

**MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING OF NOVEMBER 12, 2020**

The Business Meeting of the Piscataway Township Board of Education was held on Thursday, November 12, 2020, via video teleconference. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by the Board President, Shelia Hobson.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

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Salute to Flag – Board President  
Roll Call - Board Secretary

<u>        </u> P	Ms. Cherry	<u>        </u> P	Mrs. Hobson	<u>        </u> P	Mr. Laughlin
<u>        </u> P	Dr. Connors	<u>        </u> P	Mr. Johnson	<u>        </u> Arrived at 6:07 pm	Mr. Patel
<u>        </u> P	Mr. Fields	<u>        </u> P	Mrs. Lane	<u>        </u> P	Ms. Smith

**II. NOTIFICATION ANNOUNCEMENT**

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HEREBY BE IT KNOWN that the Piscataway Township Board of Education has complied with the notification requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for the announcement of this meeting date and place on November 9, 2020 in the following manner:

- ◆ Posting of the public notice on the posting board for the Board of Education in the Administration Building
- ◆ Email notification to the newspapers serving Piscataway, The Home News Tribune and The Courier News
- ◆ Email notification filed with the Municipal Clerk at the Municipal Building on Hoes Lane

Due to the declaration of a Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency by the Governor of the State of New Jersey, this meeting is being conducted via televideo conference and will be recorded. This recording is not an official record or supplement to the minutes and is intended only as a source of information that the public might utilize at a later date to familiarize themselves with the Board's activities.

**III. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Board adjourn to executive session for the purpose of review and discussion of the personnel agenda, litigation, HIB monthly reports, and other matters pursuant to law N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b).

Motion to adjourn: 6:08 pm

Moved	<u>        </u> Mrs. Lane	Seconded	<u>        </u> Mr. Patel
Yea	<u>        </u> 9	Nay	<u>        </u> 0

**IV. PUBLIC SESSION**

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Board reconvenes public session.

Motion to reconvene: 7:12 pm

Moved	<u>        </u> Mr. Fields	Seconded	<u>        </u> Ms. Cherry
Yea	<u>        </u> 8	Nay	<u>        </u> 0

Mr. Laughlin not present for vote.

Mrs. Hobson read the following statement:

As required by the recently-adopted emergency regulation of the Department of Community Affairs, I am confirming that adequate and electronic notice of this meeting have been provided. The regulation also requires that I explain our procedures for public comment. The following will govern our public comment session this evening and going forward until further notice. Comments will be accepted by email, addressed to "Boardmeeting@pway.org" up to the start of the public comment session. Audio comments will be allowed as well through our electronic meeting platform. Members of the public are requested to conduct themselves in a civil manner with due regard for the legal and privacy rights of others. While it is not the Board's intention to stifle public comment on matters of legitimate concern to the school community; shouting, profanity or other disruptive behavior will not be permitted. The Chair reserves the right to take appropriate action in the event these guidelines are violated, including muting an online speaker's microphone or other interventions as necessary.

## **V. STUDENT PRESENTATION**

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- None

## **VI. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT**

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- Report from Mr. O'Reilly
- Report from Ms. Lawhorne

## **VII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

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- 2020 AP Scholars
- Meal Distribution

## **VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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### HAUNTED MATH AT KING

When Martin Luther King Intermediate School was unable to have its annual Fall Festival and Haunted House, fourth grade Math teachers took matters into their own spooky hands. They created tricky math problems and delivered this instruction through a haunted film on Schoology. Other teachers and administrators made cameo appearances that may multiply their haunts for the rest of the year! We appreciate the efforts and creativity of our teachers, who work hard to make virtual holidays fun for their students.

### COMMUNITY EDUCATION PUMPKIN DECORATING FUN

Community Education hosted a Pumpkin Decorating Contest for Halloween, offering ready-made packages of pumpkins and paints for participants in Grades K-12. There were 145 entries and five prizes were awarded. The decisions were tough for the judges.

### K-3 STUDENTS CELEBRATE GLOBAL MAKER DAY

Students in Grades K-3 celebrated Global Maker Day on October 20, by Making a Robot, Building a Tower, or Creating an Instrument. These special projects were designed by Curriculum and Instruction supervisors and coaches; K-3 teachers selected the project that best fit their class. C&I supervisors introduced each project with a fun video presentation that explained the activity and showed examples. After students spent 30 minutes completing their maker activity, they shared their creations on a Zoom show and tell. Mrs.

Pippin's second grade class took a moment to celebrate their new virtual band. All of the students had an amazing and inspired virtual day.

#### QUIBBLETOWN STUDENTS FOCUS ON FRIENDSHIP

Students at Quibbletown Middle School celebrated School Violence Awareness Week with Schoology activities that focused on anti-bullying, healthy versus unhealthy friendships, and conflict resolution. An art challenge activity asked students to trace their hands and list on each finger a trait of a good friend. Some students hand drew their artwork and others got creative with digital art and videos.

#### EISENHOWER STUDENTS CELEBRATE PEACE AND KINDNESS

Eisenhower celebrated Peace and Kindness week from October 19-23. Daily morning video announcements reflected a message of peace and kindness, students took a peace pledge and wrote about ways to spread peace and kindness in their communities.

#### PISCATAWAY SCHOOLS WIN STATEWIDE HONORS

##### *Niche Top 100 School Districts in New Jersey*

For the fourth consecutive year, the Piscataway School District is ranked in the Niche Top 100 School Districts in New Jersey. Piscataway's overall score was A-, and as in previous years, had particularly strong showings in the following categories: Teachers, College Prep, Clubs and Activities, Diversity, and Sports.

##### *NJSPRA School Communication Awards*

Piscataway Schools was honored by the New Jersey School Public Relations Association (NJSPRA) for communications efforts during 2019-2020. The District took second place for Special Interest Publications for the 2019-2020 School Calendar and Guide. Congratulations to Public Information Officer Judy Palermo for this award.

#### PHS CLASS OF 2020 COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

*Following is a partial list of colleges and universities attended by the Class of 2020*

Alabama A & M University  
Albright College  
American University  
Arizona State University  
Berkeley College-Woodbridge  
Bloomfield College  
Boston University  
Bowie State University  
Brookdale Community College  
Clafin University  
Clarkson University  
Cleveland State University  
Columbia University  
Cornell University  
Dean College  
Delaware State University  
Drexel University  
Emerson College  
Empire Beauty School  
Fairleigh Dickinson University  
Fashion Institute of Technology  
Fitchburg State University  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Grinnel College  
Hillsborough Community College

Howard University  
Indian River State College  
Innovate Salon Academy  
Johns Hopkins University  
Johnson & Wales University  
Kean University  
Kutztown University of Pennsylvania  
Lincoln University  
Louisiana State University  
Loyola Marymount University  
Middlesex County College  
Middlesex County Technical Institute  
Mississippi State University  
Monmouth University  
Montclair State University  
Morgan State University  
Mount Saint Mary's University  
Muhlenberg College  
New Jersey City University  
New Jersey Institute of Technology  
Northampton County Area Community College  
Northern Arizona University  
Nova Southeastern University  
Ohio State University  
Penn State Brandywine  
Penn State University Park  
Pratt Institute  
Princeton University  
Raritan Valley Community College  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Rhode Island School of Design  
Rider University  
Rowan University  
Rutgers the State University of NJ  
Sacred Heart University  
Seton Hall University  
Southern Connecticut St University  
St. Francis University  
St. Peter's University  
Stevens Institute of Technology  
Syracuse University  
Temple University  
The College of New Jersey  
The Culinary Institute of America  
Union County College  
United States Armed Forces  
Universal Technical Institute  
University of Central Florida  
University of Delaware  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
University of Manitoba  
University of Maryland: College Park  
University of Miami  
University of New Haven  
University of North Carolina: Wilmington  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Rhode Island  
University of Scranton

University of South Florida  
University of Southern California  
University of the Arts  
University of the District of Columbia  
University of Vermont  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
Virginia State University  
Wagner College  
Yale University

#### JERSEY MIKE'S DONATES TO PISCATAWAY'S ATHLETIC PROGRAM

Following its grand opening on February 12, 2020, the Piscataway Jersey Mike's continued its fundraiser for Piscataway Athletics, raising \$4,168 for the program. Piscataway administrators, including PHS Principal Jason Lester, Athletic Director Rob Harmer, Assistant Athletic Director Julie Schick-Myatt, Business Administrator David Oliveira, and Superintendent Dr. Frank Ranelli, were on hand to accept the donation from Jersey Mike's Manager, Joe Williams. Thank you, Jersey Mike's!

#### PHS AP SCHOLARS

Every fall, the AP Program recognizes high school students who have demonstrated outstanding college-level achievement through their performance on multiple AP Exams. This year, Piscataway is happy to recognize 146 PHS students who have been named AP Scholars. These students achieved a score of three or higher on three or more AP exams. Piscataway is proud of the number of students who choose these challenging college level courses as part of their high school curriculum — and parents are pleased and proud when colleges accept these courses as college credits.

#### GRANDVIEW TEACHERS KEEP KIDS CONNECTED

On October 26, the District welcomed back the first group of students in the 2020-2021 school year into our buildings. At Grandview, as students in Mrs. Aiello and Mrs. Malloy- Rogus entered their classrooms, to their teachers' smiling-while-masked faces, they noticed some things looked different. Mrs. Aiello and Mrs. Malloy- Rogus had found an innovative way to connect students still at home with the students in school. Using their district iPads and projector systems, the students at home and the students in the classrooms could engage with each other and continue learning together. Across the district, our teachers are adapting and implementing innovative ways to connect with students in remote learning.

#### PHS STUDENTS SCORE IN VOCABULARY KICK-OFF

PHS students stormed to a fifth place finish on the opening day of the 2020-2021 Vocabulary Bowl season. The first ever virtual kick-off took place on October 1 with a special live event that included word scavenger hunts and a "Vocab Jam." PHS students will be recognized with an official certificate for this day one achievement and they will set goals as they compete throughout the year. We look forward to hearing about their monthly achievements.

#### DISTRICT DEDICATES ARBOR BENCH TO FORMER BOE MEMBER ED EODICE

The Piscataway School District recognized the many contributions of long-time Board of Education member Ed Eodice, dedicating a bench and tree overlooking an Arbor play area in his honor. Mr. Eodice devoted himself to the students of Piscataway, serving on the Board from 1985-2005. During that time, the Board saw two district cases rise to the Supreme Court, New Jersey vs TLO, establishing reasonableness for student searches conducted by public school officials in a school environment, and Piscataway Board of Education vs Taxman, a labor law case on racial discrimination that was settled out of court prior to the Supreme Court hearing. Mr. Eodice helped shepherd building referenda from planning through voting, and supported the district's move to full-day kindergarten. We thank Ed Eodice for his years of service to Piscataway students and schools. May his memory be a blessing to his family and to all of Piscataway.

PHS AP ARTISTS CONTINUE TO CREATE FROM HOME

The urge to create remains strong in PHS students engaged in AP Art. Here are examples of the beautiful work completed during remote learning.

PHS NOTERIETY GETS OUT THE VOTE!

The PHS student-run a cappella group Noteriety did their part to get out the vote by creating a public service announcement in their signature style and sharing it on social media! You can listen to it [here](#). Special thanks to student directors Madeleine Mendoza and Reidyn Wingate and to advisor Hannah Aberin.

PHS THEATRE HALLOWEEN COSTUME CHALLENGE

Mr. Yoson challenged PHS Theatre Production Workshop students to create unconventional costumes in just 25 minutes using items in their home. Here are examples of how students responded to the challenge. This is another example of creative teaching during remote learning.

- Acknowledgement of student success with remote learning
- Thank you to Jersey Mike's
- Delay of hybrid learning plan to January 11, 2021

**IX. PERSONNEL & LABOR RELATIONS – Calvin Laughlin**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items "A" through "C", be approved as presented:

**A. RESIGNATIONS, TERMINATIONS AND/OR RETIREMENTS**

Harold Gilchrist, Manager of Information Systems/High School	Effective: 12/31/20 Reason: Retirement
Jael Gonzalez, Substitute Part Time Cleaner/District	Effective: 10/22/20 Reason: Personal
Kemur Husbands, Computer Technician/High School	Effective: 11/6/20 Reason: Personal
Jason Lester, High School Principal/High School	Effective: 12/17/20 Reason: Personal
Ellen Mancusi, Part Time Clerk-Nursing Services/ML King	Effective: 12/31/20 Reason: Retirement
Mary Randll, RP Aide/High School	Effective: 3/31/21 Reason: Retirement
Jennifer Trzepla, Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant/Eisenhower	Effective: 10/9/20 Reason: Rescinded offer of employment

**B. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS – STAFF PERSONNEL**

NON UNIT

Sandra Parillo, Assistant Dispatcher/Transportation, with an annual salary of \$45,000, effective TBD subject to completion of required paperwork, for the 2020-2021 school year.

TEACHERS

The following tenured teacher, effective 9/8/20 for the 2020-2021 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Mark Fischer	Instrumental Music Teacher	Administration Building	1.00	\$93,987

The following non-tenured teacher, effective 1/4/21, subject to completion of required paperwork for the 2020-2021 school year:

Deena Abdelmonem	Step 3 MA \$57,421	Elementary Teacher Randolphville
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The following non-tenured teachers, effective TBD, subject to completion of required paperwork for the 2020-2021 school year:

Kristen Hansen	Step 1 BA \$52,700	Elementary Teacher Randolphville
Michael Jasper	Step 8 BA \$64,283	Special Education Teacher High School
Carla Phillips	Step 6-7 MA \$63,917	English Teacher High School
Sharodka Tofte	Step 9 MA \$70,963	Special Education Teacher Schor

SECRETARIES

Amy Ferguson, Curriculum & Instruction Secretary/Administration Building, with an annual salary of 12 Month, Step 1, Level 2, \$45,313, effective 11/16/20, for the customary 90 day probationary period, for the 2020-2021 school year.

Kimberly Kuzma, Budget Control Clerk/Administration Building, with an annual salary of 12 Month, Step 1, Level 3, \$49,644 effective TBD, for the customary 90 day probationary period, for the 2020-2021 school year.

NURSE

Michele Buttgerreit, Registered Nurse/High School, with an annual salary of Registered Nurse, Step 7 \$53,319, effective TBD subject to completion of required paperwork, for the customary 90 day probationary period, for the 2020-2021 school year.

TECHNOLOGY

Joseph Guderian, Computer Technician I/High School, with an annual salary of Information Technology, Step 4 \$45,750, effective TBD subject to completion of required paperwork, for the customary 90 day probationary period, for the 2020-2021 school year.

Michael Mabini, Computer Technician I/High School, with an annual salary of Information Technology, Step 4 \$45,750, effective TBD subject to completion of required paperwork, for the customary 90 day probationary period, for the 2020-2021 school year.

TRANSPORTATION

Victoria Nazario Jimenez, Bus Driver/Transportation, with an hourly rate of \$22.00, effective 11/13/20, for the customary 90 day probationary period, for the 2020-2021 school year.

AIDES

The following Noontime Aides, effective when students return to school on a hybrid schedule for the 2020-2021 school year:

Cynthia Ackermann	Knollwood
Susan Arnold	Knollwood
Debbie Lauria	Knollwood
John Rakita	Arbor
Sarwat Siddiqui	Arbor
Rahimeen Asif	Randolphville
Deborah Diaz	Randolphville
Diane Hawk	Randolphville
Amran Mussa	Randolphville
Ruth Siedlecki	Randolphville
Adriana Garcia	Grandview
Arlene Pieper	Grandview
Annette Raby	Grandview
Montaray Stewart	Grandview
Deborah Clyburn	MLKing
Kathleen DeAngelo	MLKing
Patricia Hoffman	MLKing
Icelean Jackson	MLKing
Marguerite Mitchell-Ivey	MLKing
JoAnn Sifford	MLKing
Rabia Suleman	MLKing



Josephine Dowding	Eisenhower
Chandra Mariathas	Eisenhower
Stacey Pinkney	Eisenhower

OTHER

Ashley Dupont, Community Education Music & Art Teacher/Children's Corner, with an annual salary of \$50,000, effective 11/16/20 for the 2020-2021 school year.

The following Schor Teachers for additional teaching period as per contract, at 1/6 of their annual base salary, effective 10/12/20-12/23/20 to cover an approved Leave of Absence:

Alissa Berse	Corrie Campbell	Craig Stein
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The following High School Teachers for additional teaching period as per contract, at 1/6 of their annual base salary, effective 11/2/20-12/23/20 to cover an approved Leave of Absence:

Amina Elmahalawy	Elana Youssef
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The following High School Teachers for additional teaching period per contract, at 1/6 of their annual base salary, effective 11/16/20 until vacancy is filled, for the 2020-2021 school year:

Matthew Cecchini	Peter Daly
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The following Emergency Response Team Members at \$1,500.00, effective for the 2020-2021 school year:

William Griffith	William Hriczko	Robert Manning	Anthony Stevens
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The following staff to be added to the previously approved list of staff to be assigned an extra half hour morning duty, prior to regular start time, which will include student screenings as long as the district deems necessary, effective 11/13/20, for the 2020-2021 school year:

Nancy Arocho	Toni Bellotti	Fauzia Butt	Jasbir Chahal
Judith Collins	Makiko Davis	Michelle Delardo	Brittany DePinto
Bernadette Dowdy	Carissa Eagle	Corinne Fender	Jillian Figel
Eliana Fink	Daria Fisher	Katherine Flannary	Kimberly Hipko
Denise Kelly	Evangeline Marzan	Angela Opromollo	Alyssa Peterson
Ashleigh Potenski	Stephanie Safar	Bernadette Thimons	Donna Zimmerman

The following teachers for the High School Virtual Writing Center tutoring, before and after school, at \$40.00 per hour not to exceed 160 total hours for the group, during the 2020-2021 school year :

Jillian Alonso	Scott Hood	Lenore Lupo
Volodar Lojko	Patricia Killian	Caren Stephenson

The following teachers for Engineering Academy Tutoring, before and after school, paid through Title and Perkins Grants, at \$40.00 per hour not to exceed 128 hours each:

Paul Mazur	Charles Giacomarra
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The following staff members for a continued Virtual Academic Help Desk, as needed at \$40.00 per hour, for 2 hours per week outside of the contracted school day:

	<u>Math</u>	<u>ELA</u>	<u>Science</u>	<u>Social Studies</u>
K-3	Maria Aguillo	Lisa Parrish	Robert Ahrens	Meghan MacMillan
4-5	Sonal Bhatt	Zahrah Morgan-Williams	Ryan Watters	Nazia Ali
6-8	Julia Cabrero	Lindsey Barna	Krishna Dharia	Katelyn Carter
6-8			Arlene Paterek	

The following Extra Duty Contracts, as listed, for the 2020-2021 school year:

<u>High School:</u>			
John Murphy	HOSA		\$3,600.00
<u>Arbor:</u>			
Meredith Cantwell	Yearbook		\$500.00
Julia Reyes	Yearbook		\$500.00

**BE IT RESOLVED** that in accordance with the side bar agreement between the Board of Education and the PTEA, the following High School Extra Duty Contracts are approved for 25% of their contractual stipend:

Erik Hall	Theater Director
Michael Yoson	Theater Director

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the following coaches be approved under the condition that the Winter Sport Season takes place in accordance with the regulations and guidelines of NJSIAA:

<u>High School</u>	
<u>Boys' Basketball</u>	
Darius Griffin	Head Coach
Kevin Nols	Assistant Coach
Loroine McKnight	Assistant Coach
Ronald Livingston *	Assistant Coach
<u>Girls' Basketball</u>	
Christopher Puder	Head Coach
Jennifer Marrazo	Assistant Coach
Jeffrey Conway	Assistant Coach
<u>Wrestling</u>	
Daniel Smith	Head Coach
Anthony Hrabar	Assistant Coach
Mike Awad	Assistant Coach
<u>Boys' &amp; Girls' Swimming</u>	
Scott Foglyano	Head Coach
Noelle Hartje	Assistant Coach
<u>Boys' Winter Track</u>	
Peter Buccino	Head Coach
James Edwards Boyd	Assistant Coach
<u>Girls' Winter Track</u>	
Ashwin Anantharaman	Head Coach
<u>Cheerleading</u>	
Michele Delardo	Head Coach
Samantha Thibodeau	Assistant Coach
Rebecca Nordstrom	Assistant Coach

Boys' & Girls' Bowling

Matthew Culkin

Head Coach

\*Subject to completion of required paperwork

The following Community Education, Before and After Child Care staff effective 11/16/20 for the 2020-2021 school year: Contingent upon enrollment.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Cynthia Ackermann	Instructor	\$18.00
Samantha Adams	Instructor	\$18.00
Samantha Adams	Building Leader	\$35.00
Kobe Allison-Bridges	Aide	\$13.00
Jazmin Arnold	Aide	\$12.50
Layani Brown	Aide	\$13.00
Jenai Cumberpatch	Aide	\$13.00
Dominique Daniels	Aide	\$13.00
Jennifer De Francesco	Instructor	\$18.00
Jacalyn Giles	Aide	\$12.50
Emily Gonzalez Lanuza	Aide	\$12.50
Michelle Han *	Aide	\$12.00
David Hilgert	Building Leader	\$35.00
David Hilgert	Instructor	\$18.00
Ann Marie Hussar	Instructor	\$17.00
Semaj Lettsome *	Aide	\$12.00
Jennifer Raymondi	Aide	\$12.50
Katarina Rodriguez	Aide	\$12.50
Maritza Rosario	Aide	\$12.50
Emily Satnowski *	Aide	\$12.00
Emily Simmonds	Building Leader	\$35.00
Courtney Washington	Instructor	\$18.00

\*Subject to completion of required paperwork

SUBSTITUTES

Glynis Gault, Substitute Part Time Cleaner/District, at an hourly rate of \$14.00, effective 11/13/20, as needed, for the 2020-2021 school year.

Rena McMurrian, Substitute Part Time Cleaner/District, at an hourly rate of \$14.00, effective TBD subject to completion of required paperwork, as needed, for the 2020-2021 school year.

The following Substitute Noontime Aides, effective when students return to school on a hybrid schedule for the 2020-2021 school year:

Zachary Martin

Gloria Townsend

**C. CHANGE OF STATUS – STAFF PERSONNEL**

TEACHERS

Jennifer Ambroziak, Speech Correction/Language Specialist/Children’s Corner. Change in Federal Family Medical Leave of Absence/New Jersey Family Leave FROM: 10/8/20-11/17/20. TO: 10/8/20-12/23/20 without pay and with benefits.

Shirley Aviles, School Counselor/High School. Change in Leave FROM: Emergency Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act under FFCRA in accordance with the guidelines of the act. 10/19/20-12/25/20. TO: No FFCRA Families First Leave used for 2020-2021 school year.

Kelly Burns, Health & Physical Education Teacher/Quibbletown. Medical Leave of Absence 1/4/21-1/22/21 with pay and with benefits.

Alyssa Cipriano, Support Specialist/ML King. Change in Federal Family Medical Leave of Absence/New Jersey Family Leave FROM: FROM 11/11/20-2/5/21. TO: 11/2/20-2/9/21 without pay and with benefits.

Tonya McGovern, Math Teacher/High School. Medical Leave of Absence 10/15/20-11/12/20 with pay and with benefits.

Michele Reid, Health & Physical Education Teacher/High School. Medical Leave of Absence 1/5/21-1/19/21 with pay and with benefits. Federal Family Medical Leave of Absence/New Jersey Family Leave 1/20/21-2/15/21 without pay and with benefits.

Seth Richer, Spanish Teacher/High School. Change in Medical Leave of Absence FROM: 10/5/20-11/5/20 with pay and with benefits. TO: 10/5/20-1/5/21 with pay and with benefits.

Dana Strafer, AT Teacher/High School. Change in Emergency Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act FROM: 10/12/20-12/25/20. TO: 12/14/20-12/23/20.

Mary Wickens, Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant/Conackamack. Medical Leave of Absence 11/30/20-1/14/21am with pay and with benefits. Federal Family Medical Leave of Absence/New Jersey Family Leave 1/14/21pm-4/5/21 without pay and with benefits.

Anna Xarhoulakos, Elementary Teacher/ML King. Change in Emergency Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act under FFCRA in accordance with the guidelines of the act. FROM: 10/5/20-12/25/20. TO: 10/5/20-10/26/20.

The following changes in salary for longevity, effective 11/1/20, for the 2020-2021 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Anniversary</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Danielle Ambrosio, Support Specialist/Knollwood	15 Years	\$91,527	\$92,277
Dorothy Amme, Art Teacher/High School	25 Years	\$89,727	\$90,977
Jeffrey Cerro, Health & PE Teacher/ML King	20 Years	\$90,197	\$90,697
Kelly Chilakos, Counselor/High School	20 Years	\$92,277	\$92,777
Christopher Lopez, English Teacher/Quibbletown	20 Years	\$89,227	\$89,727
Toni Tassio, Health & PE Teacher/High School	20 Years	\$89,227	\$89,727

The following change in assignment, to cover an approved Leave of Absence, from 11/16/20-12/23/20:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Ashley Figliola	RP Teacher High School	AT Teacher High School

SECRETARY

The following change in salary, effective 11/16/20, for the 2020-2021 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Christine Morris, Technology Secretary/High School	12 Month, Step 13, Level 2 \$54,450	12 Month, Step 13, Level 3 \$59,895

AIDE

Calvin Fletcher, Security Aide/High School. Change in Federal Family Medical Leave of Absence/New Jersey Family Leave FROM: 9/4/20-10/30/20. TO: 9/4/20-11/30/20 without pay and with benefits.

CUSTODIANS

Stanislawa Gorka, Custodian/Schor. Medical Leave of Absence 11/23/20-1/1/21 with pay and with benefits.

Rosa Villalta, Custodian/High School. Medical Leave of Absence 10/12/20-11/9/20 with pay and with benefits. Federal Family Medical Leave of Absence/New Jersey Family Leave 11/10/20-12/9/20 without pay and with benefits.

TECHNOLOGY

The following change in assignment, effective 11/16/20, for the 2020-2021 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Matthew Conway	Computer Associate	Computer Technician Step 1 \$42,000

OTHER

Florie Shahin, Community Education Preschool Instructor/Children's Corner. Emergency Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act under FFCRA in accordance with the guidelines of the act. 10/29/20-12/23/20.

The following staff to have a change in furlough dates FROM: 9/1/20-11/15/20, TO: 9/1/20-1/3/21:

Mary Ann Abreu	Sarah Maas	Erica Martinez
Emily Scoda	Katie Scoda	Caitlyn Tomari

The following High School extra duty appointments are rescinded due to cancellation of program:

Jason Bellew	Science League Coordinator
Jason Bellew	Biology I Advisor
Lesley Wilson	Biology II Advisor
Hulya Sercan	Chemistry I Advisor
Janet Mrotek	Chemistry II Advisor
Elizabeth Eibling	Physics I Advisor
Elizabeth Eibling	Physics II Advisor

The following Community Education, Children’s Corner staff changes in assignment, to cover approved Leaves of Absence, effective per below:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Effective:</u>
Amber Adams	Preschool Aide	Preschool Substitute Teacher \$36,500	TBD, subject to completion of required paperwork
Maria Ramiro	Preschool Aide	Preschool Substitute Teacher \$36,500	10/29/20 – 12/23/20

The following change in assignment for the Community Education, Before and After Child Care staff effective 11/16/20 for the 2020-2021 school year: Contingent upon enrollment.

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Lisa Binz	Building Leader \$30.00 per hour	Counselor \$18.00 per hour

	Moved	<u>Mr. Laughlin</u>	Seconded	<u>Ms. Cherry</u>	
Ms. Cherry	<u>Vote</u>		<u>Vote</u>		<u>Vote</u>
	Y	Mr. Johnson	Y	Ms. Smith	Y
Dr. Connors	Y	Mrs. Lane	Y	Mr. Patel	Not present for vote
Mr. Fields	Y	Mr. Laughlin	Y	Mrs. Hobson	Y
	Yea	8	Nay	0	Abstain
					0

**X. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Fiscal Planning and Operations Committee – Dr. Connors

**XI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Ralph Johnson**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following minutes be approved as submitted:

Business Meeting	October 8, 2020
Executive Session	October 8, 2020

Moved	<u>Mr. Johnson</u>	Seconded	<u>Ms. Smith</u>
Yea	9	Nay	0

**XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and school matters of community interest. In support of this position, the law establishes a period of public comment at every Board meeting.

Individuals wishing to speak must state their name and address. Comments are limited to three minutes’ duration, but an individual may speak a second time after all others who wish to speak on the topic have been heard. The Board may require that individuals register to speak prior to the beginning of the meeting. Participants may submit written material in support of their position.

All statements and/or questions shall be directed to the presiding officer and no participant may address or question Board members individually. All speakers are requested to express themselves in a civil manner, with due respect for the dignity and privacy rights of others whose legal rights may be affected.

Please note: While it is not the Board’s intention to stifle comment on matters of legitimate concern to the school community, the public should be aware that if their statements violate the rights of others under the law governing defamation or invasion of privacy, they may face personal liability to the injured party. If speakers are uncertain of the legal ramifications of their comments, the Board urges them to seek guidance beforehand from their own legal advisor.

- Mr. Oliveira read a public comment regarding the reopening of school that was submitted by 95 members of the public (see Attachment C). Supplemental comments to the statement were also read from Natalie Hopkins and Darshni Patel

The following public comments were read into the record by Mr. Oliveira:

- Reese Garcia – School reopening
- Tanvi Korgaonkar – School reopening
- Ellen Dao – COVID case reporting
- Sam Ogden – School reopening
- John Terrana – School reopening
- Faith Holmes – School reopening
- Reese Garcia – School reopening
- Darryl Williams – School reopening
- Reese Garcia – Custodial staff and cleaning, COVID dashboard
- Julie Pastras – School reopening, virtual clubs
- Mary Wu – Teaches working from home
- Noelle Majorczak – School reopening
- Africa Nelson – School reopening
- Renee Finelli – School reopening
- Jacqueline Phelan – School reopening
- Rose Hoffman – School reopening
- Jennifer Grzenda – Meal availability, School reopening
- Iwona Radecki – School reopening
- Steve Ifko – School reopening
- Phyllis Toste – School reopening
- Jason Pangilinan – School reopening
- Ximena Alvarado – Mental health
- Vir Patel – Student screen time
- Prashant Patel – COVID medical procedures
- Laurie Mann – School reopening
- Nicole Bal – School reopening
- Adrienne Cox – Thank you to the Board of Education

The following public comments were made via Zoom:

- Malola Iduh (121 Park Avenue) – commend teachers, hotspot for teachers, Piscataway High School principal search, transparency, meal distribution (Kindergartener no ID’s)
- DeeJay Puar (5 Doyle Court) – key communicators
- Ximena Alvarado (20 Brandywine Circle) – mental health
- Rev. Francis Cole (1631 Meister Street) – teacher staffing, phone notifications
- Laurie Mann (21 Deerfield Avenue) – reopening plan, winter sports

Motion to close:

	Moved <u>Mr. Laughlin</u>		Seconded <u>Mr. Patel</u>
	Yea <u>9</u>		Nay <u>0</u>

**XIII. FISCAL PLANNING & OPERATIONS – Tom Connors**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items "A" through "H", be approved as presented:

**A. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS**

*Explanation: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:19-2*

BE IT RESOLVED that the following disbursements for the month of October, 2020 be approved as indicated:

Operating Account	
General Fund	\$ 7,726,787.15
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 861,713.13
Debt Service Fund	\$ 0.00
Food Services Fund	\$ 610,818.69
Adult & Community Education Fund	\$ 226,779.23
Payroll: October 15, 2020	\$ 3,565,130.44
Payroll: October 30, 2020	\$ 3,621,481.20
Capital Projects Fund	\$ 0.00
Self-Insurance Fund	\$ 1,723,606.23
Total	\$18,336,316.07

**B. APPROVAL OF SECRETARY'S/TRANSFERS/CASH RECONCILIATION REPORTS**

*1. Explanation: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9*

BE IT RESOLVED that the following reports be approved and filed for audit:

Secretary's/Transfers Report September, 2020

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above report be accepted as submitted and that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

*2. Explanation: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9*

BE IT RESOLVED that the following report be approved and filed for audit:

Cash Summary Report September, 2020 Dated: September 30, 2020

**C. ACCEPTANCE OF 2020 SAFETY GRANT**

*Explanation:*

*New Jersey Schools Insurance Group has established a Safety Grant Program designed to help its member New Jersey public school districts make purchases that enhance the safety and security of the district's buildings and operations. This year, NJSIG has awarded a total of \$4,500,000 in safety grants to its members throughout the state.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education hereby accepts the 2020 Safety Grant Award from the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group in the amount of \$40,830.70 for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.



D. APPROVAL OF THE USE OF COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING FOR THE SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS FOR A SOLAR POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S ESIP AND AUTHORIZING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

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WHEREAS, The Board of Education of the Township of Piscataway in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Board" when referring to the governing body and the "School District" when referring to the territorial boundaries governed thereby) desires to contract with a vendor for a power purchase agreement (the "Solar PPA") involving the installation of solar panels on various school sites in the School District (the "Solar Project") an effort to provide energy savings to the School District; and

WHEREAS, the School District anticipates that it will utilize such energy savings as a part of its proposed Energy Savings Improvement Program ("ESIP") which is being undertaken by the School District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.1(j) and (k), the Board may use competitive contracting in lieu of public bidding for procurement of specialized goods and services, the price of which exceeds the bid threshold, for concessions, and also for the operation, management or administration of other services, with the approval of the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (the "Division"); and

WHEREAS, the Division has, by its Local Finance Notice (LFN 2009-10) dated June 12, 2009, authorized the use of competitive contracting (in accordance with, in relevant part, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A:4.1 through 4.5) for solar power purchase agreements, pursuant to either N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.1(j) or (k); and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to use competitive contracting to procure the above mentioned specialized services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.3(a), the Board is required to adopt a resolution authorizing the use of competitive contracting; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.3(b), 4.4 and 4.5, the competitive contracting process, including the preparation of a request for proposal documentation (the "Solar RFP"), solicitation of proposals, and award of a contract based upon the methodology set forth in the aforesaid Solar RFP, must be administered by the Board's purchasing agent; and

WHEREAS, in connection with such Solar PPA, and pursuant to Local Finance Notice 2009-10, the Board is required, to amend its Long Range Facilities Plan, to the extent required, to incorporate the Solar Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Education of the Township of Piscataway in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, pursuant to the aforesaid statutes as follows:

1. The Board hereby authorizes a competitive contracting process for the solicitation of proposals for the Solar PPA, including the distribution of a Solar RFP in connection therewith and all actions take prior hereto are ratified by the Board.

2. The Board hereby ratifies the drafting and distribution of the Solar RFP by Honeywell International. Honeywell International shall evaluate of such Solar PPA proposals and finalize a Solar PPA with a selected solar provider, to the extent awarded by the Board and in conjunction with the Board's professionals and administration.

3. Honeywell International and/or the Board's architect of record are hereby authorized and directed, to the extent not otherwise already accomplished, to (i) submit an application to the New Jersey Department of Education to amend the School District's Long Range Facility Plan to include the Solar Project, to the extent it is not incorporated therein and (ii) submit the Solar RFP to the Piscataway Township Planning Board for its review.

4. The Board hereby authorizes and directs the Superintendent and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to appoint a committee to evaluate the Solar PPA proposals and to report same to the Board.

5. The President, Vice-President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary or any other appropriate officer or representative of the Board, are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents and to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out the transaction contemplated by this resolution, and the Solar RFP. The execution by such officials and officers of any such documents, with changes, insertions or omissions approved by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with the Board's professionals, shall be conclusive, and no further ratification or other action by the Board shall be required with respect thereto.

6. This resolution shall take effect immediately and all actions taken prior hereto with regards to the Solar PPA and the Solar Project are hereby ratified by the Board.

#### E. APPROVAL OF SECURITY PURCHASES BY NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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*Explanation:*

*Local Boards of Education are required to approve non-public school security purchases made using security non-public funds that flow through the local public school district. The Educational Services Commission of New Jersey assists the Piscataway Township Board of Education in purchasing items requested by non-public schools within our jurisdiction.*

1. BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves An-Noor Academy's request to the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey for 1 Cisco Meraki MX100 Enterprise License in the amount of \$3,445.34 in accordance with public purchasing laws and regulations regarding educational adequacy.
2. BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves Lake Nelson Adventist Academy's request to the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey for a Playground fence installation and concrete sidewalk in the amount of \$21,385.21 in accordance with public purchasing laws and regulations regarding educational adequacy.
3. BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves Timothy Christian School's request to the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey for Phase 3 Lock and Hardware Security Upgrades (Attachment A) in the amount of \$10,643.73 in accordance with public purchasing laws and regulations regarding educational adequacy.

#### F. APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM TO THE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AGREEMENTS

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*Explanation:*

*The District has two transportation services agreements with Layla Transportation and Trading, Inc. ("Layla") for the provision of transportation services to and from the K-12 schools and the preschools. Due to COVID-19, the schools have been closed since March 17, 2020. In accordance with P.L. 2020, c.27, the District negotiated an addendum to the 2020-2021 transportation agreements to provide compensation to Layla at a reduced rate of 80% to meet its payroll and fixed cost obligations during the COVID-19 public school closure from September 1, 2020 through November 13, 2020.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the addendum to the transportation services agreements with Layla Transportation and Trading, Inc. for the 2020-2021 school year (Attachment B) and authorizes the School Business Administrator to execute the addendum.

