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BOARD OF EDUCATION

SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY

Regular Board Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, January 18, 2012 – 7:30 P.M.  
Roosevelt Administration Building  
125 Jackson Avenue  
South Plainfield, NJ 07080

I. CALL TO ORDER - President

President Giannakis called the meeting to order promptly at 7:30 p.m. in the gymnasium of the Roosevelt Administration Building, 125 Jackson Avenue, pursuant to the terms of the Sunshine Law.

II. SALUTE TO FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

III. ROLL CALL- James Olobardi  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Present: Mrs. Byrne, Mr. Farinella, Mr. Hubner, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Seesselberg,  
Mr. Sorrentino, Mrs. Boyle and Mr. Giannakis

Absent: Mr. Stevenson

Also Present: Dr. Bowen, Interim Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Cocchiola, Interim  
Asst. Superintendent, Mr. Olobardi, Business Administrator/Board and  
Mr. Roselle, Legal Counsel

IV. BOARD PRESIDENT

In accordance with the terms of the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was posted in all school buildings, the Administration Building, Borough Clerk's office, Police Headquarters, Public Library, four newspapers, and W.C.T.C. on May 5, 2011. Please be advised that there is **No Smoking on school grounds - inside or outside - at any time.**

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Bowen said we would be moving directly to the Student Presentation.

A. Good News and Progress in our Schools

Dr. Bowen announced that award-winning children's author Lisa Funari-Willever (A Glove of Their Own and There's a Kid Under My Bed) will be visiting Franklin School on Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Dr. Bowen acknowledged receipt of a letter from Christa Reineke, Director, Inpatient Therapies, JFK Johnson Rehabilitation, thanking and commending the members of the High School Traveling Choir for the wonderful holiday concert they performed on December 12, 2011 at the facility.

Dr. Bowen said Dr. Cocchiola has received notice that staff from the County Office representing the Department of Education will be in district on May 8, 2012 to conduct their QSAC Review Visit.

B. Student Presentation

Students from the Grant School Jazz Band performed two numbers

Following the performance at 7:45 p.m., Mr. Giannakis announced there would be a five-minute recess. The meeting resumed at 7:50 with all members previously in attendance present. Mr. Stevenson was absent.

C. Personnel Performance Evaluation Procedure – Changes in NJ as per the Department of Education

Dr. Cocchiola said the Personnel Performance Evaluation Procedure for instructional and administrative personnel in New Jersey will be changing in the near future as per an initiative by the Department of Education. Every school district in the state will be required to implement a new or updated evaluation system in at least one of its schools for September of 2012 and implement in all schools by September 2013. The State has made several models available. We need to budget for professional development and purchase of materials and supplies that are related to the new evaluation model.

D. Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Monthly Report  
(See attachment for Resolution IX.B on page 3)

Dr. Cocchiola wanted to clarify that Resolution IX.B under Superintendent's Recommendations is a two-part resolution. The first section gives an attachment listing the number of HIB incidents for the month of December 2011 and the second section approves the cumulative summary since September 2011. All records are kept on file in the Assistant Superintendent's Office.

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E. Donation of Books

Dr. Bowen acknowledged the donation of eleven copies of the book "It Happened in Italy" by Elizabeth Bettina to the High School History Department from Renato to Biribin from the Plainfields UNICO Chapter, valued at \$200.00, pursuant to Policy #7230- Gifts, Grants and Donations.

VI. AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

A. AGENDA ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

Mr. Seesselberg asked to separate Finance Resolution #4.

Mrs. Miller asked to separate Finance Resolution #9 & #13.

Mrs. Boyle asked to separate Finance Resolution #15.

Mrs. Boyle asked to amend the Executive Minutes from December 21, 2011. She said they were incorrect; that the student involved was not involved in a fist fight with another student and there was no altercation whatsoever.

**Mr. Giannakis said he has an Addendum - Finance Resolution #16 to add to the agenda and read the resolution regarding moving the date for the School Board Elections to November. The vote to add the resolution was:**

MOTION: Mrs. Boyle                      SECOND: Mrs. Miller                      VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

VII. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PRIOR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Board of Education meetings, held on the dates indicated, as transcribed, be received and filed.

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| A. Special Executive Session      | December 7, 2011               |
| B. Committee of the Whole Meeting | December 14, 2011              |
| C. Executive Session              | December 14, 2011              |
| D. Regular Public Meeting         | December 21, 2011              |
| E. Executive Session              | December 21, 2011 (as amended) |

MOTION: Mrs. Byrne                      SECOND: Mr. Seesselberg                      VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

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VIII. FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

A. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance Committee January 3, 2012

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting, as transcribed, be received and filed.

MOTION: Mrs. Byrne SECOND: Mr. Seesselberg VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

2. Shared Services Committee May 31, 2011 and July 7, 2011

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Shared Services Committee meetings, as transcribed, be received and filed.

MOTION: Mrs. Byrne SECOND: Mr. Seesselberg VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Approval of Revised 2011/2012 School Calendar

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the Revised 2011/2012 School Calendar in accordance with Tab IX. A. The Calendar was revised due to the date change of the Primary Election from February 7, 2012 to June 5, 2012. The date for Middle School conferences was also changed from February 16, to February 9, 2012.

MOTION: Mrs. