WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of March 1, 2012

The Washington Township Board of Education met on Thursday, March 1, 2012, at 9:21 a.m. for their Regular meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Sheila Dempski, Vice-President. Mrs. Dempski read the following statement: The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Washington Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be mailed on January 23, 2012 to The Express Times, and to the Clerk of Washington Township.

Members in attendance were Sheila Dempski, Vice-President, Sally Christine, Jayne Howard, and Anita Smith. In addition Roger Jinks, Superintendent and Jean Flynn, Board Secretary were also present.

Members absent: Karen Graf, President, Jason Ford and Jude Mohan

PUBLIC QUESTIONS & DISCUSSIONS (Agenda Items)

(The public may speak for three (3) minutes unless they have requested to be on the agenda.)

None

Motion by Sally Christine, seconded by Anita Smith to adopt the proposed budget of the Washington Township Board of Education for the 2012-2013 school year as follows: RCV: Christine, Howard, Smith and Dempski – All voting yes – Motion carried

ADOPT PROPOSED BUDGET 2012-2013

 General Fund
 \$ 8,587,172.00

 Special Revenue Fund
 234,096.00

 Total Base Budget
 \$ 8,821,268.00

Motion by Anita Smith, seconded by Jayne Howard that the following General Fund Tax Levy be approved to support the 2012-2013 budget: RCV: Christine, Howard, Smith and Dempski – All voting yes – Motion carried

GENERAL FUND TAX LEVY 2012-2013

General Fund Tax Levy \$5,440,521.00

Motion by Jayne Howard, seconded by Sally Christine to approve the following resolution, as ACES recommended by the Superintendent. RCV: Christine, Howard, Smith and Dempski – All voting yes – RESOLUTION Motion carried

ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICES THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES ("ACES") RESOLUTION BINDING THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PURCHASE SERVICES ("ACES") Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS

WHEREAS, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as "ACES"), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as "NJSBA"), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business

Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from electric power suppliers for electric generation services through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the "Public School Contracts Law", N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.*, and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 *et seq.* ("EDECA") and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Township School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain electric generation services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to electric power suppliers following said bids for electric generation services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2014 hereinafter referred to as "Effective Period") issue one or more Requests for Bids for electric generation services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale electric market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Electric Generation Service in each service territory to one or more electric power suppliers that submit bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous electric usage and utility provided Basic Generation Service rates; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said electric generation services to electric power suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic generation service; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period through any electric power supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law;

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for electric generation services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

NOW, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period from the electric power supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for electric generation services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase electricity at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the Districts relative to the price charged for basic generation service by the electric public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain electric generation services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

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FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2014 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission or expiration of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

Motion by Sally Christine, seconded by Anita Smith to approve the submission of an amendment, to the AMENDMENT Department of Education, to amend the Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) for replacement of a section of the Port Colden Roof, as recommended by the Superintendent, RCV; Christine, Howard, Smith and Dempski – All voting yes – Motion carried

TO LRFP

Motion by Anita Smith, seconded by Jayne Howard authorizing the Business Administrator to solicit bids for reroofing and reflashing at Brass Castle and Port Colden Schools, and sump pump construction at the Port Colden School, as recommended by the Superintendent. RCV: Christine, Howard, Smith and Dempski – All voting yes – Motion carried

SOLICIT BIDS FOR REROOFING/RE **FLASHING** BC&PC, SUMP PUMP PC

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION - old and/or new business

(The public may speak for three (3) minutes unless they have requested to be on the agenda.)

None

ADJOURNMENT:

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Motion by Jayne Howard, seconded by Anita Smith to adjourn.

MV: Unanimous - Motion carried Time: 9:24 am

Respectfully submitted:

Jean Flynn Business Administrator/Board Secretary