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## AGREEMENT

between

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

of

THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH BRUNSWICK COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

and

SOUTH BRUNSWICK SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION

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# ARTICLE I. RECOGNITION

- 1. The South Brunswick Township Board of Education hereby
- 2. recognizes the South Brunswick School Administrators Association as the
- 3. exclusive representative in collective negotiations concerning the terms
- 4. and conditions of employment for all Principals and Assistant Principals, the
- 5. Director of Instructional Development, the Director of Instructional Activities,
- 6. and any Administrative Assistants employed by the Board.

# ARTICLE II, PRACTICES

- 1. The Association recognizes its obligation to represent equally
- 2. all members of every negotiation unit, without regard to membership,
- 3. participation or association with any activities of the Association.

# ARTICLE III, SCOPE OF NEGOTIATION

- 1. The parties agree to enter into collective negotiations concerning
- 2. grievance procedures and terms and conditions of employment in accordance
- 3. with Chapter 303, Public Laws 1968.

# ARTICLE IV, NEGOTIATION PARTICIPATION

- 1. A. Board-Association Negotiation Committee: A Board-Association
- 2. Committee composed of members of the Board of Education and members of the
- 3. SBSAA shall be created to conduct negotiations in good faith.
- 4. B. Negotiating Representatives: Neither party in any negotiations
- 5. shall have any control over the selection of the negotiating representatives
- 6. of the other party.
- 7. C. Consultants: Each party may have consultants present during
- 8. negotiations. When mutually agreed upon, clerical assistance and consultants
- 9. shall be contracted by both parties; in such case the costs will be shared
- 10. equally by the Association and the Board.
- 11. D. Representatives of SBEA: Representatives of the South Brunswick
- 12. Education Association may be present at their option as observers at
- 13. negotiating sessions. These observers may be called upon by either party
- 14. or may request an opportunity to clarify a pertinent issue. This in no
- 15. way implies that SBEA representatives are to be a party to negotiations
- 16. between the Board and SBSAA.

## ARTICLE V, NEGOTIATION PROCEDURES

# 1. A. Meetings:

- 2. 1. On or before September 30 of each year, the President of the
- 3. Board and the President of the Association shall determine the time, date
- 4. and place of the first negotiations meeting.
- 5. 2. Meetings to negotiate salary and fringe benefits shall begin
- 6. no later than November 15.
- 7. 3. Prior to the conclusion of each meeting, an agenda shall be
- 8. established in writing for the succeeding meeting, and matters not agendized
- 9. vill not be discussed except by common consent.
- 10. 4. Special meetings can be established by either party within
- 11. 10 calendar days of receipt of a written request which specifies the agenda
- 12. for the meetings, and matters not agendized will not be discussed except by
- 13. common consent.
- 14. B. Exchange of Information: The Board agrees that the Association
- 15. shall have access to all available information concerning the financial
- 16. resources of the district together with information which may be necessary
- 17. for the Association to process any grievance.

## 18. C. Agreements:

- 19. 1. The Association and the Board will negotiate in a good faith
- 20. effort to reach agreement concerning the matters under discussion during
- 21. negotiation meetings. Any agreement so reached and approved by both
- 22. parties shall be reduced to writing and shall be signed by the Board
- 23. President and the Association President, after having obtained approval of
- 24. Board of Education and Association respectively.
- 25. 2. Any agreement shall be binding upon the Board and the
- 26. Association only to the extent permitted under the laws of the State of
- 27. New Jersey and the United States.

- 28. D. Impasse: In the event that the Board and the Association have failed
- 29. to reach agreement on all topics of negotiations, after genuine and sincere
- 30. efforts to negotiate, either the Board, the Association, or the two jointly,
- 31. may notify the Executive Director of the Public Employment Relations Commission
- 32. in writing that an impasse exists, and shall request the assignment of a
- 33. mediator, and follow the procedures and regulations as outlined in P.L. 303.

#### ARTICLE VI, SALARY AND FRINGE BENEFITS

- 1. A. Salary Compensation: The parties agree that the following compensation
- 2. plan shall be used to determine salaries:
- Compensation Plan. The South Brunswick School Administrator's
- 4. Compensation Plan consists of a base salary which shall be negotiated annually
- 5. and which shall be the same for all administrators covered in this agreement.
- 6. A number of percentage factors shall be applied to this base and their dollar
- 7. total, together with the base salary, shall comprise the administrator's
- 8. salary for that year. All salary increases are subject to annual approval
- 9. by the Board. Any increase in annual rate may be denied to any individual
- 10. in the event that he may perform unsatisfactorily as determined by his
- 11. immediate superior and the Superintendent of Schools, and after the performance
- 12. has been reviewed with the person concerned. Some of the factors to be
- 13. applied against the base are derived from statistical data appropriate to
- 14. each administrator. The remaining factor is performance/reward oriented
- 15. and shall be determined through a performance appraisal each year.
- 16. Whereas, the statistical factors are cumulative from year to year, the
- 17. performance factor is non-cumulative. The performance factor resulting
- 18. from an appraisal in one year shall be applied to the base for the
- 19. following year's salary. Thus, the Building Administrator's total
- 20. salary compensation shall be composed of (1) a "Contract Salary," the
- 21. amount of which is determined by applying the seven statistical factors
- 22. against the base salary and (2) a "Performance Salary," the amount of
- 23. which is determined by applying an annually earned factor against the
- 24. base salary.

25.	2. Factor Descriptions
26.	(a) Training: This factor recognizes professional academic
27.	background and ranges from M.A. to Ed.D.
28	M.A. + 15
29.	teaching experience ranging from 3 - 7 years.
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30 <sub>•</sub>	(c) Administrative Experience: This factor recognizes
31.	administrative experience by increasing the factor annually with each
32 <sub>e</sub>	year's experience up to ten years, and increasing the factor every five
<b>3</b> 3⊕	years thereafter.
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35. the differences in responsibility of administering one or two separate

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(d) Number of Buildings Administered: This factor recognizes

- 35. school buildings or separate complexes.
- 36. (e) Hire-Fire Recommendations: This factor recognizes the
- 37. Building Principal's responsibility for hire-fire recommendations. All
- 38. assigned personnel (both professional and non-professional) shall be counted.
- 39. Assigned part time personnel who work at least three (3) hours daily shall
- 40. each be counted as one (1). Those assigned personnel who work less than
- 41. half-time (3 hours) shall not count.

# Assigned Building Personnel

- (1) Full time professionals
- (2) Full time non-professionals
- (3) Half-time or more (prof. or non-prof.)
- 42. The total of 1, 2, and 3 times .003 shall indicate Factor 5 for any Building
- 43. Principal.
- 44. (f) Professional Personnel Supervision: This factor recognizes
- 45. the supervisory load that each building administrator carries for professional
- 46. personnel working in the building. Half-time personnel (3 hours daily) shall
- 47. each count as one (1). The portion of time spent by less than half-time
- 48. personnel in the building shall be totaled and rounded to the next higher
- 49. whole number.

## Professional Personnel Supervised

- (1) Full time
- (2) Half-time
- (3) Less than half-time (total parts rounded to next higher whole)
- 50. The computed factor for supervision shall be determined by dividing the sum
- 51. of 1, 2, and 3, by the number of instructional assistants, and then

- 52. multiplying the quotient by .01.
- 53. Instructional assistants shall be defined as follows:
- . 54. (1) All Principals, Assistant Principals, and Directors
  - 55. of Instruction shall each count as one (1).
  - 56. (2) Each Resource Teacher shall count as one-half (1/2).
  - 57. (3) The total number of Department Coordinators shall
  - 58. collectively count as one (1).
  - 59. (g) All Others Supervised: This factor recognizes the administrator's
  - 60. supervisory role for other assigned district paid employees who serve either
  - 61. full or part time, and who have not been accounted for in either Factor 5
  - 62. or Factor 6. All assigned personnel accounted for under Factor 7 shall
  - 63. count as one (1), regardless of the amount of time spent in the building.
  - 64. The computed factor shall be determined by dividing the total number of
  - 65. all others supervised, by the number of administrators assigned to the
  - 66. building, and then multiplying the quotient by .001.
  - 67. (h) Performance Appraisal: This factor recognizes how well
  - 68. the administrator is seen to be carrying out his responsibilities by his
  - 69. immediate superior and the Superintendent. Criteria for the evaluation
  - 70. shall be individually developed by each administrator and approved by the
  - 71. Superintendent in terms of the administrator's own written plans for
  - 72. improvement. The Administrator's Evaluation Procedure of August, 1973 shall
  - 73. be used as the guide for the performance appraisal procedure. The factor
  - 74. determined in June, for work completed on goals established for that year,
  - 75. shall be applied against the negotiated base for the coming school year.
  - 76. The performance factor shall be determined in multiples of 1% (.01) from
  - 77. 0% (.00) to 10% (.10).

- 78. 3. <u>Implementation</u>: The parties agree to implement the Compensation
- 79. Plan for 1974-75 in the following way:
- 80. (a) A base salary of \$15,525 shall be established. Factors one
- 81. through seven (1-7) shall be applied against \$15,525 and added to the base
- 82. to establish the "Contract Salary" for each building administrator in
- 83. 1974-75.
- 84. (b) Total salary shall include Contract salary as determined
- 85. above plus performance appraisal as described in section "h" this article.

# 93. 4. Compensation Plan for Administrative Assistants.

#### a. The Plan.

The Administrative Assistant's Compensation Plan consists of a base salary which shall be negotiated annually and which shall be the same for all administrators covered in this agreement. A number of percentage factors shall be applied to this base and their dollar total, together with the base salary, shall comprise the Administrative Assistant's salary for that year. All salary increases are subject to annual approval. Any increase in annual rate may be denied to any individual in the event that he may perform unsatisfactorily as determined by his immediate superior and the Superintendent of Schools, and after the performance has been reviewed with the person concerned. Three of the factors to be applied against the base are derived from statistical data and two are determined annually from the nature and extent of contacts and activities and the depth and breadth of work knowledge required to carry out the functions for which the individual Administrative Assistant is responsible. The remaining factor is performance/reward oriented and shall be determined through a performance appraisal each year. The statistical factors are cummulative from year to year, but the remainder of the factors must be determined annually from established ranges in each factor category. The performance factor resulting from an appraisal in one year shall be applied to the base for the following year's salary. Thus, the Administrative Assistant's salary compensation shall be composed of (1) a "Contract Salary," the amount of which is determined by applying the three statistical factors and the two function factors against the base salary and (2) a "Performance Salary," the amount of which is determined by applying an annually earned factor against the base salary.

- 1. <u>b. Factor Descriptions</u>.
- 2. Factors 1, 2, 3 Training, Teaching Experience, and Administrative
- 3. Experience: These factors shall be the same as described for School Administrators.
- 4. Factor 4 Functions: This factor recognizes the various job functions
- 5. assigned annually. Each Assistant shall be rated individually by the
- 6. Superintendent on the basis of assigned responsibilities using the following
- 7. chart:

8.		Function Categories	Factor Range
9.	1.	Administrative Council	.0002
10.	2.	Assessment, Supervision and Programing Grant Projects	.0004
11.	3.	Advisory Groups to the Superintendent	.00 ~ .02
12.	4.	Board of Education	.0004
13.	5.	Committees	.0003
14.	6.	Community Groups	.0002
15.	7.	County, State and Federal Data Collection	.0003

- 16. Factor 5 Functional Know-how: This factor recognizes the
- 17. quantitative and qualitative functional know-how necessary in carrying out
- 18. assigned responsibilities. The rating range is .00 .04
- 19. Factor 6 Performance Appraisal: This factor shall be the same as
- 20. described for School Administrators.
- 21. c. Implementation.
- 22. The parties agree to implement the Compensation Plan for
- 23. Administrative Assistants for 1974-75 in the following way:
- 24. 1. Factors one through five (1-5) shall be applied against the
- 25. base salary of \$15,525 and added to the base to establish the "Contract Salary"
- 26. for each Administrative Assistant.

- 1. 5. Compensation for Richard Slaven
- 2. It is understood that the South Brunswick High School Principal,
- 3. Mr. Richard Slaven, is included in all terms of this agreement except for
- 4. the specific terms of Article VI, Section A, Salary Compensation.
- 5. Mr. Slaven's contract, Appendix A, with the Board is appended to and
- 6. becomes a part of this contract.

- 106. B. Sick Leave: Administrators shall be granted 12 days of sick leave
- 107. per year as of July 1, 1970. Any unused sick leave shall be accumulative.
- 108. C. Insurance: All insurance coverages provided by the Board for teachers
- 109. and other professional personnel will also be provided for all personnel
- 110. included in this agreement.
- 111. D. Vacations: All personnel included in this agreement shall be entitled
- 112. to one month's\* vacation each year and all holidays which occur when school
- 113. is closed. A flexible work schedule shall be in effect during Christmas
- 114. and Easter vacations. All vacations shall be arranged in accordance with
- 115. the best interests of the school system.
- 116. \* Vacations of one month, defined as 22 working days, shall be granted
- 117. to each employee covered by the agreement.
- 118. E. Sabbatical Leaves: All personnel included in this proposal shall
- 119. be entitled to be granted a sabbatical leave for study or other reasons
- 120. valuable to the school system subject to the following conditions:
- 121. 1. A sabbatical leave shall be for one (1) full year at half (1/2)
- 122. salary, or for half (1/2) a year or smaller fraction thereof at full
- 123. salary.
- 124. 2. Personnel are eligible to be granted a sabbatical leave after
- 125. they have completed seven (7) years of service in the South Brunswick
- 126. Township Schools.
- 127. 3. No more than one or the equivalent of one of the personnel included
- 128. in this Agreement shall be granted sabbatical leave during any school year.
- 129. When more than one person is granted sabbatical leave within the limitations
- 130. set forth above, the total time granted is not to exceed six (6) months.
- 131. The Superintendent may determine that additional leaves would be of
- 132. benefit to the school system.

- 133. 4. When an administrator is granted a sabbatical leave, his position
- 134. and all other administrative positions in the school system will be filled
- 135. during such leave unless it is determined by the Superintendent and the
- 136. Principal of the building concerned, or solely the Superintendent for
- 137. Central Office positions, that it is inappropriate to fill the position
- 138. during the person's absence. The Superintendent of Schools shall be
- 139. responsible for the development of rules and regulations to implement this
- 140. policy.

# ARTICLE VII, GRIEVANCE

- 1. A. Definition: A grievance shall mean a complaint by an employee that
- 2. there has been as to him a violation, misinterpretation, or mis-application
- 3. of a written policy, written agreement, or an administrative decision,
- 4. except that the term grievance shall not apply to any matter as to which
- 5. (a) a method of review is prescribed by law or by any rule or regulation of
- 6. the State Commissioner of Education, or (b) the Board and/or Administrative
- 7. officers are without authority to act, or (c) a complaint of any employee
- 8. represented by the Association in a non-tenure position which arises solely
- 9. by reason of his being not employed, re-employed, retained or continued in
- 10. that position. As used in this definition, the term employee shall also
- 11. mean a group of employees having the same grievance.
- 12. B. Rights of the Aggrieved: Any individual employee represented by the
- 13. association shall be ensured freedom from restraint, interference, coercion,
- 14. discrimination, or reprisal in presenting his appeal. He shall have the
- 15. right to present his own appeal or to designate a representative of the
- 16. Association, or other persons of his own choosing to appear with him at
- 17. any step in the grievance procedure. Whenever he chooses to have

- 18. other persons to appear with him, the Association will have the option of
- 19. being present.
- 20. C. Grievance Notification: The Association shall be notified of all
- 21. grievances in advance of any grievance meetings in which any employees
- 22. represented by the Association are involved.
- 23. D. Procedure:
- 24. 1. An employee with a grievance shall first discuss it with his
- 25. immediate supervisor within thirty (30) calendar days from date party
- 26. becomes aware of grievance with the object of resolving the matter
- 27. informally, or the grievance shall be barred.
- 28. 2. If, as a result of the discussion, the matter is not resolved
- 29. to the satisfaction of the employee within five (5) school days, he shall
- 30. set forth his complaint in writing to his immediate supervisor, which
- 31. shall include the policy agreement for administrative decision which the
- 32. grieving party claims has been violated as to him/her. The supervisor
- 33. shall communicate his decision to the employee in writing within three(3)
- 34. school days of receipt of the written complaint.
- 35. 3. The employee may appeal the supervisor's decision to the Superintendent
- 36. of Schools. The appeal to the Superintendent must be made in writing and must
- 37. set forth the grounds upon which the grievance is based. The Superintendent
- 38. shall request a report on the grievance from the supervisor, shall confer
- 39. with the concerned parties, and, upon request, with the employee or supervisor
- 40. separately. He shall attempt to resolve the matter as quickly as possible,
- 41. but within a period of ten (10) school days. The Superintendent shall
- 42. communicate his decision in writing to the employee and the supervisor.
- 43. 4. If the grievance is not resolved to the employee's satisfaction,
- 44. he may request a review by the Board. The request shall be submitted in
- 45. writing through the Superintendent, who shall attach all related correspondence
- 46. and forward the request to the Board.

- 45. A committee of the Board shall review the grievance, hold a hearing with
- 46. the employee, and render a decision in writing within ten (10) school days of
- 47. receipt of the request.
- 48. 5. If the grievance is still not resolved to the satisfaction of the
- 49. aggrieved party, and the Grievance Committee of the Association feels the
- 50. grievance has merit, the grievance may be submitted to arbitration by a
- 51. written notice to the Board within ten (10) school days following receipt
- 52. of the Board's decision.
- 53. 6. Within ten (10) school days after such written notice of
- 54. submission to arbitration, the Board and the Grievance Committee shall
- 55. attempt to select a mutually acceptable arbitrator and shall obtain a
- 56. commitment from said arbitrator to serve. If the parties are unable to
- 57. agree upon an arbitrator or to obtain such a commitment within the
- 58. specified period, a request for a list of arbitrators may be made to the
- 59. American Arbitration Association for the selection of an arbitrator. If
- 60. the parties are still unable to agree upon an arbitrator, they shall request
- 61. the American Arbitration Association to appoint an arbitrator.
- 62. 7. The arbitrator so selected shall confer with the representatives
- 63. of the Board and the Grievance Committee and hold hearings promptly and
- 64. shall issue his decision not later than twenty (20) calendar days from
- 65. the close of the hearings, or if oral hearings have been waived, then from
- 66. the date the issues are submitted to him. The arbitrator's decision shall
- 67. be in writing and shall set forth his findings of fact, reasoning and
- 68. conclusions on the issues submitted. The arbitrator shall be without
- 69. power or authority to make any decision which requires the commission of
- 70. an act prohibited by law or which violates the terms of this agreement.
- 71. The decision of the arbitrator shall be submitted to the Board and the
- 72. Association and shall be final and binding on the parties.

- 73. 8. The costs for the services of the arbitrator, including per diem
- 74. expenses, if any, and actual and necessary travel, subsistence expenses
- 75. and the cost of the hearing room shall be borne equally by the Board and
- 76. the Association.

#### ARTICLE VIII, PARTICIPATION PLAN

- 1. A. Rights and Responsibilities: It shall be the right and responsibility
- 2. of the administrative staff to participate in the development of the
- 3. educational program and professional practices in accordance with the
- 4. procedures described in Board policy and/or rules and regulations. It
- 5. shall also be the right and responsibility of the administrative staff to
- 6. participate in the development and/or revision of policies or rules and
- 7. regulations or agreements to be negotiated which govern the development
- 8. of the educational program, student, professional and non-professional
- 9. personnel practices, determination of educational materials, and use of
- 10. school facilities. These policies and rules and regulations shall include
- 11. matters covered in the Board Policy Manual as well as any negotiated
- 12. agreements with other professional groups.
- 13. Since the authority and responsibilities of school administrators are
- 14. determined by state law, Board Policy and rules and regulations, said
- 15. authority and responsibilities are not subject to change through negotiated
- 16. agreements with employee groups.
- 17. Therefore: Negotiated contracts between the Board of Education and
- 18. employee groups shall contain no provisions which impinge upon the
- 19. authority and responsibility of school administrators as defined in board
- 20. policy, rules and regulations, and state statutes.
- 21. B. Definition of Participation: Participation shall mean taking part in
- 22. a collective development of policies through a sharing of ideas, considerations,
- 23. and concerns. Such participation could take place during the Fifth Monday of
- 24. Month Meetings, an appointed special committee, and Administration Council
- Meetings.

- 26. C. Notification of Intention to Change Policy: The Board shall notify the
- 27. Association of its intention to change policies and/or rules and regulations
- 28. listed in the Board Policy Manual and other items listed in Part A at least
- 29. thirty (30) calendar days prior to action at a public Board meeting. Within
- 30. ten (10) calendar days of notification, the Association shall notify the Board
- 31. in writing whether or not it wishes to meet or consult with the Board on this
- 32. matter. If a meeting is desired by either party, it shall be held at least
- 33. 10 days prior to public action.

## ARTICLE IX, MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. A. This Agreement incorporates the entire understanding of the parties on all
- 2. matters which were or could have been the subject of negotiation. During the
- 3. term of this Agreement neither party shall be required to negotiate with
- 4. respect to any such matter whether or not covered by the Agreement and whether
- 5. or not within the knowledge or contemplation of either or both of the parties
- 6. at the time they negotiated or executed this Agreement.
- 7. B. Any provision of this Agreement or any application of this Agreement to
- 8. any employee or group of employees is held to be contrary to law, then such
- 9. provision or application shall not be deemed valid and subsisting, except
- 10. to the extent permitted by law, but all other provisions or applications
- 11. shall continue in full force and effect.

# ARTICLE X, DURATION OF AGREEMENT

- 1. A. This Agreement shall be effective as of July 1, 1974 and shall continue
- 2. in effect until June 30, 1975, subject to the Association's right to negotiate
- 3. over a successor agreement as provided in the Negotiations Procedure of
- 4. Article V, with the understanding that the dates mentioned there refer to
- 5. the year immediately preceding the expiration of this contract. It is
- 6. understood that such successor rights depend upon the continued certification
- 7. of the Association as the exclusive bargaining agent for the South Brunswick
- 8. Township School District unit set forth in Article I, such continued

- 9. certification being subject to the procedures established by the Public
- 10. Employment Relations Commission of the State of New Jersey. This Agreement
- 11. shall not be extended orally and it is expressly understood that it shall
- 12. expire on the date indicated.
- 13. B. In witness whereof the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be
- 14. signed by their respective presidents, attested by their respective
- 15. secretaries.

For the Association

President

Secretary

For the Board

President

Secretary