

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 20, 2014

The monthly Agenda Meeting of the Piscataway Township Board of Education was held on Thursday, November 20, 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

Salute to Flag – Board President
Roll Call - Board Secretary

<u> P </u>	Mr. Connors	<u> P </u>	Ms. Lopez	<u> P </u>	Mr. Okamoto
<u> P </u>	Mr. Irwin	<u> P </u>	Mr. Mosier	<u> P </u>	Mr. Peng
<u> P </u>	Mr. Johnson	Arrived	Mr. Nazir	<u> P </u>	Mr. Stern
<u> </u>		at		<u> </u>	
		7:20pm			

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

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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: 7:06 pm

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

IV. PUBLIC SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board reconvenes public session.

Motion to reconvene: 8:07 pm

Moved	<u> Mr. Connors </u>	Seconded	<u> Mr. Peng </u>
Yea	<u> 9 </u>	Nay	<u> 0 </u>

V. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

- Report from Allison Mosier

VI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Conackamack 50th Anniversary

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

QUIBBLETOWN STUDENTS ATTEND PRESIDENT OBAMA'S WELLNESS EVENT

In September, Fuel Up to Play 60's Student Ambassadors, were asked to attend a meeting with the President's Council on Fitness, Sports, and Nutrition. Anisha Patel and Nadya Khan, from Quibbletown, participated in this event. They met and presented to some of the nation's most important health and wellness decision makers, including *Let's Move!* Executive Director and President Obama's Senior Advisor for Nutrition Policy, Sam Kass. They participated in roundtable discussions and a videotaping for the *Let's Move!* Campaign with athletes Alonzo Mourning and Dominique Dawes. President Bill Clinton recognized award recipients for their efforts.

SCHOR STUDENT WON FIRST PLACE FOR MAHATMA GANDHI CONTEST

Nikhil Kundu, a Schor Middle School student, placed first in the notable mention category for his essay in the Mahatma Gandhi Art and Writing Contest. The award recognizes New Jersey students that best used their preferred medium of expression (essay, artwork or poetry/song) to deliver their message. More than 2,000 students from middle and high schools participated. The goal of the contest is to spread Mahatma Gandhi's teachings of peace, racial and religious harmony, and tolerance for peers and for other cultures.

BAND COMPETITION AT SOUTH BRUNSWICK HIGH SCHOOL

Since its beginning in 1971, the Piscataway Superchief Marching Band has become a nationally recognized, award-winning high school marching band. On October 18th at South Brunswick High School they did it again! The marching band not only received the best music performance caption award, but second place overall at the competition for their "Sketches of Spain."

EISENHOWER STUDENT PUBLISHED BY CITY KIDZ WORLD MAGAZINE

Aashna Patel, an Eisenhower second grade student, was published in City Kidz World Literary Magazine's Back to School Issue 2014, for her article about Nemo the fish. This NJ-based children's writing project is published three times during the school year. Due to her contributions, Aashna's classroom received a complimentary set of the magazine.

QUIBBLETOWN MATH TEACHER COMPLETES 4,234 PULL-UPS IN 24-HOURS Quibbletown Middle School math teacher, Kyle Gurkovich, may have broken the Guinness World Record again for most pull-ups in 24-hours. He is awaiting confirmation from Guinness headquarters in England. His possible record-breaking achievement was a fundraiser for Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York. He attained the record in June of this year, but an Australian native broke it on NBC's Today Show in October. Kyle stepped up to the challenge and completed 4,234 pull-ups on November 20th.

CONACKAMACK HOLDS DIGITAL STUDENT GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

Conackamack students held digital student government elections for the first time using MyBigCampus, a learning management system that extends the classroom to a safe and engaging online environment. Twenty-seven students, in grades first through third, created and edited their own videos that described their candidacy platforms. All students had an opportunity to vote via an anonymous online ballot after viewing the iMovie campaign videos. Of the 27 student candidates, seven were selected to the student government. The election process was extremely successful and feedback from both students and teachers was overwhelmingly positive.

SAIL HOLDS FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Students Achieving Independent Life skills, otherwise known as SAIL, is a transition skills program for 18 to 21 year old students who learn life and job skills in our schools and community. The SAIL program celebrated its 5th year anniversary with a dinner at Piscataway's Senior Center in October. Current and former students gave speeches about the program and discussed how they are presently utilizing their skills. Proceeds from the dinner benefit the SAIL Activity Fund for program enhancement activities.

