## **MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2014**

The monthly Agenda Meeting of the Piscataway Township Board of Education was held on Thursday, September 18, 2014, at the Administration Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Board President, Mr. Irwin.

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Salute to Flag – Board President Roll Call - Board Secretary

| Р      | Mr. Connors | Р | Ms. Lopez  | Р | Mr. Okamoto |
|--------|-------------|---|------------|---|-------------|
| Р      | Mr. Irwin   | Р | Mr. Mosier | Р | Mr. Peng    |
| Absent | Mr. Johnson | Р | Mr. Nazir  | Р | Mr. Stern   |

#### II. NOTIFICATION ANNOUNCEMENT

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 July 9, 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

This meeting is being digitally 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

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: 7:10 pm

| Moved | Mr. C | kamoto | Seconded | Mr. | Peng |
|-------|-------|--------|----------|-----|------|
|       | Yea   | 8      | Nay      | 0   |      |

#### IV. PUBLIC SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board reconvenes public session.

Motion to reconvene:

| Moved | Mr. | Peng | Seconded | Mr. Na | zir |
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|       | Yea | 8    | Nay      | 0      |     |

## V. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

## VI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

#### VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

## VIII. PERSONNEL & LABOR RELATIONS - Alexandra Lopez

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

# A. RESIGNATIONS, TERMINATIONS AND/OR RETIREMENTS

Leslie Garris, Noontime Aide/Eisenhower Effective: 9/30/14

Reason: Retirement

Erica Piano, Community Education Preschool Aide Effective: 9/8/14

Reason: Personal

Emily Fritze, Community Education Preschool Aide Effective: 10/3/14

Reason: Personal

Allison Oliveira, Behaviorist/School Psychologist/ML King Effective: 11/16/14

Reason: Personal

## B. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS - STAFF PERSONNEL

# **SECRETARY**

Madalena Mazzelli, Elementary Secretary/Knollwood, effective TBD pending completion of all required paperwork and for the 90 day customary probationary period, at an annual salary of Step 8-10 Month Level 3 \$39,690, for the 2014-2015 school year. Salary will remain fixed at the current level, and is subject to adjustment, if and as appropriate upon conclusion of a successor collective negotiations agreement. Account #11-000-240-105-00-12

# **AIDES**

Lakshmi Ramamurthy, Noontime Aide/Randolphville, effective TBD pending completion of required paperwork and for the customary 90 day probationary period, at an hourly rate of \$12.00, for the 2014-2015 school year. Salary will remain fixed at the current level, and is subject to adjustment, if and as appropriate upon conclusion of a successor collective negotiations agreement. Account #60-910-310-100-00-00

Eric Snead, Noontime Aide/Arbor, effective TBD pending completion of required paperwork and for the customary 90 day probationary period, at an hourly rate of \$12.00, for the 2014-2015 school year. Salary will remain fixed at the current level, and is subject to adjustment, if and as appropriate upon conclusion of a successor collective negotiations agreement. Account #60-910-310-100-00-00

# **OTHER**

The following Community Education, Before and Extended Child Care staff effective 9/19/14 for the 2014-2015 school year. Contingent upon enrollment: Account #61-852-331-100-83-98

Name Position Rate
Kristina Cursi Teacher \$15.00

| Joseph Falzarano    | Teacher | \$15.00 |
|---------------------|---------|---------|
| Wendy Gonzalez      | Aide    | \$9.00  |
| Jessica Kabus       | Aide    | \$8.25  |
| Kristina Ketterer   | Teacher | \$15.00 |
| Deandra McPhoy      | Aide    | \$8.25  |
| Patricia Strazzulla | Teacher | \$15.00 |
| Wayne Williams      | Aide    | \$8.25  |

The following Community Education staff will attend Handle with Care training on Thursday, 9/25/14, 8:30 a.m. through 1:30 p.m. Participants are paid their Extended Day hourly rate of pay up to 5 hours. Account #61-852-331-100-83-98

| <u>Name</u>       | <u>Rate</u> |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Pamela Cesare     | \$11.25     |
| Stacey Kalthoff   | \$16.81     |
| Dorthy LaMorte    | \$15.30     |
| Christine Reilley | \$17.86     |
| Jonathan Simmonds | \$12.00     |

