

PLAINFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Plainfield, N.J.

Date: Tuesday, August 10, 2010  
Time: 6:30 p.m. PUBLIC SESSION  
6:35 p.m. MEETING CLOSED FOR  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
8:00 p.m. WORK & STUDY MTG.  
Place: **PLAINFIELD HIGH SCHOOL  
CONFERENCE ROOM  
950 PARK AVE.**

Board of Education Members

Mrs. Lisa C. Logan-Leach, President  
Mr. Rasheed Abdul-Haqq, Vice President  
Ms. Patricia I. Barksdale  
Mrs. Wilma G. Campbell  
Mr. Agurs Linward Cathcart, Jr.  
Mrs. Keisha Edwards  
Mrs. Brenda L. Gilbert  
Mrs. Renata A. Hernandez  
Ms. Katherine Peterson  
Mrs. Anna Belin-Pyles, Interim Superintendent

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. WELCOME

WELCOME to a WORK & STUDY MEETING of the Plainfield Board of Education. Members hope you will find the meeting interesting and informative. We thank you for taking the time to attend. Please be advised this and all meetings of the board are open to the media and public, consistent with the Open Public meetings Act (Ch. 231 Laws of 1975), and that the advance notice required therein has been provided to the Courier News and Star Ledger on Tuesday, August 3, 2010 for advertisement on Friday, August 6, 2010 and also provided to the Plainfield Public Schools, the District's website, the Plainfield City Clerk, Police Department, and Plainfield Public Library for posting.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters.

**RESOLVED**, the Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss:

1. matters rendered confidential by federal or state law
2. pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations and/or matters of attorney-client privilege
3. specific prospective or current employees unless all who could be adversely affected requested an open session

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**FURTHER RESOLVED**, the minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

The Board of Education will recess into its Executive Session.

## VI. CONDUCT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

The Board of Education takes official action at its Business Meetings. Business meetings are regularly scheduled on the third Tuesday of each month, subject to changes that may occur because of holidays. Prior to the board taking action at its business meetings, committee meetings are scheduled where in-depth discussion occurs.

At the Board of Education's committee meetings, no formal action is taken. The typical monthly schedule of meetings is as follows:

<u>Type of Meeting</u>	* <u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Policy Committee	1 <sup>st</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	6:30 p.m.
Personnel/Exec.Ses.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	6:30 p.m.
Curric. & Instr.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	8:00 p.m.
Finance Committee	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	8:00 p.m.
Bldgs. & Grds. Cmte.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	8:00 p.m.
School Community Rel.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	8:00 p.m.
Business Meeting	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Auditorium	8:00 p.m.

**(EACH OF THESE MEETINGS MAY INCLUDE AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF MATTERS THAT MAY BE APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION)**

\*Meeting Schedule Subject to Change

At each committee meeting, the Board discusses recommendations of the Interim Superintendent of Schools and other relevant items. Committee approval authorizes resolutions to be placed on the agenda of the next appropriate business meeting and/or possible formal action.

The agendas for all committee and board meetings are available at the Office of the Board of Education, 1200 Myrtle Avenue during business hours.

At the business meetings, privilege of the floor will be provided for sixty minutes for public comment prior to committee reports. A three-minute time limit per person is provided for public comment.

Concerns of the public regarding the schools or departments should be brought to the attention of the appropriate administrator in charge (principal, director, etc.). If concerns remain unresolved, they are to be directed to the Interim Superintendent of Schools. These procedures should be followed prior to concerns being presented to the Board of Education. This procedure allows administrators to resolve concerns at the most appropriate level of decision making.

**The next Business Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Thursday, August 12, 2010, 8:00 pm, in the Plainfield High Auditorium.**

- VII. REMARKS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT
- VIII. REMARKS FROM THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT
- IX. REMARKS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS
- X. REPORT OF DELEGATES/LEGISLATIVE REPORT
- XI. REPORT OF BOARD/SCHOOL LIAISONS

## XII. REPORT OF THE CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

### A. Field Trips

#### 1. Camp Bernie YMCA Camp, NJ - Dewitt D. Barlow

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

**To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in all Plainfield Public Schools.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends and I so move, adoption of the following:

### **RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Board of Education is committed to ensuring that all students succeed academically and reach their full potential. In doing so, it is also committed to providing opportunities for and ensuring that all students (inclusive of English Language Learners and Special Education Students) meet the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and achieve academic and life-long success.

Forty (40) Barlow fourth grade students and eight (8) chaperones from Barlow School will attend the Camp Bernie, YMCA Camp in Port Murray, NJ on October 13, 2010. Students will take part in team-building activities that will involve problem solving, communication, and diversity awareness, as well as conflict resolution and cooperative learning. Departure is scheduled for 8:15 a.m. and students will return at 2:30 p.m.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves forty Barlow students (40) and eight (8) chaperones to travel to Camp Bernie, YMCA Camp in Port Murray, NJ on October 13, 2010 at a cost of \$16.00 per student (admission) at a total of \$640.00. There is no admission cost for chaperones. Departure is scheduled for Wednesday, October 13, 2010, at 8:15 a.m. and students will return at 2:30 p.m. The cost of transportation is \$675.00 and will be charged to account 15-000-240000-800A-11-0000. The total cost for admission is \$640.00 and will be funded through account 15-000-270000-512A-11-0000. Availability of funds for this item has been verified.

#### 2. Sandy Hook, NJ - Dewitt D. Barlow

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

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### **RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Board of Education is committed to ensuring that all students succeed academically and reach their full potential. In doing so, it is also committed to providing opportunities for and ensuring that all students (inclusive of English Language Learners and Special Education Students) meet the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and achieve academic and life-long success.

Forty (40) Barlow fourth grade students and eight (8) chaperones from Barlow School will attend the Sandy Hook Ocean Institute, in Sandy Hook, NJ on September 23, 2010. Students will explore marine life and understand the historic significance of Sandy Hook. Students will discuss and discover the interrelationships between the sea and land. Departure is scheduled for 8:15 a.m. and students will return at 2:30 p.m.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves forty Barlow students (40) and eight (8) chaperones to travel to Sandy Hook, NJ on September 23, 2010 at a cost of \$7.00 per student (admission) at a total of \$280.00. There is no admission cost for chaperones. Departure is scheduled for Thursday, September 23, 2010 at 8:15 a.m. and students will return at 2:30 p.m. The cost of transportation is \$625.00 and will be charged to account 15-000-240000-800A-11-0000. The total cost for admission is \$280.00 and will be funded through account 15-000-270000-512A-11-0000. Availability of funds for this item has been verified.

