

PLAINFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Plainfield, N.J.

Date: Tuesday, May 5, 2015

Time: 6:30 p.m. PUBLIC SESSION  
6:35 p.m. MEETING CLOSED FOR  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
8:00 p.m. PUBLIC HEARING – 2015 – 2016 BUDGET  
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  
Mr. Terrence S. Bellamy, Sr.  
Mr. John C. Campbell  
Mrs. Deborah Clarke  
Mrs. Jackie Coley  
Mrs. Carletta D. Jeffers  
Mr. Frederick D. Moore, Sr.  
Mr. David M. Rutherford  
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 Tuesday, April 28, 2015 for advertisement on Saturday, May 2, 2015 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.	1 <sup>st</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	6:30 p.m.
Curric. & Instr.	1 <sup>st</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	8:00 p.m.
Finance Committee	1 <sup>st</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	8:00 p.m.
Bldgs. & Grds. Cmte.	1 <sup>st</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Conf.	8:00 p.m.
School Community Rel.	1 <sup>st</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 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 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, May 19, 2015 8:00 p.m., in the Plainfield High School Auditorium.**

- VII. REMARKS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT
  
- VIII. REMARKS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT
  - 2015 – 2016 Budget – Public Hearing
  
  - Student Recognition
  
- IX. REMARKS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS
  
- X. BOARD RECOGNITIONS

**Mr. Justin Sears**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS** Justin Sears, Cook School Alumni and former Plainfield High School Basketball player was named the **2014-15 Ivy League Player of the Year** and an **Associated Press Honorable Mention All-American**. He becomes the first Yale player to earn All-American recognition since Butch Graves in 1984.

**WHEREAS** this season Justin Sears was named the most valuable player at the Men Against Breast Cancer Classic, helping the Bulldogs to three wins in three days. This season he was a five-time Ivy League player of the week selection becoming second on the all-time list with ten career Ivy League Player of the Week selections. In addition, he was named to the Lou Henson Award Mid-Season Watch List. The Lou Henson Award is presented annually to the Division I "Mid Major" Player of the Year.

**WHEREAS** Justin Sears, a two-time first team All-Ivy selection, is third all-time at Yale with 152 blocked shots and sixth with 366 career made free throws. This season he reached the 1,000 career point mark and is 10<sup>th</sup> all-time at Yale with 1,260 career points. Justin led the Bulldogs to a share of the Ivy League title, winning 22 games, the most by a Yale team since 1948-49.

**WHEREAS** Justin Sears has accomplished this while maintaining a 3.2 GPA and participating in several campus based extracurricular activities.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools wish to commend and honor Justin Sears for his proven excellence in the area of athletics and academics at the College Level.

**Mrs. Mahogany Hall**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Mahogany Hall was elected to the Board of Education in 2012 and served as a board member until April, 2015, and

**WHEREAS**, she has worked diligently and served on the PEA Negotiations Committee, Union County Educational Services Commission and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Hall has served the citizens and children of Plainfield with distinction, now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, the Plainfield Board of Education recognizes Mrs. Hall for her outstanding and dedicated service to the Plainfield community.

## XI. REPORT OF THE CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

### A. Field Trips

#### (1) Gateway National Recreation Area – Sandy Hook

##### Strategic Plan Link

##### Goa1: 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 doing so, it is also committed to providing opportunities for and ensuring that all students meet the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards, achieve academic, and life-long success.

Thirty-seven (37) 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and four (4) chaperones from Frederic W. Cook Elementary School will travel to Gateway National Recreation Area, Sandy Hook, New Jersey on Wednesday, May 13, 2015.

There is no cost for admission and transportation will be provided by Amaker and Porterfield. The breakdown is as follows:

<b>Departure / Return Time</b>	<b>Transportation</b>	<b>Admissions</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
7:30 AM / 2:30 PM	\$575.00	Free	\$575.00

The Gateway National Recreation at Sandy Hook is a seaside symposium that expands learning beyond the classroom with hands-on, marine and environmental education.

This field trip experience will address the following NJCCC Standards, 5.4.6.E.1 - generate a conclusion about energy transfer and circulation by observing a model of convection currents, and 5.4.6.G.1 - illustrate global winds and surface currents through the creation of a world map of global winds and currents that explains the relationship between the two factors.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves thirty-seven (37) 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and four (4) chaperones from Frederic W. Cook Elementary to visit the Gateway National Recreation Area in Sandy Hook, NJ - total cost will not exceed \$575.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to accounts 15-000-27-000-512A-0000 (Field Trip Transportation).

(2) New York City Galleries – Manhattan, NY

Strategic Plan Link

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Forty-five (45) PAAAS students in grades 7-12, along with four (4) chaperones, will visit ten (10) New York City Galleries, between 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Avenues and 23<sup>rd</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> Streets, in Manhattan, on Monday, June 1, 2015.

There is no cost of admission into the galleries. Transportation will be provided Raritan Valley Bus Service and funded through student fundraising efforts.

