

BERGENFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES FOR THE CAUCUS MEETING

Monday February 28, 2022

7:00 PM

Front Cafeteria of the High School

1. Meeting Called to Order by the President

2. Roll Call

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Joseph Amara	Bergenfield Board of Education	President	Present	
Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala	Bergenfield Board of Education	Vice President	Present	
Nelson Reynoso	Bergenfield Board of Education	Trustee	Remote	
Deborah Podwin	Bergenfield Board of Education	Trustee	Present	
Ovelis Munoz	Bergenfield Board of Education	Trustee	Present	

Also present: C. Tully, D. Markman, J. Khoury-Frias

Flag Salute: Waived until the Regular Meeting at 8:00 PM

Statement of the President: Waived until the Regular Meeting at 8:00 PM

"The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend meetings of this Board, except where specifically exempted by law, at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Board of Education has caused both adequate and electronic notice of this meeting to be published by having same advertised in The Record on June 30, 2021; also notice of this meeting has been mailed to the members of the Board, the Borough Clerk, all Elementary Schools, Roy W. Brown Middle School, the High School and the District Website on February 16, 2022."

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3. Verbal Comments: None

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4. Discussion of Evening Agenda

5. Discussion of Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee

B. Policy Committee

6. Verbal Comments: None

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7. Motion to go to Private Session

- 1. Tonight's personnel.
- 2. Open Litigation.
- 3. HIB.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

8. Motion to Adjourn

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

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3. Minutes

1. Motion to accept and approve the Minutes for January 2022.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER:	Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

4. Written Communication: None

5. Verbal Comments: None

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6. Report and Recommendations of Superintendent of Schools

CoVid Update by Superintendent Dr. Tully:

Governor Murphy recently announced that the universal masking mandate for schools will expire on March 7, 2022. Additionally, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced on Friday that it will no longer be recommending universal masking in schools. These announcements are the result of the recent dramatic decrease in COVID-19 cases, across both New Jersey and the country. The most recent COVID-19 Activity Level Report published by the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) indicates that the current COVID-19 activity level in Bergen County is now **LOW** (Green) for the first time since September of 2020.

We have been in contact with the Bergenfield Health Department and as a result, our district will be transitioning to a mask optional policy starting on March 7, 2022. This means that anyone who wishes to continue to wear a mask may do so. We will continue to watch our data closely, communicate with the Bergenfield Health Department, and keep you informed as we move forward.

Additionally, the NJDOH continues to provide recommendations to school districts that we will continue to follow. These recommendations include certain instances where masking will still be required. The most current NJDOH guidance can be found here:

https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/covid2019_schools.shtml

We appreciate your continued patience, partnership, and support during this pandemic over the last two years. We have proven that when we work together that we can accomplish anything. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this important matter.

A. General Recommendations

1. Motion to accept and approve the attached Personnel Recommendations.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Deborah Podwin, Trustee
SECONDER:	Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

2. Motion to accept and approve the February 1, 2022, Special Education Monthly Report as per the attached.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

3. Motion to accept and approve the following Out-of-State Field Trip:

Bergenfield High School AP Biology students to the DNA Learning Center in Cold Spring Harbor, NY on Friday, April 22, 2022. Total # of students 42 and 3 chaperones.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

4. Motion to accept and approve the 2018-2019 carryover of Title III Immigrant Funds in the total amount of \$2,709.00.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

5. Motion to accept and approve the purchase of additional Licenses for i-Ready instructional math software from Curriculum Associates for Roy W. Brown Middle School in the total amount of \$330.00, payable through Title I Funds.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

6. Motion to accept and approve the First Reading of Regulation #R8465 - Bias Crimes and Bias-Related Acts.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

7. Motion to accept and approve the First Reading of Regulation #R2622 - Student Assessment.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

8. Motion to accept and approve the First Reading of Regulation #R2460.30 - Additional/Compensatory Special Education and Related Services.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

9. Motion to accept and approve the First Reading of Regulation #R2431.4 - Prevention & Treatment of Sports -Related Concussions and Head Injuries.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

10. Motion to accept and approve the First Reading of Policy #5541 - Anti-Hazing.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

11. Motion to accept and approve the First Reading of Policy #9560 - Administration of School Surveys.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

12. Motion to accept and approve the First Reading of Policy #8465 - Bias Crimes and Bias-Related Acts.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

13. Motion to accept and approve the First Reading of Policy #2622 - Student Assessment.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

14. Motion to accept and approve the First Reading of Policy #2431.4 - Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

15. Motion to accept and approve the First Reading of Policy #2415.05 - Student Surveys, Analysis, Evaluations, Examinations, Testing, or Treatment.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

16. Motion to accept and approve the First Reading of Policy #5460 - High School Graduation.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