**B. Staff Development**

**1. Early Childhood Introductory High/Scope Curriculum Training**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes**

**To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in all Plainfield Public Schools.**

**Goal 2: Human Resources**

**To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Public Schools will subcontract to licensed childcare centers to serve approximately fourteen hundred and fifty (1450) three (3) and four (4) year old students during the 2010-2011 school year; and the Plainfield Initiative for Early Childhood Educational Services collaborated with the school district to identify the High/Scope Curriculum for use in the subcontracted classrooms.

Intensive training in the High/Scope Curriculum is needed for teachers, teacher assistants and directors serving the students. The Union County Community Coordinated Child Care (4C's), Hillside, New Jersey, has expertise in early childhood curriculum and has High/Scope specialists on staff. The 4C's will provide Introductory High/Scope training on September 17th, 24th and October 1st, 8th, and 15th 2010 for a total of 5 full days of training @ \$1,500.00 per day.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves payment to Union County Community Coordinated Child Care (4C's) not to exceed the amount of \$7,500.00 and charged to account 20-218-200000-330A-34-0000.

## 2. Charlotte Danielson Online Series

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

**To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in all PPS.**

**Goal 2: Human Resources:**

**To strengthen leadership development and management of programs.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

### **RESOLUTION**

District administrators and staff are in need of continuous training on the use of the district adopted evaluation model. The Charlotte Danielson evaluation program offers an online series for professional development. The workshops and video components are designed to help educate administrators and staff with an in-depth look at each component, and then explores why each one is important and how they work together to define “good teaching.” Using an array of examples, Danielson also examines the challenges teachers face in achieving a “distinguished” level for each component.

This program is a unique and unprecedented resource for teachers and administrators who want to see what the Danielson components look like in action in real classrooms. Packed with 106 real classroom examples; this program features powerful observations from various grade levels and subjects. During the classroom observations, users have the opportunity to listen as Danielson critiques the instructional strategies shown in each video - then explain how they relate to components of the Framework.

This program provides school administrators with an innovative way to improve their skills. Ms. Danielson examines the critical aspects of teacher evaluation, and then challenges administrators to practice by observing video of real teachers in the classroom. This comprehensive mix of theory and practice provides administrators with the perfect tool to confidently evaluate teachers – then provide meaningful feedback to improve teacher practice.

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the purchase of user 45 licenses for users for the 2010-2011 school year at the cost of \$75.00 per user for a total of \$3,375.00 and purchase 45 books ([Enhancing Professional Practice: A Framework for Teaching, 2nd edition](#)) at the cost of \$27.95 for a total of \$1,257.75 which will be charged to account the following accounts:

<b>School</b>	<b>Budget Line</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>Barlow</b>	15-000-240000-300A-11-0000	\$75.00
<b>Cedarbrook</b>	15-000-223000-320A-13-0000	\$75.00
<b>Clinton</b>	15-000-240000-300A-14-0000	\$75.00
<b>Cook</b>	15-000-213000-300A-15-0000	\$75.00
<b>Emerson</b>	15-000-221000-320A-16-0000	\$75.00
<b>Evergreen</b>	15-000-221000-390A-17-0000	\$75.00
<b>Jefferson</b>	15-000-222000-300A-18-0000	\$75.00
<b>Stillman</b>	15-000-221000-320A-20-0000	\$75.00
<b>Washington</b>	15-000-221000-320A-21-0000	\$75.00
<b>Woodland</b>	15-000-240000-300A-22-0000	\$75.00
<b>Hubbard</b>	15-000-211000-300A-23-0000	\$75.00
<b>Maxson</b>	15-000-221000-390A-24-0000	\$75.00
<b>PAAAS</b>	15-000-222000-600A-52-0000	\$75.00
<b>PHS</b>	15-190-100001-320A-25-0000	\$75.00
<b>Educational Services</b>	11-000-221000-600A-26-0000	\$1,257.75

### **3. Mindsteps, Inc – Plainfield Public Schools**

#### **Strategic Plan Link:**

#### **Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

**To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in all Plainfield Public Schools.**

#### **Goal 2: Human Resources:**

**To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends and I so move, adoption of the following:

### **RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Board of Education has identified an instructional need for professional development for administrators to learn best practices in leadership and instructional rigor.

Dr. Robyn R. Jackson founded Mindsteps, Inc. to assist administrators in helping every student meet or exceed rigorous learning standards. Dr. Jackson's work assists administrators in effectively training and supporting teachers and creates highly rigorous school programs that ensure equitable access to college readiness for all students. She also work with school systems and non-profits to remove institutional barriers to provide equity, access, and rigor for all students, particularly students of color who are traditionally under-represented in advanced courses. She focuses on key principles of education rather than isolated strategies and canned approaches. Using these principles, she assists teachers and school leaders discover for themselves how best to meet the challenges they face.

Mindsteps professional development objective consists of:

- Helping school administrators develop the skills to be effective instructional leaders and developing a professional development program that helps secondary teachers learn effective strategies for teaching writing

- To help administrators learn specific strategies they can use to provide effective feedback and improve teachers' instructional practices

The value that will derive from the successful implementation and completion of this project will include but is not limited to:

- Leaders will have the tools they need to diagnose teachers' needs and conduct the right kind of conversation to address teachers' needs and provide effective support
- Teachers will understand the importance of writing in the content areas for overall success as well as will experience writing assignments that focus on student learning at the beginning, during, and at the end of lessons

Mindsteps, Inc. will provide a half-day workshop to Administrators on a date to be determined. This workshop will be based on the principle in Dr. Robyn R. Jackson's book *The Instructional Leader's Guide to Strategic Conversations with Teachers*. Administrators will learn to diagnose teacher's needs and conduct the right kind of conversation to address teachers' needs and provide effective support. As well as, provide a full day Writing Workshop to teachers. In this workshop teachers will learn to use writing to increase learning, not just demonstrate understanding of the content. *Solution Connects Writing* assignments to standards across the curriculum and provides tools that can be implemented immediately for strategic and efficient writing. Writing Assignments is the best solution since it has Writing to inform assignments that include the use of graphic organizers directly connected to specific text structures of content area courses. In addition, Summary Point writing, proven the second best strategy to increasing achievement by the US DOE is integrated throughout all lessons.

Dr. Jackson will provide one half-day of professional development to district administrators not to exceed the cost of \$4,000.00. In addition, Dr. Jackson will also provide professional development to one hundred (100) teachers of grades 6-12 on scheduled district wide professional development days, not to exceed the cost of \$6,500.00. Cost is inclusive of all travel, administrative, logistical and communication expenses.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves payment to Mindsteps, Inc. in the amount of \$4,000.00 for thirty (30) district administrators to receive a half-day workshop, on a date to be determined and \$6,500.00 (\$65.00 per teacher) for one hundred (100) grades 6-12 teachers to participate in a full-day Writing Workshop on a date to be determined and charged to account 20-460-200000-300I-39-0000 and account 15-190-100001-320A-25-0000.