The following Community Education staff will attend re-certification Handle with Care training on Thursday, 9/25/14, 8:30 a.m. through 1:30 p.m. Participants are paid their Extended Day hourly rate of pay up to 2.5 hours. Account #61-852-331-100-83-98

| <u>Name</u>     | <u>Rate</u> |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Trinity Lauer   | \$23.00     |
| Lilia McDermott | \$33.00     |

The following staff member will provide Handle with Care Training at the Administration Building Thursday, 9/25/14 from 7:00 am to 2:00p.m. at a rate of \$30.00 per hour for up to 8.5 hours. Additional hours are for class preparation. Account # 11-000-223-590-00-36

Vincenzo Stio

The following staff will attend Handle with Care Training at the Administration Building Thursday, 925/14 from 7:30 am to 2:00p.m. Participants will be paid \$30.00 per hour for up to 5.5 hours.

Account # 11-000-223-590-00-36

## Danielle Rudnick

The following special education staff member to attend the NJDOE grades 4, 8 science and end of Course Biology Alternative Performance Assessment (APA) training on 9/22/14 and 9/29/14 from 3:30pm to 5:30pm at a rate of \$30.00 per hour with no additional expenses. Account #11-000-223-590-00-36.

Judith Biczis

The following High School Curricular Extra Duty Contract for the 2014-2015 school year: Rates will remain fixed at the current level, and are subject to adjustment, if and as appropriate upon conclusion of a successor collective negotiations agreement. Account #11-401-100-111-00-02

Jason Bellew Biology I - Team Advisor \$822

## **VOLUNTEERS**

The following supervised ABA classroom volunteers for Special Education:

Mark Apuzzo Samira Dodson Gabriel Jackson Stephanie Jimenez Richard Joffe Kaitlyn Martinez Garbrielle Maya Mercedes Ruiz

The following supervised volunteer for Eisenhower School:

Sara Kvenvik

The following supervised volunteer for Middle School Cross Country and Track and Field:

Amy Napoli

## **SUBSTITUTES**

The following Community Education, Before and Extended Child Care substitute staff effective 9/19/14 for the 2014-2015 school year. Contingent upon enrollment: Account #61-852-331-100-83-98

| <u>Name</u>       | <b>Position</b> | <u>Rate</u> |
|-------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Deborah Clyburn   | Aide            | \$9.00      |
| Elizabeth Collins | Teacher         | \$15.00     |
| Caitlin Cooper    | Teacher         | \$15.00     |
| Amy Ferguson      | Teacher         | \$12.00     |
| Heather Meyers    | Teacher         | \$15.00     |
| Debbie Nugent     | Teacher         | \$12.00     |
| Sheryl Young      | Teacher         | \$15.00     |

Claudia Escalante, Community Education Substitute Aide, effective 9/19/14 at a daily rate of \$75.00, as needed, for the 2014-2015 school year. Account #61-853-330-100-00-10-12

Anita Patel, Substitute Noontime Aide, at an hourly rate of \$10.65, effective 9/19/14 as needed for the 2014-2015 school year.

## C. CHANGE OF STATUS - STAFF PERSONNEL

# **TEACHERS**

Emily Slavik, Mathematics Teacher/Schor, covered under Federal Family Medical Leave Act and/or New Jersey Family Leave 11/10/14 – 1/8/15 with pay, 1/9/15 – 3/8/15 without pay and Child Care Leave Act 3/9/15 – 3/29/15. Account #11-130-100-101-12-05

Lisa Pizzuti, Elementary Teacher/Eisenhower, covered under Federal Family Medical Leave Act and/or New Jersey Family Leave 1/5/15 - 2/23/15 with pay and with benefits, 2/24/15 - 4/15/15 without pay and with benefits. Account #11-120-100-101-0107

John Villec, BD Teacher/Administration Building covered under Federal Family Medical Leave Act and New Jersey Family Leave 10/1/14 – 11/12/14 without pay. Account #11-209-100-101-00-37

Nicole Ferrer, Gifted and Talented Teacher/Eisenhower, extension of Federal Family Medical Leave Act 9/22/14 – 10/19/14 without pay and with benefits. Account #11-120-100-101-30-00

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

| Name                                | From              |         | To                |         |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| Aparna Kamulkar, Physical Therapist | Children's Corner | .50 FTE | Children's Corner | .50 FTE |
| Account #11-000-216-100-00-36       | High School       | .20 FTE | Admin. Building   | .20 FTE |
|                                     | Schor             | .10 FTE | Schor             | .10 FTE |
|                                     | ML King           | .10 FTE | ML King           | .10 FTE |
|                                     | Knollwood         | .05 FTE | Knollwood         | .05 FTE |
|                                     | Randolphville     | .05 FTE | Randolphville     | .05 FTE |

