

## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF MAY 22, 2014

The monthly Agenda Meeting of the Piscataway Township Board of Education was held on Thursday, May 22, 2014, at the Administration Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Board President, Mr. Irwin.

### I. CALL TO ORDER

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Salute to Flag – Board President  
Roll Call - Board Secretary

<u>Y</u>	Mr. Connors	<u>Y</u>	Ms. King	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Nazir
<u>Arrived at 7:14</u>	Mr. Irwin	<u>Y</u>	Ms. Lopez	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Okamoto
<u>Y</u>	Mr. Johnson	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Mosier	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Stern

### 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 April 25, 2014 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 newspaper serving Piscataway, *The Home News Tribune*
- ◆ Email notification filed with the Municipal Clerk at the Municipal Building on Hoes Lane

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### 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: 7:03 pm

Moved	<u>Mr. Okamoto</u>	Seconded	<u>Ms. Lopez</u>
Yea	<u>8</u>	Nay	<u>0</u>

### IV. PUBLIC SESSION

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Board reconvenes public session.

Motion to reconvene: 8:00 pm

Moved	<u>Mr. Okamoto</u>	Seconded	<u>Mr. Nazir</u>
Yea	<u>9</u>	Nay	<u>0</u>

### V. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

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- SGA
- Key Club
- NHS
- WLHS
- Senior Showcase

- ICCA
- Relay for Life

## **VI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

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- G & T Dance Program

## **VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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- Report on HIB Self-Assessment

### **PHS STUDENTS SELECTED TO ATTEND SUMMER ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

Four Piscataway High School students have been selected to attend prestigious summer programs at the state's top institutions of higher education. PHS junior Nithya Iyer will attend the NJ Governor's School of Engineering and Technology at Rutgers University, and Rajeshwari Enjeti, will attend the NJ Governor's School in the Sciences at Drew University. The Governor's School is a highly competitive program offered to students throughout the state. Both students will attend research and study programs at the respective schools over the summer.

Sara Koshy, sophomore, is one of only thirty students accepted to attend the Rutgers University Young Scholars Program in Discrete Mathematics, a four-week summer session for mathematically talented high school students. Freshman Kevin Carolina has been accepted to attend the W.E.B. DuBois Scholars Institute at Princeton University this summer, in a program dedicated to developing leaders who are committed to eliminating poverty and racism.

### **GRANDVIEW STUDENTS RAISE FUNDS FOR THE GOOD OF OTHERS**

Grandview School raised more than \$700 at a school supply sale to benefit James Monroe Elementary School of Edison. Third grade students Alex Roach, Sidharth Pasula, and Darlin Tsamezeu organized all aspects of the two-day sale, held during lunch time on April 30 and May 1. They also created flyers, posters and announcements to advertise the sale to parents and students. The funds will be presented to James Monroe staff to help replace school supplies after a recent fire destroyed the school.

### **SCHOR STUDENT TO COMPETE IN EUROPEAN ROBOTICS COMPETITION**

Nikhil Kundu, grade 6 at Schor, will compete in the Open European robotics competition in Pamplona, Spain this summer – all because of Legos. As a member of the "Robowarriors" FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Lego League team, Nikhil put his STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) learning to work designing and programming a Lego robot. Problem solving skills were required, as the team was tasked with developing a robot that would aid drivers when encountering a tornado. The "Robowarriors," comprised of students from various Middlesex County schools, took 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Robot Game category and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Project Innovation category of the NJ State FLL Competition earlier this year.

### **PHS STUDENTS RECEIVE NAACP ACT-SO MEDALS**

Three students from PHS received medals in the 25<sup>th</sup> annual NAACP ACT-SO (Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics), a student enrichment mentoring program, at an awards ceremony held earlier this month in Glassboro. Isaiah Devereaux, grade 11, received a gold medal in Mathematics, and will represent New Jersey at the national ACT-SO competition in Las Vegas in July. Kevin Carolina, grade 9, was awarded a silver medal in Contemporary Instrumental Music, and Chidinma Opara, grade 12, won a bronze medal in Science (Health & Medicine). Hundreds of New Jersey students gathered at Central High School in Newark in April to compete for the awards, scholarships and prizes in academic disciplines that included Humanities, Visual and Performing Arts, Science and Business.

### **PHS TEACHER RECEIVES "BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS" NATIONAL AWARD**

L-Mani Viney, social studies teacher at PHS, has been awarded the Michael Baisden Inspiration Award by Big Brothers Big Sisters of America. The award is presented to a company or individual who demonstrates consistent support in helping the organization recruit African-American males to serve as mentors and role models to young boys who can benefit from such a relationship. The award will be presented at the 2014 National Leadership Summit on Tuesday, June 17 in Chicago. Earlier this year, Mr. Viney was named to the *President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for African Americans*, as a result of his involvement in local and regional programs that support academic success, particularly for African American male students.