<b>Departure / Return Time</b>	<b>Admission</b>	<b>Transportation</b> (*paid w/fundraising funds)	<b>Total Cost</b>
8:30 am / 3:00 pm	No Cost	\$945.00*	\$945.00*

Students will view and analyze various artworks that are currently being produced and sold in the fine art market. This experience will address the following NJCCC Standards, 1.4.12.A.2 - speculate on the artist's intent, using discipline-specific arts terminology and citing embedded clues to substantiate the hypothesis, and 1.4.12.A.3 - develop informed personal responses to an assortment of artworks across the four arts disciplines (dance, music, theatre, and visual art), using historical significance, craftsmanship, cultural context, and originality as criteria for assigning value to the works.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves forty-five (45) PAAAS students in grades 7-12 and four (4) chaperones to travel to Manhattan, New York, Monday, June 1, 2015. The cost of transportation will be funded through student fundraising efforts. There is no cost to the District.

**(3) Museum of Natural History – New York, NY**

**Strategic Plan Link**

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Jefferson Elementary 4<sup>th</sup> grade, comprised of seventy-two (72) students, along with ten (10) chaperons will visit The Museum of Natural History, New York, New York, on June 3, 2015.

Admission cost will be paid by Jefferson parents; transportation will be provided by Raritan Valley Bus Service. The breakdown is as follows:

<b>Departure / Return Time</b>	<b>Admission</b> <i>(to be paid by Jefferson parents)</i>	<b>Transportation</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
8:30 AM / 2:30 PM	\$1,193.50	\$1,770.00	\$2,963.50

Upon arrival, we will tour different parts of the museum. As a group we will attend the planetarium and then work as a group to answer questions based on different exhibits provided while touring the museum. Groups will work together to complete the scavenger hunt worksheets. Students will be given the opportunity to connect science concepts with the various visual learning styles of students. These experiences will reinforce learning in the CCCS - specifically standards ELA-Literacy CCSS - RI/4/3/ and ELA-LITERACY.W.4.8. Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; take notes and categorize information, and provide a list of sources.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Jefferson Elementary 4<sup>th</sup> grade, consisting of seventy (72) students and ten (10) chaperones, to visit the Museum of Natural History, New York, NY, June 3, 2015 – total cost not to exceed \$2,963.50. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-000-27000-512A-18-0000 (Jefferson Principal Field Trip).

**(4) Frogbridge Day Camp – Millstone Township**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

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Maxson Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> grade class consisting of one hundred fifty (150) students and eight (8) chaperones will participate in a special end-of-the-year field trip at Frogbridge Day Camp, in Millstone Township, New Jersey, on June 8, 2015.

Admission cost will be funded through MMS student fundraising. Transportation will be provided by Raritan Valley Bus Company. The breakdown is as follows:

<b>Departure / Return Time</b>	<b>Admission</b>	<b>Transportation</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
8:30 am / 3:30 pm	\$5,242.50	\$1,990.00	\$7,232.50

The students will participate in educational activities that will enhance them academically as well as socially and emotionally. This field trip will provide students with experiences that cannot be duplicated in school. Students will have the opportunity to socialize with their classmates while applying it to the NJCCCS and CCCS standards: Comprehensive Health and Physical Education the State requires that all students participate in a comprehensive, sequential, Health and Physical Education program that emphasizes the natural interdisciplinary connection between wellness, Health and Physical Education.

This field trip will expand the students' learning beyond the walls of the classroom into the vast community outside. This field trip is an integral part of school instruction.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Maxson Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> graders, consisting of one hundred fifty (150) students and (8) chaperones to attend Frogbridge Day Camp in Millstone, New Jersey on Monday, June 8, 2015 – total cost not to exceed \$7,232.50, of which the District will be responsible for \$1,990.00 (transportation). The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-000-270000-512A-24-0000 (Maxson Middle Principal's Field Trip).



**(5) Diggerland USA – West Berlin**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

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The First Grade classes of Jefferson Elementary School comprised of seventy-six (76) students and eight (8) chaperones will visit Diggerland USA, in West Berlin, New Jersey, on June 8, 2015.

Admission cost will be paid by Jefferson parents; transportation will be provided by Villani Bus Company. The expense breakdown is as follows:

<b>Departure / Return Time</b>	<b>Admission</b> <i>(to be paid by Jefferson parents)</i>	<b>Transportation</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
8:30 AM / 3:30 PM	\$1,843.80	\$1,900.00	\$3,743.80

Upon arrival, students will explore, through developmentally appropriate discussion with their teachers, many different educational and technological experiences.

This field trip will meet the following NJCCC Standards, 6.1.4.C.14 - compare different regions of New Jersey to determine the role that geography natural resources climate transportation technology and/or the labor force have played in economic opportunities; 6.1.4.B.04 - describe how landforms, climate and weather, and availability of resources have impacted where and how people live and work in different regions of New Jersey and the United States; 6.1.4.B.07 - explain why some locations in New Jersey and the United States are more suited for settlement than others; and, 01.W.01 - write opinion pieces in which students introduce the topic or name the book they are writing about, state an opinion, supply a reason for the opinion, and provide some sense of closure.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Jefferson Elementary School's First Grade consisting of seventy-six (76) students, along with eight (8) chaperones to visit Diggerland USA, in West Berlin, NJ, June 8, 2015 - total cost not to exceed \$3,743.80. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-000-27000-512A-18-0000 (Jefferson Principal Field Trip).

