

PLAINFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Plainfield, N.J.

Date: Tuesday, February 5, 2013

Time: 6:30 p.m. PUBLIC SESSION
6:35 p.m. MEETING CLOSED FOR
EXECUTIVE SESSION
8:00 p.m. WORK & STUDY MTG.
(ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)

Place: **PLAINFIELD HIGH SCHOOL
CONFERENCE ROOM**
950 PARK AVE.

Board of Education Members

Mrs. Wilma G. Campbell, President
Mrs. Keisha Edwards, Vice President
Mrs. Jackie Coley
Mr. Alex O. Edache
Ms. Mahogany Hendricks
Mrs. Renata A. Hernandez
Mr. Dorien Hurtt
Ms. Jameelah Surgeon
Mrs. Anna Belin-Pyles, 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 Wednesday, January 30, 2013 for advertisement on Saturday, February 2, 2013 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 st Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	6:30 p.m.
Personnel/Exec.Ses.	1 st Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	6:30 p.m.
Curric. & Instr.	1 st Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	8:00 p.m.
Finance Committee	1 st Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	8:00 p.m.
Bldgs. & Grds. Cmte.	1 st Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	8:00 p.m.
School Community Rel.	1 st Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	8:00 p.m.
Business Meeting	3 rd 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 five-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 Tuesday, February 19, 2013, 8:00 pm, in the Plainfield High School Auditorium.

VII. REMARKS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

VIII. REMARKS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

IX. REMARKS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

X. REPORT OF THE CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

A. Fieldtrips

(1) Mock Trials for Law Fair - New Jersey State Bar Foundation – New Brunswick

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

The 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 meet the New Jersey Curriculum Content Standards and achieve academic and life-long success.

Fifty-two (52) F.W. Cook K-7 Center students in grades 6 and 7, along with four (4) teachers and (1) assistant, will attend the New Jersey State Bar Foundation, One Constitution Square, New Brunswick, NJ on Thursday, May 23, 2013.

In addition, thirty-seven (37) F.W. Cook K-7 students in grade 5 and two (2) teachers will attend the New Jersey State Bar Foundation, One Constitution Square, New Brunswick, NJ on Friday, May 31, 2013.

Students will observe the winners for the mock trial presentations for Law Fair (grades 3-6) and Law Adventure (grades 7-8). Students will determine verdict of trials based on evidence presented.

Departure is scheduled for 8:30 am; returning at 12:30 pm. There is no cost for admission.

RESOVLED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves fifty-two (52) students in grades 6 and 7, along with four (4) teachers and one (1) assistant, as well as thirty-seven (37) students in grade 5 and two (2) teachers to travel to the New Jersey State Bar Foundation, One Constitution Square, New Brunswick, New Jersey, on Thursday, May 23, 2013 and Friday, May 31, 2013, respectively. There is no cost for admission. There is no cost to the District, excluding transportation; transportation will be provided by the District Transportation Department.

(2) Washington, DC Tour (White House and Museums)

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Forty-four (44) students in grades 6 and 7; and twenty-five (25) chaperones from Cook K-7 Center will travel overnight to Washington, D.C. to visit the White House, museums and galleries of the Smithsonian Institute from Wednesday, June 12, 2013 through Thursday, June 13, 2013.

Departure is scheduled for Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. and returning on Thursday, June 13, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. Students and chaperones will be lodged at the Marriot Courtyard in Fairfax, Virginia. Transportation will be provided by Villanni Bus Company in Linden, New Jersey.

Admission to the Smithsonian Institute for forty-four (44) students and twenty-five (25) chaperones is \$16.00 per person; total cost \$1,104.00.

Hotel cost is \$149.00/per room for 30 rooms; total cost \$4,470.00 (*hotel cost will be paid through parental contributions of \$75.00 per person*).

The cost of transportation is \$7,000.00 (*\$5,000.00 will be paid for through district funds, and \$2,000.00 will be paid through fundraiser money from the student activity account*).

Total cost for the entire trip will not exceed \$12,574.00.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves forty-four (44) students in grades 6 and 7 and twenty-five (25) chaperones from Cook K-7 Center to travel overnight to Washington D.C.; Wednesday, June 12, 2013 through Thursday, June 13, 2013. The total cost of admission to the Smithsonian Institute is \$1,104.00; the total cost for lodging at the Marriot Courtyard in Fairfax, VA is \$4,470.00 (will be paid by parental contributions of \$75.00 per person; the total cost for transportation provided by Villanni Bus Company is \$7,000.00. Total cost for the entire trip will not exceed \$12,574.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged as follows: Admission to Smithsonian will be charged to account 15-190-100018-500A-15-0000 (Other Purchased Services); \$5,000.00 of the cost of transportation will be charged to account 15-000-270000-512A-15-0000 (Field Trip Transportation).

(3) PAAAS Blue Mountain Ski Trip – Palmerton, PA

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in PPS and encourage students to expand their experiences beyond the walls of the school and community.

The 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 all ensuring that all students meet the New Jersey Core curriculum content standards and achieve academic, social and life-long success.

Eighty (80) students in grades 7-11 and eight (8) chaperones from Plainfield Academy for the Arts & Advanced Studies (PAAAS) will visit Blue Mountain Ski Resort in Palmerton, PA. The trip will expand the students' experiences beyond the walls of the school and community, and will serve as an integral part of their educational experiences and their student career at PAAAS.

The coordinator of the trip has arranged for students to have the opportunity to ski or snowboard including a lesson, equipment rental and lift ticket. Departure is scheduled for 8:00 a.m., March 1, 2013, returning at 6:00 p.m. Students have worked diligently in their fundraising activities to fund the cost of their third ski trip.

The cost of admission is \$75.00 per person. Total cost of admission is \$6,600.00.

