

**Minutes of the Meeting
of the
Bergen County Board of Social Services
January 10, 2012**

PRESENT: Freeholder John A. Felice, Chairperson
Freeholder John D. Mitchell, Vice-Chairperson
Deborah Viola, Ph.D., Secretary-Treasurer
John M. Carbone, Esq., County Adjuster
Randi Duffie, Board Member
William E. Connelly, Jr., Board Member
Tom Toronto, Board Member
Mayor Vincent Barra, Board Member
Bob Nyman, Board Member
Frank Catania, Jr., Esq., General Counsel
Robert Calocino, Acting Director
Michele Darmochwal, Administrative Secretary

ABSENT: Leah Puzzo, Board Member

The January 3, 2012 regular meeting was rescheduled and held on January 10, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. at the Bergen County Board of Social Services in the Board Room of the Bergen County Board of Social Services, 216 Route 17 North, Building A, Rochelle Park, New Jersey.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Chairman John A. Felice called the meeting to order. Counsel read the notice required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows:

"Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of the meeting scheduled for January 10, 2012 has been provided in the following manner:

1. By a prominent posting of the schedule of meetings for 2012, including a notice of the scheduled time, scheduled date, and location of this meeting at the Bergen County Administrative Building, One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, New Jersey.

2. The mailing of this notice of the time, date, and location of this meeting to "The Record", which was published on December 22, 2011 and to the Herald News, which was published on December 22, 2011.
3. By filing of the notice of the time, date, and location of this meeting with the Bergen County Clerk, said filing having taken place on December 20, 2011.

The notice required by the "Open Public Meeting Act" was read as follows:

"Ladies and Gentlemen, the Bergen County Board of Social Services shall now exclude members of the public from the meeting for the following reason:

1. The Board shall discuss property matters involving individuals who have received assistance from the Bergen County Board of Social Services. The identification of such individuals or their property may result in a violation of their rights to privacy and may result in the loss of public funds by this agency.
2. The Board shall discuss matters which are covered pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b)(1,2,3) involving individuals who have received assistance from the Bergen County Board of Social Services or who have applied for assistance. To disclose the names of such individuals would work an unwarranted invasion of their rights to privacy.
3. The Bergen County Board of Social Services shall discuss personnel matters which are specifically exempt from public meetings pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b)(8).
4. The Board shall discuss matters with Counsel to the Board which matters shall fall within the attorney-client privilege and are therefore excluded from the public meeting.
5. The Board may discuss other matters pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.

Please be advised that at the conclusion of this session, the Board shall return to a public session and the members of the public are invited to return in order to observe. Thank you.

A quorum being achieved, the Board met in Public Session.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Flag Salute

Freeholder Mitchell led those present in a salute to the flag.

Roll Call

A Roll Call was taken for Open Session:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | PRESENT | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | BOARD MEMBER | X | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA | SECRETARY-TREASURER | X | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | X | |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | |

Reorganization/Re-Election of Officers

Bob Nyman and Freeholder Mitchell were sworn in by Chairman Felice.

A motion to sponsor Freeholder Felice as Chairman was offered by Freeholder Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Toronto, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

A motion to sponsor John Mitchell as Vice-Chairman was offered by Freeholder Felice, seconded by Dr. Viola, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | | X | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

A motion to sponsor Dr. Viola as Secretary-Treasurer was offered by Mr. Toronto, seconded by Mr. Connelly, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

A motion to sponsor Randi Duffie as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer was offered by Mr. Connelly, seconded by, Mr. Toronto, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

Open Public Comment Period

A motion to open the Open Public Comment Period, for a three-minute limit with the option of speaking again, was offered by Mr. Toronto, seconded by Mr. Connelly, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

Ronda Wilson, 55 Clinton Place, Hackensack, NJ

Ms. Wilson commented she is a Social Worker at BCBSS and President of CWA Local 1089. Ms. Wilson wished the Board a Happy New Year. She asked when the Board is going to act on appointing an Acting Director at the BCBSS. The Chairman commented he will address Ms. Wilson’s comments in the President’s Report.