**(6) Philadelphia Zoo – Philadelphia, PA**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

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Clinton Elementary School's 4<sup>th</sup> grade, consisting of fifty-nine (59) students and six (6) chaperones will spend the day at The Philadelphia Zoo, Philadelphia, PA, on Tuesday, June 9, 2015.

Transportation will be provided by the District. The breakdown is as follows:

<b>Departure / Return Time</b>	<b>Admission (<i>per student</i>)</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
8:45 AM / 1:30 PM	\$12.00	\$708.00

The 4<sup>th</sup> grade students will visit the Philadelphia Zoo as a culminating activity in relationship to their study of animals— how animals adapt to survive in their environments, and the impact humans are having on animals.

The common core standards that are being addressed are 5.3.4.C.02 - all animals and most plants depend on both other organisms and their environment to meet their basic needs, 5.3.4.B.01 - food is required for energy and building cellular materials; organisms in an ecosystem have different ways of obtaining food and some organisms obtain their food directly from other organisms, and 5.3.4.E.02 - sometimes differences between organisms of the same kind provide advantages for surviving and reproducing in different environments.

In addition, students can learn how humans can help endangered animals and prevent animals from becoming threatened.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Clinton Elementary School's 4<sup>th</sup> grade consisting of fifty-nine (59) students, and six (6) chaperones to visit the Philadelphia Zoo, Philadelphia, PA, June 9, 2015 – total cost not to exceed \$708.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-190-100000-800A-14-0000 (Clinton Field Trip Admission Fee).

**(7) Camelback Beach Water Park – Tannersville, PA**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

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

**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.

Barlow's 5<sup>th</sup> grade consisting of sixty (60) students, along with ten (10) chaperones will visit Camelback Beach Water Park in Tannersville, Pennsylvania, Monday, June 15, 2015. This is an end-of-year culminating field trip for 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

Admission cost will be funded through Barlow parent/student fundraising efforts. Transportation will be provided by Villani Bus Service. The breakdown is as follows:

<b>Departure / Return Time</b>	<b>Admission</b> (for 70 people / 7 free)	<b>Transportation</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
7:30 AM / 7:00 PM	\$272.93 – (Total - \$2,651.32)	\$1,300.00	\$3,951.32

Students will take part in pre-visit activities as well as post-visit activities relating to social studies, science, literacy, and math. Upon their return, students will write a standard-based narrative based on their experiences.

The trip will meet the physical education common core standards (2.5.6.C.1- Demonstrate knowledge of rules, procedures and safety concepts and apply them effectively as an observer or participant in games, sports and activities). (2.5.4.A.1, 2.5.4.A.2, 2.5.4.A.4- Demonstrate a variety of ways to move in the air and land with control (jumping, leaping, etc.). They will have the experience of enjoying the many innovative and exciting indoor and outdoor water park attractions by swimming in a myriad of pools.

This field trip will also provide Dewitt D. Barlow students with experiences that cannot be duplicated in school or within their community..0]-0]po['po'p;

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Barlow's 5<sup>th</sup> grade, consisting of sixty (60) students, along with ten (10) chaperones to visit Camelback Beach Water Park in Tannersville, PA, Monday, June 15, 2015 – total cost will not exceed \$3,951.32. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-000-270000-512A-11-0000 (Barlow Princ. Field Trip).

**(8) Overnight Field Trip – Howard University and Washington, DC Tour**

**Strategic Plan Link**

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Cedarbrook K-8 Center's eighth grade students consisting of forty-two (42) students along with six (6) chaperones will travel to Washington, DC, June 11-12, 2015. Students will be housed in the dormitories on the campus of Howard University.

The cost of admission will be funded through Cedarbrook K-8 Center's 8<sup>th</sup> grade activity dues and student fundraising efforts. Transportation will be provided by Academy Bus Service. The breakdown is as follows:

<b>Departure Day/Time</b>	<b>Return Day/Time</b>	<b>Transportation</b>	<b>Driver - (Hotel Rm./ Parking)</b>	<b>Dormitory Cost</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
06/11/15 – 6:00 AM	06/12/15 – 10:30 PM	\$2,400.00	\$300.00	\$1,300.00	\$4,000.00

Students will spend the night and tour Howard University's campus - experiencing what life is like for an average college student and their daily routines as well as the University's day-to-day operations. We will also tour our nation's capital and landmark buildings, i.e., the Smithsonian Museum, The Museum of Natural Sciences, Museum of African American History, The Holocaust Museum, the Washington Mall, Vietnam Wall, Korean, MLK, and Jefferson Memorials.

A trip to Washington, DC enhances the students' study of politics, art, and history as well as it exposes them to key functions of the government and Washington D.C. culture. This is a school sponsored event that students will remember for a life-time, meeting the following NJCCC Standards, 9.2- career awareness, exploration, and preparation (21<sup>st</sup> Century Life and Careers – Strand B); and 9.2.8.B.3 - evaluate communication, collaborations and leadership skills that can be developed between school, home, work and extra-curricular activities for use in a career.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves forty-two (42) Cedarbrook K-8 Center 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and six (6) chaperones on an overnight field trip to Howard University and tour of Washington, DC, June 11-12, 2015 – total cost not to exceed \$4,000.00. The availability of funds for this item will be verified and will be charged to account 15-000-270000-512A-13-0000 (Cedarbrook Prin Field Trip).

**(9) Washington, DC – Plainfield High School**

**Strategic Plan Link**

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Thirty-five (35) Plainfield High School students, grades 9-12, and the ten (10) chaperones will travel to Washington, DC, June 15, 2015 to visit the museums/galleries.

Admission to the museums is free. Transportation will be provided by Suburban Bus Company. The breakdown is as follows:

<b>Departure / Return Time</b>	<b>Transportation</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
6:00 am / 9:00 pm	\$1,795.00	\$1,795.00

Students will visit the museums and galleries of the Smithsonian Institute, White House and the MLK Monument. The Smithsonian Institute is the world's largest museum and research complex.

The field trip will expand the students' learning beyond the walls of the classroom into the vast community outside. It will also provide students with experiences that cannot be duplicated in school, meeting the following NJCCC Standards, 09-10.SL.03 - students will evaluate speakers' point of view reasoning and use of evidence and rhetoric identifying any fallacious reasoning or exaggerated or distorted evidence, and 11-12.SL.01.C - students will propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence, ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves thirty-five (35) Plainfield High School students, grades 9-12, and ten (10) chaperones to travel to Washington, DC, June 15, 2015 – total cost not to exceed \$1,795.00. 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).

**B. Professional Development**

**(1) NJAFPA Spring Conference 2015 – Atlantic City**

**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 in 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. Deitria V. Smith-Snead, Site Administrator at Barack Obama Academy of Academic and Civic Development (BOAACD) will attend the 2015 NJAFPA Spring Conference “Interested in Educated the Whole Student Socially, Academically and Morally?”, June 10-11, 2015 at Harrah’s in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

The NJDOE Commissioner, David C. Hespe, has granted a waiver for overnight lodging for the Spring Conference. The breakdown per the GSA is as follows:

<b>Registration</b>	<b>Travel</b> ( <i>roundtrip reimbursement</i> )	<b>Lodging</b> ( <i>inc. 14% tax</i> )	<b>Incidentals</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
\$298.00	\$88.04	\$90.06 per night	\$43.00	\$519.10

This conference will cover the following:

- Educating Students Socially, Academically, and Morally
- Putting FACES on the Data: What Great Leaders Do!
- Overcoming Obstacles and Achieving goals for all Students
- Strategies for Complex Text and Close Reading Proficiency
- CTE in Your STEM Strategy: What does this mean in NJ
- Uniform Grant Guidance/ESEA Title I
- The Role of Administration in Fostering Successful Teacher Leadership
- Using Chromebooks to Increase Proficiency in Math and ELA
- Developing a Common Language of Data for Sharing Student Progress
- What Administrators Need to Know about Achieve and TEACH NJ-Moving from Compliance to Leadership
- Meeting the Demands of Standards and Assessment through an interactive Curricular Framework
- Rigorous Math Interventions
- Making the Shifts to the Common Core
- Keep the Dots, Make the Connections, District Digital Conversion, Empowering Personalized Learning

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Deitria V. Smith-Snead to attend the NJAFPA Spring Conference, June 10-11, 2015 - total cost not to exceed \$519.10. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 20-271-200000-500W-51-0000 (T2A BOAACD Conference/Workshops).

**(2) Analyzing Data - BOAACD**

**Strategic Plan Link**

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Media Allies, LLC, will offer the *Analyzing Data* professional development workshop to PPS staff members at the Barack Obama Academy of Academic and Civic Development (BOAACD).

<b>Date / Time</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
June 22, 2015 / 8:00 to 2:30	\$1,500.00

Teachers will analyze data of formulative assessment to improve student data and instructional data practices. They will use the data to identify key deficient indicators where students need immediate intervention. Data will be analyzed during weekly teachers' PLC meetings to keep track of students' progress to modify lessons as well as differentiate instruction. In-turn we will meet students' academic needs on all levels to ensure every student make gains.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves payment to Media Allies LLC for the professional development workshop, Monday, June 22, 2015 – total cost not to exceed \$1,500.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 20-271-200000-320A-51-0000 (Ed Consultant).

**(3) K-5 School Grade Band Teams – Summer Grade Level Math Articulation Workshops**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in 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 the students. 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, achieve academic, and lifelong success.

The District is committed to raising the standards and student performance through providing professional development for staff. The Elementary Math Office needs to provide intensive learning opportunities related to the common content knowledge required for mathematics that supports and prepares our staff to implement the standards effectively in the elementary classroom. As such, the Elementary Math Office has identified the need to establish the K-5 School Grade Band Teams Summer Grade Level Math Articulation Workshops.

The workshops will assist teachers in understanding the math content and instructional strategies of the major CCSS for each grade level, utilizing the district-curriculum for instruction, developing assessments, and how to use the My Math text as a resource. The workshop is designed to develop a grade band cohort of teachers from each elementary school in understanding the district instructional focus for mathematics for the 2015-2016 school year.