4. **Strategic Reading Across the Curriculum and Advanced-proficient 30-Minute Prompts**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 2: Human Resources**

**To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Board of Education recognizes that a highly qualified, competent, skilled, and dedicated workforce is essential to the success of the District and the students. Therefore, it is essential that certificated staff members continually build and develop their knowledge of pedagogy and implement best practices to support learning outcomes.

Standards Solutions, a company recognized by the Department of Education as an approved vendor for SIA funds in 2009, will provide staff development to Middle School Science, Social Studies, Language Arts, and Mathematics teachers. The training session will focus on the use of Reading Strategies to support Reading Comprehension. In addition, a mini-workshop will target Language Arts teachers by providing them with strategies to develop Advanced Proficient scorers on the NJASK. The costs of this training will be \$3,000.00 for a full-day session.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Standards Solutions to provide training and professional development at Maxson Middle School on September 2, 2010 at a cost of \$3,000.00. Availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account numbers 15-000-221000-390A-24-0000 and account 20-460-200000-300I-39-0000.

**5. Over the Edge**

**Goal 2: Human Resources**

**To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Board of Education recognizes that a highly qualified, competent, skilled, and dedicated workforce is essential to the success of the District and the students. Therefore, it has provided the Superintendent of Schools the authority to employ non-administrative and administrative staff members to participate in district professional development opportunities.

The Plainfield Athletic Department is seeking Over the Edge Inc. to train, evaluate and certify the Athletic Department Coaches in C.P.R., AED, Sport First Aid and ICS training for the school year 2010-2011. Over the Edge Inc will also reevaluate the Athletic Department's guidelines and Emergency Action Plan to meet the State Department of Education and the NJSIAA standards.

Over The Edge, Inc. from Piscataway, New Jersey has the expertise in the areas of medical emergency preparedness, writing of, implementation of, training of and evaluating plans.

Over The Edge, Inc. will work in conjunction with the Athletic Trainer and the Athletic Department to ensure the proper information, certifications, guidelines and plans are completed to ensure the safety of children and staff within the district.

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves payment to Over The Edge, Inc. for a total not to exceed \$15,000 and charged to the account of 11-000-213000-300A-27-0000.

**C. Consultants**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 3: Business Operations**

**To improve the overall efficiency of business operations**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

Dr. Arlene Snyder is a retired Plainfield public Schools Administrator having over 20 years of expertise familiarity with data collection for Special Education in the Plainfield Public School District. She has an established track record as the major data collector for the Department of Special Education, Gifted & Psychological Services. She will be the lead person responsible for coordinating and collecting data needed for the State reports and will assist and train in developing a procedure that will allow the Department of Special Education, Gifted, and Psychological Services personnel to coordinate and collect the necessary data for all future state reports.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Dr. Arlene Snyder as an hourly employee at a rate of \$50.00 per hour. Compensation for Dr. Arlene Snyder will not exceed \$25,000 for the year and will be effective August 16, 2010, 2010 – June 30, 2011. The funding will be charged to account 11-000-219000-390A-32-0000.

**D. PHS Visual and Performing Arts Graduation Requirements**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes**

**To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in Plainfield Public Schools.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Board of Education is committed to ensuring that all students succeed academically and reach their full potential in life. In doing so, it is also committed to providing opportunities for and ensuring that all students (inclusive of English Language Learners and

Special Education Students) meet the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and achieve academic and life-long success.

The Board of Education approved and adopted at its Business Meeting on December 18, 2007, course offerings for the Plainfield High School curriculum in the Visual and Performing Arts and Career Education and Consumer, Family and Life Skills (Practical Arts) as graduation requirements (N.J.A.C. 6a:8-5) for the New Jersey High School State-Endorsed Diploma. It is necessary to amend this resolution to include additional course offerings in the Visual and Performing Arts.

Visual and Performing Arts courses are offered at Plainfield High School and have been identified as courses required to fulfill the New Jersey High School graduation requirements (N.J.A.C. 6A:8-5) for the State-Endorsed Diploma.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education authorize and endorse the following courses in the Visual and Performing Arts which will satisfy the graduation requirements (N.J.C.A. 6A:8-5) for the New Jersey High School State-Endorsed Diploma:

Photography I	Clothing Design I
Photograph II	Clothing Design II
Music Appreciation I	Graphics I
Music Appreciation II	Graphics II
Public Speaking	Newspaper Design
Fundamentals of Web Design	Yearbook Design

**E. Partnerships**

**1. NJ Shares Program Partnership**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 5: Community and Family Engagement**

**To actively engage families and communities in a meaningful, structured, and productive manner that promotes learning and cooperation.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The Board of Education, Plainfield Family Success Center partner with the NJ Shares program to provide a service to the community to accept applications for the NJ shares Energy assistance, telephone assistance and water assistance programs. NJ Shares will pay the Plainfield Family Success Center \$20.00 for each approved application taken. The funds generated will go into a Plainfield Family Success Center account to be used to support programs and activities for families in the community.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the acceptance of partnership between the Plainfield Family Success Center and funds generated from the approved applications.

**2. Resolve Community Counseling Center, Inc.**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 5: Community and Family Engagement**

**To actively engage families and communities in a meaningful, structured, and productive manner that promotes learning and cooperation.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The Board of Education, Plainfield Family Success Center, in partnership with Resolve Community Counseling Center, Inc.; to provide counseling services to families in need. The Plainfield Family Success Center will provide space for the conducting of counseling on one to two days a week for Resolve. Resolve is composed of a team of 13 Masters' and Doctoral level mental health professionals comprised of social workers, professional counselors and psychologists. They are all licensed according to state regulations. They will provide a schedule of clients and billing to Medicaid or other insurance company from their home office in Scotch Plains, NJ. They are willing to include the Board of Education, Family Success Center as additional insurers on their liability insurance policy.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the partnership between the Resolve Community Counseling Center, Inc. and the Plainfield Family Success Center at no cost to the district.

**3. Prevention Links Organization**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 5: Community and Family Engagement**

**To actively engage families and communities in a meaningful, structured, and productive manner that promotes learning and cooperation.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The Prevention Links, Strengthening Families Program will offer training programs at the Family Success Center. One of which, will be a seven week program (dates to be determines) to help strengthen families in the community.

