

PLAINFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Plainfield, N.J.

Date: Tuesday, November 1, 2011

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

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

Board of Education Members

Mrs. Renata A. Hernandez, President
Mrs. Wilma G. Campbell, Vice President
Mr. Rasheed Abdul-Haqq
Mr. Alex O. Edache
Mrs. Keisha Edwards
Mrs. Brenda L. Gilbert
Mr. Dorien Hurtt
Mrs. Lisa C. Logan-Leach
Ms. Jameelah Surgeon
Mrs. Anna Belin-Pyles, Interim Superintendent

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

WELCOME to a WORK & STUDY MEETING of the Plainfield Board of Education. Members hope you will find the meeting interesting and informative. We thank you for taking the time to attend. Please be advised this and all meetings of the board are open to the media and public, consistent with the Open Public meetings Act (Ch. 231 Laws of 1975), and that the advance notice required therein has been provided to the Courier News and Star Ledger on Thursday, October 27, 2011 for advertisement on Saturday, October 29, 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. 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, November 15, 2011, 8:00 pm, in the Plainfield High School Auditorium.

VII. REMARKS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

VIII. REMARKS FROM THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT

IX. REMARKS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

X. Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC)

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 3: Business Practices:

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of district school operations

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

RESOLUTION

The Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) is a statutorily – mandated system of school district performance assessment and is New Jersey's system of education accountability.

QSAC was created in accordance with the Quality Single Accountability Continuum Act, adopted by the New Jersey Legislature in September 2005. Administrative regulations to implement QSAC were adopted by the Commissioner of Education, effective February 22, 2007.

QSAC requires that in every public school district in New Jersey, members of the board of education, administrators, teachers and other staff members convene every three years to assess their district's performance in five key areas:

- Instructional and Program
- Personnel
- Fiscal Management
- Operations Management
- Governance

QSAC requires a district to submit an Improvement plan to address missed indicators in DPR areas where the district received less than 80% of the eligible points, verification by the executive county superintendent, review by the Commissioner of Education and placement at the appropriate point on the performance continuum.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education hereby approves for submission to the NJDOE via the Executive County Superintendent of Schools the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) – District Improvement Plan (DIP). Upon approval, a copy of the completed plan will be maintained in the Business Office as well as the District website

XI. REPORT OF THE CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

A. Trips

(1) Roosevelt Intermediate School, Westfield, NJ – Cedarbrook K-8 Center

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Objectives:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

In keeping with the strategic plan and goals for the district, Cedarbrook K-8 Center's 8th grade class will visit Roosevelt Intermediate School in Westfield, NJ on Tuesday, November 22, 2011. The sixty-four (64) 8th grade students will engage in an open discussion of "The American Dream" as a prelude to a joint interactive literacy project based on the novel Of Mice and Men.

This project will bring together two different groups of students who normally would not have the opportunity to interact with each other on an academic or collaborative level. Students will use technology to bring the eighth grade literacy classes together to discuss and share learning, as well as acquire an appreciation for another person's view of "The American Dream". There is no cost to the district and transportation will be provided by Plainfield Board of Education.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Cedarbrook K-8 Center's 8th Grade, consisting of sixty-four (64) students to visit Roosevelt Intermediate School in Westfield, NJ on Tuesday, November 22, 2011. There is no cost to the District, excluding Transportation. Transportation will be provided through District buses.

(2) Tour of Harlem, New York City - Clinton K-8 Center

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

The Plainfield Board of Education is committed to improve the learning and academic performance of all students (including English Language Learners and Special Education Students) so they achieve their full potential in life. In doing so, it is also committed to providing opportunities for and ensuring that all students meet the NJCCCS and achieve academic, behavioral, emotional, and life-long success.

Clinton K-8 Center's 8th grade class and Clinton School's Dreamers at PHS will attend a field trip Tour of Harlem in New York City to help students develop an appreciation, respect, and love for the many and varied contributions of African-Americans to American Culture and American Society by way of art, music, poetry, writings, political thought, and dance. Students will also develop an appreciation and respect for the architecture and community development that Harlem represents.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Clinton K-8 Center's 8th grade class and Clinton School's Dreamers at PHS to participate in the Tour of Harlem, New York City, New York, on Friday, November 18, 2011, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The students and chaperones will dine at a Sylvia's Restaurant, 328 Lenox Ave., New York, NY – the cost of their meals will be funded through twenty dollar (\$20.00) parental donations. The cost for transportation is eight-hundred dollars (\$800.00), availability of funds for this item has been verified and it will be charged to account 15-000-270000-512A-14-0000 (Principal Field Trip).

(3) Stop & Shop Grocery Store, Watchung, NJ – F.W. Cook K-7 Center

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

In keeping with the strategic plan and goals for the district, F. W. Cook School's 4th Grade will visit Stop & Shop grocery store in Watchung, NJ, in order to attend a tour and participate in learning activities centered around nutrition, vitamins/minerals and overall health and wellness. The visit will increase knowledge of nutritional needs, factors affecting wellness and growth and the needs of the human body at all stages of life. Students will be able to experience hands-on activities along with a question and answer period. Upon their return, students will create a healthy meal chart with recipes to be made into a class cookbook and shared with families, classmates and schoolmates.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves thirty-four (34) fourth grade students and four (4) chaperones from Cook K-7 Center to attend the Stop & Shop Nutritional Wellness presentation and tour in Watchung, NJ on January 11, 2012 and January 18, 2012 (Mrs. Ghee and Mrs. Marrone's classes, respectively). Departure is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. and return to school is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. The tour is free of charge through Field Trip Factory the district will incur transportation cost through the use of district buses.

(4) National Constitution Center, Philadelphia, PA – Evergreen School

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

The Plainfield Board of Education is committed to improve the learning and academic performance of all students (including English Language Learners and Special Education Students) so they achieve their full potential in life. In doing so, it is also committed to providing opportunities for and ensuring that all students meet the NJCCCS and achieve academic, behavioral, emotional, and lifelong success.