<b>K-5 School Grade Band Teams–Summer Grade Level Math Articulation Workshops - Time: 9AM-3PM</b>				
	<b># of Positions</b>	<b>Rate of Pay</b>	<b># of Days</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Grade K Teachers	10	35 x 5 hrs. = \$175	4	\$7,000.00
Grade 1 Teachers	10	35 x 5 hrs. = \$175	4	\$7,000.00
Grade 2 Teachers	10	35 x 5 hrs. = \$175	4	\$7,000.00
Grade 3 Teachers	10	35 x 5 hrs. = \$175	4	\$7,000.00
Grade 4 Teachers	10	35 x 5 hrs. = \$175	4	\$7,000.00
Grade 5 Teachers	10	35 x 5 hrs. = \$175	4	\$7,000.00
Supplemental Instruction Teachers	7	35 x 5 hrs. = \$175	4	\$4,900.00
<b>Total Number of Teaching Staff</b>	<b>67</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$46,900.00</b>

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the establishment of K-5 School Grade Band Teams Summer Grade Level Math Articulation Workshops (*dates to be determined*) in the amount of \$46,900.00. The availability for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 11-000-2230000-104S-26-0000 (Staff Prof Training Stipend).



**(4) Department of Education: Kindergarten Entry Assessment –  
In-District Training – (AMENDED FROM 04/21/15 Bus. Agenda – for Cost)**

**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 the students. 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 Common Core State Standards, and achieve academic and life-long success. The District is committed to raising the standards and student performance and providing sustained professional development for staff.

The New Jersey Department of Education is collaborating with Teaching Strategies to customize *Teaching Strategies GOLD*<sup>®</sup> and its implementation to best meet the unique needs of teachers and children throughout our diverse state. A detailed plan has been developed for training kindergarten teachers and other appropriate personnel to use the assessment tool, enter data, assign and access scores, interpret the results, and use that information for planning and instruction. New Jersey plans to employ a phased implementation strategy and use the KEA instrument statewide by 2019.

In an effort to support the implementation of NJKEA and the Kindergarten Implementation Guidelines, teachers will participate in the Kindergarten Seminar, which is designed to support best practices in the Kindergarten year. In addition to the training dates, Teaching Strategies and the DOE will schedule monthly technical assistance visits at each district's convenience to support teacher and administrator implementation.

The training dates (to be determined) will take place three (3) days in June 2015, at a location to be determined.

Teachers will be paid a stipend of \$100.00 per teacher for one (1) day of training (*if held after teachers last day of school*) – total cost not to exceed \$4,200.00.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves stipend for teachers to attend the NJKEA training in an amount not to exceed \$4,200.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 11-000-221000-104B-26-0000 (Curriculum Stipends).

**(5) NAEYC 2015 National Institute for Early Childhood – New Orleans, LA  
(AMENDED from the April 21, 2015 Business Agenda – for Cost)**

**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 the students. Therefore, the Plainfield Public Schools does both require and encourage employees 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.

Early Childhood Director and Vice Principal, Evelyn Motley and Elena Rutherford, respectively, will attend the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) National Institute, June 7-10, 2015, at the Hilton Riverside Hotel, in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The cost per person is \$2,635.23. The expense breakdown, per the GSA, is as follows:

<b>Registration</b>	<b>Transportation</b>	<b>Lodging (<i>inc. tax</i>)</b>	<b>Meal/Incidentals</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
\$920.00	\$1,053.38	\$2,516.08	\$781.00	\$5,270.46

The primary goal of the institute is to deepen participants' understanding of the expanding early childhood knowledgebase, provide a forum for addressing significant, controversial issues affecting young children's education, and help attendees develop skills that improve professional development and practice.

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves Evelyn Motley and Elena Rutherford to attend the NAEYC 2015 National Institute in New Orleans, LA – total cost not to exceed \$5,270.46. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 20-218-200000-330A-34-0000 (EC Other Purch Prof Services), and 20-218-200000-580A-34-0000 (ECE Travel).

**C. PAAAS Senior Prom**

**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, achieve academic, and life-long success.

The Plainfield Academy for the Arts and Advanced Studies (PAAAS) Class of 2015 - consisting of ninety-four (94) students and eighteen (18) chaperones, will participate in a banquet experience for their Senior Prom at the Bridgewater Marriott, Bridgewater, New Jersey, on Friday, May 22, 2015.

There is no cost to the District - the total cost of the function will be funded through parent/student fundraising efforts. Parents will be responsible for transporting their student to and from the Senior Prom.

<b>Time of Event</b>	<b>Total Cost of Banquet</b> (funded through parent/student fundraising)
5:30 PM -11:30 PM	\$9,520.00

The experience will enhance the students socially and emotionally, providing a cultural and diverse exposure, which will add to their success as global citizens and workers.

**RESOLVED**, the Plainfield Board of Education approves ninety-four (94) PAAAS students of the Class of 2015, and eighteen (18) chaperones to participate in a senior prom banquet experience at the Bridgewater Marriott, Bridgewater, NJ, on Friday, May 22, 2015 – fully funded through fundraising efforts. There is no cost to the District.