### **QUIBBLETOWN MUSICIANS PERFORM FOR PISCATAWAY SENIOR CITIZENS**

Piscataway's seniors were treated to a special concert last month, as twenty-six musicians from the Quibbletown Jazz Band and Flute Ensemble performed at the Senior Center and Sterling Village. The audience sang and danced, as they

listened to a variety of lively selections, including *In the Mood*, *Old Time Rock and Roll*, *Iron Man*, and *Any Way You Want It*. The performers were rewarded with hearty applause and a standing ovation.

#### **ORDER IN THE COURT! KNOLLWOOD LAW FAIR DELIVERS THE VERDICT**

Snow White is in big trouble according to the Law Fair students at Knollwood School. Grumpy and the Dwarfs are suing her for breach of contract, in a production written and performed by the student participants. The seven dwarfs are also seeking compensation for pain and suffering after Snow White ignored their verbal agreement and ran off with Prince Charming. You can hear the verdict at performances on Tuesday, June 3 at 9:30 am, and Wednesday, June 4 at 6:30 pm.

#### **“LAW DAY 2014” OBSERVED AT PHS**

A “Law Day 2014” assembly for students enrolled in law classes at PHS is scheduled for Thursday, May 29. The Hon. Vincent LeBlon, NJ Superior Court, will speak to the 2014 Law Day theme, “American Democracy and the Rule of Law: Why Every Vote Matters.” The program will provide an overview of the court system in New Jersey, and the role of the NJ Superior Court in the election process in NJ. Law Day recognizes two landmark legislations, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

#### **WELCOMING A MARINE HOME AT CONACKAMACK**

The Conackamack community will pay tribute to First Lieutenant Matthew P. Maughan on Friday, June 13th when he returns to the United States from deployment in Afghanistan. Students in Dawn Scotto Di Uccio’s 6<sup>th</sup> grade Language Arts Literacy class have been writing to Lt. Maughan and his unit during their deployment to offer support and raise morale.

#### **PHS ATHLETICS RECOGNIZED FOR SPORTSMANSHIP**

The Greater Middlesex Conference has recognized the athletic teams of PHS with the 2013-14 GMC Red Division Sportsmanship Award. Congratulations to ALL of the athletes, coaches, and the school community for demonstrating good sportsmanship throughout the year, and for earning this honor.

#### **VOLUNTEER CORP LEVELS BOOKS AT EISENHOWER**

A group of 16 volunteers gathered at Eisenhower Media Center on Saturday, April 26 to assist with the Library Leveling Project. The volunteers included Board of Education liaison Ralph Johnson; PTO President Lauran Bonaparte; Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Carolyn Keck; Principal Colleen Price; teachers Lynn Rubinfeld, Caroline Goniea, Alyssa Soohoo, James Boyd, Neda Akram, Trish Strazzulla, Natalie Bauza and Debbie Eichner; parent Marijah Sroczyński; family members Bryan Eichner, Danny Eichner, and Ryan Price; and former Curriculum Committee member Julie Dennis. The leveling project makes it easier for students to choose appropriate reading materials, as books are labeled according to reading level.

#### **RANDOLPHVILLE FUTURE SCIENTISTS EXHIBIT AT SCIENCE NIGHT**

More than 300 students, families and staff participated in Randolphville’s 5<sup>th</sup> Family Science Night, held earlier this month. Students demonstrated projects and research conducted in school, including water density, gravity, solar energy, and dry ice experiments, and presented a display showing how much sugar can be found in various beverages.

#### **MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS “ON TRACK” FOR SUCCESS!**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Middle School Track Meet took place on Wednesday, May 21, with more than 150 students showcasing their track and field skills. There were 50 different events, including sprints and long distance races, shot put, and long jump. All students competed with sportsmanship and camaraderie under the bright lights of the high school football field.