One hundred twenty-five students (125) in Grades 4 and 6 and twelve (12) chaperones from Evergreen Elementary School will visit the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia, PA on November 22, 2011. Students will be given an opportunity to explore the exhibits and a thirty minute show. Departure is scheduled for 8:05 a.m. and return at 3:30 p.m.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves fifty-one (51) Grade 6 students and seventy-four (74) Grade 4 students and twelve (12) chaperones from Evergreen Elementary School to visit the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia, PA on November 22, 2011. The cost of admission is \$7.50 per student (total admission: \$937.50) and \$2,130.00 for transportation (3 buses @ \$710.00 each). The total cost of the trip is \$ \$3,067.50. The cost of the trip will be paid with scholarship funds, fundraisers and from school account 15-000-270000-512A-17-0000 (Principal's Field Trips). Availability of funds for this item has been verified.

(5) The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY – Woodland School

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

Two (2) Sixth Grade classes consisting of thirty (33) students and four (4) chaperones from Woodland School, will visit the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City on December 6, 2011. The purpose of this trip is to expose our Sixth Grade students to the museum's Introduction to Visual Arts tour. Students will study art history throughout the year. There is a rich art historical component to the art gallery that would benefit the students. Departure is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 6, 2011 and returning at 2:30 p.m.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves two (2) Sixth Grade classes and (4) chaperones from Woodland School to participate in a field trip to the Museum of Metropolitan Art, New York, NY. The total cost of the trip is \$1,009.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to the following accounts: Admission (\$584) 15-190-100000-800A-22-0000 (Other Object Admission), and Transportation (\$425) 15-000-270000-512A-22-0000 (Woodland Principal Transport); for a total cost of \$1009.00.

(6) Sunnymeade Elementary School, Hillsborough, NJ – Washington Community School

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

Forty (40) students in Kindergarten and 1st grade, along with seven (7) chaperones from Washington School will visit Sunnymeade Elementary School, Hillsborough, NJ on Thursday November 17, 2011, to gain a real world experience by promoting anti-bullying to children their age and older. This experience will build their self-esteem and help others realize that they can recognize a bully and stand up for themselves. Departure is schedule from Washington Community School at 9:00 a.m., returning at 11:00 a.m.

In keeping with the strategic plan and goals for the district, Washington Community School's kindergarten and a 1st grade students will visit and present their poems to the children at Sunnymeade Elementary School. The performance will promote leadership and expose them to speaking in the presence of children and people other than their friends, parents, and family members. Upon their return to Washington Community School, the students will write and discuss: How did they feel about their experience.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves forty (40) kindergarten and 1st grade students along with seven (7) chaperones from Washington Community School to attend Sunnymeade Elementary School on Thursday, November 17, 2011. Departure is scheduled at 9:00 a.m. with a return time of 11:00 a.m. There is no cost to the district (excluding Transportation; transportation will be provided by the district).

(7) Rainforest Café – Hubbard School

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

Approximately thirteen (13) special needs students and five (5) chaperones from Hubbard School will visit Rainforest Café on Tuesday, December 13, 2011. Students will gain real life experiences with the rainforest animals (some real, some animatronics) as they relate to life science. This trip will assist students in understanding the environment of different regions and how they affect us here in New Jersey. Students will explore the rainforest with a thematic unit of study in the classroom. The curriculum will be aligned with a study guide provided by Rainforest Café for their educational trips. This trip will be the culminating activity for our unit on the rainforest. Departure is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. from Hubbard Middle School and will return at 1:00 p.m.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve that thirteen (13) special need students and five (5) chaperones from Hubbard School participate in the field trip to Rainforest Cafe from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm on Tuesday, December 13, 2011. There is no cost to the District; excluding the transportation that will be provided through District buses.

(8) Sony Wonder Lab , New York, NY – Hubbard School

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

Approximately twenty-nine (29) special needs students and eight (8) chaperones from Hubbard School will visit Sony Wonder Lab, 550 Madison Ave., New York, NY on Tuesday, April 20, 2012. Students will be exposed to and have hands-on experiences with making real life technological advances. NJCCCS area of Writing, Mathematics and Technology content connections will be made with the students. Departure is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. from Hubbard Middle School and will return at 1:00 p.m.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve that twenty-nine (29) special need students and eight (8) chaperones from Hubbard School participate in the field trip to Sony Wonder Lab in New York City from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm on Tuesday, April 20, 2012. There is no cost for admission or additional cost to the District; excluding the transportation that will be provided through District buses.

(9) Medieval Times Field Trip

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

Plainfield High School students will attend the Medieval Times Program in Lyndhurst, New Jersey. This field trip will expand the students' learning beyond the walls of the classroom into the vast community outside. This field trip will also provide students with historical medieval knowledge and is an integral part of school instruction. The students will learn about 11th century medieval lifestyles as well as the significance of the jousting tournament. The Coordinator of Medieval Educational Activities has invited students, grades 10-12 to attend their program. Eighty-five students (85), grades 10-12 and six (6) chaperones will attend this special event.

Eighty-five (85) students in grades 10-12 and six (6) chaperones will attend Medieval Times, Friday, December 9, 2011 in Lyndhurst, New Jersey. Departure is scheduled from Plainfield High School parking lot on Friday, December 9, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. The return is scheduled for Friday, December 9, 2011. There is no cost to the district, excluding transportation; transportation will be provided through district buses.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve for the Plainfield High School students, grades 10-12 and six (6) chaperones to attend the Medieval Times Program on Friday, December 9, 2011. There is no cost to the District, excluding transportation; transportation will be provided by the district.

(10) 2012 Great Wolf Lodge Educational Group Activities – PHS Class of 2012

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

The Plainfield High School Senior Class has been going on winter trips since 2003. The Class of 2012 winter field trip will expand the students' learning beyond the walls of the classroom into the vast community outside. The senior trip will also provide students with experiences that cannot be duplicated in school. The field trip is an integral part of school instruction. The students will participate in anti-bullying workshops and character building workshops. The Coordinator of Educational Activities has invited the Class of 2012 to attend their 2012 Great Wolf Lodge Educational Group Activities in Poconos Mountain, Pennsylvania. Ninety students (90) and six (6) chaperones will attend this special event.

