some of the nice things that the students in the district did during the course of the year. Dr. Jakubowski said that the board's decision to get involved with a person who could assist with public relations was a very good move. He said that he had a direct line of contact with the Star Ledger and the Union Leader and they have covered more of the student activities than ever before. Dr. Jakubowski said that he felt the board should continue to reach out to the community for their support. He said that Mr. Bell and Mr. Gibbons have set up a program starting next September that will allow students from Honor Society students from Kawameeh to match up with Honor Society students at Union High School and they will be allowed to walk around the high school during a school day; he said that he would also be speaking to Mr. Salvatore to allow this program to be utilized by Burnet students as well. Dr. Jakubowski hoped that this opportunity might sway students who may be thinking of going to a high school other than Union High to change their minds. Dr. Jakubowski thanked Mrs. Gainey and her family for their work this evening. Mrs. McNeil wanted to congratulate the Class of 2007; she said that her daughter who graduated from Hampton University, a chemical engineer major, with honors was a 2003 graduate of Union High School and one of her teachers who pushed her in science, is now an administrator in one of the elementary schools. Mrs. McNeil wanted to let the community know that teachers do their best and it can be seen in the reflection of the students. Mrs. Salazar said that her son also graduated from college Magna

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Cum Laude and he was the only one out of 700 students who received the Dean's Award. She said that her daughter who was also a Union High School graduate now has two degrees in engineering. Mr. Ruhl said that he wanted the public to know that his son, who is a Senior at the high school and who attended the Senior Prom, had a phenomenal time with no incidents. He thought that Mr. Gibbons, Mr. Benequista and Mr. Shaw should be recognized for organizing the event and making it an enjoyable evening for the students. Mr. Ruhl thought that the staff at Union High School should be commended for putting together an event that went off without a hitch. He said that before the public didn't hear about the good things that the students do and he was glad to see that it was coming out now.

Dr. Jakubowski said that he and Mr. Gibbons will be interviewing individuals for the Vice Principal positions at Union High School and hopefully these individuals will be approved at the July meeting.

Mrs. Lombardi thanked ARA for the unbelievable job that they did at the Reception earlier this evening. She wanted to also thank Mrs. Seneca, who is the person who organized the entire event and also thanks to Mrs. Izzi who helped Mrs. Seneca this evening. Mrs. Lombardi said that ARA was able to transform a student cafeteria into a wonderful setting to honor the adults who have worked so hard for the district throughout the year. Dr. Jakubowski also thanked Mr. Rago for setting up the musical program at the reception.

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Mr. Donnarumma thought that the student parking policy sounded pretty good and he thought that some amendments may have to be made when some situations arise. He asked why the board did not try to get something set up with the State to recoup some money from the students who are exited from the district. Mrs. Gaglione said as chairperson of the residency committee it was very important for her that she knows the students that are coming to school in the district are the ones that deserve to come here or are mandated to come here. She said that if the committee does find that students are not residents of the district, the committee does try to recoup money if it can and there are other times when the students must be removed from the rolls. Mrs. Gaglione said that

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if the district has a chance to get tuition money from the parents/guardians of these students, the board does take advantage of that situation. She said that the residency committee works very hard to make sure that the students who attend our school system are supposed to be attending our schools. Ms. Gaglione said that there are certain times when the board's hands are tied because of state requirements. Mr. Donnarumma said that there were districts in Florida that are going to a penalty clause where if children are late too many times or if they are absent so many times a year, their parents are fined. Ms. Gaglione said that the board has discussed this issue but the most important thing is in order to educate a child they have to be in school, they have to be on time and they have to give 100% as much as teachers do. Mr. Donnarumma said that the districts who use this system have gotten some very good results. He said that the student participation was greater and absenteeism was less. Dr. Jakubowski said that when students are absent a significant amount of time, the district can take the parent to court and the court fines the parents. He said that there are several of these cases each year.