17. Motion to accept and approve the settlement agreement with the parents of a student whose name is annexed in the Superintendent's Office.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

18. Motion to accept and approve the continuation of student suspensions for students whose names are annexed in the Superintendent's Office.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

19. Motion to accept and approve the attached HIB Report.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

20. Motion to accept and approve the purchase of refreshments for each of the 9 sessions of the Latino Family Literacy Project offered at Bergenfield High School from February 9 through April 6, 2022 at a total amount not to exceed \$900 payable thru Title III Funds.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

21. Motion to accept and approve the following conference over \$150 payable through LEA Funds:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Conference Name</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
D. Markman	Central Office	K12 Title IX Investigator Training, Virtual, March 18, 2022.	\$300.00	11-000-240-580-08-000	FY 2021/2022 LEA Funds
J. Scaglione	Director of Building and Grounds	New Jersey School Buildings & Grounds Association Annual Conference/Expo, Harrah's Resort, Atlantic City, NJ, March 20, 21, 22 & 23, 2022.	\$300.00	11-000-240-580-08-000	FY 21/2022 LEA Funds
M. Weigl	Director of Transportation	STS 52 nd Annual Conference, Golden Nugget, Atlantic City, NJ, March 23, 24 & 25, 2022.	\$350.00	11-000-240-580-08-000	FY 21/2022 LEA Funds

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

22. Motion to accept and approve the following Conferences Over \$150 payable through ESEA Funds.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Conference Name</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
S. Dunnigan	Elementary Gifted and Talented Teacher	NAGC21 Encore, Virtual Workshops January 12, 2022 through May 31, 2022	\$629.00	20-273-200-500-15-270	Title IIA
A. Wernlund	Elementary Special Education Teacher	Understanding Dyslexia (Live Virtual Training), March 17, 2022.	\$149.00	20-273-200-500-05-270	Title IIA
S. Aguado	High School Social Studies Teacher	AP World History: Modern for New Teachers APSI, Virtual, June 27-30, 2022.	\$600.00	20-273-200-500-08-270	Title IIA
Z. Lloyd A. Gutierrez D. Rothenberg M. Lopes	Administrator ESL Teachers	2022 Spring Conference- NJTESOL/NJBE, Inc., Virtual, June 4-30 th , 2022	\$299.00 Each	20-244-200-500-15-270	Title IIIA

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

23. Motion to accept and approve the following revised estimated travel reimbursement, total not to exceed by \$25, payable through LEA Funds.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Lodging</u>	<u>Meals/IE</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Tolls/Parking</u>	<u>Total</u>
J. Scaglione	New Jersey School Buildings & Grounds Association Annual Conference/Expo, Harrah's Resort, Atlantic City, NJ, March 20, 21, 22 & 23, 2022.	\$332.01	-	\$90.27	\$40.46	\$762.74
M. Weigl	STS 52 nd Annual Conference, Golden Nugget, Atlantic City, NJ, March 23,24 & 25, 2022.	\$174.00	\$92.00	\$94.08	\$30.46	\$390.54

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

24. Motion to accept and approve the following revised estimated travel reimbursement, total not to exceed by \$25, payable through ESEA Funds.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Lodging</u>	<u>Meals/IE</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Tolls/Parking</u>	<u>Total</u>
X. Bonilla	2022 NJMEA State Conference, Sheraton Convention Center, Atlantic City, NJ, February 24, 25 & 26, 2022.	\$249.70	\$147.50	\$73.25	\$33.96	\$504.41

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

25. Motion to accept and approve the revised FY 2022 – Reimbursement of salary and benefits applied from Title I to LEA as follows:

FY 2022 - Revised reimbursement of salary and benefits applied from Title I to LEA				
<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Approximate % of salary and benefits</u>	<u>Amount</u>
H. Alonso-Utsch	Hoover	20-232-100-100-03-270 Salary	100%	\$ 13,000

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

7. Old Business: None

8. New Business

A. Motion to accept and approve the attached Tuition Contracts with Bergen County Special Services for the 2021/2022 School Year.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

B. Motion to accept and approve the attached Transportation Contracts as Host District for the 2021/2022 School Year.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

C. Motion to accept and approve the attached Tuition Contracts for Received Students for the 2021/2022 School Year.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

D. Motion to accept and approve the attached Use of Facilities.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

E. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from Heartland School Solutions for the purchase of point of sale terminals for the cafeterias at Bergenfield High School and Roy W. Brown Middle School for a total cost of \$19,242 on Cooperative Bid TIPS contract number #210903.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

F. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from Safe Fleet for the purchase and installation of video surveillance systems for school buses at a total cost of \$8,154 on Cooperative Bid #ESCNJ 20/21-12.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