Transportation will be provided by Vogel Bus Company at a cost of \$1,700.00.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves eighty (80) students in grades 7-11 and eight (8) chaperones to visit Blue Mountain Ski Resort in Palmerton, PA. The cost of admission for students and chaperones is \$75.00 per person; total cost of admission not to exceed \$6,600.00. The cost of admission will be paid through fundraising efforts of PAAAS students. The cost of transportation is \$1,700.00, and will be provided by Vogel Bus Company. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-000-270000-512A-52-0000 (PAAAS Prin Field Trips).

(4) PHS FCCLA – NJ FCCLA Annual Winter Leadership Connection Conference – Cherry Hill

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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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 life. In doing so, it is also committed to providing opportunities for and ensuring that all students meet the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and achieve academic and life-long success.

The Plainfield High School Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) organization has attended the New Jersey FCCLA Annual Winter Leadership Connection Conference since 1958. At the New Jersey FCCLA Annual Winter Leadership Connection Conference, students engage in a variety of activities including, Junior Leader Program, Fall Community Project, the Apple Bake off and the Banner Competition. Students will have an opportunity to develop leadership skills, learn about national programs and network with other FCCLA students. Students are encouraged to collaborate and engage in creative talents and programs offered through the New Jersey FCCLA chapter.

The New Jersey FCCLA state adviser has invited the high school FCCLA students to attend their conference in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. PHS FCCLA, comprised of seven (7) students, grades 10-12, and two (2) chaperones will attend this special event, the New Jersey FCCLA Annual Winter Leadership Connection Conference in Cherry Hill, New Jersey from Thursday, March 14, 2013 to Friday, March 15, 2013.

Departure is scheduled from Plainfield High School parking lot on Thursday, March 14, 2013 at 5:00 a.m. The return is scheduled for Friday, March 15, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. The cost of registration, and lodging for students and chaperones is \$186.55 per person (total cost for registration and lodging - \$1,678.95). The cost for transportation, registration and lodging will be covered by the Plainfield School District. The cost of transportation is \$2,000.00 and will be provided by Amaker and Porterfield Bus Company.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve for seven (7) Plainfield High School students and two (2) chaperones to attend the New Jersey FCCLA Annual Winter Leadership Connection Conference from Thursday, March 14, 2013 to Friday, March 15, 2013, at a cost not to exceed \$5,478.95 (registration, lodging and transportation). The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-000-270000-512A-25-0000 (PHS Princ. Field Trips); and account 15-190-100018-500A-25-0000 (HS Other Purchase Service).

(5) PHS Debate Team – Jr. Statesmen of America Winter Model – Arlington, VA

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

The Plainfield High School Debate Team has attended Junior Statesmen of America Winter Model Congress since 1966. At the Junior Statesmen of America Winter Model Congress, students engage in a variety of activities, including debates, student-led thought talks, and mock trials which critically examine the political landscape. Students learn about today's important issues and have the unique opportunity to express their opinions and challenge the opinions of others in a tolerant, supportive atmosphere. Politically engaged and interested students from diverse backgrounds share their perspectives, learn from each other and have fun as they debate and socialize together.

The Coordinator of the Junior Statesmen of America Winter Model Congress has invited the Plainfield High School Debate Team to attend their winter Congress in Arlington, Virginia. Approximately, twenty-five (25) students, grades 9-12 and three (3) chaperones will attend this special event, the Junior Statesmen of America Winter Model Congress in Arlington, Virginia, from Thursday, February 21, 2013 to Sunday, February 24, 2013.

Departure is scheduled from Plainfield High School parking lot on Thursday, February 21, 2013 at 6:00 a.m. The return is scheduled for Sunday, February 24, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. The (all-inclusive) cost of registration, lodging and transportation per student is \$232.50 per student (total cost for students - \$5,812.50); and \$300.00 per chaperone (total cost for chaperones - \$900.00). The all-inclusive total cost of \$6,712.50 for transportation, registration and lodging will be provided by the district.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves twenty-five (25) PHS Debate Team students and three (3) chaperones to attend the Junior Statesmen of America Winter Model Congress from Thursday, February 21, 2013 to Sunday, February 24, 2013, at a cost not to exceed \$6,712.50. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-190-100018-500A-25-0000 (HS Other Purchase Service).

B. Professional Development

(1) Master Schedule Building Workshop – Upper Saddle River

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

Goal 3: Business Practice:

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of district and school operations

The 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 administrative and non-administrative staff members to participate in out of district Professional Development opportunities.

Kwame W. Asante, Principal of Hubbard Middle School, will attend the *Master Schedule Building Workshop* - a two (2) day training on January 29, 2013 and January 30, 2013 in Upper Saddle River, NJ to learn how to build an effective master schedule based on time tested concepts to meet the varied scheduling requirements of Hubbard's 'Priority' needs. This comprehensive, hands-on course will provide the solid foundation needed to create a master schedule that fits the varied needs of Hubbard's students, school, and staff. The cost of the training is \$500.00 per person.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Kwame W. Asante to attend the two (2) day Master Schedule Building Workshop on January 29, 2013 and January 30, 2013 in Upper Saddle River, NJ. The cost of the workshop will not exceed \$500.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-000-240000-600A-23-0000 (Supplies and Materials).

(2) NJAHPERD CONVENTION: “LET’S MOVE NJ” – LONG BRANCH,

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 2: Human Resources:

To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff

The 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 member to participate in our-of-district Professional Development opportunities.

Frank Livelli, Physical Education teacher at Cedarbrook K-8 Center will attend the NJAHPERD 2013 Convention “LET’S MOVE NJ” on February 25-26, 2013 in the Ocean Place Resort in Long Branch,. New Jersey.