### **VIII. PERSONNEL & LABOR RELATIONS – Alexandra Lopez**

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

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

Michelle Wheeler, Registered Nurse/Schor	Effective: 6/30/14 Reason: Personal
Michael Bateman, Spanish Teacher/Conackamack Middle School	Effective: 6/30/14 Reason: Personal
Melissa Knudsen, Special Education Teacher/ MLK	Effective: 6/30/14

Reason: Personal

B. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS - STAFF PERSONNEL

TEACHERS

The following staff, effective 9/1/14 for the 2014-2015 school year:

Carleigh Zielinski Account #11-130-100-101-14-04	Step 1 MA \$52,587	Social Studies Teacher Quibbletown
Lindsay Liotta Account #11-000-219-104-00-35	Step 1 Doc \$57,547	School Psychologist Arbor/High School/Admin Bldg.
Lindsay DeFilippo Account #11-000-219-104-00-35	Step 8 MA \$67,281	LDTTC Conackamack/Quibbletown

SECRETARY/CLERK

The following 10-month secretaries and clerks for additional days at each individual's hourly rate of pay during the summer of 2014:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Account #</u>
Elizabeth Graves	Eisenhower	Up to 10 days	11-000-240-115-00-23
Jean Yowpa	Eisenhower	Up to 10 days	11-000-240-115-00-23
Karen Hoeg	Arbor	Up to 15 days	11-000-240-115-00-23

MAINTENANCE

Alan Pikula, Maintenance/Ethel Road Complex effective TBD pending completion of required paperwork, with a prorated annual salary of \$44,688 for the customary 90 day probationary period, for the remainder of the school year. Account #11-000-261-110-00-46

OTHER

The following students as Student Crew Members for non-high school events at \$12.50 per hour, as needed for the 2014-2015 school year: Account #11-424-100-178-00-22-09

Joseph Ahn	John Fox
Justin Rollack	Danielle Ahn

The following Community Education, Before and Extended Child Care staff effective 5/23/14 for the 2013-2014 school year. Contingent upon enrollment: Account #61-852-331-100-83-98

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Fanila Sarwar	Aide	\$8.25
Jade Turner	Aide	\$8.25
Martha Varma	Aide	\$8.25

John Ping, Coordinator of Trips for Community Education without pay or health benefits for the 2014-2015 school year.

Drew Calvo, Printing/High School, summer printing 2014 for High School and District, not to exceed \$7,000.00. Account #11-190-100-116-22-02

Christopher Sumner, Music-Instrumental/High School and Edward Gornick, Music-Instrumental/High School, Band Camp salaries at \$1,700.00 each for the Summer 2014 Band Camp. Account #11-401-100-111-00-02

The following teachers for auditorium duties for non-High School events at \$30.00 per hour, as needed for the 2014-2015 school year: Account #11-401-100-111-00-02.

Colleen Foley	Erik Hall
<u>Alternates:</u>	
Gayle Joy More	Sean Horan

The following Security Aides to provide security services for the Summer Programs at Conackamack, M.L. King & the High School at their hourly rate of pay, as needed, for the summer of 2014: Account #11-000-266-110-95-25

Kevin Moses	Matthew Wexler
<u>Alternate:</u>	
Lauren Sanford	

The following personnel for the Community Education Summer Camp Grades Toddler to 8<sup>th</sup> grade effective 6/23/14 to 8/22/14, Monday through Friday 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Hourly rates are depending on experience. Offer of employment is contingent upon enrollment. Account #61-855-330-100-00-98

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Rebecca Antunes	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Avyana Baker	Aide	\$8.25
Dimond Beckley-Jones	Aide	\$8.25
Kristina Cursi	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Jamaalah Diop	Aide	\$8.25
Taj Dixon	Aide	\$8.25
Kyle Dunich	Counselor	\$15.00
Claudia Escalante	Before Care Teacher	\$12.00
Kayla Evans	Aide	\$8.25
Logan Fowler	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Matthew Garcia	Aide	\$8.25
Kristen Hummel	Aide	\$9.00
Jeffery King	Enrichment Teacher	\$12.00
Jordan Kinslow	Aide	\$8.25
Kasey Knaus	Aide	\$8.25
Trudi Ann Lawrence	Before Care Teacher	\$13.00
Trudi Ann Lawrence	Counselor	\$13.00
Trudi Ann Lawrence	Enrichment Teacher	\$13.00
Shandria Laing	Aide	\$8.25
Nadine Litchenberg	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Nadine Litchenberg	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Romeo Lopez	Aide	\$8.25
Alex LoPiccolo	Aide	\$8.25
Jenna Maurer	Aide	\$8.25
Donesha McMillan	Aide	\$8.25
Adit Patel	Aide	\$8.25
Chandni Patel	Aide	\$8.25
Daniel Piepoli	Aide	\$8.25
Casey Poulson	Aide	\$8.25
Tam Quach	Aide	\$8.25
Joseph Regan	Aide	\$8.25
Cristina Rodriguez	Aide	\$8.25
Brooke Ruoff	Aide	\$8.25
Emily Simmonds	Enrichment Teacher	\$13.00

