

PLAINFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Plainfield, N.J.

Date: Tuesday, February 26, 2008

Time: 7:00 p.m. PUBLIC SESSION  
WORK & STUDY MTG.  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING  
ACTION MAY BE TAKEN

Place: PHS CONFERENCE ROOM  
950 Park Ave.

Board of Education Members

Ms. Patricia I. Barksdale, President

Ms. Bridget B. Rivers, Vice President

Mr. Rasheed Abdul-Haqq

Mrs. Wilma G. Campbell

Mr. Agurs Linward Cathcart, Jr.

Mr. Martin P. Cox

Mr. Christian Estevez

Mrs. Lisa C. Logan-Leach

Ms. Vickey Sheppard

Dr. Garnell Bailey, Interim Superintendent

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

WELCOME to a WORK & STUDY/Cmte of the Whole meeting of the Plainfield Board of Education. Members hope you will find the meeting interesting and informative. We thank you for taking the time to attend. Please be advised this and all meetings of the board are open to the media and public, consistent with the Open Public meetings Act (Ch. 231 Laws of 1975), and that the advance notice required therein has been provided to the Courier News and Star Ledger on Wednesday, February 20, 2008 for advertisement on Saturday, February 23, 2008 and also provided to the Plainfield Public Schools, the Plainfield City Clerk, Police Department, Plainfield Public Library and Comcast Cable for posting.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, 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, now therefore be it

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

- o Personnel and Legal

and be it

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 Confr. Rm	6:30 p.m.
Personnel/Exec.Ses.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Confr. Rm.	6:30 p.m.
Curric. & Instr.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Confr. Rm.	8:00 p.m.
Finance Committee	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Confr. Rm.	8:00 p.m.
Bldgs. & Grds. Cmte.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Confr. Rm.	8:00 p.m.
School Community Rel.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.	PHS Confr. Rm.	8:00 p.m.
<b>BUSINESS MEETING</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Tues. ea. mo.</b>	<b>Altn. Plfd. Schs.</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>

(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, 504 Madison Avenue during business hours.

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

Concerns of the public regarding the schools or departments should be brought to the attention of the appropriate administrator in charge (principal, and 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, March 18, 2008 at the Barlow Elementary School.**

VII. REMARKS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

VIII. REMARKS FROM THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT

IX. REMARKS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

**X. REPORT OF THE CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE**

A. David Gonzalez of Young Audiences New Jersey, Inc.

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

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Plainfield Board of Education is committed to providing Visual and Performing Arts instruction, as well as Social Studies instruction that meets the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards, (Visual and Performing Arts-1.1 Aesthetics, 1.3 Elements and Principals of the Arts, 1.5 World Cultures, History and Society; 3.1-Reading-F Vocabulary and Concept Development, G Comprehension Skills and Response to Text; 3.3-Speaking-A Discussion; 3.4-Listening; Social Studies-6.3 World History), and;

WHEREAS David Gonzalez of Young Audiences New Jersey, Inc. located in Princeton, NJ is an internationally known master storyteller, musician and radio host with a comic spark who has performed his one-man shows over 1,300 times in venues including the Lincoln Center, The Royal National Theatre (London), The Smithsonian Institute and the Brooklyn Academy of Music, who will perform for 45 minutes at Woodland Elementary School on Thursday, February 28, 2008 at 9 a.m., now therefore be it

RESOLVED the Board of Education approve payment to Young Audiences New Jersey, Inc. of \$1,030 for the performance and charge the account 22LIPURSVC.

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

- **2008-2009 Budget Discussion**

## **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

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