This conference will cover the following:

- ❖ Obesity Prevention in New Jersey
- ❖ New Jersey Health and Physical Education Statues
- ❖ Teaching Activities
- ❖ Fitnessgram

The cost of the two- (2) day workshop is \$120.00 (\$110.00 registration + \$10.00 late fee). The travel distance is approximately eighty (80) miles each way for two (2) days.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve Mr. Frank Livelli, Physical Education Teacher, Cedarbrook K-8 Center to attend the NJAHPERD Convention in Long Branch, NJ, for a total cost of \$120.00 (\$110.00 registration + \$10.00 late fee). The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-000-22000-320A-13-0000 (Instructional Improvement Educational Services).

(3) Rutgers University – 45th Annual Conference on Reading and Writing – Somerset

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 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 have staff members participate in out of district Professional Development opportunities.

Attendance to Rutgers 45th Annual Reading and Writing Conference on April 12, 2013, at the Double Tree Hotel in Somerset, NJ will help provide practical lessons for teachers, and improve teaching and learning. These workshops are led by nationally recognized researchers/presenters in their perspective fields. This conference will cover the following:

- Strategies for Working with Struggling Readers
- Teaching Struggling Learners Using New Blended Literacy Instruction
- Strategies for Differentiating Instruction within the Classroom
- Instructional Strategies Using the Language Arts Common Core Standards Throughout the School Day
- Why Fluency Should be Hot!
- Teaching in a Web 2.0 World: Using Multimedia to Support Literacy Teaching and Learning

This annual convention provides its attendees the opportunity to enhance and explore teaching and learning strategies while building internal capacity in the following areas: Instructional Practices; Strengthening Student’s Comprehension, Assessment in the Early Grades, Differentiating instruction, and Struggling readers. The following staff members will attend:

Supervisors - ELA	Supplemental Teachers	Cook K-7 Center Staff
Joan Cansdale	Shalonda Archibald	Caryn Cooper
Donna Mullaney	Fatima Embden	Luanne Lohman
Teacher Coord./Interventionist	Cheryl Jackson	Kimberly Miller
Karen Gee	Elizabeth Lechocinski	Berneice Sears
Clinton K-8 Center Staff	Patricia Mendola	Elaine Tait
Carolyn Koliass, Teacher	Elaine Reinman	
Oladele Osunsami, Teacher	Chadia Saleem	
	Vincent Salvato	
	Debbie Marcelline-Jenkins	
	Kristi Colton	
	Kaleena Lear	

Rutgers University – 45th Annual Conference on Reading and Writing – Somerset (cont'd.)

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the listed staff to attend the Rutgers 45th Annual Conference on Reading and Writing on April 12, 2013, at the Double Tree Hotel in Somerset, NJ at a total cost not to exceed \$3,150.00 (\$150.00 per person). The availability of funds for this item has been verified and (\$2,100.00) will be charged to Educational Services account 20-271-200000-500R-26-0000 (T2A Conference Registration); (\$300.00) charged to Clinton K-8 Center account 15-190-100018-320A-14-0000; (\$750.00) charged to Cook K-7 Center account 20-270-200000-500A-26-0000 (T2A CO Conf/Workshop).

(4) Innovative Designs for Education (IDE)

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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IDE Corp. consultants will work with all of the teachers at the Barack Obama Academy of Academic and Civic Development to develop problem-based curricular units that align with the CCSS and develop Learner-Active, Technology-Infused Classrooms, which will assist the BOACD administrator in meeting state, mandated Focus School initiatives.

During the 2012-2013 school year, the consultant will be on-site (twice a month from February through June – ten visits at \$1,590 per visit) for full-days and will work with teachers during the AM and PM meeting time and during their preparation periods to design Authentic Learning Units. The consultant will also provide in-class coaching on the ten principles of the *Learner-Active, Technology-Infused Classroom*, so that throughout the year, teachers are increasing student responsibility for learning, differentiation, and the use of formative assessment to drive instruction.

The cost – one (1) consultant for ten (10) visits @ \$1,590.00 per visit – total cost \$15,900.00.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the implementation of Innovative Designs for Education (IDE), at a total cost of \$15,900.00. The availability of funds for this time has been verified and will be charged to account 20-271-200000-320A-26-0000 (T2A Educ Consultants).

(5) Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development Annual Conference – Chicago, IL

Strategic Plan Link

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The district has identified a need to strengthen leadership skills. The following staff members will attend the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) Annual Conference from March 14–18, 2013, in Chicago, Illinois to improve understanding of and build internal capacity with the working knowledge and competencies in instructional leadership:

1. As approved and stated in the ***FY12 Perkins Grant the group that will represent the CTE team consist of six (6) PPS staff members***; two (2) Administrators and four (4) teachers. Their names are as follows: *Mrs. Angela Bento, Mr. Dion Roach, Mr. Jerry Lester, Ms. Deborah Johnson, Mrs. Deborah Smith, and Oscar Feijoo*. The team has a direct involvement with the approved programs offered in the Plainfield School District as state in the NJDOE approved five- (5) year CTE Plan and is budgeted through the Perkins Grant.
2. *Mr. Kwame Asante, Principal, Hubbard Middle School*, will also attend the ASCD 68th Annual Conference in Chicago, Illinois (March 15-18, 2013). The funding will be provided through the verified account below.

The team will attend with a focus on improving understanding of and building internal capacity in the areas of: instructional practices, instructional leadership, student learning goals, supporting student learning needs, educating the whole child, closing achievement gaps, school leadership that works, and brain-based education. In addition, conference will help provide practical lessons for leaders, and improve teaching and learning. By exposure to the workshops led by nationally recognized researchers/presenters, they will be able to turnkey the information obtained to support the teaching staff.

ASCD was founded in 1943 as a membership organization and is a nonprofit and non-partisan organization. The conference will engage participants in educational topics highlighting “Education for the 21st Century: Creating a Climate of Success for All Students”. The workshops will provide resources and relationship building between Plainfield and international and national educators.