Karen Spear	Aide	\$8.25
Shannon Strauss	Counselor	\$15.00
Rishi Suthar	Aide	\$8.25
Kevin Tamsula	Aide	\$8.25
Sharif Wilson	Aide	\$8.25

SUBSTITUTES

The following Community Education, substitute Before and Extended Child Care staff effective 5/23/14 for the 2013-2014 school year. Contingent upon enrollment: Account #61-852-331-100-83-98

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Claudia Escalante	Teacher	\$12.00
Jordan Kinslow	Aide	\$8.25
Courtney McClain	Teacher	\$12.00

The following substitute personnel for the Community Education Summer Camp Grades Toddler to 8<sup>th</sup> grade effective 6/23/14 to 8/22/14, Monday through Friday 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Hourly rates are depending on experience. Offer of employment is contingent upon enrollment. Account #61-855-330-100-00-98

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Nida Akram	Nurse	\$19.00
Rebecca Antunes	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Rebecca Antunes	Counselor	\$15.00
Casey Atkins	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
George Batalas	Counselor	\$15.00
Natalie Bauza	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Robin Bowers	Enrichment Teacher	\$12.50
Diana Buitrago	Aide	\$9.00
Diana Buitrago	Counselor	\$12.00
Diana Buitrago	Enrichment Teacher	\$12.00
Diane Caratozolo	Aide	\$9.00
Diane Caratozolo	Counselor	\$12.00
Diane Caratozolo	Enrichment Teacher	\$12.00
Kristina Cursi	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Kristina Cursi	Counselor	\$15.00
Nicole DeGirolamo	Counselor	\$15.00
Lauren Dow	Before Care Teacher	\$13.25
Lauren Dow	Counselor	\$13.25
Kyle Dunich	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Kyle Dunich	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Logan Fowler	Counselor	\$15.00
Amy Ferguson	Aide	\$9.00
Amy Ferguson	Counselor	\$12.00
Amy Ferguson	Enrichment Teacher	\$12.00
Emily Fritze	Enrichment Teacher	\$13.75
Patricia Fritze	Counselor	\$12.00
Patricia Fritze	Enrichment Teacher	\$12.00
Margaret Fryer	Nurse	\$19.00
Amanda Furey	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
David Gaunt	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Linda Gruszka	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Kyle Gurkovich	Counselor	\$15.00
Kyle Gurkovich	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Erik Hall	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Erik Hall	Counselor	\$15.00
Kimberly Hannon Dutton	Before Care Teacher	\$13.00
Phylis Hriniaik	Aide	\$9.00
Jamie Jakubik	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00

Stacey Kalthoff	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Brigitte Kelly	Before Care Teacher	\$12.00
Brigitte Kelly	Counselor	\$12.50
Denise Kelly	Nurse	\$19.00
Jeffrey King	Before Care Teacher	\$12.00
Jeffrey King	Counselor	\$12.00
Christine Lepski	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Christine Lepski	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Nadine Lichtenberg	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Nadine Lichtenberg	Counselor	\$15.00
Craig Matthews	Counselor	\$15.00
Heather Meyers	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Matthew Normann	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Allison Opperman	Before Care Teacher	\$12.50
Veronica Ortiz	Before Care Teacher	\$12.00
Veronica Ortiz	Counselor	\$12.00
Veronica Ortiz	Enrichment Teacher	\$12.00
Brittany Perry	Counselor	\$15.00
Belicia Perry-Green	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Casey Poulsen	Aide	\$8.25
Katherine Queenan	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Katherine Queenan	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Amy Romano	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Amy Romano	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Barbara Romano	Before Care Teacher	\$12.00
Barbara Romano	Counselor	\$12.00
Shannon Ruegger	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Shannon Ruegger	Counselor	\$15.00
Susan Rzewnicki	Counselor	\$12.50
Katie Scoda	Enrichment Teacher	\$12.50
Emily Scoda	Enrichment Teacher	\$12.75
Nicollette Serido	Before Care Teacher	\$12.50
Nicollette Serido	Enrichment Teacher	\$12.50
Emily Simmonds	Counselor	\$13.00
Timothy Simonitis	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Vincenzo Stio	Counselor	\$15.00
Laura Stoddard	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Shannon Strauss	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Dolores Taylor	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Laura Timmerman	Nurse	\$19.00
Diane Venittelli	Counselor	\$15.00
Samantha Walker	Before Care Teacher	\$15.00
Samantha Walker	Enrichment Teacher	\$15.00
Krystal Whitehead	Before Care Teacher	\$12.00

### VOLUNTEERS

The following unsupervised volunteers for Marching Band Camp, practices and the fall season for the High School Marching Band:

Shelby Wolk

Imani Stewart

Matthew Lewis

### C. CHANGE OF STATUS - STAFF PERSONNEL

#### TEACHERS

Tara Picone, Kindergarten Teacher/Eisenhower, extension of Child Care Leave Act 9/1/14 – 6/30/15 without pay and without benefits. Account #11-110-100-101-01-07

Susan Suchocki, Second Grade Teacher/Knollwood, covered under the Federal Family Medical Leave Act 5/30/14 – 6/16/14 with pay and with benefits. Account #11-120-100-101-01-12

The following change in location, effective 9/1/14 for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Jessica Emmons	Math Teacher	Math Teacher
Account #11-140-100-101-12-02	Knollwood	High School

**AIDES**

The following change in location and assignment effective 5/28/14 for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Robyn Mack	MD Aide/Randolphville	AT Aide/Eisenhower
	Account #11-212-100-106-00-37-44	Account #11-214-100-106-00-37-44

Linda Camene, PD Aide/Children’s Corner, Leave of Absence 5/26/14 – 5/30/14 without pay and without benefits. Account #11-215-100-106-00-37-44

**TRANSPORTATION**

Russell Meier, Bus Driver/Ethel Road Complex, covered under the Federal Family Medical Leave Act 5/23/14 – 6/1/14 with pay and with benefits. Account #11-000-270-160-60-00-01

<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Mr. Connors	Y	Mr. Mosier	Y	Mr. Stern	Y
Mr. Johnson	Y	Mr. Nazir	Y	Ms. Lopez	Y
Ms. King	Y	Mr. Okamoto	Y	Mr. Irwin	
	Yea	9	Nay	0	

**IX. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

Agenda/Business Meeting	April 10, 2014
Executive Session	April 10, 2014
Moved <u>Mr. Mosier</u>	Seconded <u>Mr. Nazir</u>
Yea <u>9</u>	Nay <u>0</u>

Business Meeting	April 24, 2014
Executive Session	April 24, 2014
Moved <u>Mr. Mosier</u>	Seconded <u>Mr. Nazir</u>
Yea <u>9</u>	Nay <u>0</u>

**X. 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.

Motion to close:

Moved Ms. King                      Seconded Mr. Okamoto  
Yea 9                                      Nay 0

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

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

**A. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS**

*Explanation: Pursuant to 18A:19-2*

BE IT RESOLVED that the following disbursements for the month of April 2014 be approved as indicated:

Operating Account	
Operating Checks	2,968,204.66
Payroll Checks:	
Payroll: April 11, 2014	1,547,873.15
Payroll: April 15, 2014	248,834.91
Payroll: April 30, 2014	1,703,239.39
Cafeteria Fund	0
Capital Projects Fund	0
Debt Service	0
Self Insurance Fund	474,904.04
Transportation	0
Total	6,943,056.15

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

*1. Explanation: Pursuant to 18A:6-59*

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

Secretary's/Transfers Report                      March 2014

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:23-2.11 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

*2. Explanation: Pursuant to 18A:6-59*

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

Cash Reconciliation and Roll Forward Report March 2014 Dated: March 31, 2014

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:23-2.11 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

C. APPROVAL OF TECHNOLOGY PURCHASE BY NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS

*Explanation:*

*Local Boards of Education are required to approve non-public school technology purchases made using Chapter 192/193 non-public funds that flow through the local public school district. The Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission assists the Piscataway Board of Education in purchasing items requested by non-public schools within our jurisdiction.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves Rutgers-Livingston School’s request to the Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission to purchase one Memorex Radio/CD/MP3 Player Boombox in accordance with public purchasing laws and regulations regarding educational adequacy.

<u>M/S</u>		<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>		<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>		<u>Vote</u>
	Mr. Johnson	Y		Mr. Nazir	Y	M	Mr. Connors	Y
S	Ms. King	Y		Mr. Okamoto	Y		Ms. Lopez	Y
	Mr. Mosier	Y		Mr. Stern	Y		Mr. Irwin	Y
		Yea	9		Nay	0		

XII. POLICY – Ira Stern

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

A. ACCEPT ON FIRST READING

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education accepts on first reading the following policies:

- 1220 Advisory/Ad hoc Committees
- 9130 Board Committees (**Policy withdrawn and submitted to be amended by the policy committee/ Policy not voted on**)
- 9130R Board Committees(**Policy withdrawn and submitted to be amended by the policy committee/ Policy not voted on**)

B. ADOPT ON SECOND READING

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education adopts on second reading the following policy:

- 9400 Board Self-Evaluation

<u>M/S</u>		<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>		<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>		<u>Vote</u>
	Ms. King	Y	S	Mr. Okamoto	Y		Mr. Johnson	Y
	Mr. Mosier	Y		Mr. Stern	Y		Ms. Lopez	Y
	Mr. Nazir	Y		Mr. Connors	Y	M	Mr. Irwin	Y
		Yea	9		Nay	0		

**XIII. CURRICULUM – Mark Okamoto**

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

**A. APPROVAL OF STUDENT FIELD TRIPS**

*Explanation:*

*The Piscataway Township Board of Education deems student participation in curriculum related field trips to be educationally beneficial.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education, pursuant to regulation 6A:23A-5.8(c)(1), hereby approves the following educational field trips. C=Curricular; E=Extra Curricular

Code	Event/Location	Curriculum Standards	Class/Group	Teacher/Advisor	School & Source of Funding	Date(s)
C	Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library & Museum – Hyde Park, NY	Social Studies – 6.1.12.A; 6.1.12.B; 6.1.12.C; 6.1.12.D	US History 2 Classes (30 students – Grades 11-12)	Giovanni Reynoso	High School Event – Free Bus – Students	May 29, 2014 (7:15-4:00)
C	Six Flags Great Adventure Math & Science Day – Jackson, NJ	Math – 6.NS.B.3; 6.NS.B; 6.NS.C; 6.RP.A.3; 6.SP.B Science – 5.2.6.E; 5.2.8.D; 5.2.8.E; 5.2.12.E	All 6 <sup>th</sup> Graders (182 students – 10 classes)	Krishna Patel & All 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Staff	Quibbletown Event – Students Bus – PTG & School Activities Account	May 30, 2014 (9:00-4:00) Using Charter Buses
C	Green Meadows Farm – Hazlet, NJ	Science – 5.3.2 Language Arts Literacy – RI.1.5; RI.1.6; RI.1.7; RI.1.8; RI.1.9; RI.1.10; W.1.6; W.1.7; W.1.8	All 1 <sup>st</sup> Graders (131 students – 7 classes)	Janet Chervenyak & All 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Staff	Knollwood Event & Bus PTO Funded	May 30, 2014 (9:00-1:30)
C	Rutgers Farm – New Brunswick, NJ	Science – 5.3.P.A.1; 5.3.P.A.2	All Pre-K 3 and 4- year olds (450 students – 30 to 40 students per trip – 3 trips per day)	Kim Georgeian & All Pre-K 3 & 4 Staff	Children’s Corner Pond & River Locations (Funded by Office of Community Education)	June 2 (Pond) June 3, 4, 6, 2014 (9:00 – 2:30)
C	Liberty Science Center – Jersey City, NJ	Science – 5.1.4.D.1; 5.2.4.C.1; 5.2.4.E.2; 5.2.4.E.3;	All 3 <sup>rd</sup> Graders (164 students – 8 classes)	Joann Abbate & All 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Staff	Grandview Event – Students Bus – School FT Account	June 5, 2014 (9:00-3:00)

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C	Raritan Valley Community College Planetarium – Branchburg, NJ	Science – 5.1.P6; 5.4; Language Arts Literacy – 6.1.4;RL2.2	All 2 <sup>nd</sup> Graders (2 trips) (50 students + 75 students)	Tammy Lynch & All 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Staff	Knollwood PTO Funded	June 11 & 12, 2014 (9:15-12:30)
C	East Jersey Olde Towne Village – Piscataway, NJ	Social Studies – 6.1; 6.3	All 3 <sup>rd</sup> Graders (3 trips) (128 students – 2 classes – 43 students each)	Danielle Ambrosio 2 Classroom teachers each trip	Knollwood Tour – Free Bus – PTO Funded	June 16, 2014 (12:30-2:45) June 17 & 18, 2014 (10:00-1:00)
E	Rising 10th Grade Future Scholars Summer Program at Rutgers Campus - New Brunswick, NJ	Career Education and Life Skills – 9.1; 9.2	Rising 10th Grade Rutgers Future Scholars (54 students)	Carolyn Keck	High School Event – N/C Bus – C&I Department Account	Daily June 25 thru July 11, 2014 (8:15-3:30)
E	Rising 11th Grade Future Scholars Summer Program at Rutgers Campus - New Brunswick, NJ	Career Education and Life Skills – 9.1; 9.2	Rising 11th Grade Rutgers Future Scholars (54 students)	Carolyn Keck	High School Event – N/C Bus – C&I Department Account	Daily June 26 thru July 18, 2014 (8:15-3:30)
E	Rising 12th Grade Future Scholars Summer Program at Rutgers Campus - New Brunswick, NJ	Career Education and Life Skills – 9.1; 9.2	Rising 12th Grade Rutgers Future Scholars (54 students)	Carolyn Keck	High School Event – N/C Bus – C&I Department Account	Daily July 21 thru August 8, 2014 (8:15-3:30)
E	Rising 9th Grade Future Scholars Summer Program at Rutgers Campus - New Brunswick, NJ	Career Education and Life Skills – 9.1; 9.2	Rising 9th Grade Rutgers Future Scholars (54 students)	Carolyn Keck	High School Event – N/C Bus – C&I Department Account	Daily July 18 thru July 31, 2014 (8:15-3:30)
E	Rising 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Future Scholars Student Orientation and Welcoming at Rutgers Campus - New Brunswick, NJ	Career Education and Life Skills – 9.1; 9.2	Rising 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Rutgers Future Scholars (54 students)	Carolyn Keck	Conackamack Quibbltown Schor Event – N/C Bus – C&I Department Account	Daily July 14 thru July 18, 2014 (8:15-4:30)