G. Motion to accept and approve the amended proposal from Synovia for GPS and Asset Services for our district vehicles at an additional cost of \$116 per month. This software is proprietary and is exempt from public bidding.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

H. Motion to accept and approve the following Donation:

Nicholas & Jeanne Smith have donated \$2,000.00 to the Thomas B. Reinig 9/11 Memorial Scholarship Fund.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

I. Motion to accept and approve the proposal from GL Group for the replacement of carpet tiles in the Business Office for a total cost of \$8,000.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

J. Motion to accept and approve the quote from Brookaire Company for the purchase of MERV 13 air filters for a total cost of \$13,736.40 on Ed Data Bid# NJ-11063.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

K. Motion to accept and approve the Alternative Revenue Projection for SEMI for 2023 in the amount of \$26,463.17.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

L. Motion to accept and approve the following resolution for Time & Material Concrete Masonry Services:

WHEREAS, the Bergenfield Board of Education (“the Board”) advertised for bids for concrete masonry services on an as needed basis (“Work”);

WHEREAS, on February 15, 2022, the Board received two bids for the Work;

WHEREAS, Michael J. Malpere Co., Inc. (“Malpere”) submitted the lowest bid for the Work;

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by Malpere is responsive in all material respects; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to award the contract for the Work to Malpere.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby awards the contract for the Work to Malpere at the following rates:

- Journeyman-Labor Hourly Rate \$94.93 hour
- Foreman (if needed) \$110.93 hour
- Deputy Foreman (if needed) \$104.93 hour
- Laborer/Apprentice \$86.30 hour
- Materials/Parts/Equipment/Supplies/Rentals/Material Handling shall be billed at the invoice rate the Contractor paid plus 15%.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this award is expressly conditioned upon Malpere furnishing the requisite insurance certificate and labor and materials/performance bond as required in the Specifications and an executed agreement, as prepared by the Board Attorney, within ten (10) days of the date hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Attorney is hereby directed to draft the agreement with Malpere consistent with this Resolution and the terms contained in the bid documents and Specifications for the Work. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute such agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER:	Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

M. Motion to accept and approve the General Fund and Fund 20 Inter-Account Transfers as per the attached list.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER:	Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

N. Motion to accept and approve the 2022/2023 school calendar.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER:	Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

O. Motion to accept and approve the creation of an Information Security Officer Position and Job Description.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER:	Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

9. Report and Recommendations of Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Motion to accept and approve the following as presented:

A. The Secretary’s Report of Cash Balances as of January 31, 2022 reflecting a balance of \$14,859,987.92 and The Treasurer’s Report of Cash Balances as of January 31, 2022 reflecting a balance of \$14,859,987.92.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

B. Final Vouchers for payment in the month of January 2022 in the total amount of \$9,585,563.96.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

C. Partial Vouchers for payment in the month of February 2022 in the total amount of \$7,977,252.82.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

D. Motion to accept and approve the following:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3, the Board of Education Secretary certifies that as of January 31, 2022 that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4, the Board of Education Secretary certifies that as of January 31, 2022, after review of the District's monthly financial reports, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Nelson Reynoso, Trustee
SECONDER: Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES: Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

10. Verbal Comments

The Bergenfield Board of Education now opens the floor for our 2nd public comment for any other comments at this time.

Those participating via Zoom shall use the "Raise Hand" feature. Participants shall be limited to a three-minute time limit and shall identify themselves before speaking. There will be a time limit of 30 minutes for each public comment period.

Verbal Comments opened at 8:27 PM:
MaryAnn Kaszner - Parent
Inquiry regarding the Senior Prom.

The Verbal Comments were paused at 8:29 PM for the Presentation by Lerch, Vinci & Higgins - Jeff Bliss - 2021 Audit.

The Verbal Comments reopened after the Audit Presentation from Lerch, Vinci & Higgins and vote on Section 11- motion 1. 2020/2021 Audit Report.

Jessica Aiello - Parent
School Choice Inter-District Program.

Corinne Patoray - Parent
SEPAG Membership.

Asha Edwards - Parent
Aftercare program.

Kim Mehnert - Parent
Vehicle traffic safety at Jefferson School.

Fanny Bonilla - Parent
SEPAG Membership.

Michael Spadaccini - Parent
Vehicle traffic safety at Franklin School and Bergenfield High School.

Mrs. Rodriguez - Parent
Social distancing at lunchtime.

11. Presentation:

Lerch, Vinci & Higgins - Jeff Bliss - 2021 Audit

1. Motion to accept and approve the 2020/2021 Audit Report from Lerch, Vinci & Higgins.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER:	Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz

12. Adjournment

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Guadalupe Ruiz-Catala, Vice President
SECONDER:	Deborah Podwin, Trustee
AYES:	Amara, Ruiz-Catala, Reynoso, Podwin, Munoz