Association for Supervision and Curriculum... – Chicago, IL (cont.d)

The cost per person for the CTE Team is \$2,287.00. The total cost will not exceed \$13,722.00. The breakdown per person is as follows: air and ground transportation - \$800.00; registration and workshop fees - \$577.00 (non-member fee \$641.00); (4) nights lodging *plus* 16.39% tax - \$625.00; total food allowance - \$285.00.

The total cost for Mr. Kwame Asante, Hubbard Principal will not exceed \$1,391.80. The breakdown includes: air/ground, transportation - \$363.80, registration & workshop fees \$425.00, hotel + tax \$453.96 for 3 nights, total food allowance \$213.00 per person: for a total cost of \$1,391.80 per person.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the above named PPS staff to attend the ASCD Annual Conference, March 14–18, 2013 for all aspects of effective teaching and learning. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged as follows: for the CTE Team - account 20-362-200000-580A-0000 (Perkins Travel); for Hubbard Principal - account 15-000-2400000-600A-23-0000 (Supplies and Materials).

(6) Teachers College Reading & Writing Project – Saturday Reunion

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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Goal 2: Human Resources:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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Attendance at the Teachers College Reading and Writing Project 83rd Saturday Reunion on March 9, 2013 in New York City will help provide practical lessons for teachers and improve teaching and learning. Teachers College is offering more than 140 free workshops, keynotes, and closings throughout the day on state-of-the art methods in the teaching of reading and writing for grades K-8.

These workshops will provide attendees the opportunity to enhance and explore teaching and learning strategies while building internal capacity in the following areas:

- Managing workshop instruction
- Aligning instruction to the Common Core State Standards
- Using performance assessments and curriculum maps to improve instructional rigor
- Teaching opinion and argument writing
- Guided reading
- Critical literacy

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves that the District will provide transportation of two (2) busloads of volunteer instructional staff to attend The Teachers College Reading and Writing Project 83rd Saturday Reunion on March 9, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Departure is scheduled for 7:30 a.m. from 1200 Myrtle Avenue and returning by 5:00 p.m.

**(7) Staff Development Workshops, Inc. –
The CCSS: How Do I Teach the Struggling Reader and Writer? – Edison**

Strategic Plan Link

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District Supplemental Instruction Teachers, Shalonda Archibald and Elizabeth Lechocinski work with middle-grades students who have a wide range of needs, strengths and interests, to move them toward proficiency in the Common Core State Standards.

Staff Development Workshops, Inc. offer high quality one-day workshops on a variety of timely topics. Their professional trainers offer practical, classroom-tested strategies that can be easily implemented. SDW is offering the workshops: *The CCSS and Writing/The CCSS and Reading: How Do I Teach the Struggling Writer/Reader?* on March 13, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza, Edison, NJ.

These presentations will provide teachers with strategies and mini-lessons that will increase student motivation and engage struggling learners. Teachers will learn how to help struggling students engage with nonfiction text closely, with particular attention paid to students who lack reading fluency, and student who are fluent, but lack comprehension.

The cost per participant is \$100.00. Total cost not to exceed \$200.00.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve Supplemental Instruction Teachers Shalonda Archibald and Elizabeth Lechocinski to attend the one- (1) day workshop *The CCSS and Writing/The CCSS and Reading: How Do I Teach the Struggling Writer/Reader?*, presented by Staff Development Workshops, Inc. on March 13, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza, Edison, NJ. Total cost for workshop not to exceed \$200.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 20-271-200000-500R-26-0000 (T2A Conference Registration).

(8) NJ Music Educators Association (NJMEA) – 2013 State Conference – East Brunswick

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 2: Human Resources:

To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff

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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 members to participate in out-of-district Professional Development opportunities.

New Jersey Music Educator Association conference (NJMEA) is a symposium that provides teachers with wealth information in teaching general and instrumental music to students, which assist in shaping students' success in learning, in developing students' intelligence, and becoming successful citizens in our global world.

In an effort to meet the mandates of the New Jersey Department of Education and provide quality professional development opportunities for district music teachers and to enhance professional development, Mr. Doug Meyers, Vocal/Instrumental Music Teacher at Woodland School, along with Cedarbrook K-8 Center Instrumental and Vocal Music Teachers, Ms. Leslie Young and Mrs. Tanya Magalif, will attend the New Jersey Music Educators Association (NJMEA) 2013 State Conference, February 21-22, 2013, at the Hilton East in East Brunswick, NJ.

This workshop is designed to improve and enhance school music teacher skills through various topics relating to music and an excellent opportunity to learn from world renowned clinicians.

The Elementary Classroom, Technology, Wind Band, Marching Band/Jazz Band and Choral Academies will present methods and materials which will inspire teachers to get back in the classroom and do great things!

Cost of registration and lunch is \$195.00 per person.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Mr. Doug Meyer, Woodland Schools' Vocal/Instrumental Music Teacher along with Cedarbrook K-8 Center Instrumental and Vocal Music Teachers, Ms. Leslie Young and Mrs. Tanya Magalif to attend the NJMEA 2013 State Conference, February 21-22, 2013, at the East Hilton in East Brunswick, NJ, at a cost not to exceed \$195.00 per person, which includes conference registration, workshops, and meals. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to Woodland account 15-190-100000-500A-22-0000 (Woodland Instruc Oth Pur Serv); and Cedarbrook account 15-000-220000-320A-13-0000 (Instructional Improvement Educational Services).

(9) *The Many Facets of School Nursing - NJSSNA 2013 Weekend Conference – Parsippany*

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 2: Human Resources:

To improve recruitment, retention and development of district staff

The Superintendent of School recommends, and I so move, the 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 out-of-district professional development opportunities.

In an effort to meet the mandates of the New Jersey Department of Education and provide quality professional development opportunities for District School Nurses, the following seven (7) school nurses - Karen Trammell, Marilyn Eagles, Sharlenia Robinson, Lory L. Estefa, Aisha Williamson, Marge Leonard, and Tammy Smith, will attend “The Many facets of School Nursing NJSSNA 2013 Weekend Conference” in Parsippany, NJ, Friday, March 8, 2013 (after school hours), and Saturday, March 9, 2013.