SCHOR HERO PROGRAM RECOGNIZES EVERYDAY SUPERHEROES

Principal Richard Hueston developed the HERO program to help create a positive school culture that promotes everyday heroes. In September, Schor recognized the school secretaries, Marcy Nardo and Jean Gransky, teachers Micheline Picciano and Melinda Deegan, along with seven students: Samantha LaSasso, Sanjna Khanna, Oliver Mendoza, Avaneen Pinninti, Steven Hernandez, Thomas Pender and Koleby Royston. In October, Schor recognized their lunch service workers Judy Beckman, Rowhak “Ruby” Jahan, Reggie McCallum, Karen Mejia, and Paula McLaughlin along with nine students: Narjis Barhaoua, Juan Garcia, Christopher Lowry, Jamal Toussaint, Michael Delair, Yasmeen Hughes, Gina Cosentino, Madeline Mendoza and Hruday Shah. Everyone received certificates and metals for their extraordinary efforts.

BOARD ATTORNEY DAVID B. RUBIN WINS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

David B. Rubin, a member of the New Jersey Bar Association since 1977 and Piscataway Board of Education’s Attorney, wins yet another award. He received the 2014 New Jersey School Boards Association Council of School Attorneys Distinguished Service Award at the Annual School Law Seminar that occurred in October.

PISCATAWAY RANKED BY MONEY MAGAZINE AS BEST PLACE TO LIVE

Piscataway was ranked 27th by Money Magazine as one of the “50 Best Places to Live” in this country. Rankings were created by analyzing factors including job opportunities, housing, affordability, education, health, diversity, arts, and leisure. Piscataway was quoted as having a “rich history” and a “diverse community.” Only two other towns from New Jersey made the list: Parsippany and Franklin Township.

PISCATAWAY GRADUATE FILMED BY NFL

On November 4th, Kyle Wilson, a 2006 PHS graduate, was filmed at Piscataway High School for a National Football League player “hometown” feature. This clip will be aired on ESPN2 and the NFL Network. Kyle was a first round draft pick for the New York Jets in 2010.

PISCATAWAY ROTARY CLUB DONATES DICTIONARIES

Last week, the Piscataway Rotary Club donated over 550 dictionaries to all third grade students. Piscataway Rotary is involved in a number of local and worldwide philanthropic initiatives. They follow the motto

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

Stephen Fusaro, Substitute Part Time Cleaner/District	Effective: 11/21/14 Reason: Personal
Nicholas Puleio/ Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary/Administration Building	Effective: 12/14/14 Reason: End of contract
Nini Alcazar Vargas, Noontime Aide/Randolphville	Effective: 11/20/14 Reason: Rescind offer of employment

B. APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS - STAFF PERSONNEL

NON UNIT

Adam Green, Computer Associate/High School at a prorated annual salary of \$33,958.00 effective TBD pending completion of all required paperwork for the 2014-2015 school year.
Account #11-000-252-110-00-28

AIDE

Danielle Vega, Noontime Aide/Randolphville at an hourly rate of \$12.00 effective TBD pending completion of all required paperwork for the customary 90 day probationary period, for the 2014-2015 school year.
Account #60-910-310-100-00-00

OTHER

The following Extra Duty Contracts, as indicated for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>High School Athletics</u>	<u>Account# 11-402-100-111-36-02</u>		
<u>Softball</u>			
Charles Poole	Head Coach	G-3	\$8,971
Jonathan Bugey	Assistant Coach	G-3	\$5,722
Vanessa Fowler	Assistant Coach	G-3	\$5,722
Danielle LaCugna	Assistant Coach	G-3	\$5,722
 <u>Spring Track</u>			
Peter Buccino	Boys' Head Coach	G-3	\$8,971
Peter Daly	Boys' Assistant Coach	G-3	\$5,722
Daniel Wormann	Boys' Assistant Coach	G-3	\$5,722
Kevin Hodulik	Boys'/Girls' Assistant Coach	G-3	\$5,722
Keith Brunson	Girls' Head Coach	G-3	\$8,971
Cynthia Botett	Girls' Assistant Coach	G-3	\$5,722
Judith Cruz-Walsh	Girls' Assistant Coach	G-3	\$5,722
 <u>Golf</u>			
Richard Zirin	Head Coach	G-3	\$5,654
 <u>Volleyball</u>			
Brock Hor, Jr.	Boys' Head Coach – Spring	G-3	\$8,971
Kayla Torok	Boys' Assistant Coach – Spring	G-2	\$5,273

