

Date : 6/17/2022 2:51:21 PM

From : "Beers, Robert" rbeers@brrsd.k12.nj.us

To : "Matthew Moench" MMoench@bridgewaternj.gov, "Michael Pappas" mpappas@bridgewaternj.gov

Cc : "ssinger@brrsd.k12.us" , "Michael Voorhees" , "Peter Starrs"

Subject : Meeting follow up

Gentlemen,

I greatly appreciated the spirited conversation we had this morning regarding school security and the potential for Bridgewater Township to assist in providing additional personnel.

As you know, the I, along with the Board of Education have taken a proactive role in this endeavor, as we have hired a district security coordinator and four retired police officers who will serve the district as campus monitors for the upcoming school year. We have posted the position of assistant security coordinator, which will be filled prior to September.

This commitment to safety and security was made possible through the evaluation of our current systems, the development of a security structure, and financial commitment by the Board of Education. As I discussed with you today, we would like to engage in a conversation with the local municipality regarding the enhancement of our security team via the hiring of additional class III officers.

I look forward to the confirmation of our upcoming meeting so we can discuss the recruitment and financing of additional class III officers.

Once more, I am confident that Bridgewater Township will help us enhance our existing security structures in protecting our students and staff.

Best Regards,

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Robert Beers

Superintendent of Schools

Bridgewater Raritan Regional School District

rbeers@brrsd.k12.nj.us

Date : 6/16/2022 6:48:07 PM
From : "Michael Pappas" mpappas@bridgewaternj.gov
To : "Singer, Steven" ssinger@brrsd.k12.nj.us
Cc : "Beers, Robert" , "Matthew Moench"
Subject : RE: School Security Letter

Mr. Singer,

Thank you for clarifying your email address. I will be certain to correct my records.

We are planning on meeting in the Administration Conference Room that is on the second floor of the Administration section of the Municipal Building.

Thank you.

mike

From: Singer, Steven <ssinger@brrsd.k12.nj.us>
Sent: Thursday, June 16, 2022 5:02 PM
To: Michael Pappas <mpappas@bridgewaternj.gov>
Cc: Beers, Robert <rbeers@brrsd.k12.nj.us>; Matthew Moench <MMoench@bridgewaternj.gov>
Subject: Re: School Security Letter

Mr. Pappas - I apologize for the delayed response, but your email did not make it into my inbox. Please note the domain for my email address is brrsd.k12.nj.us. I understand that Mr. Beers has already responded to your invitation. Though I have a previous conference call scheduled for tomorrow morning, I should be able to join you close to, if not at, 10am.

Where in the municipal building would you like to meet?

See you tomorrow,
Steve

On Thu, Jun 16, 2022 at 4:46 PM Beers, Robert <rbeers@brrsd.k12.nj.us> wrote:

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From: Michael Pappas <mpappas@bridgewaternj.gov>
Date: Mon, Jun 13, 2022 at 3:25 PM
Subject: Fwd: School Security Letter
To: ssinger@brrsd.k12.us <ssinger@brrsd.k12.us>
Cc: rbeers@brrsd.k12.nj.us <rbeers@brrsd.k12.nj.us>, Matthew Moench <MMoench@bridgewaternj.gov>

Mr. Singer,

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Thank you and we look forward to speaking with you at a mutually convenient time.

Mike Pappas

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From: Singer, Steven <ssinger@brrsd.k12.nj.us>
Sent: Thursday, June 9, 2022 6:09 PM
To: Mayor <mayor@bridgewaternj.gov>
Cc: rbeers@brrsd.k12.nj.us
Subject: Re: School Security Letter

Dear Mr. Moench,

Thank you for taking the time to write me with your concerns and ideas. As you know, I am also a parent with children in the district; my daughters ride the bus to the middle school and the high school daily. I understand well the concerns parents have regarding security in our schools. To that end, Superintendent Beers has been working diligently to enhance the district's security since joining the district in August 2021, and has already implemented a number of improvements. As you mentioned in your letter, Superintendent Beers has met with Township Administrator Pappas to discuss staffing of security within the school district to further these efforts. If you would like to meet with Superintendent Beers and me, perhaps along with Mr. Pappas, to continue these

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Sincerely,
Steve Singer

On Tue, Jun 7, 2022 at 4:19 PM Mayor <mayor@bridgewaternj.gov> wrote:

Dear President Singer,

Please see my attached letter regarding my proposal to increase the level of security at Bridgewater Raritan School District Schools.

Thank you,

Matthew C. Moench

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Steven Singer
President, Bridgewater-Raritan Board of Education

Matthew Moench

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Steven Singer
President, Bridgewater-Raritan Board of Education

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Cc : "ssinger@brrsd.k12.us", "Matthew Moench"

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Date : 9/24/2021 2:49:05 PM

From : "Pablo Orozco" POrozco@raritan-nj.org

To : "Zachary Bray" zbray@raritan-nj.org, "Jacqueline Barlow" jbarlow@brrsd.k12.nj.us, "Michael Kirsh" mkirsh@bridgewater-nj.gov

Cc : "Matthew Moench" , "Starrs, Peter" , "Robert Beers" , "Steven Singer" , "Isandler@brrsd.k12.nj.us"

Subject : RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting Request to Discuss BRRSD Facilities Planning

I'm available on the 29th.

Faithfully Serving,

Pablo Orozco

Councilman

P: (908) 528-2006

E: porozco@raritan-nj.org

From: Zachary Bray

Sent: Friday, September 24, 2021 10:54 AM

To: Jacqueline Barlow; Michael Kirsh

Cc: Pablo Orozco; Matthew Moench; Starrs, Peter; Robert Beers; Steven Singer; Isandler@brrsd.k12.nj.us

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting Request to Discuss BRRSD Facilities Planning

Hello,

I could be available for the 27th or the 29th.