A motion to close the Open Public Comment Period was offered by Dr. Viola, seconded by Vice-Chairman Mitchell, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

Adoption of Minutes:

(a) Open Session Minutes December 6, 2011

No discussion. A motion to approve the Open Session Minutes of December 6, 2011 was offered by Mr. Toronto, seconded by Mr. Connelly, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | | | X | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | | | X | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | | | X | |

(b) Closed Session Minutes December 6, 2011

A motion to approve two sets of Closed Session Minutes of December 6, 2011 was offered by Mr. Toronto, seconded by Dr. Viola, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | | | X | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | | | X | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | | | X | |

Treasurer’s Report:

(a) Bills List

The Bills List was discussed.

Mr. Toronto left the meeting at 6:18 P.M.

A motion to approve the Bills List was offered by Mr. Carbone, seconded by Dr. Viola, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | | | X | |

A motion to appoint Mr. Toronto, Dr. Viola, and Mr. Nyman to the Finance Committee was offered by Mr. Carbone, seconded by Mr. Connelly, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

(b) Schedule of Vouchers:

A discussion ensued regarding the Schedule of Vouchers. A motion to approve the Schedule of Vouchers was offered by Mr. Carbone, seconded by Mrs. Duffie, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

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| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | | | X | |

Acting Director’s Report:

(a) Monthly Reports – Statistical & Financial:

A snapshot of caseload and expenditures were provided to the members for the month of November 2011. A discussion ensued regarding the monthly reports.

President’s Report:

Chairman Felice stated that one of our key initiatives is to look into and put together a search committee to hire a new Director for the BCBSS. This is of the utmost importance and that will be a key objective for the Chairman. Another initiative will be to look at the current lease. The Chairman spoke about a site visit to Middlesex County that he attended to review a phone system for customer calls.

Mr. Carbone commended Nora Mikulski for her assistance with Medicaid at the Bergen Regional Medical Center. Thanks to Nora, the agency is going to save Bergen County millions of dollars.

OLD BUSINESS:

(a) Discussion regarding Agreement of George A. Koteen Associates, Inc.

As a follow-up to last month’s discussion, the Board discussed the proposal from an energy auditor to evaluate our energy costs and re-evaluate past bills. An RFQ may be necessary, which General Counsel will discuss further with Mr. Nyman.

(b) Results of Printing Bid

A motion to carry the printing bids until the next Board Meeting when the members receive an adequate report was offered by Mr. Carbone, seconded by Mr. Connelly, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |

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| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

A motion to take off the tabled Resolution from the December meeting and approve Resolution 2011.01.10(3) that designates Dr. Dominic Novelli, a qualified Purchasing Agent through the Department of Community Affairs, as our Purchasing Agent was offered by Mr. Carbone, seconded by Dr. Viola, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | | | X | |

A motion to appoint Dr. Dominic Novelli, as the Qualified Purchasing Agent to the BCBS in accordance with the previous resolution was offered by Mr. Carbone, seconded by Mr. Connelly, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | | | X | |

NEW BUSINESS:

(a) Adopting a Fair and Open Process or a Non-Fair and Open Process for Retention of Professionals and Consultants for Calendar Year 2012

A motion to adopt a Non-Fair and Open Process for all professional services and contracts for Calendar Year 2012 was offered by Mayor Barra, seconded by Mr. Connelly, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

(b) Next Board Meeting Date

The next Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at **5:30 P.M.**

A motion to move forward with going out to request RFQs for General Counsel, Labor Counsel, Insurance Consultant, and Auditor, was offered by Mrs. Duffie, seconded by Mayor Barra. Mr. Carbone requested that the motion be amended to reflect just General Counsel and Auditor. It was requested and agreed that the RFQs be consistent with the Comptroller of the State of New Jersey Matthew Boxer's recommendations on professional services for public bidding as to the criteria that he recommends be included in the RFQs. An amended motion to publish RFQs for only three positions that being General Counsel, Labor Counsel, and Auditor consistent with the State Comptroller's recommendations was approved by Mrs. Duffie, seconded by Dr. Viola, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