The following High School Curricular Extra Duty Contracts for the 2014-2015 school year:
Account #11-401-100-111-00-02

Dawne Dionisio in place of Scott Foglyano	Yearbook - Editorial Co-Advisor .25 FTE	\$1,007
Christopher Hamas in place of Scott Foglyano	Yearbook - Editorial Co-Advisor .25 FTE	\$1,007

The following staff approved to attend one CPR/AED training session during the 2014-2015 school year:
Participants will be paid \$30.00 per hour for up to 3 hours. Account #11-000-213-115-19-39

April Kabay	Althea Ferguson	Christie Hall
Erica Friedman	Shannon Mengak	Theresa Antonelli

SUBSTITUTES

The following Community Education, Before and Extended Child Care substitute staff, effective 11/21/14 for the 2014-2015 school year. Contingent upon enrollment: Account #61-852-331-100-83-98

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Ashley Landa	Teacher	\$13.00
Christine Spengler	Teacher	\$15.00
Sarah Marcinko	Aide	\$8.25

Bernice Hall, Substitute Noontime Aide/District, effective TBD pending completion of all required paperwork at an hourly rate of \$10.65, as needed, for the 2014-2015 school year.
Account #60-910-310-100-00-00

Amelia Lord, Substitute Noontime Aide/District, effective TBD pending completion of all required paperwork at an hourly rate of \$10.65, as needed, for the 2014-2015 school year.
Account #60-910-310-100-00-00

VOLUNTEERS

The following supervised volunteers for the 2014-2015 school year:

Darrius Griffin	High School Boys Basketball
Charles Friday	High School Wrestling
James Arnone	High School Bowline

C. CHANGE OF STATUS - STAFF PERSONNEL

NON UNIT

The following change in assignment, effective 12/1/14, for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Loriann Dekovics Account #11-000-251-104-00-25	Accounting Manager \$68,500	Assistant Business Administrator \$85,000

Kristine Leyra, Registrar/District Attendance Office/Administration Building, change in Federal Family Medical Leave Act. FROM: 12/15/14 – 12/31/14 with pay and with benefits, 1/1/15 – 2/22/15 without pay and with benefits. TO: 11/18/14 – 12/3/14 with pay and with benefits, 12/4/14 – 2/22/15 without pay and with benefits.
Account #11-000-211-104-00-23

TEACHERS

The following changes in salary, effective 2/1/15 for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Kathryn Garcia, School Psychologist/Behaviorist/Schor Account #11-000-219-104-00-35	Step 1-2 MA \$53,543	Step 1-2 Doc \$58,503
Sarah Rutstein, School Psychologist/Behaviorist/Knollwood Account #11-000-218-104-00-03	Step 1-MA \$52,587	Step 1-2 Doc 58,503

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Krystal Sharek, Science Teacher/Quibbletown Account #11-130-100-101-13-04	Step 8 BA \$64,033	Step 8 BA+15 \$65,003

Holly Cregar-Porch, Social Studies Teacher/High School, covered under Federal Family Medical Leave Act and/or New Jersey Family Leave 1/5/15 – 3/1/15 with pay and with waiver, 3/2/15 – 3/22/15 without pay and with waiver. Account #1-140-100-101-14-02

Nicole Bal, RP Teacher/ML King change in Federal Family Medical Leave Act FROM: 9/8/14 – 11/26/14 with pay and with waiver, 11/27/14 – 1/11/15 without pay and with waiver. TO: 9/8/14 – 11/26/14 with pay and with waiver, 11/27/14 – 12/16/14 without pay and with waiver. Account #11-213-100-101-00-37

Michele Reid, Health & Physical Education Teacher/High School change in Federal Family Medical Leave Act FROM: 12/22/14 – 2/9/15 with pay and with benefits, 2/10/15 – 2/16/15 without pay and with benefits. TO: 12/8/14 – 1/26/15 with pay and with benefits, 1/27/15 – 2/16/15 without pay and with benefits.
Account #11-140-100-101-15-02