Ninety (90) seniors and six (6) chaperones will attend the 2012 Great Wolf Lodge Educational Group Activities from Wednesday, February 1, 2012 to Friday, February 3, 2012. Departure is scheduled from Plainfield High School parking lot on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. The return is scheduled for Friday, February 3, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. Students will participate in fundraising activities to defray the \$350.00 per person cost of admission, which includes meals and lodging.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve for the Plainfield High School Class of 2012 to attend the 2012 Great Wolf Lodge Educational Activities from Wednesday, February 1, 2012 to Friday, February 3, 2012. The cost of transportation is not to exceed \$3,600.00; the availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to 15-000-27-0000-512A-25-0000 (PHS Principal Field Trips).

(11) **PHS FCCLA**

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

The Plainfield High School Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) organization has attended the New Jersey FCCLA Annual Fall Leadership Connection Conference since 1958. At the New Jersey FCCLA Annual Fall 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 Edison, New Jersey. Fifteen (15) students and one (1) chaperone will attend this special event.

The PHS FCCLA, comprised of fifteen (15) students, grades 10-12, will attend the New Jersey FCCLA Annual Fall Leadership Connection Conference in Edison, New Jersey on Monday, November 21, 2011. Departure is scheduled from Plainfield High School parking lot on Monday, November 21, 2011 at 7:00 a.m. and return approximately 4:30 p.m. Registration for students and chaperone is (\$38.00 per person; total registration is \$608.00); transportation will cost \$400.00 for one bus, provided by Amaker and Porterfield.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve for the Plainfield High School FCCLA to attend the New Jersey FCCLA Annual Fall Leadership Connection Conference on Monday, November 21, 2011; total cost not to exceed \$1008.00 (registration and transportation). The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to 25PERKTRAVEL Perkins Grant.

(12) Field Trips for Inclusion in 2011-2012 Curriculum Guides (AMENDED)

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

The Plainfield Board of Education recognizes that field trips, used as a device for teaching and learning are integral to the curriculum, and an educationally sound and important ingredient in the instructional program of the school.

As a result, field trips serve as an essential means to extend learning, improve achievements, and enhance the overall development and educational experiences of students in the District. Field trips, however must support the District's curriculum and be aligned with the New Jersey Core Content Standards. The District has identified those field trips which are in compliance with both and will be reflected in the curriculum guides for the 2011-2012 school year.

LOCATION	CITY, STATE
A&P Food Store	South Plainfield, NJ
Adventure Aquarium	Camden, NJ
AFJROTC Bridgeton High School	Bridgeton, NJ
AFJROTC Jackson Memorial High School	Jackson, NJ
AFJROTC McGuire Air Force Base	Fort Dix, NJ
AFJROTC Passaic High School	Passaic, NJ
AFJROTC Drill Competition	NJ (location to be determined)
Alstede Farms	Chester, NJ
Annual African American Heritage Parade	Newark, NJ
Annual Fall Leadership Connection Conference	Edison, NJ
Antonio Casola Farms	Holmdel, NJ
Barlow Elementary School	Plainfield, NJ
Berkeley College	Woodbridge, NJ
Bloomfield College	Bloomfield, NJ
Brookdale Community College	Lincroft, NJ
Buehler Challenger and Science Center	Paramus, NJ
Caldwell College	Caldwell, NJ
Camden Aquarium	Camden, NJ
Camp Bernie	Port Murray, NJ
Career Council, Inc.	NJ (location to be determined)
Cathedral International Church	Plainfield, NJ

Field Trips for Inclusion in 2011-2012 Curriculum Guides (AMENDED) (cont.)

Cedarbrook K-8 Center	Plainfield, NJ
Cedar Brook Park	Plainfield, NJ
Centenary College	Hackettstown, NJ
Chinese Buffet	South Plainfield, NJ
City Hall	Plainfield, NJ
City of Plainfield Senior Citizen Center	Plainfield, NJ
Clinton K-8 Center	Plainfield, NJ
Coco Water Park	Mt. Laurel, NJ
College of New Jersey	Ewing, NJ
College of St. Elizabeth	Morristown, NJ
Cook K-7 Center	Plainfield, NJ
Cracker Barrel Restaurant and Store	Clinton, NJ
Crossroads Theatre	New Brunswick, NJ
Crowne Plaza	Monroe Township, NJ
DeVry Institute of Technology	North Brunswick, NJ
DeVry University	North Brunswick, NJ
Drake House	Plainfield, NJ
Drumthwacket, (Governor's Mansion)	Princeton, NJ
Dunellen Theatre and Cinema Café	Dunellen, NJ
Edison Bowling Center	Edison, NJ
Edison Exposition – Raritan Center	Edison, NJ
Edison National Historic Site	Edison, NJ
Emerson Elementary School	Plainfield, NJ
Essex County College	Edison, NJ
Evergreen Elementary School	Plainfield, NJ
Fairleigh Dickinson University	Madison and Teaneck, NJ
Felician College	Lodi, NJ
Franklin Mineral Museum and Mine	Franklin, NJ
George Street Playhouse	New Brunswick, NJ
Giovanna's	Plainfield, NJ
Great Swamp Outdoor Educational Center	Chatham, NJ
Green Brook Park	Plainfield, NJ
Green Meadows Farm	Hazlet, NJ
Grounds for Sculpture	Hamilton, NJ
Grover Cleveland Birthplace State Historic Site	Caldwell, NJ
Hartwyck Nursing Home	Plainfield, NJ
HBCU College Fair	Raritan, NJ
Hillview Farms	Gillette, NJ
Hub Stine Field	Plainfield, NJ
Hubbard Middle School	Plainfield, NJ
Imagine That!	Florham Park, NJ
In-District School Exchange Program	Plainfield, NJ
J&J Enrichment Program	No. Brunswick, NJ
Jefferson Elementary School	Plainfield, NJ
Jenkinson's Aquarium	Point Pleasant, NJ

Field Trips for Inclusion in 2011-2012 Curriculum Guides (AMENDED) (cont.)