Mayor Zachary R Bray

From: Jacqueline Barlow <jbarlow@brrsd.k12.nj.us>

Sent: Friday, September 24, 2021 8:10 AM

To: Michael Kirsh <mkirsh@bridgewater-nj.gov>

Cc: Pablo Orozco <POrozco@raritan-nj.org>; Matthew Moench <mmoench@bridgewater-nj.gov>; Zachary Bray <zbray@raritan-nj.org>; Starrs, Peter <pstarrs@brrsd.k12.nj.us>; Robert Beers <rbeers@brrsd.k12.nj.us>; Steven Singer <ssinger@brrsd.org>; Isandler@brrsd.k12.nj.us <Isandler@brrsd.k12.nj.us>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting Request to Discuss BRRSD Facilities Planning

Thanks for quick response :)

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 23, 2021, at 11:34 PM, Michael Kirsh <mkirsh@bridgewater-nj.gov> wrote:

Hi Jackie,

Among the dates provided, I am only available on Wednesday, September 29.

Thanks.

— Michael

Councilman Michael Kirsh
Bridgewater Township

From: Barlow, Jacqueline [jbarlow@brrsd.k12.nj.us]

Sent: Thursday, September 23, 2021 6:00 PM

To: porozco@raritan-nj.org; Matthew Moench; zbray@raritan-nj.org; Michael Kirsh

Cc: Starrs, Peter; Robert Beers; Steven Singer; Lucy Sandler

Subject: Meeting Request to Discuss BRRSD Facilities Planning

Dear Mayor Bray, Mayor Moench, Councilman Orozco, and Councilman Kirsch:

I am reaching out to set up a meeting to discuss the BOE facilities planning for the Bridgewater-Raritan Regional School District. We want to keep you in the loop for our upcoming plans. We thought it would be beneficial to bring together the mayors of both towns, the board/town council liaisons, the superintendent of schools, and the BOE president, to communicate where the BOE is heading with respect to facilities.

As we need to move forward quickly, we would like to set up an hour meeting on September 27th, September 29th, or October 1st. Since many of us work during the day, we thought an evening would be best. Please advise as to your availability by this Saturday, September 25th. While I understand we may not be able to get everyone, it would be great to maximize the attendance.

Take care and stay well,

Jackie Barlow

President, Bridgewater-Raritan Board of Education

Date : 9/24/2021 10:13:04 AM

From : "Beers, Robert" rbeers@brrsd.k12.nj.us

To : "Matthew Moench" MMoench@bridgewaternj.gov

Cc : "Christopher Corsini (corsini@centraljerseylaw.com)" , "Wells Winegar" , "Michael Pappas" , "jbarlow@brrsd.k12.nj.us" , "bwalker@brrsd.k12.nj.us"

Subject : Re: Urgent

Matt,

Thanks for the message. I will give you a call.

I am still hoping for a cordial, productive relationship with you and would expect the same in return.

On Fri, Sep 24, 2021 at 10:08 AM Matthew Moench <MMoench@bridgewaternj.gov> wrote:

Bob -

I am happy to discuss any items, of course, but please be aware of the following:

1) I, like any member of the public, can contact teachers and staff through their publicly available emails. I will absolutely refuse to stop contacting teachers, and in fact, I think I am going to send them a monthly newsletter from me, to discuss those items important to our Bridgewater community.

2) I am interacting with school teams, which we have done through coordination with the athletic director and coaches, receiving permission from those groups. If such interactions require superintendent permission, please provide me the policy that would direct as such.

In the meantime, please confirm that you or the Board no longer wishes me to demonstrate support for our athletic teams to offer them good luck and encouragement. I want to make sure I am clear on the Board's position so when I put out our next press release stating that the Board does not want the mayor to support the athletic teams I don't get it wrong. When I cancel with the Boys Varsity Team on Saturday, I want to make sure I can clearly communicate why the Board does not want the mayor to meet with them to wish them luck on their season.

3) I have not contacted bus companies. I contacted a friend of mine who is a lobbyist for a bus company to try to gain an understanding about the bus shortage. My feedback was that many bus companies do not want to do business in Bridgewater because they feel they were treated unfairly last year. Please be aware that I have not had any meetings with bus companies to discuss Bridgewater's current situation. However, also be aware, that I will meet with whatever companies I want, whenever I want to meet with them.

I suggest that the Board members focus more on opening up our Middle School and providing education to our children, and less time worrying about my attempts to support our teachers and student athletes.

Matt

From: Beers, Robert <rbeers@brrsd.k12.nj.us>

Sent: Thursday, September 23, 2021 6:38 AM

To: Mayor <mayor@bridgewaternj.gov>

Cc: Jacqueline Barlow <jbarlow@brrsd.k12.nj.us>; Barry Walker <bwalker@brrsd.k12.nj.us>

Subject: Urgent

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1. A letter was sent to the entire faculty during the first week of school that was not authorized by the board of education or the superintendent of schools.
2. It has come to my attention that you are interacting with athletics teams at the high school. Again, permission was not asked for or granted by the superintendent of schools.

3. It is my understanding that you contacted several bus companies that have done business with Bridgewater-Raritan in the past for reasons that are unclear.

Therefore, I am requesting that we set up a meeting to discuss these matters in a timely manner. I will reach out via text message as well. Additionally, you are to cease any meetings and or communications with student groups or employees without authorization from the Superintendent of Schools.

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