Kimberly Kennedy, Elementary Teacher/Eisenhower covered under Federal Family Medical Leave Act 10/23/14 – 1/26/15 am with pay and with benefits, 1/26/15 pm – 2/2/15 without pay and with benefits, and Medical Leave of Absence 2/3/15 – 6/30/15 without pay and with benefits.
Account #11-120-100-101-01-07

Jessica Umhoefer, Blind/Visually Impaired Teacher/Various locations. Intermittent Federal Family Medical Leave Act/New Jersey Family Leave for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year without pay and with benefits. Account #11-213-100-101-00-37

Sheila Tartaglia, Language Arts/Literacy Teacher/Schor covered under Federal Family Medical Leave Act 11/3/14 – 11/5/14, 11/11/14 pm – 11/30/14 with pay and with benefits.
Account #11-130-100-101-11-15

Melinda Deegan, Art Teacher/Schor covered under Federal Family Medical Leave Act 12/5/14 – 5/5/15 with pay and with benefits, 5/6/15 – 5/25/15 without pay and without benefits.
Account #11-130-100-101-17-05

The following change in salary for longevity, effective 12/1/14 for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Anniversary</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Michele McCarthy, Support Specialist/ML King Account #11-230-100-101-00-11	15 Years	\$86,527	\$87,277

AIDE

Catherine Dallas, LD Aide/Grandview, extension of Federal Family Medical Leave Act 11/11/14 – 12/2/14 with pay and with benefits. Account #11-204-100-106-00-37

CLERKS

The following change in status from probationary to regular, effective 12/1/14:

Karyn Tormey-Erdman, Part Time Library Clerk/Randolphville

Maryann Balkun, Part Time Library Clerk/Randolphville, Medical Leave of Absence 10/6/14 – 11/12/14 with pay and 11/13/14 – 1/4/15 without pay. Account #11-000-222-105-01-00

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

IX. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Business Meeting
Executive Session

October 9, 2014
October 9, 2014

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

Business Meeting
Executive Session

October 16, 2014
October 16, 2014

Moved Mr. Peng Seconded Mr. Nazir
Yea 9 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. Connors Seconded Mr. Nazir
Yea 9 Nay 0

XI. FISCAL PLANNING & OPERATIONS – Tom Connors

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

Operating Account	
Operating Checks	5,419,272.62
Payroll Checks:	
Payroll: October 15, 2014	3,296,539.41
Payroll: October 31, 2014	3,223,682.91
Cafeteria Fund	165,105.60
Capital Projects Fund	860,971.56
Debt Service	0
Self Insurance Fund	1,397,888.01
Transportation	0
Total	14,363,460.11

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 September 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 September 2014 Dated: September 30, 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 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 Piscataway Township Board of Education as the “HOST” district and Dunellen Board of Education as the “JOINER” district for the 2014-2015 school year for the following routes:

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Joiner Cost</u>
Middlesex County Vo Tech East Brunswick location	\$9,435.90
Raritan Valley Academy	\$20,130.00

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

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Joiner Cost</u>
Bishop George Ahr and St. Joseph	\$7,072.00
Rutgers Prep	\$7,072.00
Timothy Christian	\$1,768.00

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

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Joiner Cost</u>
Bishop George Ahr and St. Joseph	\$8,840.00
Middlesex County Vo Tech Piscataway location	\$19,448.00
Timothy Christian	\$6,188.00

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

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Joiner Cost</u>
Bishop George Ahr and St. Joseph	\$6,188.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the School Business Administrator to approve participation in Coordinated Transportation with Middlesex 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>	<u>Joiner Cost</u>
Immaculata High School	\$7,072

D. APPROVAL OF ON-TECH CONSULTANTS

Explanation:

Application for E-Rate funding has been ongoing for several years, during the past three years, 2011-2014, ON-Tech E-Rate consultants have assisted the district in receiving over \$350,000 in federal funds.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Piscataway Board of Education approves ON-Tech as E-Rate funding consultants for submission of the 2015-2016 application for E-rate funding. Consultant fee not to exceed \$15,000.