The statewide conference is sponsored by the New Jersey State School Nurses Association (NJSSNA). This conference is designed to improve and enhance school nursing skills through various topics relating to school health. This year’s focus is on vaccinations, behavioral health, social media, screenings, disease prevention, Electronic Health records, etc., and other ways to help students achieve by staying healthy.

Nurses have the option to attend Friday evening and Saturday or just the Saturday session. The member registration fee is \$229.00 and non-member registration fee is \$305.00 prior to January 31, 2013 thereafter the member registration is \$279.00 and non-member \$355.00. Total cost not to exceed \$2,235.00.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves attendance at “The Many Facets of School Nursing Weekend Conference” in Parsippany, NJ, March 8-9, 2013 by the following seven (7) school nurses: Karen Trammell - Cook K-7 Center; Marilyn Eagles - Evergreen Elementary School; Tammy Smith - Stillman School; Sharlenia Robinson – PHS; Lory L. Estefa – Maxson School; Marge Leonard- Jefferson School; and Aisha Williamson-Woodland School. The total cost of registration will not exceed \$2,235.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to the following accounts: Evergreen - 15-000-240000-500A-17-0000 (Other Purchased Services) - \$279.00; Stillman - 15-000-221000-320A-20-0000 (2011EDCONS) - not to exceed \$435 including travel; Cook School 15-401-100000-500A-15-0000 (Other Purchased Services) - \$309 includes travel; PHS - 15-190-100001-320A-25-0000 (PHS Professional Services) - \$355; Maxson - 15-000-223000580A-24-0000 (Principal Travel Account) - \$279; Woodland - 15-190-100000-500A-22-0000 (Woodland Instructional Other Purchase Service) - \$299; Jefferson -15-000-223000-390A-18-0000 (JEFFSN TRAINING PROF&TEC) - \$279.

(10) Get a Head Start on PARCC – FEA Workshop – Monroe Township

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 2: Human Resources:

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

The 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 out-of-district Professional Development opportunities.

Wilson Aponte, Principal, Aurora J. Hill, Vice Principal and Juanpablo Jimenez, World Language Teacher from Evergreen Elementary School will attend the Foundation for Education Administration (FEA) Workshop “Get a Head Start on PARCC” (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Career) in Monroe Township, NJ on February 19 and 20, 2013.

This two- (2) day session will use the most up-to-date information to prepare administrators and teachers for the new state assessment system—PARCC. Emphasis will be on the new English Language Arts tests. Participants will:

- write PARCC evidence-based selective response questions
- review sample end-of-year performance-based assessments in writing for Grades 3 to 9
- learn about PARCC technology-enhanced constructive response questions
- participate in activities designed to teach students to use voice, compositional risks, and figurative language for PARCC narrative and NJASK narrative components
- learn about the shift toward informational texts in the new test
- discover the role multimedia will play in the assessment design

Registration is \$298.00 per person. Total cost not to exceed \$1,000.00.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Evergreen staff: Wilson Aponte, Principal, Aurora J. Hill, Vice Principal, and Juanpablo Jimenez, World Language Teacher to attend the Foundation for Education Administration (FEA) Workshop “Get a Head Start on PARCC” in Monroe Township, NJ on February 19 and 20, 2013. Registration cost is \$298.00 per person. Total cost not to exceed \$596.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-190-100018-500A-17-0000 (Other Purchase Services).

(11) How to Ensure Continuous Student Performance – Monroe Township

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 2: Human Resources:

To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff

The 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 out-of-district professional development opportunities.

Ms. Janet R. Grooms, Principal of Dewitt D. Barlow School, will attend a four (4) session Principals' Institute Series Workshop–*How to Ensure Continuous Student Performance*, being presented by NJPSA/FEA in collaboration with the New Jersey Department of Education; beginning February 13, 2013 and concluding April 9, 2013 at the Foundation for Educational Administration Conference Center, 12 Centre Drive, Monroe Township, NJ 08831.

The series is designed as a practical approach to improving student learning, with a target on curriculum, instruction, assessment, data analysis, culture and climate, and closing the achievement gap, these workshops deepen the knowledge and skills instructional leaders need to strengthen teacher effectiveness and ultimately maximize student achievements.

The cost of the workshops is \$149.00 per session; total cost for four (4) sessions is \$596.00.

The sessions are scheduled for February 13, March 6, March 20 and April 9, 2013 – 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Ms. Janet R. Grooms, Principal of Dewitt D. Barlow School, to attend a four (4) session Principals' Institute Series Workshop–*How to Ensure Continuous Student Performance*, beginning January 30, 2013 and concluding April 9, 2013 at the Foundation for Educational Administration Conference Center, 12 Centre Drive, Monroe Township, NJ 08831. Total cost of the workshop will not exceed \$596.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-000-240000-300A-11-0000 (Barlow Principal Professional & Technical).

**(12) Clinton K-8 Center – Common Core and PARCC: What’s a Teacher to Do?
Rutgers Center for Literacy Development 2012-13 After School Series - New Brunswick**

Strategic Plan Links

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in Clinton K-8 Center

Goal 2: Human Resources:

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

The 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 purchase software and employ consultants to address the needs of teachers and students in order to promote school improvement.

The common core state standards for the English language arts are requiring major changes in how we approach the teaching of reading and writing in grades K-12. Beginning in 2014-15, students are to be evaluated against these innovative and challenging new standards using the PARCC tests (which are currently being designed and which will replace the current NJ ASK assessments). This presentation will examine the implications of the common core and PARCC for literacy instruction.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Clinton Teachers Maria Acero, Kathryn Horne, Carolyn Kolas, Marie Maldonado, Victoria Malinowski, Senteia McLeod, Oladele Osunsami, and Principal BJ BrownJohnson to attend the after school workshop on February 28, 2013, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Rutgers Graduate School of Education, 10 Seminary Place, New Brunswick, at a fee of \$50.00 each, total cost not to exceed \$400.00 The availability of funds has been verified and will be charged to accounts 15-190-100018-320A-14-0000 (Professional Ed Services).