Jr. Statesmen of America / Debate Team	NJ (location to be determined)
Kean University	Union, NJ
Kidz Village	Kenilworth, NJ
Kingston Quarry	Kingston, NJ
Land of Make Believe	Hope, NJ
LensCrafters	Springfield, NJ
Liberty Science Center	Jersey City, NJ
Maggiano's	Bridgewater, NJ
Maxson Middle School	Plainfield, NJ
Meadowlands Race Track	East Rutherford, NJ
Middlesex County College	Edison, NJ
Montclair Art Museum	Montclair, NJ
Montclair State University	Montclair, NJ
National Honor Society Community Service	NJ (location to be determined)
National Latino/Hispanic College Fair, Inc.	NJ (location to be determined)
New Jersey Children's Museum	Paramus, NJ
New Jersey City University	Jersey City, NJ
New Jersey Institute of Technology	Newark, NJ
Newark Museum	Newark, NJ
NJ Marine Sciences Consortium	Sandy Hook, NJ
NJ Museum of Agriculture	North Brunswick, NJ
NJ Performing Arts Center	Newark, NJ
NJAA Community Service Project Program	Rutherford, NJ
NJIT	Newark, NJ
Old Barracks Museum	Trenton, NJ
Plainfield Academy for the Arts & Advanced Studies (PAAAS)	Plainfield, NJ
Paper Mill Playhouse	Millburn, NJ
PETCO	Watchung, NJ
Plainfield Fire Department	Plainfield, NJ
Plainfield High School	Plainfield, NJ
Plainfield Municipal Court	Plainfield, NJ
Plainfield Police Department	Plainfield, NJ
Plainfield Post Office	Plainfield, NJ
Plainfield Public Library	Plainfield, NJ
Plainfield West Tower Senior Citizen Center/Community Service	Plainfield, NJ
Point Pleasant Beach	Point Pleasant, NJ
Ramapo College	Mahwah, NJ
Raritan Valley Community College	Branchburg, NJ
Red Mill Museum Village	Clinton, NJ
Rahway High School	Rahway, NJ
Richard Stockton College	Pomona, NJ
Rider College	Lawrenceville, NJ
Robert Wood Foundation	North Brunswick, NJ
Robotics Regional Competition Event	Trenton, NJ

Field Trips for Inclusion in 2011-2012 Curriculum Guides (AMENDED) (cont.)

ROTC Drill Competition	New Jersey
Rowan University	Glassboro, NJ
Rutgers University	New Brunswick, Piscataway & Newark, NJ
Saint Peter's College	Jersey City, NJ
Sam Sahara's Water Park	Mt. Laurel, NJ
Schaefer Farms	Flemington, NJ
Seton Hall University	South Orange, NJ
Six Flags Great Adventure	Jackson, NJ
Skate 22 Roller Skating Rink	Union, NJ
Somerset Patriots Stadium	Bridgewater, NJ
Stevens Institute of Technology	Hoboken, NJ
Stillman Elementary School	Plainfield, NJ
Stony Hill Farm	Morristown, NJ
Strike & Spare Bowling Lanes	Green Brook, NJ
The Community Theatre	Morristown, NJ
Thomas Edison Historical Museum	West Orange, NJ
Trailside Nature Center	Mountainside, NJ
Trenton Museum	Trenton, NJ
Trenton State House	Trenton, NJ
Turtle Back Zoo	West Orange, NJ
Union County College	Cranford, NJ
Union County Performing Arts Center	Rahway, NJ
Wightman Farms	Morristown, NJ

B. Professional Development

(1) Writing Fundamentals Units of Study

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

Goal 2: Human Resources:

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

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

RESOLUTION

The Plainfield Board of Education recognizes that a highly qualified, competent, skilled, and dedicated workforce is essential in the success of the District, schools, and students. Therefore, it has provided the Interim Superintendent of Schools the authority to employ consultants to address the needs of teachers and students in order to promote school improvement.

Schoolwide Fundamentals of Bohemia, New York, will provide professional development to all 6-8 grade Language Arts teachers for a total of eighteen (18) full days, not to exceed \$27,900.00 (three (3) days - Training Workshop \$1,800.00 per workshop and fifteen (15) days In-School Demonstration Modeling \$1,500.00 per day). The workshops will focus on the introduction of Writers Fundamentals Units of Study and In – School Demonstration Model.

The introductory training workshop will focus on (one full day):

- How Writers Work, launching the Writing Workshop
- Creating a Writing Environment
- Getting to know out touchstone/mentor texts
- The architecture of their writing workshop mini – lessons
- The writing process as the framework for out Units of Study

In-School Demonstration Modeling will provide district 6-8 grade teachers with an additional layer of direct, hands-on support, effectively presenting a “wider set” of coherent, practical opportunities for learning and development. The In-School Demonstration Modeling includes (15 days - \$15,500.00):

- Mini-lesson modeling at different stages of the Writing Process
- Modeling student conferences for the purpose of differentiating instruction and assessment
- Curriculum planning, standard correlations, and Unit time line mapping
- Analyzing and assessing sample student work

1. Writing Fundamentals Units of Study (cont.)

- Short debriefing meetings with questions and answer sessions
- Extending the Units to meet the needs of every student

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves payment to Schoolwide, Inc. not to exceed \$27,900.00 for 18 full day workshops including professional development and coaching in writing. This item will be charged to account FY 2012 NCLB Title I.

(2) First Aid Training for Plainfield Teen Parenting Program

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 2: Human Resources:

To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff

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

RESOLUTION

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

The Plainfield Teen Parenting Program Infant Toddler Center provides comprehensive educational and support services for adolescent parents enrolled at PHS and their infant children. The goal of the program is to decrease dropout rate and increase graduation rates for parenting adolescents. In addition, the program provides developmentally appropriate early childhood education for infants and toddlers.

State child care regulations require that the staff be trained yearly in infant and toddler First Aid. Therefore, the School Based Youth Services program would like to hire a Tri-County Chapter of the American Red Cross trainer to In-Service the Teen Parenting Program Infant Toddler Center staff in First Aid.