Action Items:

Resolutions:

A motion to waive the reading of Closed Session Resolution 2012.1.10 (1) was offered by Mr. Connelly seconded by Mrs. Duffie, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |

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| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

2012.1.10 (1) –Resolution Providing for a Meeting Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12

A motion to approve Resolution 2012.1.10 (1) was offered by Mr. Connelly, seconded by Mrs. Duffie, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

2012.1.10 (2) –Resolution Adopting a Non-Fair and Open Process for Retention of Professionals and Consultants for Calendar Year 2012

A motion to approve Resolution 2012.1.10 (2) was offered by Mayor Barra, seconded by Mr. Connelly, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

A motion to waive the reading of Resolution 2012.1.10 (3) was offered by Mr. Carbone, seconded by Chairman Felice, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |

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| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

2012.1.10 (3) –Resolution to Create Position of Purchasing Agent, Appoint Dr. Dominic J. Novelli as Qualified Purchasing Agent and Set Bid Threshold at \$36,000.00

A motion to approve Resolution 2012.1.10 (3) was offered by Mr. Carbone, seconded by Dr. Viola, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

CLOSED SESSION:

The Bergen County Board of Social Services shall now exclude members of the public from the meeting and be moved into Closed Session for the following reasons: The Board may discuss property matters involving individuals who receive assistance from the BCBSS. The identification of such individuals or their property may result in a violation of their right to privacy and may result in a loss of public funds by this agency. The Board shall discuss matters which are covered pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12B(1,2,3) involving individuals who received assistance from the Board or the Bergen County Board of Social Services or who have applied for assistance. To disclose the names of such individuals would work an unwarranted invasion of their rights to privacy. The Bergen County Board of Social Services shall discuss personnel matters which are specifically exempt from public meetings pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b)(8). The Board shall discuss matters with Counsel to the Board which matters fall within the attorney-client privilege and are therefore excluded from the public meeting. The Board may also discuss all other matters which are exempt from public meetings pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12. The minutes from these closed sessions shall be made available to the public upon the expiration of a 45-day appeal period. Please be advised that at the conclusion of this session, the Board shall return to a public session and the members of the public are invited to return at that time.

A motion to go into Closed Session was offered by Mr. Carbone, seconded by Mr. Connelly, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

The Board went into Closed Session at approximately 7:28 P.M.

OPEN SESSION:

The meeting reconvened in Open Session.

A motion to approve Closed Session Agenda Item XIII (b) 3, 4, and 5 and that the Resolutions be approved as prepared was offered by Mr. Carbone, seconded by Vice-Chairman Mitchell, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

A motion to table Closed Session Agenda Item XIII (b) 2, 6, 7, (c) (d) and (e) on the Closed Session Agenda until the next meeting was offered by Dr. Viola, seconded by Vice-Chairman Mitchell, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |

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| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

A motion to direct General Counsel to embody the decision of the Board with regard to the disciplinary action be prepared by way of a letter with the comments, statements, philosophical views, and imposition of penalties, be prepared and forwarded to the union, the union's attorney, and the employee with a copy to management was offered by Mr. Carbone, seconded by Vice-Chairman Mitchell, and approved as follows:

| MEMBERS | TITLE | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| FREEHOLDER JOHN FELICE | CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| FREEHOLDER JOHN MITCHELL | VICE CHAIRPERSON | X | | | |
| DEBORAH VIOLA, Ph.D. | SECRETARY/TREASURER | X | | | |
| JOHN M. CARBONE, ESQ. | COUNTY ADJUSTER | X | | | |
| LEAH PUZZO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| RANDI DUFFIE | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| WILLIAM CONNELLY | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| MAYOR VINCENT BARRA | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |
| TOM TORONTO | BOARD MEMBER | | | | X |
| BOB NYMAN | BOARD MEMBER | X | | | |

With no further business to conclude, a motion to adjourn the meeting was offered by Mrs. Duffie, seconded by Dr. Viola, and unanimously approved.

The meeting ended at approximately 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Calocino
Acting Director