Prevention Links is a private, not-for-profit organization, which takes a leadership role in the prevention of alcohol, tobacco, substance abuse and related issues. The goal of Prevention Links is to provide an array of information in substance prevention issues, from pre-K through senior citizens. Prevention Links focuses on individual, family, school, and community prevention, thereby contributing to a comprehensive and more effective prevention effort.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves acceptance of a partnership between Prevention Links and the Plainfield Family Success Center.

#### **4. United Way of Greater Union County Organization**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 5: Community and Family Engagement**

**To actively engage families and communities in a meaningful, structured, and productive manner that promotes learning and cooperation.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

#### **RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Board of Education's Family Success Center will continue to be an essential partner in a unified system of family support services led and supported by United Way of Greater Union County. This unique public-private partnership, designed to maximize and leverage all the available resources within the county on behalf of children and families to enhance a community infrastructure that promotes:

- Support for all the children and families of Union County
- Outcomes and accountability
- Strong local leadership and management
- Leveraging of resources, services and support
- Community collaboration
- Best practices

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves of the partnership between the United Way of Greater Union County and the Plainfield Family Success Center at no cost to the district.

#### **F. Provision of Special Education Services**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes**

**To Improve the learning and academic performance of all students in PPS**

The Interim Superintendent of School recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

#### **RESOLUTION**

N.J.S.A. 18A:46 requires Boards of Education to identify and provide for students with various disabilities, and certain students in this district have been so identified and require special education and related services.

**RESOLVED**, the following individuals/organizations are appointed as Special Services Consultants/Providers for the Department of Special Education, Gifted and Psychological Services for the period August 10, 2010 through August 3, 2011; at the respective compensation rates:

CONSULTANT/PROVIDER	SERVICES PROVIDED	RATE OF SERVICE
-Applied Behavioral Concepts, Inc. (New Horizons, in Autism, Inc.)	ABA Therapy & Specialized Servs. (After School Program)	\$120.00/hr. -----
-Applied Behavioral Concepts, Inc. (New Horizons in Autism, Inc.)	Applied Behavioral Analysis Instructions (After School Program)	\$110.00/hr. Coordinator \$80.00/hr. Therapist
-ARC of Union County	School-to-Career Services: Assessment and Training	\$55.00/hr. -----
-Behavior Therapy Associates Somerset, N.J.	Behavior Assessment & Consultation	\$240.00/hr. ----- \$240.00/hr.
-Children's Specialized Hospital	Central Auditory Processing Evaluation	\$987.75/Evaluation
-Children's Specialized Hospital	Pediatric Neurological Evaluations	\$636.50/case
-Children's Specialized Hospital	Assistive Technology & Augmentative Communication Assessments	\$520.00/evaluation ----- -----
-Cross County Clinical & Ed. Servs.	Bilingual Speech/Language Evaluations	\$770.00case
-Dynamic Therapeutic Services	Bilingual Speech/Language Evaluations	\$625.00case
-Eden Institute	ABA Behaviorist	-----
-Education, Inc.	Home Instruction	\$58.52/hr.
-Institute For Children	Home Instruction	\$39.00/hr.
-JFK Medical Center	Central Auditory Processing Evaluations	\$445.00/case
-JFK Pediatric Rehab.	OT/PT On-Site	\$445.00/day
-Morris-Union Jointure Commission	OT Services	\$92.50/session
-Morris-Union Jointure Commission New Providence, NJ	Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) Instruction	\$149.00/hr -----
-NJ Specialized Child Study Teams/Katzenbach School F/T Deaf	CST Evaluations conducted in Sign Language	\$400.00/evaluation ----- -----
-Newark Renaissance House, Inc.	Home Instruction	\$30.00/hr.
-New Hope Foundation Inc.	Home Instruction	\$260.00/wk.
-New Jersey Commission F/T Blind & Visually Impaired	Level 1 Consultation and Supplies	\$1,400.00/case -----
-New Jersey Commission F/T Blind & Visually Impaired	Level 4 Consultation and Instruction & Supplies	\$10,700.00/case -----
-Partnership in Education, Inc.	Sign Language Evaluations	\$600.00/case
-Pediatric Worship	PT Services	\$79.00/session
-Preferred Nursing & Staffing	Nursing Services	\$55.00/hr
-Princeton Psychological	School Psychologist	\$250.00/case
-Professional Education Services, Inc.	Tutoring Services	\$27.00/hr.
-Somerset Home F/T Temp Disabled Children	Home Instruction	\$25.00/hr. -----
-The Hearing Center	Audiological Evaluation	\$75.00/case
-Therapeutic Rehab. Services	OT Services	\$45.00/session
-Therapy Source, Inc.	Speech & Language Services	\$120.00/hr
-Trinitas Children's Therapy Servs.	Speech-Language Therapy	\$100.00/hr.
-Trinitas Children's Therapy Servs.	Speech-Language Assessments	\$350.00/initial case
-Trinitas Children's Therapy Servs.	Speech-Language Assessments	\$250.00/reeval. Case
-Trinitas healthcare Corp.	OT Services	\$85.00/45 min.session
-Trinitas Healthcare Corp.	OT Services	\$110.00/45 min.session
-Union County Ed. Sevc. Commission	CST Evaluations	\$250.00/case
-UMDMJ	Therapeutic Nursery	-----
-University Behavioral Healthcare	Educational Services	\$450.00/day
-Dr. Ira Morganstern	Neurologist	\$185.00/case
-Dr. Kavita Sinha	Neurologist	\$300.00/case
-Dr. Nancy Durant	Psychiatrist	\$175.00/case

<u>CONSULTANT/PROVIDER</u>	<u>SERVICES PROVIDED</u>	<u>RATE OF SERVICE</u>
-Esther Canell	Psychological Assessments	\$275.00/case
-Lucia Diaz-Romero	Bilingual Psychological Assessments	\$375.00/case
-Mordecai Podhoretz	LDT-C	\$275.00/case
-Thomas D. Boyle, Ph.D.	Behavioral Assessment - Austin Specialty	\$220.00/case

**G. Supplemental Educational Service Providers for Implementation of No Child Left Behind (NCLB)**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes**

**To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in PPS**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Board of Education is committed to ensuring that all students succeed academically and meet the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards.

The No Child Left Behind legislation requires that Supplemental Educational Services (SES) be offered to eligible students, grades 1 – 8, who attend Title I elementary and middle schools in need of improvement in the Plainfield Public Schools.

Supplemental Educational Services may include tutoring or after-school services for approximately 290 students at eligible schools, through Providers' instructional centers or home instruction. Parents may select providers from a list of state – approved providers who have agreed to provide services for Plainfield students.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education authorizes the district to subcontract with all New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) approved providers listed herein and any state-approved providers posted on the NJDOE website from September 2010 through August 2011. There is a per pupil allocation of \$1,683 for Supplemental Educational Services. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to FY 2011 NCLB Title I 100-300 Account.