School Based would hire a certified First Aid Trainer from the American Red Cross at a fee not to exceed \$754.00 to train Brooke Vuono, Head Teacher; Betty Howell, Child Care Worker; Jodi Byers, Child Care Worker, and Guadalupe Hunter-Mercado, Child Care Worker, in First Aid for infants and toddlers. The training will take place on Monday March 5th, 2012 during the staff Professional Development Day.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve School Based Youth Services program to contract with the American Red Cross and hire a certified First Aid Trainer at a fee not to exceed \$754.00 to provide Infant and Child First Aid. Brooke Vuono, Head Teacher, Betty Howell Child Care Worker, Jodi Byers Child Care Worker, and Guadalupe Hunter-Mercado Child Care Worker will be trained on Monday, March 5, 2012 during the district staff Professional Development Day. Availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 20-441-200000-320A-38-0000 (PLP Consultant).

(3) Effective Inclusion for Students with Asperger's and High Functioning Autism Workshop

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 2: Human Resources:

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

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

RESOLUTION

The Plainfield Board of Education recognizes that a highly qualified, competent, skilled, and dedicated workforce is essential to the success of the district and the students. Therefore, it 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.

Resource pre-school teachers will attend the Effective Inclusion for Students with Asperger's and High Functioning Autism. Participants in this workshop will gain knowledge and skills in identifying unique educational needs, including the need to educate school personnel, curriculum modifications, behavioral supports, social skills training and the role of parents and paraprofessionals. Participants will also discover support needed to make inclusion successful.

Nicole Smith and Ellen Reynolds, Special Education Resource pre-school teachers, who work in the Early Childhood/Special Ed. Centers throughout the community will attend the Effective Inclusion for Students with Asperger's and High Functioning Autism workshop on December 1, 2011 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at Morris-Union Jointure Commission at a cost of \$145.00 per person.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the following Special Education Resource pre-school teachers (Nicole Smith, Ellen Reynolds) to attend the Effective Inclusion for Students With Asperger's and High Functioning Autism workshop on December 1, 2011 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at Morris-Union Jointure Commission at a cost of \$145.00 per person, not exceed a total cost of \$290.00 The availability of funds for these items has been verified and will be charged to the following account 20-251-200000-320A-32-0000 (IDEA Educ. Instructional Consultant).

(4) Functional Behavioral Assessment (FBA) and Design of Intervention Plans Workshop

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 2: Human Resources:

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

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

RESOLUTION

The Plainfield Board of Education recognizes that a highly qualified, competent, skilled, and dedicated workforce is essential to the success of the district and the students. Therefore, it 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.

Child Study Team members will participate in a two day workshop focused on functional behavioral assessment (FBA) and design of intervention plans. This two day workshop will present proactive, educative approach to understanding the functions and conditions affecting challenging behavior of students with disabilities. Participants will learn best practice strategies to conduct functional assessments of student behavior and how to use the information to design intervention plans that promote the use of positive behavioral supports.

Claudine Lewis, Social Worker; Donna Reed Hubert, LDT-C; and Leorah Weiss, School Psychologist, will attend the Functional Behavioral Assessment (FBA) and Design of Intervention Plans Workshop on January 4, 2012 and January 25, 2012 at LRC-Central Satellite, in Trenton, NJ at a cost of \$14.50 per person.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the following child study team members (Claudine Lewis, Social Worker; Donna Reed Hubert, LDT-C; Leorah Weiss, School Psychologist) to attend Functional Behavioral Assessment (FBA) and Design of Intervention Plans Workshop on January 4, 2012 and January 25, 2012 at LRC-Central Satellite, in Trenton, NJ at a cost of \$14.50 per person and shall not exceed \$43.50. The availability of funds for these items has been verified and will be charged to the following account 20-251-100000-320A-32-0000 (IDEA Educ. Instructional Consultant).

(5) Association of Mathematics Teachers of New Jersey Conference

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 2: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

The Plainfield Board of Education 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.

Latonya Jones and Zena Young, 6th and 4th Grade teachers of mathematics, respectively from Evergreen Elementary School will attend the conference entitled "Implications for Instruction" sponsored by the Association of Mathematics Teachers of New Jersey on December 6, 2011 in Somerset, NJ. This conference will provide global awareness in math instruction and extended learning opportunities to help New Jersey's youth develop the math knowledge and skills they need to function as workers, citizens, and fulfilled individuals in increasingly interconnected world. The cost of the conference is \$119.99 each for registration.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Latonya Jones, 6th Grade and Zena Young, 4th Grade, teachers from Evergreen Elementary School to attend the conference entitled "Implications for Instruction" sponsored by the Association of Mathematics Teachers of New Jersey on December 6, 2011 in Somerset, NJ. The total cost for both teachers is \$239.98. Availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 15-190-100018-500A-17-0000 (Instructional Other Purchase Services).

(6) Metropolitan Opera Learning Network, New York, NY – Professional Development

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

Frederic W. Cook K-7 Center's Third and Fourth Grade teachers, Luanne Lohman-DiCicco, Sharon Harris, Josephine Ghee, and Martina Marrone, will attend four (4) days of Professional Development with the Metropolitan Opera Learning Network, New York, NY, as follows: *December 5, 2011 @ Frederic W. Cook K-7 Center; December 7, 2011 @ Metropolitan Opera Learning Network; February 9, 2012 @ Metropolitan Opera Learning Network; and May 22, 2012 @ Metropolitan Opera Learning Network.*