B. APPROVAL OF STUDENT ATTENDANCE AT THE AFJROTC LEADERSHIP LABORATORY ACTIVITY CAMP JUNE 21-28, 2014

*Explanation:*

*The Piscataway High School AFJROTC program has participated in this Summer Leadership camp for well over 10 years. This camp consists of intensive leadership training and is conducted at Joint Base McGuire Dix in Lakehurst, NJ. This week-long training prepares students to assume an increased role in the leadership of the cadet group upon returning to school in September. Training is provided and supervised by local AFJROTC*

*instructors, active duty military personnel and ROTC cadets. The students will share the cost of the week-long camp and the Air Force provides accommodations in a dormitory on base. Transportation to and from Lakehurst will be paid through AFJROTC funds.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the attendance of thirty student members of the Piscataway High School AFJROTC and their instructor to participate in the Leadership Laboratory Activity Camp to be held at Joint Base McGuire Dix in Lakehurst, NJ June 21-28, 2014. This trip will be at no cost to the Board of Education.

C. EXTENSION OF THREE ADDITIONAL DAYS FOR STUDENT ATTENDANCE AT THE FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA CONFERENCE IN NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE JUNE 27 THROUGH JULY 3, 2014

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Explanation:

*At the meeting held on April 24, 2014, the Board approved the attendance and participation of the Future Business Leaders of America students at the FBLA National Leadership Conference. Students and their advisor will travel on June 27 and tour city attractions on June 28 and travel home on July 3 with the FBLA conference occurring June 29 through July 2, 2014 (the previously approved dates).*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the student members of Piscataway High School's FBLA Chapter and advisor, Greg Michaels, be approved for three additional days, June 27 and 28 and July 3, 2014 for travel and touring. These additional days are at no cost to the Board.

D. AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT DONATIONS

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1. Explanation:

*Mr. James Verser would like to donate a Bundy Flute to the high school band program for use by financially eligible students. This item has been viewed by Dr. Sumner, the Orchestra teacher, and found to be in good condition.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to accept a donation of a Bundy Flute from Mr. James Verser to the High School Band Program for use by financially eligible students. The value of this donation is approximately \$100.

2. Explanation:

*Ms. Jean Burton, a community resident, would like to donate her collection of "Library of America" books. The series of books is an excellent collection of American literature and letters. The books themselves are of high quality and the content is diverse and first-rate. The books have been reviewed by the District Supervisor for Language Arts Literacy and found to be in excellent condition.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to accept a donation of the series of "Library of America" books from Ms. Jean Burton to be placed in the High School Library. These 110 books are valued at approximately \$3,500.

3. Explanation:

*The Swan Brothers, a local community business, would like to donate \$1,000 for use by the Varsity Football team to purchase some equipment.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to accept a donation of \$1,000 from the Swan Brothers for use by the Varsity Football team.

E. AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE A SUMMER PROGRAM 2014

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Explanation:

*The district is required to notify the County Superintendent’s Office of any summer academic programs it may operate to support the academic needs of students.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to operate a Summer Program during the summer of 2014.