(13) The Coalition of Schools Educating Boys of Color (COSEBOC) – Chicago, IL

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 2: Human Resources:

To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff

The 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, the Plainfield Public Schools does both require and encourage employees to participate in-out-of district professional development and take continuing education courses to improve their professional knowledge, maintain professional credentials and to operate most effectively and efficiently in the delivery of services to the children of the district.

Dr. Reginald Davenport, Principal, Maxson Middle School will attend the Coalition of Schools Educating Boys of Color (COSEBOC) 7th Annual Gathering of Leaders, in Chicago, IL, April 25 – 27, 2013. COSEBOC also announced that the Urban Prep Academies will host site visits of Gathering participants and host heir 2nd Annual Male Students Gathering. The theme for the adult and student gatherings is the same, Young, Gifted and Literate: Prepared Boys and Young Men for the Future. It is their expectation to move from imagining the scenario above to understanding how to make it happen. The gathering will convene Award winning schools, passionate presenters, authentic and relevant speakers and committed educational leaders and advocates for the expressed purpose of making the dream of success for our boys and young men a reality.

The mission of the COSEBOC is to connect, inspire, support and strengthen school leaders dedicated to the social, emotional and academic development of boys and young men of color. COSEBOC is the only national education organization of practitioners solely focused on promoting the educational success of boys and young men of color. COSEBOC works with all schools – preK-12th grade; public, charter and private; coed and single gender. COSEBOC connects research, policy and practice and is a learning community for school leaders.

The expense breakdown is as follows:

- Air Fare - \$300.00
- Food Allowance - \$150.00
- Hotel - \$694.00
- Ground Transportation - \$75.00
- Registration - \$445.00

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Dr. Reginald Davenport, Principal, to attend the Gathering of Leaders conducted by COSEBOC in Chicago, IL, April 25, 2013 – April 27, 2013. The cost is not to exceed \$1,664.00. Availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-000-222000-600A-24-0000 (Supplies and Materials).

(14) 21st Century Community Learning Centers-Annual Leadership Symposium-Hamilton Twsp.

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 2: Human Resources:

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

The 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 out-of-district professional development opportunities.

Zelda Spence, 21st CCLC Project Coordinator, and 21st CCLC Site Coordinators at CH Stillman, WCS, Hubbard and Maxson Schools, Reginald Davenport, Principal/Maxson Middle School, Rosa Salinas, Vice Principal/WCS, and Dr. Anthony Jenkins Principal/WCS will attend the Annual New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) 21st CCLC Leadership Symposium, Thursday, February 14, 2013, at the Robert Wood Johnson (RWJ) Health & Wellness Center, 3100 Quakerbridge Road Hamilton Township, NJ, from 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM.

The symposium will provide information on 21st Century skills to support NJDOE educational goal of engaging youth from cradle to career and include collaborative discussions based on research conducted by the Institute for Educational Sciences. The focus of this year's Learning Symposium is on how 21st CCLC programs support State school improvement efforts using research based strategies. The symposium will feature high level experts from NJDOE discussing education reform within NJ and the vital importance of the 21st CCLC programs in aiding NJDOEs mission of elevating student achievement. There will be round table discussion on the recently released afterschool program quality standards, indicators, and assessment tools.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Zelda Spence, the 21st CCLC Site Coordinators at CH Stillman, WCS, Hubbard and Maxson Schools, Lisa Armstead VP/Maxson, Rosa Salinas VP/WCS, and Dr. Anthony Jenkins Principal/WCS to attend the Annual NJDOE 21st CCLC Leadership Symposium at the RWJ Health & Wellness Center 3100 Quakerbridge Road Hamilton Township, NJ, on Thursday, February 14, 2013, 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM. The registration fee is at no cost to the 21st CCLC grant and total mileage reimbursement for all nine (9) personnel will not exceed \$300.00. Availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account number 20-453-200000-580A-38-0000 – 21st CCLC Travel/Mileage (as per www.qsa.gov).

(15) **27th Annual Conference: *Good Ideas in Teaching Pre-Calculus and Algebra, Calculus, Geometry, Discrete Mathematics, Probability & Statistic with Technology* – New Brunswick**

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 improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff

The 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 students. Therefore, it has provided the Superintendent of Schools the authority to employ non-administrative and administrative staff members in professional development opportunities.

Kimberley Morris, Kevin Bullock, Maureen Thal, Upendra Sabat, Ralph Pecoraro, William Wessells and Roger Carvallo will attend the 27th Annual Conference: *Good Ideas in Teaching Pre-Calculus, Algebra, Calculus, Geometry, and Discrete Mathematics, Probability and Statistics with Technology*, on Friday, March 22, 2013 at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ.

This conference will assist teachers to better prepare students for the statewide assessments. Teachers will be trained on incorporating more standard based hands on activities and relating real world applications into their lessons.

The cost of this training is \$165.00 per person.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Kimberley Morris, Kevin Bullock, Maureen Thal, Upendra Sabat, Ralph Pecoraro, William Wessells and Roger Carvallo to attend the 27th Annual Conference: *Good Ideas in Teaching Pre-Calculus, Algebra, Calculus, Geometry, and Discrete Mathematics, Probability and Statistics with Technology*, on Friday, March 22, 2013 at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. The cost of training is \$165.00 per person. Total cost not to exceed \$1,155.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 20-271-200000-500R-26-0000 (T2A Conference Registration).

(16) Instructional Supports that Address the Needs of Students with Disabilities – Trenton

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 2: Human Resources:

To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff

The 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 out of district Professional Development opportunities.