Staff will be trained by Guild Artists on building skills in music, theatre and visual arts, as they relate to Language Arts and Literacy, while deepening their understanding of other subject areas. The cross-content program will mirror our curriculum and enhance it by developing stories, poems, or historical events with the impetus for artistic exploration and creation. Guild Artists will provide a year-long support for our four (4) teachers. This will include guiding curriculum design, helping to frame a documentation plan, and modeling student instruction. Guild Artists will visit, support and assist with the delivery of instruction by visiting our classes at least five (5) times during the year. Each 3rd and 4th grade class will attend one (1) opera of our choosing in Spring 2012, and meet the artists performing the show. Each teacher will receive a "Technology Pack" which consists of: iPod, voice recorder and flip camera to provide documentation of classroom learning.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve Metropolitan Opera Guild Project to include Third and Fourth Grade teachers, Luanne Lohman-DiCicco, Sharon Harris, Josephine Ghee and Martina Marrone, to attend four (4) days of Professional Development with the Metropolitan Opera Learning Network, New York, NY, as follows: *December 5, 2011 @ Frederic W. Cook K-7 Center; December 7, 2011 @ Metropolitan Opera Learning Network; February 9, 2012 @ Metropolitan Opera Learning Network; and May 22, 2012 @ Metropolitan Opera Learning Network,*

Metropolitan Opera Learning Network, New York, NY – Professional Development (cont.)

and all 3rd and 4th grade students to attend an opera at the Metropolitan Opera House in Spring 2012 (date to be determined). Total registration is \$2,500.00 minus an \$800.00 grant from The Metropolitan Opera House, for a total of \$1,700.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and be charged and divided amongst the following accounts: \$850.00 being charged to 15-190-100001-500A-15-0000 (Other Purchased Services); and \$850.00 being charged to 11-000-221000-500A-26-0000 (Other Purchased Service). Transportation cost of \$750.00 for students in Spring 2012 will be charged to 15-190-100000-800A-15-0000 (Cook Principal Fieldtrips).

(7) New Jersey Amistad Workshops – Kean University, Union, NJ

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 2: Human Resources:

To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, 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 professional development.

Plainfield High School Social Studies Teachers (Carlos Rivera and Joel Plummer) will attend the New Jersey Amistad Commission workshops November 17, 2011, January 24, 2012 and March 19, 2011 at Kean University, Union, New Jersey. The Amistad Commission was established August 27, 2002 by the New Jersey State Legislature. Amistad provides an enhanced experience by offering a more detailed understanding of the American people and their shared history. Amistad guides teachers on an inclusive journey through American history while infusing the vast contributions and experiences of African Americans.

The Amistad Commission advocates high standards for teachers and provides a broader awareness of African American history. The teachers will understand how the Amistad Commission has changed the landscape for the study of United States and world history by placing Africans and African Americans at the center of the our history. Registration for the conference is \$900.00 per person.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve for Carlos Rivera and Joel Plummer to attend the New Jersey Amistad Commission workshops at Kean University, Union, New Jersey, November 17, 2011, January 24, 2012 and March 24, 2012 not to exceed \$1,800.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to 15-190-100001-320A-25-0000 (PHS Professional Services).

(8) New Jersey Association of Librarians Conference

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 2: Human Resources:

To improve the recruitment, retention and development of district staff

The Interim Superintendent of Schools recommends, and I so move, 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 professional development.

The Plainfield High School media specialist (Anita Kaur) will attend the New Jersey Association of Librarians Conference from December 1-2, 2011 in Long Branch, New Jersey. The New Jersey Association of Librarians was established in 1956 to ensure that students and staff become effective users of library media information. The Association fosters excellence in the school library media program by providing school librarians/media specialists with educational opportunities and current information through mentoring, online and print publications, workshops and conferences.

The New Jersey Association of Librarians advocates high standards for librarianship and library media programs in the public schools. The staff member will learn the process of using a strategic planning model that is easily aligned to the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act and state/local strategic planning initiatives. The workshops will also provide an overview of the strategic planning process. Registration for the conference is \$220.00.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approve for Anita Kaur to attend the New Jersey Association of Librarians Conference on December 1-2, 2011 not to exceed \$220.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to 15-190-100001-320A-25-0000 (PHS Professional Services).

C. Partnerships

(1) 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Programs – Collaborator Agreement

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes

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

Increase percentage of students demonstrating academic progress; improve attendance rate; decrease suspension rate.

Goal 2: Human Resources

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

Strengthen after school/summer professional learning communities; Continue with Student/College Interns working the program; Increase the number of staff participating in on/off site professional development.

Goal 5: Community & Family Engagement

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

Increase number of parents attending school sponsored parent events/workshops; Increase number of community partnerships

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

RESOLUTION

The Plainfield Board of Education will enter into agreements for the purpose of rendering enrichment services for students participating in the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) after school programs at CH Stillman Elementary and Washington Community Schools (grades 4-6); Maxson and Hubbard Middle Schools (grades 6-8) with the following providers:

The identified collaborator is new to the 2011-2012 SY 21st CCLC Continuation Grant application. The new collaborator has a documented history of demonstrating expertise in their service area meeting all the guidelines and regulations put forth by the New Jersey Department of Education Office of Educational Support Services (by way of NCLB Act 2001, Title IV, Part B). The new collaborator will provide essential mentoring, parental involvement, career exploration, and service-learning initiatives as identified in the 2011-2012 SY 21st CCLC Continuation Grant application's project activity plan.

Sigma Community Enrichment Initiative (SCEI) is a non-profit mentoring, parental involvement, and community service education organization dedicated to improving the development of at-risk male elementary students by providing high quality, standards based workshops and projects that help to build student' self-awareness, connection to their community, and student achievement. SCEI agrees to provide fifty-five (55) hours of enrichment services for student participants enrolled at Stillman and Washington school sites of the 21st CCLC After-School Program at a cost of \$2,500.00.

21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Programs – Collaborator Agreement (cont.)

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Plainfield Public Schools to enter into a contractual agreement with new program collaborator, Sigma Community Enrichment Initiative, at a total cost of \$2,500.00. Availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 20-450-100000-300A-38-0000 (21st CCLC – Instructional - Professional Services).

(2) Early Childhood – Smile Program/Mobile Dentists

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: LEARNING OUTCOMES:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

Early Childhood Programs and Services requests board approval to allow Smile Program/Mobile Dentists to provide screenings and basic dental exams to Plainfield preschoolers subject to parental consent form approval. The exams would be performed at contracted preschool provider sites throughout the city. Early Childhood nurses would coordinate and help with setup on exam days. The Smile Program will process all requests for services through their systems (State/Federal/Grants) ensuring that there is no cost incurred by Plainfield Public Schools. Certificates of Insurance at the required levels of liability coverage have been provided including the Plainfield Board of Education as co-insured.