1 to 1 Tutor, LLC  
A+ Tutoring Services  
Academics First  
American Tutor, Inc.  
Arline Institute  
ATS Project Success  
Basic Learning Skills, Inc.  
Carter, Reddy & Associates, INC  
Catapult Learning  
Community Technical Assistance, Inc (CTA)  
Convenient Education Services  
Dean's Learning Center  
Dunvegan, Inc t/a Sylvan  
Educate Online Learning, LLC  
Education Futures Corp  
Education Link  
Encore Educational Institute  
Innovative Educational Programs  
Innovdia LLC  
Instructivision Inc.  
iSpace, Inc  
Kinetic Potential Scholars – Digital Network Group  
Knowledge Points-Florham Park  
Learn It Systems  
Liberty Learning Lab  
Nicholas Literacy Center, LLC  
Open Gates to Fly Enrichment School of Tutoring  
Preferred Tutoring Services, LLC  
Regional Enrichment & Learning Center (REAL)  
Rocket Learning  
SpringBoard Education  
Sylvan Learning Center  
Tutorial Services  
Union County Educational Services Commission  
Vacamas Programs for Youth  
WHIZard Academy for Mathematics & English

#### **H. No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Grant Submission**

##### **Strategic Plan Link:**

##### **Goal 1: Learning Outcomes**

**To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in PPS**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

#### **RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Board of Education is committed to ensuring that all students succeed academically and reach their full potential in life. In doing so, it is also committed to providing opportunities for and

insuring that all students (inclusive of English Language Learners and Special Education Students) meet the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and achieve academic and life-long success.

FY 2011 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) funds in the amount of \$3,503,141 will support student academic achievement, school improvement, professional development, technology in education, English Language acquisition. Funds have been allocated for Plainfield Public Schools and specific Non-Public schools within the district (AIMinhaal Academy, I AM's Temple, King's Temple, Koinonia Academy and New Covenant Christian).

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorizes the Interim Superintendent of Schools to submit FY 2011 NCLB application for federal funds to support educational programs and increase grant revenue in the district.

Funding Source	Description	Administrator	Amount of Grant
FY 2011 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Consolidated Formula Subgrant (Project period: September 1, 2010 to August 31, 2011)	The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 is a reauthorization of The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)/Improving America's School (IASA) 1994, providing funds to help children achieve, at a minimum, proficiency in the state standards. The NCLB application includes the following entitlement:  Provides programs and resources for disadvantaged students to meet challenging state performance standards.	Gary Ottmann/ Dawn Ciccone	\$3,503,141
1) Title I, Part A: Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Education Agencies	Provides programs and resources for children/youth who are experiencing homelessness.	Dawn Ciccone	\$2,578,136
2) Title I Part A Neglected		Dawn Ciccone	<u>Public</u> \$2,572,394
3) Title II, Part A: Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting Fund	Provides funding for preparation, training and recruitment of teachers and principals and professional development activities.	Caryn D. Cooper	<u>Public</u> \$5,742
4) Title II, Part D: Enhancing Education through Technology	Improves student academic achievement through the use of technology and integrated educational strategies in elementary and secondary schools and promotes computer literacy.	Dawn Ciccone	\$529,254  Public \$491,096 Non-Public \$38,158
5) Title III, Part A: Grants and Subgrants for English Language Acquisition and Language Enhancement	Provides high quality instruction programs for English Language Acquisition and Language Enhancement.	Phillip Williamson	\$7,626  Public \$7,417 Non-Public \$209
		GRAND TOTAL	\$388,125  Public \$388,125  \$3,503,141

**XIII. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**A. Payment of Bills — June 30 – August 10, 2010**

**Strategic Plan Link:**  
**Goal 3: Business Operations**

**To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**The Board of Education has determined that the warrants presented for payment are in order.**

The Board Secretary presented certain warrants to the Board of Education with a recommendation they be paid, and pursuant to NJAC 6:20-2.13(d), the Board Secretary certifies that with respect to the payment of bills referenced below no budgetary line item account has been over expended in violation of NJAC6:20-2.13(a).

**RESOLVED**, that the following warrants be approved for payment, and that itemized lists of the warrants be filed with the minutes:

On the General Account

in the amount of \$

On the Agency Account

in the amount of \$

On the Food Service Account

in the amount of \$

IN THE GRAND TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$

**TO BE PRESENTED AT THE AUGUST 10, 2010 WORK & STUDY MEETING**

**B. 2009-10 Budget Transfers**

**Strategic Plan Link:**  
**Goal 3: Business Practices**

**To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the following 2010 budget adjustments which reflect the appropriations sufficient to meet expenditures:

<b>BUDGET TRANSFERS - FUND 11, FUND 12 AND FUND 13</b>			
<b>June 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010</b>			
<b><u>ACCOUNT</u></b>	<b><u>DESCRIPTION</u></b>	<b><u>FROM</u></b>	<b><u>TO</u></b>
11-1XX-100-XXX	Regular Programs - Instruction	175,000.00	
11-2XX-100-XXX 11-000-216,217	Special Education, Basic Skills/Remedial and Bilingual - Instruction and Other Student Related and Extraordinary Support Services		
11-3XX-100-XXX	Vocational Programs - Local - Instruction		
11-4XX-100-XXX	School-Spon. Co/Extra-Curr. Activities, School Sponsored Athletics, and Other Instructional Programs -Instruct		
11-800-330-XXX	Community Services Programs/Operations		
	<b>Undistributed Expenditures</b>		
11-000-100-XXX	Instruction		1,268,700.00
11-000-211,213,218,219,222	Student Support Services - Attendance and Social Work, Health, Other Support Svcs-Regular, Other Support Svcs-Special, Education Media Services/School Library	126,833.00	
11-000-221,223	Improvement of Instruction Services and Instructional Staff Training Services		27,000.00
11-000-230-XXX	Support Services - General Administration	436,800.00	
11-000-240-XXX	Support Services - School Administration	3,500.00	
11-000-25X-XXX	Central Svcs & Admin Info Technology	279,000.00	
10-606	Increase in Maintenance Reserve		
11-000-26X-XXX	Operation and Maintenance of Plant Services	404,128.00	
11-000-270-XXX	Student Transportation Services	40,300.00	
10-605	Increase in Sale/Lease-Back Reserve		
11-000-290-XXX	Other Support Services		
11-XXX-XXX-2XX	Personal Services - Employee Benefits		1,805,632.00
11-000-310-XXX	Food Services		