**G. APPROVAL OF E-RATE CONSULTANTS**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves Educational Consortium for Telecommunications Savings as e-rate funding consultants for submission of the 2021-2022 application. Consultant fee not to exceed \$15,000.

**H. APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF COMPREHENSIVE MAINTENANCE PLAN AND FORM M-1**

*Explanation:*

*Required annually pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26A. Plan is part of the NJQSAC.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the submission of the district's 2021-2022 Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Form M-1, Annual Maintenance Budget Amount Worksheet, to the County Superintendent.

	Moved	<u>Dr. Connors</u>		Seconded	<u>Ms. Cherry</u>
	<u>Vote</u>			<u>Vote</u>	<u>Vote</u>
	Yes; abstain				
	resolution C				
Dr. Connors	<u>Y</u>	Mrs. Lane	<u>Y</u>	Ms. Cherry	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Fields	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Laughlin	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Patel	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Johnson	<u>Y</u>	Ms. Smith	<u>Y</u>	Mrs. Hobson	<u>Y</u>
	Yea <u>9</u>	Nay <u>0</u>		Abstain <u>0</u>	

Dr. Connors abstained on resolution C; therefore, the vote tally for that one agenda item is as follows:

Yea	<u>8</u>	Nay	<u>0</u>	Abstain	<u>1</u>
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**XIV. POLICY – Brenda Smith**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motion, identified as item "", be approved as presented:

	Moved	_____		Seconded	_____
	<u>Vote</u>			<u>Vote</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Mr. Fields	_____	Mr. Laughlin	_____	Dr. Connors	_____
Mr. Johnson	_____	Ms. Smith	_____	Mr. Patel	_____
Mrs. Lane	_____	Ms. Cherry	_____	Mrs. Hobson	_____
	Yea _____	Nay _____		Abstain _____	

**XV. CURRICULUM – Shantell Cherry**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items "A" through "F", be approved as presented:

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**A. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTED SERVICES WITH NEW JERSEY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (NJPAC)**

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**Explanation:**

*This third through eighth grade virtual dance residency program includes the implementation of the Storytelling through Dance and Hip Hop curriculum by New Jersey Performing Arts Center teaching artists. In conjunction with the Local Enriched Academic/Artistic Program (LEAP), select students from third and fifth grade in all primary schools will participate in instructional sessions of the NJPAC curriculum aligned to the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards for Visual and Performing Arts. This program will also extend to our 6-8 grade students. During the 2020-2021 school year, select students in all grades will participate in five virtual sessions (per school). A free arts virtual assembly program - "Step Afrika" will also be delivered to intermediate students.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves a contract with the New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) to provide a virtual dance program to selected third through eighth grade students and additional arts services during the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$5,200.00.

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**B. AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR PRESCHOOL EDUCATION AID (PEA)**

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**Explanation:**

*The Piscataway Township Board of Education has received notification of its eligibility to apply for Preschool Education Aid funding. PEA is intended to increase access to high-quality preschool for three- and four-year-old children.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to apply for Preschool Education Aid for the 2021-2022 school year.

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**C. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTED SERVICES FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: THIRD SECTOR OF NEW ENGLAND, TOOLS OF THE MIND**

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**Explanation:**

*Tools of the Mind is one of the State of NJ approved preschool curriculums that is used in all 3 and 4 year old classrooms at Children's Corner Preschool and was included in the approved Preschool Education Aid Application. In the Tools of the Mind PreK Year 1 training series, the core curriculum is taught through five sequential workshops, matching the developmental trajectory of children's growing skills. Each workshop builds on the one before it, and all five are required.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the contracted services for Third Sector of New England, Tools of the Mind professional development in the amount of \$3,750 per staff member for the 2020-2021 school year.

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**D. AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY AND ACCEPT THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT CARRYOVER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$366,597**

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**Explanation:**

*The Piscataway Township Board of Education received notification of its eligibility receive carryover funds from the FY20, Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) entitlement grant. The ESEA legislation incorporates principles and strategies that include increased accountability for schools, greater choice for parents and students.*

Title I, Part A - Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Educational Agencies	\$ 255,812
Title II, Part A - Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting Fund	\$ 54,494
Title III - Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students	\$ 21,339
Title III Immigrant- Language Instruction Immigrant Students	\$ 15,509
Title IV, Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) Program	\$ 19,383
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b><u>\$ 366,597</u></b>

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to apply and accept funds for the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) entitlement grant in the amount of \$366,597 including expenditures to be incurred for participating private schools in the Piscataway Community for the 2020-2021 school year.

**E. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH WILSON LANGUAGE TRAINING CORP.**

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*Explanation:*

*Wilson Learning Training Corp. publishes and supports the Foundations word work program used in our K-3 schools. The Foundations program is currently used in grades K-3. This program is an engaging and research based phonics and word work program. The materials are not digital, although teachers have access to a rich digital resource with the program. This year the district would like to add third grade Foundations in our curriculum.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves an additional contract with Wilson Language Training Corp in accordance with terms and agreement on file in the office of the Board Secretary. The cost will not exceed \$ 17,670.

**F. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH IXL MATH ONLINE LICENSES**

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*Explanation:*

*N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5 authorizes the award of contract without public advertising for the provision or performance of goods or services for the support or maintenance of proprietary computer hardware and software. IXL is a personalized online learning platform with a comprehensive K-12 standards aligned curriculum for mathematics.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the following contracts with IXL for mathematics curriculum licenses:

An Noor Academy - Non Public School

One year IXL Service License including Professional Development in the amount of \$2,600

Conackamack Middle School

IXL Multi-year Learning Contract in the amount of \$2,637

Moved <u>Ms. Cherry</u>		Seconded <u>Ms. Smith</u>	
	<u>Vote</u>		<u>Vote</u>
Mr. Johnson	<u>Y</u>	Ms. Smith	<u>Y</u>
Mrs. Lane	<u>Y</u>	Ms. Cherry	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Laughlin	<u>Y</u>	Dr. Connors	<u>Y</u>
		Mr. Fields	<u>Y</u>
		Mr. Patel	<u>Y</u>
		Mrs. Hobson	<u>Y</u>
Yea <u>9</u>		Nay <u>0</u>	
		Abstain <u>0</u>	

**XVI. PUPIL SERVICES – Nitang Patel**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items “A” through “C” be approved as presented:

**A. APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education hereby approves the following out-of-district placement for the 2020-2021 school year:

Student #	School Placement	Effective Date	Rate
364129	North Brunswick Township Public Schools	9/1/20	\$15,941
698568	Bonnie Brae	10/8/20	\$75,600 (Prorated)

**B. APPROVAL OF TUITION CONTRACTS**

*Explanation:*

*In accordance with N.J.S.A. 6A:17 and N.J.A.C. 18A:38, the school district of residence for homeless children and foster children shall be responsible for the education of the child and shall pay the cost of tuition when the child attends school in another district.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the following tuition contracts between the sending district and the Piscataway Township Board of Education as the receiving district for the 2020-2021 school year:

Student #	Sending District	Effective Date	Amount
302970	Bound Brook School District	11/2/20	\$10,659.94 (Prorated)
303680	Bound Brook School District	11/2/20	\$11,033.40 (Prorated)
133809	Franklin Township Public Schools	9/8/20	\$13,977.00
917911	Franklin Township Public Schools	9/8/20	\$13,512.00
596009	Jersey City Public Schools	9/8/20	\$13,983.00
306538	Middlesex School District	9/8/20	\$13,986.00
588937	Middlesex School District	9/8/20	\$13,977.00
699728	Middlesex School District	9/8/20	\$12,015.00
076551	Plainfield Public School District	9/8/20	\$13,986.00
982452	South Brunswick School District	10/7/20	\$12,354.30 (Prorated)
247754	South Plainfield School District	9/8/20	\$13,986.00
246705	South Plainfield School District	9/8/20	\$13,512.00
245959	South Plainfield School District	9/8/20	\$13,512.00

C. APPROVAL OF NURSING SERVICES PLAN

Explanation:

According to N.J.A.C.6A:16-2.1, each district board of education shall develop a plan for the provision of school nursing services, but not limited to, the assignment of school nurses. The school nursing services plan may assign one or more noncertified school nurses to perform duties permitted under their license from the State Board of Nursing and allowed under N.J.A.C. 6A:16.1 provided that each noncertified school nurse is assigned to the same school building or school complex as the certified school nurse.

For the purpose of assigning school nurses, a district board of education shall determine whether two or more buildings constitute a school complex based on the following criteria: grade levels; general education enrollment; special education enrollment; number of children with severe medical involvement; distance between the buildings; and type of communication system in place.

WHEREAS the assignment plan for nurses working in this capacity shall be submitted to the county superintendent for review and approval as part of the certificated staff report pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:30-1.4(A)9 and

WHEREAS the Nursing Services Plan for 2020-2021 has been developed according to N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.1 criteria;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Nursing Services Plan for 2020-2021 be approved.

	Moved	<u>Mr. Patel</u>	Seconded	<u>Ms. Cherry</u>	
	<u>Vote</u>		<u>Vote</u>		<u>Vote</u>
Mrs. Lane	<u>Y</u>	Ms. Cherry	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Johnson	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Laughlin	<u>Y</u>	Dr. Connors	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Patel	<u>Y</u>
Ms. Smith	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Fields	<u>Y</u>	Mrs. Hobson	<u>Y</u>
	Yea	<u>9</u>	Nay	<u>0</u>	Abstain <u>0</u>

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE & AUXILIARY – Kimberly Lane

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items "A" through "F", be approved as presented:

A. ADOPTION OF STANDARD PROCEDURES PERTAINING TO REMOTE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the Piscataway Township Board of Education recognizes the need for the public to attend and participate in the meetings of the Board of Education during the COVID-19 public health emergency, and

WHEREAS, consistent with the Executive Orders issued by the Governor of the State of New Jersey, and more specifically, the guidance provided by the Department of Community Affairs pertaining to the Open Public Meetings Act on September 24, 2020,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Piscataway Township Board of Education hereby adopts the following standard procedures pertaining to remote meetings of the Board of Education:

- Public notice of the meetings of the Board of Education will continue to be published in the district's newspapers of record, made available to municipal entities and electronic notice published on the district's website.

- Public notice of the meetings of the Board of Education will provide a listing of the date, time, place, directions for accessing remote public meetings, guidance for public comments and access to relevant meeting documents.
- Remote meetings of the Board of Education will be conducted through the district's electronic meeting platform with audio and telephone capabilities for participants.
- The district's electronic meeting platform shall be limited to not less than fifty (50) participants with the capability of the presiding officer to mute the participants, and participants to mute themselves.
- The presiding officer or Board Secretary will manage the public participation process pursuant to Board of Education By-Law 0167 (Public Participation in Board Meetings).
- The presiding officer or Board Secretary will announce to the public the procedures for public participation at the beginning of each meeting.
- Public participation will be accepted via the following means:
  - Via email to the address Boardmeeting@pway.org up until the start of the Public Comment portion of the Board of Education meeting.
  - Audio comments will be allowed through the district's electronic meeting platform.
  - Members offering comments during the public participation session of the meeting are requested to conduct themselves in a civil manner with due regard for the legal and privacy rights of others. It is not the Board's intention to stifle public comment on matters of legitimate concern to the school community; however, shouting, profanity or other disruptive behavior will not be permitted.
- Documents to be presented at the Board of Education meeting, including, but not limited to meeting agendas to the extent known, will be made available to the public on the district's website approximately forty-eight (48) hours prior to the start of the Board of Education meeting.

## B. AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT DONATIONS

### 1. Explanation:

*Jersey Mike's Subs held a fundraiser and is donating \$4,168 to the Piscataway High School Athletic Program.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to accept a donation of \$4,168 to the Piscataway Township Schools.

### 2. Explanation:

*Christopher Sumner, Piscataway High School Music Teacher, has donated special needs equipment to the Pupil Services Department.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to accept a donation of special needs equipment to be used by the Pupil Services Department. The value of this donation is approximately \$2,100.

## C. ACCEPTANCE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DETERMINATION OF SCHOOL GRADES UNDER THE ANTI-BULLYING BILL OF RIGHTS ACT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education accepts the School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades Under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act for all Piscataway Schools.



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**D. APPROVAL OF 2021-2022 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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*Explanation:*

*The proposed 2021-2022 school calendar is being presented for Board consideration. There are two inclement weather days built into the calendar. Depending on the severity of winter, additional instructional days may be scheduled in the following order: January 17, February 21, April 22, and April 21.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the school calendar for the 2021-2022 school year.

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**E. ADOPTION OF THE 2020-2021 ANNUAL DISTRICT GOALS**

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education adopt the 2020-2021 Annual District Goals:

1. Provide professional development, technology, and learning strategies to successfully adapt to the multiple learning environments anticipated throughout the school year:
  - a. All remote first marking period
  - b. November transition to hybrid learning
  - c. Variable return to in-person learning
2. Promote a culture of individual wellness and collective trust across the district:
  - a. Increase awareness of and appreciation for cultural diversity
  - b. Cultivate bonds between students and staff that lead to greater understanding and responsiveness
  - c. Strengthen district wellness and mental health initiatives, and provide opportunities for staff and students to practice self-care
  - d. Improve community outreach and engagement, and promote the depth and quality of district education at all grade levels
3. Foster innovative teaching:
  - a. Develop and promote best practices across the district by encouraging open dialogue and the free exchange of ideas between teachers and administrators
4. Enrich the education program:
  - a. Ensure all students meet expectations for academic achievement and are ready socially and emotionally to advance to a new school or to post-secondary opportunities
  - b. Continue support for district staff and student mentor training at all grade levels
  - c. Improve curriculum continuity across all grade levels by strengthening opportunities for staff collaboration

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**F. APPROVAL OF ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS AND/OR EMPLOYEES OF THE BOARD AT CONFERENCES**

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WHEREAS, the Piscataway Township Board of Education deems participation in the following conferences by certain members and/or employees of the Board to be educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the costs aforesaid are and, as they further accrue, will be set forth in detailed documentation on file with the Office of the School Business Administrator;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education, pursuant to P.L. 2007, c. 53, hereby approves the following travel events. Unless otherwise stated, all costs of registration, travel, meals and lodging are included, to the extent permitted by law.

Name	Conference	Date(s)	Cost Not to Exceed
Jennifer Yang	Traumatic Loss Coalitions for Youth 17 <sup>th</sup> Annual Suicide Prevention Conference / Virtual	December 3, 2020	\$49
David Oliveira	NJASBO - Green Cleaning, Energy Savings and COVID Strategies / Virtual	December 3, 2020	\$50
Alia Siegrist	New Jersey Association of School Psychologists Winter Conference / Virtual	December 4, 2020	\$225

Moved  Mrs. Lane  Seconded  Mr. Johnson

	<u>Vote</u>		<u>Vote</u>		<u>Vote</u>
Mr. Laughlin	<u> Y </u>	Dr. Connors	<u> Y </u>	Mrs. Lane	<u> Y </u>
Ms. Smith	<u> Y </u>	Mr. Fields	<u> Y </u>	Mr. Patel	<u> Y </u>
Ms. Cherry	<u> Y </u>	Mr. Johnson	<u> Y </u>	Ms. Hobson	<u> Y </u>
Yea <u> 9 </u>		Nay <u> 0 </u>		Abstain <u> 0 </u>	

**XVIII. OLD BUSINESS**

- None

**XIX. NEW BUSINESS**

- New Commissioner of Education
- New Jersey School Boards Association Delegate Assembly
- Social and emotional learning

**XX. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved  Mr. Laughlin  Seconded  Ms. Smith   
 Yea  9  Nay  0

Meeting adjourned at 9:22pm

Respectfully submitted,



David Oliveira  
 Board Secretary



OAK SECURITY  
GROUP, L.L.C.