Four (4) Special Education teachers and four (4) General Education teachers from Hubbard Middle School and Stillman Elementary School will attend a two (2) day inclusion workshop in Trenton, New Jersey on February 14, 2013 and April 10, 2013 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

The title of the workshop is “Instructional Supports that Address the Needs of Students with Disabilities in the Co-Taught General Education Classroom”. The cost of participating in this workshop is \$22.00 per person. The following staff members will attend:

General Education Teacher	Special Education Teacher	School
Michele Ginn	Mark Shalaby	Hubbard
Jacynth Johnson	Gloria Onyebeke	Hubbard
Garrie Daniels	Tania Center	Stillman
Lauren Jacey	Joseph Harris	Stillman

This workshop will provide general and special education teaching pairs with the basic knowledge and skills needed to implement in-class resource program instruction. Participants will explore a variety of co-teaching arrangements, the roles and responsibilities of the general and special education teachers, effective techniques that foster general and special educator collaboration, and approaches and formats that facilitate instructional planning.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves eight (8) Special and General Education teachers attend a workshop entitled “Instructional Supports that Address the Needs of Students with Disabilities in the Co-Taught General Education Classroom” on February 14, 2013 and April 10, 2013, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in Trenton, New Jersey at a cost of \$22.00 per person. The total cost of this workshop will not exceed \$176.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 20-250-200000-500A-32-0000 (IDEA/CO).

C. Printmaking Center of New Jersey – Annual Art Night at Woodland School

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

The 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 meet the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and achieve academic and life-long success.

The Printmaking Center of New Jersey will conduct a Monotype Printmaking Workshop on Thursday, March 21, 2013 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Woodland Elementary School during its annual Art Night. The workshop will include demonstrations and hands-on experiences. Students will learn monotype printmaking using inks, watercolors, pencils and other materials. The final product will be one that the students will be able to take home. The Printmaking Center will provide the instructor and materials.

RESOLVED, Plainfield Board of Education approves payment to The Printmaking Center of New Jersey for the Printmaking Workshop to be held on March 21, 2013 at Woodland Elementary School in the amount of \$360.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-190-100000-500A-22-0000 (Woodland Instruc Oth Pur Serv).

D. Homefirst Youth Success Center – Evergreen Fifth Grade After School Club

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in PPS and encourage students already achieving proficiency to continue their academic success.

The 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 meet the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and achieve academic and life-long success.

The Fifth Grade After School Club has been designed to guide 5th graders towards positive pathways to grow up competent and healthy so they can fulfill their aspirations for higher education within the “*Positive Youth Development*” framework:

Academic Enrichment to Promote Higher Educational Aspirations

- Homework Club, Tutoring, Reading Literature Book Club, Reading for Information-Current Events, Writing, Using Math to Solve Real-Life Problems to Increase Academic Skills and Study Habits.

Skills & Social Development

- Provide Money Management, Study Skills, Teamwork, Computer Skills, Communication, Problem Solving, Conflict Resolution, Self-Esteem, Relationships, Civic Responsibility, & Personal Care Skill Building Workshops.

Arts & Culture

- Explore & experience cultural, art, environmental and civic/political areas.

The program will operate from February 2013 through June 2013, 3:00–5:00 PM, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves entering into a partnership with the Homefirst Youth Success Center at no cost to the community or district.

E. School Parent Involvement Policies

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

Goal 5: Family Engagement:

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

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

RESOLUTION

The Plainfield Board of Educational 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 meet the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and achieve academic and life-long success.

No Child Left Behind (Section 1118 - Parent Involvement) requires that schools develop a School Parent Policy. The school parent policies are designed to promote schools and parents working collaboratively and to increase communication with parents and families.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the School Parent Policies submitted by Evergreen, Hubbard and Maxson Schools.

F. Soar to Success Academy – Maxson Middle School

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

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

The Plainfield Board of Education approves the implementation of a multi-tiered School Improvement Initiative to provide additional academic support through the *Soar to Success Academy*, which will run from February 18, 2013 thru May 30, 2013, 7:10 AM - 8:10 AM, Monday thru Friday; and 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM, Tuesday thru Friday.

The academy will address science, literacy, social studies, and math. Student enrollment and participation shall determine actual staff retained for instruction. Staff will not exceed thirty (30) hours. Certificated staff and support staff will be compensated as per the collective bargaining agreement.

Activities will include compensation for training, professional development and preparation related to the provision of services related to school improvement.

Such activities are inclusive but not limited:

1. Teacher led training on literacy and math initiative.
2. Training on software applications on technology instruction.
3. Staff members as needed to be compensated for the 2012-13 school year at \$28.00 per hour for a maximum of \$1,024.00 (108 hours).

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield of Education approves the *Soar to Success Academy* at Maxson Middle School from February 18, 2013 thru May 30, 2013, 7:10 AM – 8:10 AM, Monday thru Friday; and 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM, Tuesday thru Friday. This program will be funded with Maxson Middle School SIP.

G. Maxson Middle School – Saturday Academy

Strategic Plan Link

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

The Maxson Middle School – *Saturday Academy* is defined as an extended day program that offers academic and enrichment activities in the areas of language arts, math, and science and for students designated Grades 6-7-8. The program will operate Every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for students beginning on February 23, 2013 and will end on May 25, 2013.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield of Education approves the *Saturday Academy* at Maxson Middle School from February 23, 2013 thru May 25, 2013, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. The Program will be held every Saturday. This program will be funded with Maxson Middle School SIP.

H. 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 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 be appointed as Special Services Consultants and Service Providers for the Office of Special Education, Gifted and Psychological Services for the **2012- 2013 School Year** at the respective compensation rates:

CONSULTANT/PROVIDER	SERVICES PROVIDED	RATE	TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED
Oxford Consulting Services, LLS.	ABA Instruction	\$95.00/hr.	\$12,920.00
Project EmpowerMENT	Counseling Services	\$35.00/session	\$2,500.00

XI. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

- FACILITIES UPDATE

A. Reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer – December 2012

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 3: Business Operations

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

The Board Secretary has certified that, as of the date of the report, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the District Board of Education.