	<b>TOTAL GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE</b>		
	<b>Capital Outlay</b>		
12-XXX-XXX-73X	Equipment		64,229.00
12-XXX-4XX-XXX	Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services		
	<b>TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>		
13-XXX-XXX-XXX	<b>TOTAL SPECIAL SCHOOLS</b>		
10-000-100-56X	Transfer of Funds to Charter Schools		
10-000-520-930	General Fund Contribution to Whole School Reform	1,700,000.00	
	<b>GENERAL FUND GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>3,165,561.00</b>	<b>3,165,561.00</b>

<b>BUDGET TRANSFERS - FUND 15</b>			
<b>June 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010</b>			
<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
15-1XX-100-XXX	Regular Programs - Instruction		705,612.89
15-2XX-100-XXX 15-000-216,217	Special Education, Basic Skills/Remedial and Bilingual - Instruction and Other Student Related and Extraordinary Support Services	13,900.00	
15-3XX-100-XXX	Vocational Programs - Local - Instruction		
15-4XX-100-XXX	School-Spon. Co/Extra-Curr. Activities, School Sponsored Athletics, and Other Instructional Programs -Instruct		
15-800-330-XXX	Community Services Programs/Operations		
	<b>Undistributed Expenditures</b>		
15-000-100-XXX	Instruction		
15-000-211,213,218,219,222	Student Support Services - Attendance and Social Work, Health, Other Support Svcs-Regular, Other Support Svcs-Special, Education Media Services/School Library		30,724.85
15-000-221,223	Improvement of Instruction Services and Instructional Staff Training Services	19,706.05	
15-000-230-XXX	Support Services - General Administration		
15-000-240-XXX	Support Services - School Administration	10,251.69	
15-000-25X-XXX	Central Svcs & Admin Info Technology		
15-606	Increase in Maintenance Reserve		
15-000-26X-XXX	Operation and Maintenance of Plant Services		98,620.00
15-000-270-XXX	Student Transportation Services		14,300.00
15-605	Increase in Sale/Lease-Back Reserve		
15-000-290-XXX	Other Support Services		
15-XXX-XXX-2XX	Personal Services - Employee Benefits	2,505,400.00	
15-000-310-XXX	Food Services		
	<b>TOTAL GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE</b>		

	<b>Capital Outlay</b>		
15-604	Increase in Capital Reserve		
15-604	Interest Deposit to Capital Reserve		
15-XXX-XXX-73X	Equipment		
15-000-4XX-XXX	Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services		
15-000-4XX-931	Capital Reserve-Transfer to Capital Projects		
15-000-4XX-933	Capital Reserve-Transfer to Debt Service		
15-000-520-930	General Fund Contribution to Whole School Reform		<b>1,700,000.00</b>
	<b>WHOLE SCHOOL REFORM GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>2,549,257.74</b>	<b>2,549,257.74</b>

C. **Acceptance of Funds from the Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development for the Family Outreach Program (FOP)**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 5: Community and Family Engagement**

To actively engage families and communities in a meaningful, structured, and productive manner that promotes learning and cooperation.

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The Board of Education, Office of Student Intervention and Family Support Services will be awarded \$256,945 (renewal grant) to provide a host of services for the FOP program.

Through funding from the Department of Human Services/ Division of Family Development, the Family Outreach Program is contracted to provide individual meetings and monthly meetings to 32 family workers at daycare centers supported by the Office of Early Childhood. The Family Outreach Program Coordinators work collaboratively with the Prevent Child Abuse of New Jersey (our technical assistance agency) to provide 20 hours of training to staff at the Early Childhood Centers. The Coordinators also work collectively with the Office of Early Childhood in the development of services provided to children and families. Listed below is a list of the training topics provided.

- Working with Families – Maintaining Boundaries
- Domestic Violence and the Impact on Children
- Understanding Child Development Birth – Pre-School
- Infant and Child Mental Health

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves acceptance of grant funds from the New Jersey Department of Human Services/ Division of Family Development for the Family Outreach Program (FOP).

D. **Acceptance of Funds from the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Plainfield Board of Education has been awarded \$5,405.88 as a 2010 safety grant from the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group, and

**WHEREAS**, these funds will be used to address safety issues in the District, now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the acceptance of \$5,405.88 in grant monies from the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group.

**E. 2010-2011 Transportation Contract Renewals**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the following 2010-2011 contracts with:

RT	CARRIER	SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE	AMT PER DIEM	AIDE PER DIEM	TOTAL PER ANNUM
CED2	Amaker	Cedarbrook	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$138.39	N/A	\$24,910.20
COO1	Amaker	Cook	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$142.38	N/A	\$25,628.40
HUB 3	Amaker	Hubbard	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$115.48	\$28.00	\$25,826.40
MAX3	Amaker	Maxson	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$114.80	\$28.00	\$25,704.00
EMR1	Amaker	Emerson	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$147.16	N/A	\$26,488.80
EMR2	Amaker	Emerson	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$147.16	N/A	\$26,488.80
WAS1	Amaker	Washington	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$158.30	N/A	\$28,494.00
MAX1	Amaker	Maxson	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$148.56	N/A	\$26,740.80
HUB1	Amaker	Hubbard	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$148.56	N/A	\$26,740.80
TPP1	Amaker	Moms & Babes	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$190.00	N/A	\$34,200.00
TPP2	Amaker	Moms & Babes	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$190.00	N/A	\$34,200.00
B22	Amaker	Sacred Heart, South Plainfield	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$87.53	N/A	\$15,755.40
B23	Amaker	Sacred Heart, South Plainfield	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$88.22	N/A	\$15,879.60
H19	Amaker	Piscataway Regional Day, Piscataway	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$155.82	N/A	\$28,047.60
H55	Amaker	Gateway, Carteret	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$163.17	N/A	\$29,370.60
STB1	Amaker	St. Barts, Scotch Plains	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$138.37	N/A	\$24,906.60
BBP	Amaker	Bright Beginnings, Piscataway	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$226.87	\$65.00	\$52,536.60
BSS	Amaker	Bruce St. School, Newark	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$209.43	\$50.00	\$46,697.40
DLC	Amaker	Developmental Learning Ctr., New Providence	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$209.43	\$50.00	\$46,697.40
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$2,919.63</b>	<b>\$221.00</b>	<b>\$565,313.40</b>
B5	DAPPER	Timothy Christian, Piscataway	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$198.17	N/A	\$35,670.60
CENT	VOGEL	Center School, Highland Park	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$214.03	N/A	\$38,525.40
LUZO	PARENTAL	Westlake, Westfield	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$68.53	N/A	\$12,335.40
CLI1	LAMON	Clinton School	9/1/10 TO 6/30/11	\$116.21	\$30.19	\$26,352.00
MS-1	SO. PLFD	Midland (Jointure)	9/01/10 TO 6/30/11	110.00	N/A	\$19,800.00

**F. Horizon Software International Renewal**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The District desires to renew the maintenance contract for the point of sale system at the district level with Horizon Software International LLC, Atlanta, GA, now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education authorizes the renewal of the maintenance contract for cafeteria software and hardware from Horizon Software International, for the school year 2010-2011, which is not to exceed 9,000.00 and be charged to 11-000-25200-340A-08-0000.

