Finance Committee:

James Cunniff, chairperson Christine Melleno Christopher Musto

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Finance may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by second by that the following Finance actions of the Board numbered through exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For:

- 1. BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lyndhurst Board of Education that it has received and accepts the financial reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the month ended January 31, 2012 and certifies that the reports indicate that no major account or fund is over-expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11(a) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the school year. A copy of the certification shall be included in the minutes.
- 2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the payroll for the month ended January 31, 2012 be and the same is hereby approved and ordered paid:

Payroll \$1,917,762.72

3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached list of supplies received and services rendered to the Board of Education of the Township of Lyndhurst, County of Bergen, for the month ended February 6, 2012 be and the same are hereby approved and ordered paid:

Charter School Fund (10 Current Expense (Fund 11) Capital Outlay (Fund 12) Special Revenue (Fund 20)

Total

General Ledger \$163,649.79 Accounts Payable (Fund 11) \$23,683.00

4. BE IT RESOLVED, that cafeteria services rendered to the Board of Education of the Township of Lyndhurst, County of Bergen, for the month of January 2012, be and the same are hereby approved and ordered paid:

Payroll/Payroll Taxes Services \$26,670.63 \$77,573.14

5. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the attached transfers for the month of January 2012.

<u>Education & Curriculum Committee</u>: Josephine Malaniak, chairperson

Ronald Grillo Christine Melleno

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Education & Curriculum may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by second by that the following Education & Curriculum actions of the Board numbered through exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For:

- 1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve a proposal to start a Future Nurses of America Chapter at Lyndhurst High School. Purpose to starting this chapter will be to cultivate interest (both males and females) in choosing nursing as a career.
- 2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the modification of the high school daily schedule to single session days on the following dates to accommodate for HSPA testing:

March 6th, March 7th and March 8th, 2012

- 3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the revised National Honor Society regulations.
- 4. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve a Gay Straight Alliance Club at Lyndhurst High School.
- 5. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve changing pass/fail grading in the HSPA Math Skills and ASHA Math classes to numerical grades that will not count towards a student's GPA. This would parallel the grading system used in the Language Arts sections.

Rules & Regulations Committee:

Stephen Vendola, chairperson James Cunniff

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Rules and Regulations may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by second by that the following Rules and Regulations actions of the Board numbered through exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For:

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the following use of school facilities:

Organization	<u>Place</u>	Time, Date, Purpose
Washington PTA	Washington Auditorium	6:00 pm-10:00 pm 2/7/12 Spelling Bee
Roosevelt PTA	Roosevelt Gym	9:00 am-3:00 pm 3/30/12 Book Fair

- 2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education permit the Lyndhurst Fire Department to use a six (6) piece stage for a fund raiser at the Fire Department on March 16th and March 17th, 2012.
- 3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the attached 2012-2013 school year calendar.

Student Activities & Recognition Committee: Christine Melleno, chairperson

Stephen Vendola Christopher Musto

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Student Activities & Recognition may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by second by that the following Student Activities & Recognition actions of the Board numbered through exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For:

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve home instruction for one (1) student subject to state approval.

New Business

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of New Business may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by second by that the following New Business actions of the Board numbered through exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For:

1. WHEREAS Public Law P.L. 2011, c.202, Laws of 2012 provides that a local school district may adopt a resolution to eliminate the vote on its annual school budget that is within the statutory cap imposed by the State of New Jersey, and

WHEREAS, the above legislation provides that the above action would require districts to hold their annual election for school board members in November during the regular general election, and

WHEREAS, the Lyndhurst Board of Education has determined that the statutory restrictions on the local levy tax increase for annual school appropriations is appropriate and sufficient to control and maintain a thorough and efficient education for the children of Lyndhurst, and

WHEREAS, the Lyndhurst Board of Education, consistent with the budgetary restrictions expressed above, believes that dispensing with annual school budget votes will save taxpayer dollars, and

WHEREAS, the Lyndhurst Board of Education believes that school board member elections in November will attract a far greater number of voters than typically vote in April elections, and

WHEREAS, the Lyndhurst Board of Education believes that the elimination of the vote on the school budget and the movement of the board member election to November is in the best interest of the Lyndhurst community, and

WHEREAS, the Lyndhurst Board of Education understands that this decision shall remain in effect for a minimum of four years,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education does hereby determine that it will eliminate the vote on its annual school budget which shall be within the statutory cap and become effective for the 2012-13 budget, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education does hereby determine that the election of school board members will occur at the annual general election in November, 2012.

<u>Unfinished Business</u>

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Unfinished Business may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by second by that the following Unfinished Business actions of the Board numbered through exception actions be adopted.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education accept the resignation of William Barnaskas as a member of the Lyndhurst Board of Education, effective immediately, with regret.

Superintendent's Report

1. Chris Stephenson, head of the Computer Science Teacher's Association, formed a committee of representatives from K-12 and college computer science education programs to take on the task of producing the new Computer Science Model Curriculum.

Brian Fuschetto, Lyndhurst High School Business Education Teacher, was asked to serve on this committee. In December of 2010, the committee met in Washington DC for 3 days where they examined standards for computer studies programs from various states, national and international organizations. From there they developed 5 common core standards. In October of 2011, Mr. Fuschetto was asked to attend the SIGITE (Special Interest Group on Information Technology Education) annual conference at West Point, NY to give a presentation on the new standards. In late November, the official publication was released in print nationwide.

I would like to commend Mr. Fuschetto for his countless hours of volunteer work and commitment to his teaching career and students of Lyndhurst High School. Mr. Fuschetto is now a published contributor on The CSTA Standards Task Force. He is an asset to the High School Business Department and school district.

2. The following student scholars achieved top 10 status at the Northern Region FBLA Competition last week. They will now join our Project and Presentation based competitors at the State Leadership Conference in March. Congratulations to each of these students and Mr. Fuschetto, their sponsor.

Angela Sammarone – 10th place in Business Communications Yagiz Balkay – 8th place in Intro to Business Ravi Shah – 5th place in Business Calculations Thiago Fernandes – 2nd place in Technology Concepts

- Congratulations to Samantha Lockhart (former Lyndhurst High School student) of the Peahens soccer team, for being named Saint Peter's College NJAIAW Woman of the Year.
- 4. Congratulations to Karina Martinez, criminal justice major at Rutgers, (former Lyndhurst High School student) who was featured in the NJ Next magazine for her studies in child labor laws in Ghana as part of an effort to raise awareness about human rights.