<u>M/S</u>		<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>		<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>		<u>Vote</u>
	Mr. Johnson	Y	S	Mr. Nazir	Y	M	Mr. Connors	Y
	Mr. Peng	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” through “K”, 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 policy:

- 4119.26 Electronic Communication by School Staff

B. ADOPT ON SECOND READING

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

- 2224 Nondiscrimination/Affirmative Action

C. ADOPT ON SECOND READING

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

- 3517 Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs)

D. ADOPT ON SECOND READING

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

- 3542.2 Breakfast Offer Verses Serve (OVS)

E. ADOPT ON SECOND READING

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

- 3542.3 Lunch Offer Verses Serve (OVS)

F. ADOPT ON SECOND READING

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

- 4111 Recruitment, Selection and Hiring

G. ADOPT ON SECOND READING

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

- 4111.1 Nondiscrimination/Affirmative Action

H. ADOPT ON SECOND READING

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

- 4211 Recruitment, Selection and Hiring

I. ADOPT ON SECOND READING

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

- 4211.1 Nondiscrimination/Affirmative Action

J. ADOPT ON SECOND READING

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

- 6121 Nondiscrimination/Affirmative Action

K. ADOPT ON SECOND READING

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

- 6145.1 Intramural and Interscholastic Competition

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

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)
E	11 th Annual Young Women’s Conference sponsored by the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence/ Piscataway, NJ	C:A1:3, C:A1.6, PS:A11.1-12. PS:A2	PHS/ 10 th grade students	Hewitt / Bucci	PHS/ No Cost	December 4, 2014 (8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)
E	Big Apple Classic College Fair – Barclays Center/ Brooklyn, NY	9.1 and 9.2	50 Strong Peer Mentoring Program Students	Viney	PHS/Budget Account	December 7, 2014 (11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.)
E	Tour UTI Facility/Universal Technical Institute, Exton, PA	9.3, 9.4P	PHS/Wood Technology	Pietrak	PHS/None	December 10, 2014 (7:15 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.)
C	ESL Community Outreach Program/ Piscataway High School, Piscataway, NJ	9-10.1, W11-12.1, 9.10.2, W11-12.2	PHS/ Students and Parents	Jurado-Moran	PHS/ Grant Funded	December 6, 13, 20, 2014; January 10, 31; February 7, 21; March 28; April 18; May 2, 16, 29, 2015 (8:45 – 11:00 a.m.)
E	Menlo Park Mall/Edison, NJ	Word Problems, Budget, Schedules/Time Lines	PHS/MC Program	Leibowitz/ Abramson	PHS/Budget Account	December 17, 2014 (9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.)
E	Elf the Musical Paper Mill Playhouse Millburn, NJ	NJCCCS 1.2, 1.3	T Schor Middle/Choir and Drama	Sterlacci	T Schor Middle/ Drama Account	December 18, 2014 (11:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.)

E	State Theaters Performance "Black Violin"/New Brunswick, NJ	1.1, 1.2, 1.4	Quibbletown Middle / Orchestra	Gonsky	Quibbletown Middle/ Student Activity Account	February 4, 2015 (9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)
E	State Theaters Performance "Black Violin"/New Brunswick, NJ	1.1, 1.2, 1.4	T Schor Middle/ Orchestra	Lee	T Schor Middle / Budget Account	February 4, 2015 (9:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.)
E	College Tour of the University of Maryland/ College Park, MD	9.1 and 9.2	50 Strong Peer Mentoring Program Students	Viney	PHS/Budget Account	February 5, 2014 (7:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.)
E	Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse Play/ Union, NJ	R.L. 1.2, R.L. 1.9, R.I. 1.3, R.I. 1.9, W 1.3, S.L. 1.2	Eisenhower Elementary/First Grade Classes	Bauza	Eisenhower Elementary/ None	March 4, 2015 (9:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.)
E	NJ State House/Trenton, NJ	Social Studies 6.1.4A.1, 6.1.4.A4, 6.1.4.A5	Arbor Intermediate/ Fourth Grade Classes	Malinconico /Gerum	Arbor Intermediate/ None	March 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 2015 (2 classes per day) (9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)
E	State Theater Scrap Arts Music Program/ New Brunswick, NJ	1.1, 1.2, 1.4	Quibbletown Middle/ Band	Clougher	Quibbletown Middle/ Student Activity Account	March 27, 2015 (9:20 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.)
E	Green Meadows Farm/ Hazlet, NJ	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL. 1.1, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.1, 5.1.4.A.0	Grandview Elementary/First Grade Classes	Hrabar	Grandview Elementary/ None	May 8, 2015 (9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.)
E	Jenkinson's Aquarium/Point Pleasant Beach, NJ	Science 5.5.A.1, 5.5.B.1, 5.5.C.1	Knollwood Elementary/ Kindergarten Classes	Maxted	Knollwood Elementary/ None	May 12, 2015 (9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.)
C	Rutgers Health Science Program Assessments/ Scotch Plains, NJ	Rutgers Biomedical and Health Science	PHS/Human Anatomy and Physiology Classes	Jackey/ Manchanda	PHS/Budget Account	May 22, 2015 (8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.)
E	Medieval Times/ Lyndhurst, NJ	SS 6.2.8.A.4C, LAL RL 7.3, RL 7.5, Math 7.G.1, 7.G.2, 7.G.6, Science 5.2.E	T Schor Middle/ Seventh Grade Classes	Wilson	T Schor Middle/ Budget Account	May 30, 2015 (9:00 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.)