**G. Genesis Educational Services**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The District desires to renew the maintenance contract for school administrative software at the district level with Genesis Software, Jamesburg, NJ, now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education authorizes the renewal of the maintenance contract for software from Genesis Educational Services for the school year 2010-2011, which is not to exceed \$24,000.00 and be charged to 11-000-252001-340A-08-0000.

**H. Keystone Information Systems, Inc.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The District desires to renew the maintenance contract for school administrative software for the payroll, personnel, purchasing and finance modles at the district level with Keystone Information Systems, Inc., Maple Shade, NJ, now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education authorizes the renewal of the maintenance contract for software from Keystone Information Systems for the school year 2010-2011, which is not to exceed \$39,752.00 and be charged to 11-000-252001-340A-08-0000.

**I. Designation of Bank Signatures**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 3: Business Practices**

**To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education authorizes the following staff as official signatories on checks and drafts for the Student Activity Funds:

**Administrator**

**Secretary**

**School**

Shirley Johnson Tucker, Principal

Erica Moore

Woodland

**J. NCLB FY 2010 Amendment**

**Strategic Plan Link:  
Goal 1: Learning Outcomes**

**To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in PPS**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Board of Education is committed to ensuring that all students succeed academically and reach their full potential in life. In doing so, it is also committed to providing opportunities for and insuring that all students (inclusive of English Language Learners and Special Education Students) meet the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and achieve academic and life-long success.

No Child Left Behind (NCLB) legislation requires that FY 2009 carryover funds in the amount of \$810,692 be incorporated into the FY 2010 Amendment, per the New Jersey Department of Education. NCLB funds support student academic achievement, school improvement, professional development, technology in education, English language acquisition, instructional opportunities for immigrant students, innovative programs, and programs and services for safe and drug-free schools. Funds have been allocated for Plainfield Public Schools and specific Non-Public schools within the district (I AM's Temple, King's Temple, Koinonia Academy and New Covenant Christian).

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorizes the Interim Superintendent of Schools to submit FY 2010 NCLB Amendment for Federal funds to support educational programs and increase grant revenue in the district.

<u>Program Name</u>	<u>FY 09 Funds</u>
Title I	\$362,496
Title I SIA A	\$160,124
Title I SIA G	\$107,849
Title II A	\$131,541
Title II D	\$ 958
Title III	\$ 25,758
Title III Immigrant	\$ 10,631
Title IV	\$ 10,853
Title V	\$ 482
Total	\$810,692

**K. Renewable Energy Program**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

Resolution of the series 2010 local unit participating in the Union County Improvement Authority's Series 2010 Renewable Energy Program, and authorizing such authority to apply to the local finance board for the necessary consents and approvals on behalf of such participant, all in connection with the Authority's County of Union Guaranteed Renewable Energy Program lease revenue bonds, Series 2010 (federally taxable) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$45,000,000 and the participant project financed thereby

**WHEREAS**, the Union County Improvement Authority (the "*Authority*") has been duly created by ordinance of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders ("*Board*"), as public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey pursuant to and in accordance with the County Improvement Authorities Law, constituting Chapter 183 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1960 of the State, as amended and supplemented from time to time (the "*Act*"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority is developing a program (the "*Renewable Energy Program*") for the financing, design, permitting, acquisition, installation, operation and maintenance of renewable energy capital equipment and facilities consisting of solar panels, including any related electrical modifications or other work required or convenient for the installation of such solar panels (collectively, the renewable energy capital equipment and facilities, the "*Renewable Energy Projects*") for and on behalf of the County and local governmental units within the County, including without limitation municipalities, boards of education for school districts, local authorities and any other local government instrumentalities, public bodies or other local government entities (collectively, including the County, the "*Local Units*");

**WHEREAS**, the Renewable Energy Projects procured under the Renewable Energy Program are to be installed on, in, affixed or adjacent to and/or for any other Local Unit controlled buildings, other structures, lands or other properties of the Local Units (collectively, the "*Local Unit Facilities*");

**WHEREAS**, one of the goals of the Renewable Energy Program is to expand the use of renewable energy sources available and utilized by the Local Units for their Local Unit Facilities. with the attendant environmental and financial benefits associated thereby, and to reduce the energy related operating costs to the Local Units for their Local Unit Facilities, all intended to be offered at no scheduled net cost to the Local Units;

**WHEREAS**, in order to implement the Renewable Energy Program, the Authority has proposed to finance the respective Renewable Energy Projects, on the respective Local Unit Facilities, with, each of the following participating Local Units, to the extent they adopt a resolution in substantially similar form as this authorizing resolution, as summarized on **Exhibit A** hereto:

Roselle Park Board of Education, Borough of Roselle, City of Rahway, City of Linden, Township of Hillside, Hillside Board of Education; County of Union County, Union County College, Township of Berkeley Heights, Township of Cranford, Garwood Board of Education, City of Plainfield, City of Summit, Township of Springfield, Morris-Union Jointure Commission, New Providence Board of Education, Borough of New Providence and Borough of Mountainside

(each a "*Series 2010 Local Unit*", and collectively, the "*Series 2010 Local Units*"), through the issuance by the Authority of one or more series of its notes or bonds entitled "County of Union Guaranteed Renewable Energy Program Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2010 (Federally Taxable)" dated their date of delivery, in the principal amount not to exceed \$45,000,000 (the "*Series 2010 Bonds*");

**WHEREAS**, prior to the issuance of the Series 2010 Bonds and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-6. 7 and 8 of the Local Authorities Fiscal Control Law, the Authority shall have made an application (the "*Local Finance Board Application*") to, and seek, obtain, and officially recognize the findings from, the Local Finance Board (the "*Local Finance Board*") in the Department of Local Government Services of the State Department of Community Affairs;

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of the Series 2010 Local Unit adopting this resolution (the "*Participant*") desires to authorize the Authority and its consultants to submit the Local Finance Board Application on their behalf to finance the Renewable Energy Project(s) for the Participant (the "*Participant Project*") set forth in **Exhibit A** attached hereto (it being understood that the Participant is taking no action in connection with the other Renewable Energy Projects of the other Series 2010 Local Units as set forth on **Exhibit A** hereto);