**D. 2015-2016 – The Family and Community Expansion Grant: Implementing the Dual Capacity-Building Framework for Family-School Partnerships (15-AY04-H02)**

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**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

To improve academic achievement, and promote positive behavior and appropriate social interaction with peers and adults

**Goal 2: Human Resources:**

To improve the recruitment, retention, development of District staff

**Goal 3: Business Practice:**

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of district school operations

**Goal 4: Safe Learning Environment:**

To provide a safe, secure, professional and clean environment for students, staff, and community members.

**Goal 5: Community & Family Engagement:**

To implement activities that promotes parental involvement and provides opportunities for literacy and related educational development to the families of participating students.

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

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield of Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to submit the following application for federal funds to expand upon and implement high-quality efforts to engage family and staff in meaningful partnering to create college and career ready students. Family and community is an essential strategy in building a pathway to college and career readiness in today's competitive global society. As such the United States Department of Education developed a framework to support school districts' efforts to unite families and communities with the common goal of addressing gaps in student achievement. The funding period will be 7/1/2015 to 8/31/2016.

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Program Description</b>	<b>Administrator</b>	<b>Amount</b>
NJ Department of Education Office of Student Support Services	The NJDOE's Family and Community Engagement Expansion Grant will provide federal funding under Title 1 Part A for selected Title 1 School Districts that are interested in using the Dual Capacity-Building Framework to align their existing family and community engagement initiatives and modify or expand them to build the capacity of families and staff to participate in effective partnerships that will ultimately lead to increased student achievement. The Family and Community Engagement must be 1) community-based; 2) demonstrate a record of effectiveness; and 3) consistent with the legislative requirements under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) §1118(e).	Anna Belin-Pyles	Up to \$250,000

**E. Health and Field Day – Evergreen Elementary School**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

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

**Goal 4: Safe Learning Environment:**

To provide a safe, secure, professional and clean environment for students, staff and members of the community

**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 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, achieve academic, and life-long success.

Evergreen Elementary School will hold a Health and Fitness Field Day on Friday, May 29, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (rain date June 1, 2015) on the grounds of Evergreen Elementary School.

The purpose is to provide the Evergreen School Community (students and parents) with instruction, recreational activities, and community resources consistent with the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards for Health and Physical Education (2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 2.6).

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Evergreen Elementary School's Health and Fitness Field Day, Friday May 29, 2015 on the grounds of Evergreen Elementary School – total cost not to exceed \$5,180.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-190-1000018-610-17-0000 (Evergreen General Supply), and (\$1,286.25) to the Student Activity Account.

**F. Washington Community School – End of Year Activity**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

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

**Goal 4: Safe Learning Environment:**

To provide a safe, secure, professional and clean environment for students, staff and members of the community

**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 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, achieve academic, and life-long success.

Washington Community School has contracted Irwin Entertainment to provide an end-of-year carnival for students, parents and stakeholders on June 12, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the grounds of Washington Community School.

The purpose is to provide the Washington community (students and parents) with instruction, recreational activities, and community resources consistent with the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards for Health and Physical Education (2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, and 2.6).

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Washington Community School's end-of-year carnival on Friday, June 12, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at no cost to the district.

**G. Summer Curriculum Writing for Transition Program**

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

The Office of Special Education has determined that there is a need for curriculum planning and development to comply with established State and District guidelines for transitioning students with disabilities to adulthood.

Staff members will develop and implement educational programs to effectively deliver high quality instruction that is aligned to the Common Core Standards. Staff will be compensated at the PEA contractual rate. The breakdown is as follows:

<b>Dates / Times</b>	<b>Cost Per Hour</b>	<b>Number of Hours</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
July 1 – August 28, 2015 - 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM	\$35.00	Not to exceed 20 hours	\$2,100.00

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the Summer Curriculum Writing for Transition Program, July 1, 2015 – August 28, 2015 – total compensation will not exceed \$2,100.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account number 11-000-219000-104C-32-0000 (Child Study Team Prof Sa).

**H. Technology Supplemental Teacher – District One-One Implementation Phase II**

**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 the students. Therefore, it has provided the Superintendent of Schools the authority to employ non-administrative staff members to perform additional assignments within our District.

The Technology Supplemental Resource Teacher will be working with professionals in the field of technology education to receive core training and support to create and provide supplemental services for teachers and students. Technology Supplemental Teacher will work with the Office of Science and Instructional Technology – the breakdown is as follows:

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Cost Per Hour</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
July 1 – August 30, 2015	Not to exceed 70 hours	\$35.00 per hr.	Not to Exceed \$7,000.00

In accordance with 6A:13-2.1 – Standards-based instruction: “All school districts shall implement a coherent curriculum for all students, that is content-rich and aligned to the most recent revision of the Common Core Curriculum Content Standards (CCCCS). The curriculum shall guide instruction to ensure that every student masters the CCCCCS. Instruction shall be designed to engage all students and modified based on student performance.

Such curriculum shall include:

- Interdisciplinary connections throughout;
- Integration of 21st century skills;
- A pacing guide;
- Benchmark Assessments
- Activities for grade specific advisory groups;
- Modifications for special education students, for English language learners in accordance with NJAC 6A:15, and for gifted students.”

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves continuation of the Technology Supplemental Teacher for the purpose of completing Phase II of the District One-One Implementation, from July 1 - August 30, 2015 – total cost not to exceed \$7,000.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 11-000-2210000-104B-26-0000 (Curriculum Stipends).



