

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Work Session Meeting Minutes
Monday – February 13, 2006
Jefferson Township Middle School Media Center

A. Mr. Andre called the meeting to order at 8:04 PM, and read the Open Meeting Statement.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Andre	X	
Mr. Cuccio	X	
Mr. Erdmann	X	
Mr. Hanisch	X	
Mrs. Hardy	X	
Mrs. Masticola	X (arrived at 7:11 PM)	
Mrs. Servedio	X (arrived at 7:11 PM)	
Mr. Trignano	X	
Mrs. Van Houwe	X	
Manny Fanarjian		X
Nicole Yatsonsky		X

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Andre, seconded by Mr. Hanisch, that the Board of Education adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Jefferson Township Board of Education on this 13th day of February, 2006 at 7:02 PM, as follows:

1. The Board shall recess to closed session in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (1), (3), (6), (7) and (8). The general nature of the discussion will involve matters confidential by law, personal privacy, any investigations or tactics or techniques to protect persons or public property, litigation, anticipated litigation or contract negotiation and attorney-client matters and employment, evaluation, termination of employees.
2. These matters will be disclosed to the public as soon as the need for confidentiality no longer applies, which is anticipated to be later this evening.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The meeting was called to public session at 7:59 PM.

D. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Bowen reported the *Good News and Progress in Our Schools*.

Monthly Progress Report On District Goals:

- *Improve math and writing instruction district-wide.*
- *Improve inter and intra-communication and community relations.*
- *Ensure that the facilities are properly maintained and safe for students, staff and public.*
- *Ensure (instructional) consistency within grade levels and across the district campuses.*

E. PRESENTATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS / RECOGNITION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Recognition of Jefferson Township Middle School Math Counts Team and Advisor – Christina Hardin

F, G, H, I, J and K - The Board reviewed the motions slated for a vote on February 21st.

No comments and/or questions were raised.

L. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Negotiations - JTEA – Mr. Hanisch reported that the Negotiations Committee continues to meet.

Policy Committee – Mrs. Hardy reported that the committee will be working on By-Law number 0168, Recording Board Meetings. She commented on the policies on the agenda for first and second reading. The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 22, 2006.

Township Liaison – Mr. Andre reported that the next meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2006.

M. COMMUNICATIONS

Correspondence was received regarding the following:

- Invitation from Cozy Lake School regarding 2/24/06 Cozyville Time Capsule
- Letter regarding Teacher of the Year nominees
- Letter regarding Jefferson Township Summer Camp bus stop request
- Letter regarding 2/25/06 Girl Scout Awards Ceremony
- Letter regarding 3/14/06 Gold Eagle Award – Boy Scouts
- Information regarding 3/6/06 NJSBA Legislative Conference

N. OLD BUSINESS – None.

O. NEW BUSINESS – None.

P. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS – None.

Q. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS – None.

R. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Comments were made regarding the following:

- A question was raised regarding the State Report Card and why Jefferson Township was compared to Sussex County schools instead of Morris County schools. If correction to the newspaper reports is warranted, the information will be communicated.

- A question was raised regarding the comparison of SAT scores.
- A question was raised regarding making a Report Card Presentation. Dr. Bowen responded that the test results were presented last summer.

S. ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Trignano, seconded Mr. Cuccio, that the meeting adjourn at 8:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dora E. Mylchreest
Board Secretary