**WHEREAS**, upon or prior to the issuance of the Series 2010 Bonds, and in accordance with (i) N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1(k) of the Local Public Contracts Law, (ii) Local Finance Board Notice 2008-20, December 3, 2008, *Contracting for Renewable Energy Services*, (iii) the Board of Public Utilities ("BPU") protocol for measuring energy savings in PPA agreements dated February 20, 2009 (*Public Entity Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Cost Savings Guidelines*), (iv) Local Finance Board Notice 2009-10 dated June 12, 2009, *Contracting for Renewable Energy Services: Update on Power Purchase Agreements*, and (v) all other applicable law, and pursuant to a competitive contracting process governed thereby, which shall include a request for solar developer proposals to be issued by the Authority (the "*Company RFP*") and the receipt of proposals from prospective solar developers, including that (the "*Company Proposal*") of the successful respondent (the "*Company*"), the Authority shall select the Company to design, permit, acquire, construct, install, operate and maintain the Renewable Energy Projects, including the Participant Project, for the Series 2010 Local Units, including the Participant;

**WHEREAS**, the pricing terms for the purchase of renewable energy generated electricity produced from the Participant Project and sold through the Authority to the Participant, and bought by the Participant at an agreed upon price lower than that presently being paid by the Participant for electricity from its local utility, which pricing terms shall be competitively procured through the Company RFP process and the Company Proposal, shall be established under the Authority's Series 2010 Local Unit Renewable Energy Program for an initial term no greater than 15 years, simultaneously with, or prior to the issuance of the Series 2010 Bonds;

**WHEREAS**, the Participant understands and acknowledges that by taking this official action, the Participant intends to participate in the Authority's Series 2010 Local Unit Renewable Energy Program to fund the Participant Project, and that the Authority is taking several actions in reliance upon such action, including without limitation seeking the required approvals from the Local Finance Board to issue the Series 2010 Bonds, as set forth in the Local Finance Board Application, and proceeding with the issuance of the Company REP, the selection of the Company, the establishment of the renewable energy pricing under the Company Proposal, and the marketing, sale and issuance of the Series 2010 Bonds; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the governing body of the Participant as follows:

**Section 1.** The Participant believes: (a) it is in the public interest to accomplish such purposes as set forth in the preambles hereof, including the financing of the Participant Project; (b) said purpose is for the health, wealth, convenience or betterment of the inhabitants of the Participant; (c) the amounts to be expended for said purpose are not unreasonable or exorbitant; and (d) the proposal is an efficient and feasible means of providing services for the needs of the inhabitants of the Participant and will not create an undue financial burden to be placed upon the Participant.

**Section 2.** The \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Participant (including their designees in writing, each an "*Authorized Officer*") are each hereby severally authorized to assist the Authority with the preparation and submission of the Local Finance Board Application for the purpose of financing the Participant Project through the issuance of the Series 2010 Bonds, and to take all action necessary, desirable, or convenient in connection therewith. Accordingly, the Authorized Officers, and any consultants of their choosing, shall, if necessary, represent the Participant at any public hearing held by the Local Finance Board in connection with the Local Finance Board Application.

**Section 3.** The Participant understands and acknowledges that by adopting this resolution, the Participant intends to participate in the Authority's Series 2010 Local Unit Renewable Energy Program to fund the Participant Project through a portion of the proceeds of the Authority's Series 2010 Bonds, and that the Authority is taking several actions in reliance upon this action by the Participant, including without limitation seeking the required approvals from the Local Finance Board to issue the Series 2010 Bonds, as set forth in the Local Finance Board Application, and proceeding with the issuance of the Company RFP, the selection of the Company, the establishment of the renewable energy pricing under the Company Proposal, and the marketing, sale and issuance of the Series 2010 Bonds. all for the benefit of the Participant and the other Series 2010 Local Units. Therefore, the Participant covenants to the Authority that except for extraordinary circumstances not presently contemplated, the Participant intends to participate in the Authority's Series 2010 Local Unit Renewable Energy Program, so long as the Company Proposal results in a savings to the Participant, and further, this official action authorizes the Authority to take all such actions contemplated above in order to develop the Participant Project and to provide the Participant with such savings.

**Section 4.** The Authorized Officer shall direct the Participant official in charge of the officially adopted resolutions of the governing body of the Participant to (a) prepare an official, certified copy of this resolution, as adopted, and (b) deliver such certified copy in accordance with Section 9 below. Further, the Participant hereby consents to such certified copy of the resolution, and any further information regarding the Participant and/or the Participant Project, as the Authorized Officer shall determine to be necessary, desirable or convenient in connection with the Local Finance Board Application, to be submitted as part of, or pursuant to the Local Finance Board Application.

**Section 5.** The Authorized Officers are hereby severally authorized to take such other actions, and execute such other certificates, documents, and instruments, as such Authorized Officers shall deem to be necessary, desirable, or convenient to assist the Authority in developing the Participant Project, producing the contemplated energy savings for the Participant, issuing the Company RFP and selecting the Company through the most desirable Company Proposal in accordance with the terms of the Company RFP and applicable law, marketing, selling, and issuing the Series 2010 Bonds, procuring the final terms of the Renewable Energy Program documents, or any other action related to the implementation of the Renewable Energy Program for the Series 2010 Local Units.

**Section 6.** The Local Finance Board is hereby respectfully requested to consider the Local Finance Board Application as a means to finance the Participant Project, and to record its findings and recommendations as provided by N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-7 of the Local Authorities Fiscal Control Law.

**Section 7.** To the extent the Series 2010 Bonds are issued in any year other than 2010, references herein to "2010" may without any further action be changed to the year of issuance of such Series 2010 Bonds.

**Section 8.** All actions of the Authorized Officers or Participant consultants taken prior to the date of adoption hereof in connection with the Series 2010 Bonds, the Participant Project or any of the foregoing transactions contemplated by this resolution, are hereby ratified and approved.

**Section 9.** Upon the adoption hereof, a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to Mark Brink, Project Director of the Authority and Ryan J. Scerbo, Esq., Counsel for the Authority.

**Section 10.** This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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**M. Educational Data Awarded Bids**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 3: Business Practices**

**To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.**

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The Plainfield Board of Education currently participates in the Ed Data Cooperative Purchasing Program. As part of this program, the ESC of Morris County has advertised and awarded bids for a variety of supplies for FY11. Bid opening date was March 31, 2010;

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the use of the following vendors awarded bids by the ESC of Morris County.

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b><u>Category</u></b>
AHERA Consultants Oceanville, NJ	Asbestos Management
TTI Environmental, Inc. Moorestown, NJ	Hazardous Chemical Exposure
TTI Environmental, Inc. Moorestown, NJ	Indoor Air Quality
Environmental Safety Mgmt., Corp. Riverside, NJ	School Safety Plans

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**