**I. Reliance Communications – SchoolMessenger**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 1: Human Resources:**

To improve the recruitment, retention and development of District staff

**Goal 3: Business Practices:**

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of District 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 in the success of the District, schools, parent and students.

Reliance Communications, is the leading provider of communication solutions for the education market. The company is counted on by thousands of school districts, colleges, private schools and other institutions to keep parents, staff and students informed in both emergency and non-emergency situations.

With SchoolMessenger, we'll receive service support 24/7/365 by their highly available team, that is committed to helping us achieve our goals. This system will assist in:

- Reducing absences
- Responding to emergencies
- Improving communication
- Reporting school closings

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Reliance Communications, LLC as the Districts' communication provider for all aspects of effective communication with the District, schools, parents, and students – total cost not to exceed \$24,600.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to 11-000-252000-340A-08-0000 (Info. Tech. Prof. Svcs).

**J. The Talented Tenth – Production**

**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 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, achieve academic, and life-long success.

The Plainfield Academy for the Arts and Advanced Studies will stage *The Talented Tenth* by playwright and NYU professor, Richard Wesley. The production will run May 28-30, 2015 in the Plainfield High School Auditorium (Thursday and Friday at 7:30 PM, and Saturday at 2:00 and 7:30 PM). The expense breakdown is as follows:

<b>Professional Designers</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
<i>Matthew Crane</i> – Scenic Designer	\$1,200.00	\$3,400.00
<i>Toben Incorporated</i> – Design Constructor/Installer	\$1,000.00	
<i>Justin Hoffecker</i> – Lighting Designer	\$1,200.00	

- *Matthew Crane*, a professional scenic designer, has agreed to design a professional set. He will produce thumbnail sketches, a color rendering, a ground plan, and a fully colored three-dimensional model, and dress the set upon construction.
- *Toben Incorporated* will execute the scenic design, constructing, painting all set pieces.
- *Justin Hoffecker*, a professional lighting designer will determine the lighting needs of the play, design a distinct lighting plot, and hang/adjust lights to create visual effects that complement the mood, time and action of each scene.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves payment to Matthew Crane, Toben Incorporated, and Justin Hoffecker for their design contributions to the production of *The Talented Tenth* – total cost not to exceed \$3,400.00. The availability of funds for this item has been identified and will be charged to account 15-000-221000-320A-52-0000 (PAAAS Professional Services).

**K. Dr. Marc Silberman – New Jersey Sports Medicine and Performance Center, LLC**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 3: Business Operations:**

To improve the overall efficiency of business operations

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

**RESOLUTION**

Dr. Marc Silberman; New Jersey Sports Medicine and Performance Center, LLC; Gillette, New Jersey shall be approved as the Varsity Football Team Doctor. Dr. Silberman has agreed to cover winter physicals.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Dr. Marc Silberman of New Jersey Sports Medicine and Performance Center, LLC for the 2014-2015 school year for a total not to exceed \$6,000.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 11-000-213000-300A-27-0000 (Purchased Professional & Technical Services).

L. **Radio Advertising Proposal**

**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 children in Plainfield have the opportunity to succeed academically and reach their full potential in life. Preschool education has proven to have a long-term effect on improving outcomes, especially for disadvantaged students. The Plainfield Board of Education is therefore committed to reaching out to parents to provide information in ways that allow for their varying work schedules, as well as contribute to the success of the Plainfield Preschool Program.

The Office of Early Childhood Programs and Services has developed a radio marketing plan with Emmis Operating Co. dba WQHT-FM, WBLS-FM, designed to inform parents of the availability of free full-day preschool in Plainfield and give the location, days and times of registration for the coming 2015-16 school year.

The campaign is also meant to help increase the enrollment numbers in the preschool program and halt the recent decline that has reduced our per pupil funding. The advertisements are scheduled to run May 22, 2015 through June 30 2015; the plan calls for a total of one hundred four (104) commercials. The marketing campaign will include on-air (radio commercials), and online elements (banner ads). The on-air commercials will be thirty (30) seconds in lengths.

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the Office of Early Childhood agreement with Emmis Operating Co. to run advertising according to the agreed schedule during the period May 22, 2015 through June 30 2015 - total cost not to exceed \$12,500.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 20-218-200000-330A-34-0000 (ECE Other Purch Prof Ser).

**M. School Wide Plan – Clinton Elementary 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 recognizes that a highly qualified, competent, skilled, and dedicated workforce is essential to the success of the District and the students.

No Child Left Behind legislation requires that certificated School Leadership Team members participate in the development and compilation of required School Plans for the 2015-2016 school year. Professional Development will include review of Clinton Schools' FY14 plans, FY2015 School-wide Plan template, data analysis and instructional strategies to promote student achievement.

Staff will be compensated at a rate of \$28.00 per hour – no more than fifteen (15) hours – not to exceed a total of \$420.00 per teacher.

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the Clinton School Leadership Team to review, develop and complete School Wide Plans, and School Improvement - total cost not to exceed \$2,520.00. The availability to funds has been verified and will be charged to account FY2015 NCLB Title IIA 20-278-200000-104S-26-0000 (Title IIA - Teacher Stipends PD).