# Quotation

10640 East 59<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200  
Indianapolis, IN 46236  
PHONE 877-674-5625 FAX (317) 585-9834

DATE: October 23, 2020

**TIMOTHY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**  
**2008 ETHEL RD**  
**PISCATAWAY, NJ 08854**

Valid for: till 10/23/22  
Prepared by: Frank Basile

ESCNJ BID 20/21-08 State approved #65MCECCPS



	Quantity	Unit Price	Extension
<b>Phase 3 Lock and Hardware Security Upgrades</b>			
2CL2-EN-1-H1-606-LC Entrance Function Lock	1	\$ 151.97	\$ 151.97
2CL3-EN-1-H1-606-LC Entrance Function Lock	1	\$ 151.97	\$ 151.97
2CL3-EN-1-H1-626-LC Entrance Function Lock	3	\$ 141.92	\$ 425.76
2CK3-PA-R1-606 PA Function Lock	1	\$ 73.89	\$ 73.89
CRS4-626-LC Cylinder	1	\$ 25.97	\$ 25.97
CM-C1-626-LC Cylinder	1	\$ 25.97	\$ 25.97
PR37-ND-03-PH-630 Exit device night latch function	2	\$ 898.98	\$ 1,797.96
PR37-ND-03-B-630 Exit device exterior plates	2	\$ 809.97	\$ 1,619.94
DCC4041-AL Door closers w/cush stop	4	\$ 263.51	\$ 1,054.04
KM7-83 Key removable mullion	1	\$ 376.20	\$ 376.20
1C7*626-KE cores	4	\$ 40.58	\$ 162.32
1C7*626-KE cores no charge replacement for phase 1	1		
A530HD-AL-83 Hinge	1	\$ 106.02	\$ 106.02
Installation- includes labor and items in Oak PL12E, any complimentary/ancillary/requested items needed to complete project including 3.0x7.0 flush metal door primed to paint	1	\$ 4,671.72	\$ 4,671.72
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 10,643.73</b>

**ADDENDUM TO THE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENTS  
BETWEEN  
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY  
AND  
LAYLA TRANSPORTATION AND TRADING, INC.**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Township of Piscataway (the "Board") and Layla Transportation and Trading, Inc. ("the Contractor") are parties to Transportation Services Agreements for the 2020-2021 school year ("Agreements"); and

WHEREAS, the Board is responsible for the transportation of students residing within the Township of Piscataway Public School District; and

WHEREAS, the Board entered into Agreements with the Contractor for transportation services, which provides that the Contractor shall be paid only for transportation services performed; and

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19, the Township of Piscataway Public School District has been closed as of March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as a result, the Contractor's transportation services have since discontinued; and

WHEREAS, to ensure that transportation services will be available when schools reopen, the Board agrees to continue payment in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2020, Governor Philip D. Murphy signed into law P.L. 2020, c. 27, which includes a provision for payments to contracted service providers during the current public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the above-referenced law, the Board is to make payments for "benefits, compensation, and emoluments" and is not to pay for service provider's indirect costs such as fuel and tolls; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is obligated to use renegotiated payments to meet its payroll and fixed cost obligations;

WHEREAS, by this Addendum, the Board will have fulfilled its obligations pursuant to law P.L. 2020, c. 27; and

WHEREAS, the Agreements terminate on 6/30/2021 and the Board will no longer be subject to the obligations imposed by P.L. 2020, c. 27 in regards to the Contractor; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:19-3 requires that demands for compensation under the Agreements must be accompanied by an affidavit verifying that compensation is limited to services rendered; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure operations/service continuity following the end of the Closure Period and to provide for transportation services when in-person instruction resumes; and

WHEREAS, the parties are desirous of amending the terms of the Agreements to memorialize and clarify the respective responsibilities and obligations of the parties as set forth above.

NOW, WHEREFORE, THE PARTIES AGREE as follows:

1. The Agreements are hereby amended as follows:
  - A. During the period from September 1, 2020 through November 13, 2020 that the Township of Piscataway Public School District remains closed without the need for transportation services as a result of COVID-19, the Agreements shall remain in full force and effect and the Board shall continue its payment obligations, but at the reduced rate of eighty percent (80%) of the estimated total cost per route(s), as identified in the Agreements.
    - i. The parties acknowledge that the reduction in rate is solely for the period of school closure as a result of COVID-19 as the Contractor is not incurring certain operational costs, such as, but not limited to, those related to fuel and vehicle maintenance.
  - B. The Contractor hereby certifies that Contractor does not have business interruption insurance or similar insurance policy.
2. All other terms and conditions of the Agreements not addressed herein shall remain in full force and effect.
3. This Addendum is contingent upon approval by the Board of Education of the Township of Piscataway.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have set their hands and seals on the dated written below.

WITNESS:

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DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESS:

\_\_\_\_\_

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTRACTOR**

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

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Jae Jurado	Rachel Wahler	Olivia Sekulich
Bryan Matthew	Xerxes Tata	Kira Newsome
Brionna Pettus	Janvi Patel	Rosie Mina
Monica Alvarado	Caroline Vena	Olivia Greene
Danielle Ahn	Christopher Mius	Jennifer Correa
George Carson	Amber Ingram	Vaibhavi Sindha
Zachary Merring	Ryan Fecskovics	Malcolm Washington
Justin Dizon	Isis Dwyer	Marta Klaus
Kelly O'Connor	Lindsey Luper	Michael Campbell

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Michael Trumbauer	Amy Jeziorski	Michelle Gebhardt
Jennifer Shepp	Jocelyn DeLeon	Nadya Khan
Veeral Patel	Lea Rafisura	Anisha Patel
Devon Beirne	Muskan Shiva	Audrey Visscher
Gilana Rincon	Nathalie Santiago	Jennie Ray
Samantha Cuffy	Jake Carlon	Talia Wilson
Angelimani Bateman	Roshni Paleja	Marina DiCostanzo
Jasmine Putal	Jacqueline Calderon	Jen Mai
Jessica Pepe	Victoria Garon	Nina Smith



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Paulyne Valencia	Emily Varga	Andrew Ramos
Naomi Newton	Natalie Toke	Julianne Varga
Stephanie Walsh	Aaron Szabo	Samantha Garcia
Om Desai	Constance Arnold	Cristina Granados
Tanaea Schmalz	Makayla Merring	Joseph Regan
Angela Bodley	Jeamarie Flores	Yzabelle Hernandez
Jeremiah Flores	Ian Hernandez	Jennifer Raymondi
Jillian Hanna	Ashini Dias	Matt Dennehy
Gameu Pascal	Nisha Gandhi	Mia Tomasino

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Yumna Enver	Sebastian Jimenez	Giselle Perry
Kylie Bezpa	Parmeet Jangi	Joanna Duong
Ryan Hoffman	Christopher Edmundo	Jessica Vizcarra
Foram Patel	Sameen Siddiqui	Kimberlynn Harrison
Joshua Joyner	Dominique Del Gaudio	

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