There are no fees or dues required for participation.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Early Childhood Programs and Services' to work with Smile Program/Mobile Dentists to provide services to Plainfield Public School preschoolers and no cost to the District, parents or community.

(3) Plainfield Sigma Beta Club

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

The Sigma Beta Club was established in 1950 by the national voting body of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., with the mission of establishing a mentoring program for disadvantaged youth, and

WHEREAS, the primary objective of the Sigma Beta Club is to use a holistic approach to empowering, enriching, and enhancing the lives of young boys through mentoring relationships, and

WHEREAS, to ensure success, the Sigma Beta Club focuses on the six core areas of academic achievement, leadership development, social and professional etiquette, building self-esteem, community service, and understanding free enterprise, and

WHEREAS, the local Sigma Beta Club of Plainfield, and the Plainfield Public School District is a program that is managed by the Chi Sigma Chapter, Inc., which is a local chapter of the Fraternity serving Northern New Jersey, including Union County, and

WHEREAS, the Sigma Beta Club will work with 8th grade boys from ***Cedarbrook K-8 Center, Clinton K-8 Center, Maxson Middle School, Hubbard Middle School*** and boys in grades 9-12 from ***Plainfield High School***. These meetings will take place either afterschool from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. or Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Plainfield High School or Charles H. Stillman Elementary School to start Monday, November 26, 2011 to June 23, 2011, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the Sigma Beta Club program at no cost to any of the ***participating schools*** or the Board of Education.

(4) Project HealthLinks

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

Goal 5: Family & Community Engagement:

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

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

RESOLUTION

Plainfield Public Schools is committed to improve the learning and academic performance of all students (including English Language Learners and Special Education Students) so they achieve their full potential in life. In doing so, it is also committed to providing opportunities for and ensuring that all students meet the NJCCCS and achieve academic, behavioral, emotional, and lifelong success.

Maxson and Hubbard Middle Schools has participated in Project HealthLinks since 2002. Project HealthLinks is a 'mini-internship' sponsored by the Raritan Valley Chapter of the Links. Eighth grade students are provided with an opportunity to enhance their knowledge bank of career options. The students are exposed to traditional and non-traditional healthcare, engineering, and medical careers that have the potential to support their academic preparation for the secondary level.

From November 2011 to June 2012, the students (hereinafter referred to as interns) attend monthly workshops at participating sites in the tri-county area including Liberty Science Center, UMDNJ, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and Solaris Whole Health. The focus on health-related services and products representative of the host organization helps to raise the level of awareness with students and stimulate their thinking on life career options.

Careers that support the host endeavors, the issues, and their implications for the community are studied. Each intern is required to listen intently during organization presentations, use the Cornell note taking method, prepare a group presentation (rubric provided), complete a narrative or speculative essay due a week after each monthly workshop, complete a career choice survey, and interact positively with students from Piscataway and Plainfield schools.

The site visits, reports and problem-based learning projects support skill development that is consistent with NJCCCS including writing, speaking, listening, teamwork, critical thinking, and presentation. Field trips are during school hours with PPS providing district transportation.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve at least twenty (20) Maxson and Hubbard Middle School interns to participate in Project HealthLinks monthly field trips at participating sites throughout the tri-county (Liberty Science Center, UMDNJ, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Solaris Whole Health), from November 2011 through June 2012. The cost to the district will be to provide transportation for the monthly workshops, using PPS transportation.

D. English/Spanish District-Wide Translation Team for 2011-2012

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 5: Community and Family Engagement:

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

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

RESOLUTION

With a fast growing Spanish speaking community in Plainfield, there is an increased need for district and school personnel to send written notices, letters, and other important information to parents in their native language (Spanish). Translations will provide parents with information pertaining to their child's education.

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the following staff members to serve as oral/text translators for the 2011-2012 school year at a rate of \$28.00 per hour. (Hours will be determined based on case load and needs of each individual school). The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 11-000-223000-104X-03-0000 (Staff Training).

Teachers:

	Name	Position	School Location
1	Idelisse Gonzalez	Translator	Adm. Building
2	Maria Acero	Translator	Clinton
3	Jenny Hernandez	Translator	Clinton
4	Diana Saenz-Torres	Translator	Maxson
5	Yaneth Sierra	Translator	Jefferson
6	Maria Chatwaal	Translator	Stillman
7	Michael Betances	Translator	Cedarbrook
8	Melissa Grau	Translator	Cedarbrook
9	Marie Maldonado	Translator	Clinton
10	Jesus Peraza	Translator	Barlow

Support Staff:

	Name	Position	School Location
11	Analyn Acosta	Translator	Adm. Building
12	Milagros Henriquez	Translator	Early Childhood
13	Divina Guzman	Translator	Early Childhood
14	Olga Torres	Translator	Evergreen
15	Dagmarys Estevez	Translator	Washington
16	Bernabe Guardado	Translator	Adm. Building
17	Martha Guardado	Translator	Adm. Building
18	Edna Lawrence	Translator	Jefferson
19	Mercedes Hazuri	Translator	Maxson
20	Edith Lobelo	Translator	Clinton

E. Provision of Special Education Services

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 1: Learning Outcomes:

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

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

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, those twenty (20) Plainfield pupils whose names have been certified by the Superintendent of Schools and are on file with the Secretary of the Board of Education will be provided with special education programs in OUT-OF-DISTRICT schools for the disabled during the 2011 - 2012 school year:

PUPIL	SCHOOL OR PRIMARY INSTITUTION	CLASSIFICATION	APPROXIMATE COST TUITION AND TRANSPORTATION
W.A.	ARC of Union County	MD	\$13,440.00
W.C.	ARC of Union County	OHI	\$16,500.00
F.D.	ARC of Union County	MD	\$23,240.00
N.F.	ARC of Union County	MD	\$8,960.00
D.H.	ARC of Union County	MD	\$8,680.00
A.J.	ARC of Union County	OHI	\$17,600.00
J.K.	ARC of Union County		\$22,540.00
M.M.	ARC of Union County	CIML	\$16,500.00
J.M.	ARC of Union County	OHI	\$21,000.00
R.O.	ARC of Union County	MD	\$22,540.00
M.R.	ARC of Union County	SLD	\$22,540.00
K.T.	ARC of Union County	CI	\$17,050.00
E.V.	ARC of Union County	MD	\$17,600.00
V.S.	ARC of Union County	SLD	(10-11 SY) \$1,120.00
E.R.	Bonnie Brae	ED	\$57,615.00
T.B.	Children's Home-Mary A. Dobbins	SLD	\$45,690.00
D.G.	Coastal Learning Center	OHI	\$43,534.46
A.B.	Devereux-Kanner Center	MD	\$45,800.00
E.G-D.	Ewing High School	ED	(11-12 SY) \$12,361.00
			(10-11 SY) \$13,847.00
D.H.	Lighthouse	SLD	\$14,000.00
TOTAL:			<u>\$462,157.46</u>

XII. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer – September 2011

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 3: Business Operations

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

The Board 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 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 Interim Superintendent to initiate whatever actions may be determined to be appropriate.

TO BE PRESENTED AT THE NOVEMBER 15, 2011 BUSINESS MEETING

B. Payment of Bills — October 14, 2011 – November 10, 2011

Strategic Plan Link:
Goal 3: Business Operations

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

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

The Board Secretary presented certain warrants to the Board of Education with a recommendation they be paid, and pursuant to NJAC 6:20-2.13(d), the Board Secretary certifies that with respect to the payment of bills referenced below no budgetary line item account has been over expended in violation of 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 NOVEMBER 15, 2011 BUSINESS MEETING

C. 2011 – 12 Budget Transfers

Strategic Plan Link:
Goal 3: Business Practices

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

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

TO BE PRESENTED AT THE NOVEMBER 15, 2011 BUSINESS MEETING

D. Submission of the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan

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

RESOLUTION

The Department of Education requires New Jersey School Districts to submit three-year maintenance plans documenting “required” maintenance activities for each of its public school facilities, and,

The required maintenance activities for the various school facilities of the Plainfield Public Schools are consistent with these requirements, and

All past and planned activities are reasonable to keep school facilities open and safe for use or in their original condition and to keep their system warranties valid, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education hereby authorizes the School Business Administrator to submit the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan that is on file in the Board Secretary’s Office for the Plainfield Public Schools, in compliance with Department of Education requirements.

E. Appointment of Architect

Strategic Plan Link:

Goal 3: Business Practices

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

The Plainfield High School currently has two (2) Cleaver Brooks gas boilers and four (4) existing heating hot water circulation pumps that are original to the build and have operated beyond their life expectancy and are in need of replacement. In order to complete this \$850,000.00 project during the summer of 2012, the following architectural engineering services are necessary:

- NJDOE Schematic Approval Phase
- Construction Document Phase
- Bidding and Negotiation Phase
- Construction Administration Phase

Johnson Jones Architects of Princeton, NJ has the experience and expertise to provide such services and therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the appointment of Johnson Jones Architects to manage the Plainfield High School boiler replacement project for a fee of 10% of the actual construction cost but not less than \$65,000.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to 12-000-400000-450A-31-0000 (Capital Outlay).

F. Designation of Bank Signatures

Strategic Plan Link:
Goal 3: Business Practices

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

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

<u>Administrator</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>School</u>
Janet Grooms	Diane Repollet	Barlow School

G. 2011 – 2012 State Contract Vendors

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Plainfield Board of Education desires to use the state contract vendors to facilitate schools' purchasing and

WHEREAS, state regulations required board approval to use the state contract vendors, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the following vendors for the 2011 – 2012 school year.

Vendor	State Contract #	Category
Coopers Electric	A73139	Lamps, Various types, statewide
Longo Associate	A66897	Furniture, Library, excl. shelving

H. Bid # 2012-16 Accessibility Lift To Pool Level (PHS)

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 18A-1 (et seq) advertised for sealed bids for 2012-16 Accessibility Lift to Pool Level (PHS) on October 11, 2011, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with that advertisement bids will be received, publicly opened and read aloud at the Board of Education Office on October 27, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

WHEREAS, in accordance with that advertisement bids were received, publicly opened and read aloud at the Board of Education Office on October 27, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

VENDOR

PRICE

McCann Acoustics & Construction, Inc.
Bloomfield, NJ

\$183,622.00

Stoneridge, Inc.
Feasterville, PA

\$174,800.00

**HAHR Construction
No. Plainfield, NJ**

\$137,000.00

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education accepts the lowest responsible and responsive bid of HAHR Construction, Inc. North Plainfield, NJ in the amount of \$137,000.00. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 12-000-400000-450A-31-0000 (Capital Outlay).

I. Educational Data Awarded Bids

Strategic Plan Link:
Goal 3: Business Practices

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Plainfield Board of Education currently participates in the Ed Data Cooperative Purchasing Program. As part of this program, the Middlesex Education Services Co-op Bid has advertised and awarded bids for a variety of items for the FY12, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves the use of the vendors awarded by the Middlesex Education Services Co-op that are on file in the Board Secretary's office.

J. Out-of-District Travel

Strategic Plan Link:
Goal 3: Business Operations

To improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of business operations.

The following is recommended for adoption:

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that the Plainfield Board of Education approves Dorien Hurtt to attend the NJEA Convention on November 10 – 11, 2011 in Atlantic City, NJ at a cost not to exceed \$220.00. The convention draws teachers and educational support professionals who participate in various seminars, workshops and programs. The availability of funds for this item has been verified and will be charged to account 11-000-230000-580A-01-0000 (Board Travel).

XIII. REPORT OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE

DISCUSSION

<u>Policy #</u>	<u>Title</u>	
3327	Relations with Vendors	Amended
3541.1	Transportation Routes and Services	Amended
9010.0	Board Member Attendance	New
9325	Meeting Procedures	New

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

GLO/bsc