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| Kari Woodell, Physical Therapist<br>Account #11-000-216-100-00-36   | Admin. Building<br>Grandview<br>Eisenhower<br>Conackamack<br>Arbor | .20 FTE<br>.40 FTE<br>.05 FTE<br>.30 FTE<br>.05 FTE           | High School<br>Grandview<br>Eisenhower<br>Conackamack<br>Arbor | .20 FTE<br>.40 FTE<br>.05 FTE<br>.30 FTE            |
|---|--|---|--|---|
| Annabelle Murray, School Psychologist/Behaviorist Account #11-209-100-101-00-37 .50 FTE Account #11-214-100-101-00-37 .50 FTE | Children's Corner<br>Schor<br>King<br>Conackamack<br>Grandview     | .40 FTE<br>.20 FTE<br>.20 FTE<br>.20 FTE<br>Consult as needed | Children's Corner<br>Schor<br>King<br>Conackamack<br>Arbor     | .40 FTE<br>.10 FTE<br>.10 FTE<br>.10 FTE<br>.30 FTE |
| Karen Nesnay, Speech Correction/Language Spec. Account #11-000-216-104-00-36  | Grandview<br>Children's Corner                                     | .80 FTE<br>.20 FTE  | Grandview  | 1.00 FTE  |
| Jill Brown, School Social Worker<br>Account #11-000-219-104-00-35   | ML King<br>Randolphville   | .60 FTE<br>.40 FTE  | ML King<br>Randolphville                                       | .80 FTE<br>.20 FTE                                  |
| Danielle Stanley, LDTC<br>Account #11-000-219-104-00-35   | Grandview<br>Randolphville   | .60 FTE<br>.40 FTE  | Grandview<br>Randolphville                                     | .80 FTE<br>.20 FTE                                  |
| Lindsay Defilippo, LDTC<br>Account #11-000-219-104-00-35  | Knollwood  | 1.00 FTE  | Knollwood<br>ML King   | .20 FTE<br>.80 FTE                                  |
| Lynn Foley, Speech Correction/Language Spec.<br>Account #11-000-216-104-00-36   | Knollwood  | 1.00 FTE  | Knollwood<br>Randolphville                                     | .60 FTE<br>.40 FTE                                  |
| Valerie Romano, Speech Correction/Language<br>Spec<br>Account #11-000-216-104-00-36   | Conackamack<br>Grandview   | .80 FTE<br>.20 FTE  | Conackamack<br>Children's Corner                               | .80 FTE<br>.20 FTE                                  |
| Karyn Nickels, Speech Correction/Language Spec. Account #11-000-216-104-00-36   | ML King  | 1.00 FTE  | ML King<br>Children's Corner                                   | .90 FTE<br>.10 FTE                                  |

The following change in salary for longevity, effective 10/1/14, for the 2014-2015 school year: Salary will remain fixed at the current level, and is subject to adjustment, if and as appropriate upon conclusion of a successor collective negotiations agreement.

| <u>Name</u>                             | <u>Anniversary</u> | From     | <u>To</u> |
|---|--------------------|----------|-----------|
| Robyn Rosenthal, School Counselor/Arbor | 15 Years           | \$88,487 | \$89,237  |

# **AIDES**

Deborah Terebecki, BD Aide/Administration Building/Arbor, Intermittent Federal Family Medical Leave Act and New Jersey Family Leave for the 2014-2015 school year. Account #11-209-100-106-00-37-44

Catherine Dallas, LD Aide/Grandview, covered under Federal Family Medical Leave Act, 9/8/14 – 9/19/14 with pay and with benefits. Account #11-204-100-106-00-37

## D. CERTIFICATION

\$5,565.25, and authorizes submission of the 2013-2014 goal attainment with appropriate documentation for review and approval by the executive county superintendent.

| M/S |             | Vote | M/S |             | Vote | M/S |           | Vote |
|-----|-------------|------|-----|-------------|------|-----|-----------|------|
|     | Mr. Connors | Υ    |     | Mr. Nazir   | Υ    |     | Mr. Stern | Υ    |
|     | Mr. Johnson |      | S   | Mr. Okamoto | Y    | М   | Ms. Lopez | Y    |
|     | Mr. Mosier  | Y    |     | Mr. Peng    | Y    | _   | Mr. Irwin | Y    |
|     |             | Yea  | 8   | _           | Nay  | 0   | -         |      |