Ms. Ciampi said that she had the privilege of hearing Dr. Lentine speak about the prom and she learned a lot from him. She was wondering whether Dr. Lentine could share this information for the future. Ms. Ciampi stated that the information which Dr. Lentine distributed gave parents information about what to expect when students went down the shore after the prom. She thought that the Honor Society program was excellent and she said that for the past few years, she has been asking for a "shadow" program full time and she thought that all 8th grade students should have the opportunity to visit the high school at least for one full day. Ms. Ciampi said that she was upset that resolution O-16 was added at the last minute after public comment on resolutions on the agenda and the public cannot comment on a resolution that is not there. She hoped that this practice could be changed. Ms. Ciampi wanted to know if the students who were paying the tuition referred to in resolution F-8 were coming in from a sending district. Dr. Jakubowski said that the tuition rates listed in that resolution are the rates that the district must charge and it does not imply that the district has that many students coming in paying tuition. He said that the rates are based on the district's cost per pupil. Ms. Dunn said that the rates are determined at budget time and there is a formula that correlates the district's budget information to the student register data which is submitted as of June and the tuition rates are dependent upon the budgetary code of accounts and charges. She said that if there was a pupil

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

that chose to come to this district within one of the categories, that would be the tuition that the district would charge. Ms. Ciampi asked if the tuitions are paid by a sending district. Ms. Dunn said that the students would be from outside of our district. Ms. Ciampi said that it was her understanding that districts do not accept anyone with a disability unless they are referred by the district. Ms. Dunn said that if a family with a disabled child moved into the district the family would not be charged because they are a resident but if the family was a resident of another district and the child study team in that district recommended that the best placement for the student would be a program housed in Union, then the tuition would be paid by the sending district. She said that she has not in her history of being in the district had a student coming to Union because of "parental choice" and parental choice would be where a parent did not agree with a particular child study team placement and they chose to place their child then they would be responsible for payment of the tuition. Ms. Ciampi said that she had spoken to other districts and she was told that they would never accept a student unless they were referred by another district. Dr. Jakubowski said that some of the programs that Union presently has do have students from other districts. Ms. Dunn said that currently she has eleven pupils that are coming to Union from out of district. Ms. Ciampi said that at the worksession she had asked about the property line for Connecticut Farms and she would like clarification on where the property line ends for Connecticut Farms because she knows that the custodians do clean the sidewalks near the school. She wanted to know if the property line was to the curb or is it to the fence. Mrs. Gaglione said that Ms. Ciampi had a concern about children hanging out on the outside of the fence and Mrs. Gaglione said that the best thing for anyone to do since the district has posted "no trespassing" signs to assist the police department so that children do not hang out on school property on off hours. Mrs. Gaglione suggested that if there are children there when they should not be, that the police be notified so that they can determine whether they should be removed from the property. Dr. Jakubowski said that individuals are responsible to take care of the sidewalks in front of their house but the sidewalk is really not the property of the homeowner. Mr. Damato said that the sidewalk is a public right of way just like a street and if there is a loitering issue or a curfew issue, they should be addressed through the police department. Ms. Ciampi said her question was "where does the property line end?" Mr. Damato stated that typically the property line is between the curb and center line of the street but that does not mean the district can stop cars from driving down the street because streets and sidewalks are public rights of way and the public has the right to walk, stand or stay there as long as they want. Ms. Ciampi just wanted

clarification of this issue. Mr. Damato said that the intent of the district with the "no trespassing" signs was not allowing individuals to be inside the fence. Ms. Ciampi said that the recreation department helped build the tot lot at Connecticut Farms and therefore it is the property of the Town as well as the Board of Education. She said that the people from Union are not able to use the tot lot and have not been able to for years. Ms. Ciampi asked if the basketball hoop that was knocked would ever be replaced. Dr. Jakubowski said he did not know. He said that he has spoken to Mr. Magliacano about the tot lot to see what the board can do about refurbishing it and he would also talk to him about the basketball hoop.

Mrs. Wright asked when the Targeted At Risk Aid (TARA) Plan would be available to the public. Ms. Dunn said that a copy would be made available to Mrs. Wright since it has been approved by the Board. She asked Mrs. Wright to contact her.

Mr. Perkins said that the agenda that appeared on the web page did include the item under Operations Committee that was discussed and missing from the agenda that was distributed earlier.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business before the board, it was moved by Mr. Helmstetter, seconded by Mr. Ruhl, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

AYE:	Mr. Helmstetter, Mr. Manochio, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Ruhl, Mrs. Salazar and Mrs. Gaglione
NAY:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

MOTION WAS CARRIED

Respectfully submitted

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BOARD SECRETARY