**N. Provision of Special Education Services – Consultants and Service Providers**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:**

To improve the learning and academic performance of all students in all 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 2014-2015 School Year (Additions) at the respective compensation rates:

<b>Consultant/Provider Service</b>	<b>Services Provided</b>	<b>Rate of Service</b>
Bridges Speech/Lang. & Communications	Psychological/Educational Eval.	\$750.00/evaluation
Occupational Therapy Consultants, Inc.	Occupational Therapy	\$85.50/hour

## **XII. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

### **A. Reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer – May 2015**

**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 MAY 19, 2015 BUSINESS MEETING**

**B. Payment of Bills — April 16, 2015 – May 14, 2015**

**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 MAY 19, 2015 BUSINESS MEETING**



**C. 2014 – 15 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 MAY 19, 2015 BUSINESS MEETING**

**D. Adoption of the Budget for the 2015 – 2016 School Year**

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

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Plainfield Board of Education is required to certify a local tax levy for the support of the public schools, and

**WHEREAS**, the Plainfield Board of Education took action at its March 17, 2015 Business Meeting to adopt a budget for the purpose of advertising, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education took action at the public hearing to reduce the FY15-16 proposed budget by \$4,712,293, now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education adopts the following budget and certifies the amount of \$22,731,000.00 as the general fund Local Tax Levy.

	<b><u>General Fund</u></b>	<b><u>Special Revenues</u></b>	<b><u>Debt Service</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
2015-16 Total				
Appropriations	\$ 156,064,131	\$ 25,065,537	\$ 2,398,962	\$ 183,528,630
Less: Anticipated Revenue	\$ 133,333,131	\$ 25,065,537	\$ 1,171,024	\$ 159,569,692
Taxes to be Raised	\$ 22,731,000	\$ -	\$ 1,227,938	\$ 23,958,938

**E. Out-of-District Travel**

The following is recommended for adoption:

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Jackie Coley and Carletta Jeffers to attend the Special Education workshop, on Saturday, April 25, 2015 in Princeton, NJ at cost not to exceed \$225.00 each. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 11-000-230000-580A-01-000 (Board Travel).

**F. FY 2015 NCLB Title I Funding – Personnel**

**Strategic Plan Link:**

**Goal 3: Business Operations**

**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**

**RESOLVED**, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the following FY 2015 NCLB Title I funding source for personnel, for the 2014-2015 school year:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Salary Amount %</u></b>	<b><u>Funding Account</u></b>
1. Patrick Giple	Supervisor of Testing and Test Data Analysis	\$95,873	20-230-200000-100L-20-0000 20-230-200000-104L-23-0000

**G. Bridging the Device Gap Grant Acceptance - 2014-2015**

**Strategic Plan Link**

**Goal: Learning Outcomes:**

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

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

**RESOLUTION**

The Bridging the Device Gap Grant is a Discretionary grant awarded to selected agencies who will be participating in the Spring PARCC assessments and who have been identified using self-reported NJTRAXx data as not yet possessing enough devices for students to take the PARCC assessments. The Bridging the Device Gap Grant is funded by the New Jersey Department of Education. The grant allocation is \$22,000 of which multiplied by \$500 per device formed the basis for the maximum amount a LEA could initially apply for. This program would reimburse districts for device purchases made after November 1, 2014. The grant project period (period for eligible reimbursements) is November 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. This grant will provide funds to reimburse the district for purchases of devices and related peripherals made on or after November 1, 2014. Purchase is defined as the date that a purchase order has been cut by the LEA or Charter School, not when an invoice has been paid. This will allow for student devices to be purchased, configured and deployed by the grantees for students to use for PARCC's Performance Based Assessment in the spring of 2015.

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the acceptance of the Bridging the Device Gap Grant to support educational programs in the district.

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Program Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Administrator</b>
FY2014-2015	These funds are to provide cook Elementary School students in grades 3-5 with forty-four (44) Lenovo Yoga	\$22,000.00	Jean Gordon

	<p>Chrome Book Tablets. The devices will be used for students during instructional time to prepare for the PARCC assessment. Instruction will support digital learning throughout all content areas so that students are increasing their technology literacy and proficiency skills, and are comfortable with the tool that they will be using for the assessments.</p>		
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## XII. REPORT OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE

### A. Adoption of Policies – Second Reading

The following is recommended for adoption:

#### RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the Plainfield Board of Education has reviewed the policies listed below and finds them acceptable for the management and operation of the Plainfield Public Schools, and

**WHEREAS**, the Plainfield Board of Education now finds it necessary that these policies be implemented, now therefore be it

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

<u>Policy Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	
4115	Supervision	<b>Amended</b>
4123	Classroom Aides and Paraprofessionals	<b>Amended</b>
4222	Noninstructional Aides	<b>Amended</b>
5141.8	Concussion and Sports Related Head Injury	<b>Amended</b>
5141.21	Administration of Medication	<b>Amended</b>
6145	Extracurricular Activities	<b>Amended</b>
6145.1-6145.2	Intramural and Interscholastic Competition	<b>Amended</b>

## XIII. ADJOURNMENT

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