## IX. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Business Meeting August 14, 2014
Executive Session August 14, 2014

Moved Mr. Nazir Seconded Mr. Stern
Yea 8 Nay 0

#### 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
 Mr. Okamoto
 Seconded
 Mr. Stern

 Yea
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 Nay
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# XI. FISCAL PLANNING & OPERATIONS - Tom Connors

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items "A" through "F", 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 August 2014 be approved as indicated:

| Operating Account        |              |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Operating Checks         | 2,747,273.52 |
| Payroll Checks:          |              |
| Payroll: August 15, 2014 | 951,677.93   |
| Payroll: August 31, 2014 | 720,952.99   |
| Cafeteria Fund           | 0            |
| Capital Projects Fund    | 944,684.45   |
| Debt Service             | 3,059,862.50 |
| Self Insurance Fund      | 720,323.47   |
| Transportation           | 0            |
| Total                    | 9,144,774.86 |

## 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 July 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 <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 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 July 2014 Dated: July 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 <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 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 Board of Education approves Yeshiva Shaarei Tzion School's request to the Middlesex Educational Regional Services Commission to purchase Dell Computer supplies in the amount of \$2,260 in accordance with public purchasing laws and regulations regarding educational adequacy.

## D. APPROVAL OF JOINT TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the School Business Administrator to approve participation in Coordinated Transportation with Franklin Township Board of Education as the "HOST" district and Piscataway Board of Education as the "JOINER" district for the 2014-2015 school year for the following routes:

| <u>Destination</u>                        | Joiner Cost |
|---|-------------|
| Thomas Edison Energy Smart Charter School | \$884       |

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the School Business Administrator to approve participation in Coordinated Transportation with Franklin Township Board of Education as the "HOST" district and Piscataway Board of Education as the "JOINER" district for the 2014-2015 school year for the following routes:

| <u>Destination</u>          | Joiner Cost |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| St. Augustine of Canterbury | \$884       |

# E. APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION ROUTES FOR 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR

## Explanation:

The rates below reflect an increase of 1.66% for the 2014-2015 school year for the Dapper Bus Company contract, and is less than the maximum increase set forth by the State of New Jersey (1.69%).

|        |                 |                    | 2014-2015 Per | 2014-2015 Per | 2014-2015 Total |
|--------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Route# | Destination     | Award to           | Diem          | Diem Aide     | Per Diem        |
| E-34   | Eisenhower E.S. | Dapper Bus Company | \$162.47      | \$42.50       | \$204.97        |
| SMS-2  | Schor M.S       | Dapper Bus Company | \$118.10      | \$26.15       | \$144.25        |
| G-51   | Grandview E.S.  | Dapper Bus Company | \$120.74      | \$26.15       | \$146.89        |

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the increase of 1.66% for the 2014-2015 school year for the Dapper Bus Company contract.

# F. APPROVAL OF DEPOSITORY OF RECORDS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves Investors Bank as the Board of Education Depository of Records for the 2014-2015 school year.

| M/S |             | Vote | M/S |             | Vote     | M/S |             | Vote |
|-----|-------------|------|-----|-------------|----------|-----|-------------|------|
|     | Mr. Johnson |      |     | Mr. Okamoto | <u> </u> | M   | Mr. Connors | Y    |
|     | Mr. Mosier  | Y    |     | Mr. Peng    | <u> </u> |     | Ms. Lopez   | Y    |
| S   | Mr. Nazir   | Y    |     | Mr. Stern   | <u> </u> |     | Mr. Irwin   | Y    |
|     | •           | Yea  | 8   | _           | Nay      | 0   | _           |      |