E	Liberty Science Center/ Jersey City, NJ	Science 5.2.4.C.3, 5.2.8.D.1, Math CC.5.MD.1-5	Arbor Intermediate/ Fifth Grade	Watters	Arbor Intermediate/ None	June 10, 2015 (9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)
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B. AUTHORIZATION TO PARTICIPATE AND COLLABORATE WITH RUTGERS UNIVERSITY IN A SPENCER GRANT: SREP: SELF-REGULATION EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM

Explanation:

Piscataway Township Schools collaborated in creating a proposal with Rutgers University for a Spencer Grant for T. Schor Middle School to implement self-regulated learning with select seventh grade students to improve mathematics achievement. This grant was awarded to fund, select T.Schor staff training on the strategies and coaching model for self-regulated learning from Rutgers University project director, Dr. Timothy Cleary, Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology. During the second and third marking periods, the T. Schor coaches would implement these strategies with students needing targeted interventions in mathematics. This program was successfully implemented in Milwaukee high schools in science achievement. The grant provides project funds for training, modelling, and data analysis, staff stipends for after school project work and funding for school resources. This study, Reforming Academic Support Programs in Middle Schools: Examining the effects of self-regulated learning, will begin with the 2014-15 grade 7 students and monitor growth through grade 8.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to be named as a participating school district in the Rutgers University’s project for the Spencer Grant for Self-Regulation Empowerment Program.

C. APPROVAL TO ACCEPT FY2015 CARL D. PERKINS CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION GRANT FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,205

Explanation:

The Piscataway Township Board of Education has received notification from the State Department of Education of non-competitive allocations for funding under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006. This funding will provide financial support to career and technical education programs during academic school year 2014-2015 for our high school students.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to accept the FY 2015 Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Grant funding for the 2014-2015 academic school year in the amount of \$40,205.

D. AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND (NCLB) ENTITLEMENT APPLICATION (FY 2015) IN THE AMENDED AMOUNT OF \$949,228

Explanation:

As required by the New Jersey State Department of Education, the original approved board resolution to accept the No Child Left Behind FY15 in the amount of \$908,721 has been modified to reflect the reallocation of carryover funding and refusal of nonpublic schools in the amount of \$949,228. This allows for the increase of \$41,802 from Title’s IA and III.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Township Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to accept the amended No Child Left Behind FY15 application reflecting carryover and reallocation of funds in the total amount of \$949,228.

E. 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 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:

Health and Physical Education:

- Comprehensive Health & Physical Education – Grades 6-8

Social Studies:

- AFJROTC Curriculum Guide 2014 (Aerospace I, II, III, IV) – High School

Visual & Performing Arts:

- Multimedia & Animation – Grades 9-12

F. APPROVAL OF SCHOOL EXCHANGE VISIT FROM CHINA TO PISCATAWAY (WORLD LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT) FEBRUARY 3-7, 2015

Explanation:

Permission is requested to plan, organize and carry out the proposed exchange visit from Shang Nan High School in Shanghai, China to Piscataway High School from February 3-7, 2015. The students in all Chinese classes will benefit from hosting students and chaperones from their sister school. Students will attend classes at PHS, participate in school and community events and will tour the region. Zhi Kang (World Language teacher) will make all arrangements for the education experience at no cost to the Board of Education.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Piscataway Board of Education approves the exchange visit of the students from Shang Nan High School in Shanghai, China and their chaperones for the 2014-2015 school year at no cost to the Board.

