

PLAINFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Plainfield, N.J.

Date: Tuesday, March 1, 2011

Time: 6:30 p.m. PUBLIC SESSION  
6:35 p.m. MEETING CLOSED FOR  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
8:00 p.m. SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING

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 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 SPECIAL BUSINESS 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. 23l Laws of 1975), and that the advance notice required therein has been provided to the Courier News and Star Ledger on Thursday, February 24, 2011 for advertisement on Saturday, February 26, 2011 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. 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.	Alternate Schools	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.

VI. REMARKS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

VII. REMARKS FROM THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT

VIII. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

At the business meetings, privilege of the floor will be provided for sixty minutes for public comment prior to committee reports. Members of the public in attendance will have the opportunity to raise concerns during this period of the meeting. Members of the public may speak once for a maximum period of three (3) minutes by the clock; this time is not transferable by one individual to another. An extension of two (2) additional minutes will be granted only upon a majority vote of the board members present.

IX. REMARKS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

X. REPORT OF DELEGATES/LEGISLATIVE REPORT

**XI. REPORT OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE**

DISCUSSION

Cancellation of Board Meetings

District-Wide Parental Involvement

Social Networking

Staff use of Internet, Social Networks & Other Forms Electronic Communication

## XII. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

### A. Adoption of Preliminary Budget for the 2011 – 2012 School Year

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

#### RESOLUTION

**RESOLVED**, that the tentative budget be approved for the 2011 – 2012 school year using the 2011 – 2012 state aid figures and that the Secretary to the Board of Education be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenues</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Total</u>
2011 – 12 Total Expenditures	\$127,222,336.00	\$24,315,800.00	\$2,366,488.00	\$153,904,624.00
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$104,936,541.00	\$24,315,800.00	\$1,349,164.00	\$130,601,505.00
Taxes to be raised	\$22,285,795.00	- 0 -	\$1,017,324.00	\$23,303,119.00

And to advertise said tentative budget in the Courier News in accordance with the form suggested by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a public hearing be held at Plainfield High School on March 29, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2011 – 2012 school year.

### B. Machine Ballot Question

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

#### RESOLUTION

**RESOLVED**, that there should be raised for General Funds \$22,285,795.00 for the ensuing school year 2011 – 12.

**XIII. REPORT OF HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**A. Termination of Staff Member**

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

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the termination of a staff member whose name is on file with the Board Secretary.

**(A roll-call and an affirmative vote of 5 board members are required for passage.)**

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

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