# XII. CURRICULUM - Mark Okamoto

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items "A" through "E", 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   | <u>Curriculum</u><br><u>Standards</u>                      | Class/Group   | Teacher/<br>Advisor                           | School &<br>Source of Funding                       | Date(s)  |
|------|--|--|---|---|---|--|
| E    | Health Links /<br>Quibbletown<br>Middle,<br>Piscataway | Critical Thinking,<br>Communication<br>Skills              | Middle Schools  - Health Links Exploration Program (30 students, 8 <sup>th</sup> grade) | Rogers /<br>Husbands /<br>Patel /<br>Johansen | Quibbletown,<br>Conackamack and<br>T Schor Accounts | September 26,<br>2014 (8:30 a.m.<br>– 2:30 p.m.) |
| Е    | RWJUH Safety<br>Ambassador<br>Training                 | 9.1 21 <sup>st</sup> -Century<br>Life and Career<br>Skills | National Honor<br>Society Safety<br>Ambassador<br>Program                               | Leibowitz                                     | PHS & No Fee  | October 10,<br>2014 (8:30 a.m.<br>– 1:30 p.m.)   |
| E    | Health Links /<br>UMDNJ,<br>Newark                     | Critical Thinking,<br>Communication<br>Skills              | Middle Schools  - Health Links Exploration Program (30 students, 8 <sup>th</sup> grade) | Rogers /<br>Husbands /<br>Patel /<br>Johansen | Quibbletown,<br>Conackamack and<br>T Schor Accounts | October 17,<br>2014 (8:30 a.m.<br>– 2:30 p.m.)   |
| Е    | Health Links /<br>NJIT, Newark                         | Critical Thinking,<br>Communication<br>Skills              | Middle Schools  - Health Links Exploration Program (30 students, 8 <sup>th</sup> grade) | Rogers /<br>Husbands /<br>Patel /<br>Johansen | Quibbletown,<br>Conackamack and<br>T Schor Accounts | November 21,<br>2014 (8:30 a.m.<br>– 2:30 p.m.)  |

| E | Health Links /<br>NJ Sharing<br>Network, New<br>Providence           | Critical Thinking,<br>Communication<br>Skills | Middle Schools  - Health Links Exploration Program (30 students, 8 <sup>th</sup> grade) | Rogers /<br>Husbands /<br>Patel /<br>Johansen | Quibbletown,<br>Conackamack and<br>T Schor Accounts | December 12,<br>2014 (8:30 a.m.<br>– 2:30 p.m.) |
|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| Е | Health Links /<br>Neighborhood<br>Health Center,<br>Plainfield       | Critical Thinking,<br>Communication<br>Skills | Middle Schools  - Health Links Exploration Program (30 students, 8 <sup>th</sup> grade) | Rogers /<br>Husbands /<br>Patel /<br>Johansen | Quibbletown,<br>Conackamack and<br>T Schor Accounts | January 16,<br>2014 (8:30 a.m.<br>– 2:30 p.m.)  |
| E | Health Links /<br>The Cancer<br>Institute of NJ,<br>New Brunswick    | Critical Thinking,<br>Communication<br>Skills | Middle Schools  - Health Links Exploration Program (30 students, 8 <sup>th</sup> grade) | Rogers /<br>Husbands /<br>Patel /<br>Johansen | Quibbletown,<br>Conackamack and<br>T Schor Accounts | February 20,<br>2014 (8:30 a.m.<br>– 2:30 p.m.) |
| E | Health Links /<br>Robert Wood<br>Johnson<br>Foundation,<br>Princeton | Critical Thinking,<br>Communication<br>Skills | Middle Schools  - Health Links Exploration Program (30 students, 8 <sup>th</sup> grade) | Rogers /<br>Husbands /<br>Patel /<br>Johansen | Quibbletown,<br>Conackamack and<br>T Schor Accounts | March 20, 2014<br>(8:30 a.m. –<br>2:30 p.m.)    |
| Е | Health Links /<br>Liberty Science<br>Center, Jersey<br>City          | Critical Thinking,<br>Communication<br>Skills | Middle Schools  - Health Links Exploration Program (30 students, 8 <sup>th</sup> grade) | Rogers /<br>Husbands /<br>Patel /<br>Johansen | Quibbletown,<br>Conackamack and<br>T Schor Accounts | April 17, 2014<br>(8:30 a.m. –<br>2:30 p.m.)    |
| Е | Health Links /<br>New Jersey<br>State House,<br>Trenton              | Critical Thinking,<br>Communication<br>Skills | Middle Schools  - Health Links Exploration Program (30 students, 8 <sup>th</sup> grade) | Rogers /<br>Husbands /<br>Patel /<br>Johansen | Quibbletown,<br>Conackamack and<br>T Schor Accounts | May 15, 2014<br>(8:30 a.m. –<br>2:30 p.m.)      |

# B. APPROVAL TO ADOPT TEXTBOOK

# Explanation:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:34-1, the following textbook is recommended for approval and adoption by the Board. The textbook selection process included administrators and teachers. The textbook was reviewed by the Curriculum Committee at its meeting held on September 8, 2014 and is available in the Board Room for your review.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the adoption of the following textbook:

# 1. COURSE TITLE: Spanish AP

TRIÁNGULO APROBADO 5th Edition - \$39.16

Authors: B. Gatski – J. McMullan Wayside – Copyright 2013 ISBN: 978-1-938-026-41-6 Includes all online access and support materials

## C. APPROVAL OF CURRICULUM PROGRAM GUIDES

## Explanation:

The following curriculum guides were written according to the approved five-year curriculum review/revision plan, designed using the Understanding By Design framework, and align to state standards. The guides were reviewed by the Curriculum Committee at its meeting held on September 8, 2014 and are available in the Board Room or on-line for your review.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the following curriculum guides for use in the classroom, effective for the 2014-2015 school year:

# English Language Arts:

- Middle School ELA: grades 6-8
- High School English 1-4: grades 9, 10 & 12
- Vocabulary Study: grades 1-12

### Health/Physical Education

- K-5 Health/PE
- 9-12 Health/PE

#### Mathematics:

- Algebra 1
- Algebra 2

## Practical Arts:

- Digital Video Editing: grades 10-12
- Intro TV/Radio: grades 9-12

#### Science:

- Anatomy & Physiology for Health Careers: grades 11 & 12
- Dynamics of Health Care in Society: grades 11 & 12
- Research in Molecular Biology & Bioinformatics: grades 11 & 12

## Social Studies:

- Honors US History 1 & 2
- US History 1 & 2
- Middle School Social Studies: grades 6-8

# Visual & Performing Arts

- Dance 3 Grades 11-12
- Instrumental Music: grades 9-12
- K-5 General Music
- Music by Design 1 & 2
- D. APPROVE CONTRACTED SERVICES FOR THE SECOND THROUGH FIFTH GRADE CREATIVE DANCE PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,350 AND APPROVE GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR PARTIAL FUNDING FOR FOURTH THROUGH FIFTH GRADE CREATIVE DANCE PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,600

# Explanation:

This second through fifth grade creative movement curriculum and program includes an in-school performance for all second through fifth grade students at the Piscataway High School Performing Arts Center, professional development for elementary classroom and primary Physical Education/Health teachers and a Master Class for high school dance students. As part of the K-3 Gifted and Talented program, select second grade students in all

primary schools will participate in fifteen sessions of a creative movement curriculum aligned to the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standard for Visual and Performing Arts. Additionally, select third grade students in all primary schools will participate in a similar creative movement curriculum for eight weeks supported by a Geraldine Dodge Foundation Grant through the Lustig Dance Theatre. During the 2014-2015 school year, the program will expand to include weekly participation by select fourth and fifth grade students for sixteen sessions that will be funded (in part) by a grant from Young Audiences of New Jersey.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the following resolution for contract and grant services for Lustig Dance Theatre to provide schoolwide enrichment for all second through fifth grade students, a dance program to select second through fifth grade students and additional arts services during the 2014-2015 school year in the amounts of \$26,350 (contract) and \$8,600 (grant).

# E. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTED SERVICES WITH COLLEGE BOARD/COLLEGE READINESS SYSTEM/PSAT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20.777

## Explanation:

The Piscataway Township Schools participates in the College Board's Early Participation Program, an initiative to support the involvement of all students in the college-going process at an early age while there is time to inform instruction and learning, and increase students' readiness for college expectations.

Students in grades 9-11 will participate in the PSAT assessment program which exposes students to college planning and preparation tools to get and keep them actively involved in the process. Students in grade 8 will participate in the ReadiStep assessment program the middle school companion to the PSAT program.

The fee is calculated at \$14 per student, with an enrollment of 1,742 students in grades 9-11 and \$8 per student, with an enrollment of 542 students in grade 8, not to exceed the discounted rate of \$20,777 with a \$50 data charge.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves contracted services for the College Board Early Preparation Program initiative for students in grades 8-11 for the 2014-2015 school year in the amount of \$20,777.

| M/S | _           | Vote      | M/S | _            | Vote      | M/S | _           | Vote     |
|-----|-------------|-----------|-----|--------------|-----------|-----|-------------|----------|
| ·   | Mr. Mosier  | Υ         |     | Mr. Peng     | Υ         |     | Mr. Johnson |          |
| S   | Mr. Nazir   | Y         |     | Mr. Stern    | Y         |     | Ms. Lopez   | Υ        |
| М   | Mr. Okamoto | <u> Y</u> |     | Mr. Connors  | <u> Y</u> |     | Mr. Irwin   | <u> </u> |
|     |             | Yea       | 8   | <del>-</del> | Nay       | 0   | •           |          |