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

XIV. PUPIL SERVICES – Ralph Johnson

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

- No items for approval.

<u> </u> M/S		<u> </u> Vote	<u> </u> M/S		<u> </u> Vote	<u> </u> M/S		<u> </u> Vote
<u> </u>	Mr. Nazir	<u> </u> -	<u> </u>	Mr. Connors	<u> </u> -	<u> </u>	Mr. Mosier	<u> </u> -
<u> </u>	Mr. Okamoto	<u> </u> -	<u> </u>	Mr. Johnson	<u> </u> -	<u> </u>	Ms. Lopez	<u> </u> -
<u> </u>	Mr. Stern	<u> </u> -	<u> </u>	Mr. Peng	<u> </u> -	<u> </u>	Mr. Irwin	<u> </u> -
		Yea	<u> </u> -		Nay	<u> </u> -		

XV. ADMINISTRATIVE & AUXILIARY – Tom Mosier

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
Teresa Rafferty	NJASA Professional Development Navigating New Laws Impacting Chief School Administrators	November 25, 2014	\$120
Tonya McGovern	Calculus Workshop	December 4, 2014	\$295
Carolyn Keck	Universal Design for Learning Conference	December 4, 2014	\$149
Chris Irovando	Follett Destiny Workshop	December 4, 2014	\$99
James Knox	NJ Council for History Education Conference	December 5, 2014	\$75
Jennifer Mandell	LRC Transition from School to Adult Life for Students with Disabilities Training	December 8, 2014	\$21.30
Kelly Burns	NJ Association for Health, PE, Recreation & Dance Health Education Conference	December 8, 2014	\$235
Maria Elster	Utilizing Cutting Edge Technology in World Language Class Workshop	December 10, 2014	\$335
Alissa Berse	NJ Astronomy Center Engaging in Argument from Evidence Training	December 16, 2014	\$200
Jennifer Mandell	LRC Planning for a Student’s Transition to Adult Life Training	January 5, 2015	\$21.30

Deborah Dawson	Legal Responsibilities and Role of the School Nurse	January 6, 2015	\$100
Jessica Ritchie-Ruta	Rutgers Annual Conference on Reading and Writing	January 23, 2015	\$180
Chris Irovando	Techspo Convention	January 29 & 30, 2015	\$594.34
Cheryl Clougher	NJ Music Educators State Conference	February 19 & 20, 2015	\$350
April Kabay	Handle With Care Instructor and Re-Certification Course	March 4-6, 2015	\$1000
Vincenzo Stio	Handle with Care Re-certification Course	March 6, 2015	\$500

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

XVI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mr. Mosier - Climate & Culture Committee – developed mission statement and picked upcoming meeting dates.
- Mr. Connors – Fiscal Planning & Operations on 12/10/2014

XVII. NEW BUSINESS

- Comments from the Board
- An issue that has come up several times of the course of the past couple of years is making our Board meetings more accessible to member of the publi9c that are unable to physically attend the meetings. I would like to move forward on resolving this issue by making a:
 - Motion: The Board directs the Policy Committee to draft language allowing, at the discretion of the Board, the posting of video of portions of our meetings, or the recordings would not be an official record or supplement to the minutes and would be intended only as a source of information that the public might utilize to familiarize themselves with the Board’s activities.

<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>M/S</u>	<u>Vote</u>
<u> </u>	<u>Y</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Y</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Okamoto		Mr. Johnson		Mr. Nazir	
Mr. Stern	<u>N</u>	Mr. Peng	<u>Y</u>	Ms. Lopez	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Connors	<u>N</u>	Mr. Mosier	<u>N</u>	Mr. Irwin	<u>Y</u>
	Yea	<u>6</u>	Nay	<u>0</u>	

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

- - - Meeting adjourned at 10:25pm

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas Puleio
Interim Board Secretary