The Treasurer of School Monies is required by statute to submit a report to the Board of Education on the cash balance in the various Board of Education Bank accounts.

The Board Secretary's Report and the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies for the stated period were in agreement.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education accepts the above referenced reports and certifications and orders that they be attached to and made part of the record of this meeting; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Plainfield Board of Education certifies that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the year, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education directs the Superintendent to initiate whatever actions may be determined to be appropriate.

TO BE PRESENTED AT THE FEBRUARY 19, 2013 BUSINESS MEETING

B. Payment of Bills — January 18 – February 14, 2013

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 3: Business Operations

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

The 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 NJAC 6:20-2.13(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 FEBRUARY 19, 2013 BUSINESS MEETING

C. 2012 – 13 Budget Transfers

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 3: Business Practices

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

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

TO BE PRESENTED AT THE FEBRUARY 19, 2013 BUSINESS MEETING

D. Board Member Resignation

The following is recommended for adoption:

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education accepts the resignation of Board Member Delois Dameron, effective January 24, 2013.

E. Schools Development Authority – Capital Maintenance Project – Cook School

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 3: Business Practices

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

The “Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act,” P.L. 2000, c. 72 enacted on July 18, 2000 and amended on August 6, 2007 by P.L. 2007, c. 137 (the “Act”), establishes a comprehensive program for the design, renovation, repair and new construction of primary and secondary schools throughout the State. The Act provides for, among other things, the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (the “SDA”) to undertake all of the school facilities projects in SDA Districts. The Act also provides that in the case of a capital maintenance project, a type of school facilities project as defined herein, the SDA “may, in its discretion, authorize an SDA district to undertake the design, acquisition, construction and all other appropriate actions necessary to complete the capital maintenance project and shall enter into a grant agreement with the district for the payment of the State share.” N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-13a.

The school district has received funding approval to replace the existing deficient roofing system.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education authorizes execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement to the Schools Development Authority and further delegates the authority to the School Business Administrator for the supervision of the capital maintenance project at Cook School: DOE Project #4160-120-12-1400; SDA Project #4160-120-12-0ADY; Grant # GB-0247.

F. Appointment of Architect – Cook School Roof Replacement Project

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 3: Business Practices

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

The “Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act” established a comprehensive program for the design, renovation, repair and new construction of primary and secondary schools throughout the State.

The Act also provided that in the case of a capital maintenance project, the SDA may in its discretion authorize and SDA district to undertake the design, acquisition, construction and other appropriate actions necessary to complete the capital maintenance project and shall enter into a grant agreement with the district for the payment of the State share.

The district has received approval for the following project:

- Cook School
- Roof Repair and/or replacement
- DOE Project #: 4160-120-12-1400
- SDA Project #: 4160-120-12-0ADY
- Grant #: GB-0247

WHEREAS, Johnson Jones Architects has the knowledge and expertise to be the design consultant for this project, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the appointment of Johnson Jones Architects at a fee of 10% of construction cost to be the design consultant for the Cook School roof replacement project.

G. Schools Development Authority – Capital Maintenance Project – Plainfield High School – 1916 Building

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 3: Business Practices

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

The “Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act,” P.L. 2000, c. 72 enacted on July 18, 2000 and amended on August 6, 2007 by P.L. 2007, c. 137 (the “Act”), establishes a comprehensive program for the design, renovation, repair and new construction of primary and secondary schools throughout the State. The Act provides for, among other things, the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (the “SDA”) to undertake all of the school facilities projects in SDA Districts. The Act also provides that in the case of a capital maintenance project, a type of school facilities project as defined herein, the SDA “may, in its discretion, authorize an SDA district to undertake the design, acquisition, construction and all other appropriate actions necessary to complete the capital maintenance project and shall enter into a grant agreement with the district for the payment of the State share.” N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-13a.

The school district has received funding approval to replace the existing deficient exterior windows and doors.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education authorizes execution and delivery of the Grant Agreement to the Schools Development Authority and further delegates the authority to the School Business Administrator for the supervision of the capital maintenance project at Plainfield High School – 1916 building: DOE Project #4160-050-12-6400; SDA Project #4160-050-12-0ADX; Grant # GB-0246.

H. Appointment of Architect –PHS – 1916 Building Window/Door Replacement Project

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 3: Business Practices

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

The “Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act” established a comprehensive program for the design, renovation, repair and new construction of primary and secondary schools throughout the State.

The Act also provided that in the case of a capital maintenance project, the SDA may in its discretion authorize and SDA district to undertake the design, acquisition, construction and other appropriate actions necessary to complete the capital maintenance project and shall enter into a grant agreement with the district for the payment of the State share.

The district has received approval for the following project:

- Plainfield High School – 1916 Building
- Replace Windows/Doors
- DOE Project #: 4160-050-12-6400
- SDA Project #: 4160-050-12-0ADX
- Grant #: GB-0246

WHEREAS, Johnson Jones Architects has the knowledge and expertise to be the design consultant for this project, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the appointment of Johnson Jones Architects at a fee of 10% of construction cost to be the design consultant for the Plainfield High School – 1916 building window/door replacement project.

XII. REPORT OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE

A. Adoption of Policy – Second Reading

The following is recommended for adoption:

RESOLUTION

The Board of Education finds it necessary that this policy be implemented for the management and operation of the Plainfield Public Schools; therefore the following is recommended for adoption:

The Board of Education has reviewed the policy listed below and finds it acceptable for the management and operation of the Plainfield Public Schools, and

The Board of Education now finds it necessary that this policy be implemented, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves, on **second reading**, the following policy:

<u>Policy Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	
3327	Relations with Vendors	Amended

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

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