# XII. PUPIL SERVICES - Ralph Johnson

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

### A. APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENTS AND SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS

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

| <u>Placement</u>   | Effective Date | Classification        | Rate        |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| School Placements: |                |                       |             |
| GreenBrook Academy | 9/3/14         | Emotionally Disturbed | \$70,796.00 |
| YCS Muller School  | 9/3/14         | Emotionally Disturbed | \$53,699.40 |
| Woods Services     | 9/3/14         | Autistic              | \$64,605.00 |

## B. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTED SERVICES

## Explanation:

The following resolutions reflect the need for contracts with outside service providers on the part of the Office of Pupil Services. These contracts are necessary in order to ensure that the district may comply with Individual Education Program (IEP) requirements in the areas of evaluation, instruction, and related services.

BE IT RE/SOLVED THAT the Piscataway Board of Education approves the following resolutions for contracted services.

Therapy Source be contracted to provide speech-language evaluation services for Piscataway students at a rate of \$96 per hour and mileage for the 2014-2015 school year.

## C. APPROVAL OF TUITION CONTRACTS

# Explanation:

Due to our expansive offerings in special education in-district programs and their excellent reputation of our teachers, several school districts have requested consideration for placement in available classroom openings.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education approves the tuition contract between North Plainfield Board of Education as the sending district and the Piscataway Township Board of Education as the receiving district for a total tuition cost including related services of \$53,744 for a special education student commencing September 8, 2014 and terminating on June 18, 2015 as follows:

|                           | <u>Tuition</u> | <u>Speech</u> | <u>OT</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |           |
|---------------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| Student A :<br>AT Program | \$47,444       | \$4,725       | \$1,575   | \$53,744     |           |
| M/S                       | Vote           | M/S           | Vote      | M/S          | Vote      |
| Mr. Nazir                 | <u>Y</u>       | Mr. Stern     | <u> Y</u> | Mr. Mosier   | <u> Y</u> |
| S Mr. Okamoto             | <u> Y</u>      | Mr. Connors   | <u> Y</u> | Ms. Lopez    | <u> </u>  |
| Mr. Peng                  | <u> Y</u>      | Mr. Johnson   |           | Mr. Irwin    | <u> Y</u> |
|                           | Yea            | 8             | Nay       | 0            |           |

# XIV. ADMINISTRATIVE & AUXILIARY - Tom Mosier

BE IT RESOLVED that the following motions, identified as items "A" through "E", 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.

| <u>Name</u>                    | <u>Conference</u>                                  | <u>Date(s)</u>           | Cost<br>Not to<br>Exceed |  |
|--------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Rose Flanagan                  | Art Educators of NJ<br>Conference                  | October 6 & 7,<br>2014   | \$325                    |  |
| Mia Kirk                       | Art Educators of NJ<br>Conference                  | October 6 & 7,<br>2014   | \$210                    |  |
| Kandace Jefferson              | NJ Science Convention                              | October 14, 2014         | \$270                    |  |
| Kathleen DelVecchio            | NJ Science Convention                              | October 15, 2014         | \$270                    |  |
| Danielle Stanley               | Learning Disabilities Association of NJ Conference | October 19, 2014         | \$75                     |  |
| Deborah Dawson                 | NJAAP School Health Conference                     | October 22, 2014         | \$175                    |  |
| Annabelle Murray               | Autism NJ Annual Conference                        | October 23 & 24,<br>2014 | \$400                    |  |
| Lynda Jackey<br>Rebecca Dalton | Association of Mathematics<br>Teachers of NJ       | October 23 & 24,<br>2014 | \$255<br>each            |  |
| Suzanne Lazarri                | Dyslexia / Literacy Development                    | October 24, 2014         | \$223                    |  |

## B. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF WEEK OF RESPECT OCTOBER 6-10, 2014

## Explanation:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:37-29, the first week in October is designated as a "Week of a Respect" in the State of New Jersey. School districts, in order to recognize the importance of character education, observe the week by providing age-appropriate instruction focusing on preventing harassment, intimidation or bullying. Throughout the school year, the district shall provide ongoing awareness and reinforcement of this instruction in accordance with the core curriculum content standards.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education acknowledges October 6-10, 2014 as the Week of Respect,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education accepts and endorses the district's efforts in preventing harassment, intimidation, and bullying and promoting opportunities that create a safe, welcoming environment for students, parents, and staff.