**F. APPROVAL OF NEW COURSE OFFERINGS FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR AT PISCATAWAY HIGH SCHOOL**

*Explanation:*

*Annually, Piscataway High School assesses its course offering needs for the upcoming school year. In collaboration with the Office of Curriculum and Instruction, additions, deletions, and/or modifications are submitted for review. The following course offerings were reviewed by the High School Curriculum Review Committee and the Board of Education Curriculum Committee and are now being proposed for Board approval.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education hereby approves the following course additions and modifications for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>New Courses</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Grade level</u>
Topics in Foundational Math 1	5	Full	9-10
Topics in Foundational Math 2	5	Full	10-11
Topics in Foundational Math 3	5	Full	11-12

<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Mr. Mosier	Y	Mr. Stern	Y	Ms. King	Y
Mr. Nazir	Y	Mr. Connors	Y	Ms. Lopez	Y
M Mr. Okamoto	Y	Mr. Johnson	Y	Mr. Irwin	Y
	Yea		Nay		
	9		0		

**XIV. PUPIL SERVICES – Ralph Johnson**

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

**A. OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENTS/EXTENDED YEAR – SUMMER 2013**

*Explanation:*

*Districts are required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) to provide for an extended school year program for eligible students with disabilities to include special education and related services. These services are provided to students beyond the traditional school year in accordance with each student’s needs as documented by their IEP team. The IEP team, using criteria provided by the State’s Office of Special Education Programs, annually determines eligibility for participation.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education hereby approves the following students for placement:

<u>School</u>	<u>Effective Date &amp; Hours</u>	<u>Times</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Bridge Academy	June 23 – July 24	8:00 – 12:30	MD	\$2,500.00
Bright Beginnings	June 30 – Aug 8	9:00 – 2:00	AT	\$4,524.00
				1:1 aide
				\$3,016.00

Bright Beginnings	June 30 – Aug 8	9:00 – 2:00	AT	\$4,524.00
Bright Beginnings	June 30 – Aug 8	9:00 – 2:00	MD	\$4,002.00
Bright Beginnings	June 30 – Aug 8	9:00 – 2:00	CI	\$4,524.00
Bright Beginnings	June 30 – Aug 8	9:00 – 2:00	MD	\$4,002.00
Children’s Center of Monmouth County	July 1 – Aug 22	9:00 – 2:00	AT	\$10,675.72
Piscataway Regional Day	June 30 – Aug 8	9:00 – 2:00	MD	\$4,002.00
Piscataway Regional Day	June 30 – Aug 8	9:00 – 2:00	MD	\$4,002.00
Piscataway Regional Day	June 30 – Aug 8	9:00 – 2:00	MD	\$4,002.00
Piscataway Regional Day	June 30 – Aug 8	9:00 – 2:00	AT	\$4,524.00
Center for Lifelong Learning	June 30 – Aug 8	9:00 – 2:00	MD	\$4,002.00
Center School	July 1 - July 29	8:30 – 1:00	AT	\$6,108.60
Center School	July 1 – July 29	8:30 – 1:00	ED	\$6,108.60
CPC High Point	July 7 – Aug 8	9:00 – 2:00	ED	\$8,750.00
UMDNJ – Adolescent Therapeutic Day School	July 7 – Aug 21	8:45 – 2:45	ED	\$11,558.00
UMDNJ – Child Therapeutic Day School	July 7 - Aug 21	8:45 – 2:45	PD	\$11,558.00

**B. APPROVAL OF SURROGATE PARENT**

*Explanation:*

*Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:14-2.2(a)-(i), a surrogate parent must be appointed, on an as needed basis, to assume all parental rights when a parent cannot be identified or located, when an agency of the State of New Jersey has guardianship, if a foster parent declines to serve as a parent or if the student is an unaccompanied homeless youth.*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the appointment of Becky Walker as a surrogate parent for the 2014 - 2015 school year at no cost to the Board.

<u>M/S</u>		<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>
<u>S</u>	Mr. Nazir	<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>
<u>      </u>	Mr. Okamoto	<u>Y</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>      </u>	Mr. Stern	<u>Y</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>Y</u>
		Yea	<u>9</u>	Nay	<u>0</u>	

**XV. ADMINISTRATIVE & AUXILIARY – Margaret King**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motion, identified as item “A”, be approved as presented:

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

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
Robert Coleman	New Jersey Literacy Consortium – Embracing Assessments That Improve Learning and Inspire Teaching the Common Core	October 30, 2014 December 10, 2014 March 10, 2015 May 21, 2015	\$433

M/S	Vote	M/S	Vote	M/S	Vote
Mr. Okamoto	Y	Mr. Johnson	Y	Mr. Nazir	Y
Mr. Stern	Y	Ms. King	Y	Ms. Lopez	Y
Mr. Connors	Y	Mr. Mosier	Y	Mr. Irwin	Y
	Yea	9	Nay	0	

**XVI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Mr. Connors – Community Relations/Legislative Committee
- Mr. Mosier – Curriculum

**XVII. NEW BUSINESS**

- Comments from the Board
- Mr. Stern and Mr. Connors attended the Delegate Assembly last Saturday.

**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved	Mr. Okamoto	Seconded	Mr. Irwin
	Yea 9	Nay	0

- - - Meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas Puleio  
Interim Board Secretary