## C. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SCHOOL VIOLENCE AWARENESS WEEK OCTOBER 20-24, 2014

## Explanation:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:36-5.1, the week beginning with the third Monday in October of each year is designated as "School Violence Awareness Week" in the State of New Jersey. School districts shall observe this week by organizing activities to prevent school violence including, but not limited to, age-appropriate opportunities for student discussion on conflict resolution, issues of student diversity, and tolerance. Law enforcement personnel must be invited to join members of the teaching staff in the discussions. Programs also must be provided for school employees that are designed to help them recognize warning signs of school violence and to instruct them on recommended conduct during an incident of school violence.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education acknowledges October 20-24, 2014 as School Violence Awareness Week;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education accepts and endorses the district's efforts in promoting the importance of school safety while providing opportunities for students, parents, school district personnel and law enforcement staff to discuss methods for keeping schools safe from violence.

## D. AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATIONS

# 1. Explanation:

Each year, the NFL sponsors a contest called the PLAY 60 SUPER SCHOOL GRANT. The winning school will receive a grant in the amount of \$10,000 to use toward their health and physical education program. Quibbletown entered in past years and has won, using the money to build an auxiliary gym for the students and staff to you in order to improve overall fitness levels. If Quibbletown wins this year they plan on purchasing new basketball hoops for the gym.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to apply for the NFL PLAY 60 SUPER SCHOOL GRANT on behalf of Quibbletown School.

## 2. Explanation:

Every year Fuel Up To Play 60 offers grants of up to \$4000 to schools participating in their program. The grants need to be used in conjunction with a physical activity and/or healthy eating plays. This year Quibbletown is linking the application to their "In Class Activity Break" play. If Quibbletown is awarded the grant, they plan on purchasing a class set of mini pedal bikes for the health classes. These mini bikes fit under the desks (approximately 10" tall) and will allow all students to remain physically active when they are out of physical education and in their health classes.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to apply for the FUEL UP TO PLAY 60 GRANT on behalf of Quibbletown School.

| _M/S_       | Vote | M/S | _           | Vote | M/S | _         | Vote     |
|-------------|------|-----|-------------|------|-----|-----------|----------|
| Mr. Okamoto | Υ    |     | Mr. Connors | Y    | S   | Mr. Nazir | Y        |
| Mr. Peng    | Υ    |     | Mr. Johnson |      |     | Ms. Lopez | <u> </u> |
| Mr. Stern   | Υ    | M   | Mr. Mosier  | Y    |     | Mr. Irwin | <u> </u> |
|             | Yea  | 8   | _           | Nay  | 0   | •         |          |

# E. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTED SERVICES

## Explanation:

The following resolution reflects the need for contracts with outside service providers conducting courses on behalf of the Office of Adult and Community Education. All contracts are contingent upon sufficient enrollment.

BE IT RESOLVED that the following Adult & Community contract, contingent upon sufficient enrollment, be approved for the late summer 2014 semester.

CourseContractorAmountZumba – 4 weeksLisa Fox\$16.50 per student

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|       | M/S                               | Vote                     | M/S       | _             | Vote     | M/S         | Vote      |
|       | Mr. Okamoto                       | Present<br>not<br>voting |           | Mr. Connors   | Υ        | S Mr. Nazir | Υ         |
|       | Mr. Peng                          | Y                        |           | Mr. Johnson   |          | Ms. Lopez   | <u> Y</u> |
|       | Mr. Stern                         | Υ                        | М         | Mr. Mosier    | Y        | Mr. Irwin   | Y         |
|       |                                   | Yea                      | 7         | _             | Nay      | 0           |           |
|       |                                   |                          |           |               |          |             |           |
| XV.   | COMMITTEE REPORT                  | гѕ                       |           |               |          |             |           |
| XVI.  | NEW BUSINESS  - Comments from the | Board                    |           |               |          |             |           |
| XVII. | ADJOURNMENT                       |                          |           |               |          |             |           |
|       |                                   | Moved                    | Mr. Con   |               | onded Mi | r. Okamoto  |           |
|       | Meeting adjourned at 9:           | 40pm                     |           |               |          |             |           |
| Doer  | pectfully submitted               |                          |           |               |          |             |           |

Nicholas Puleio Interim Board Secretary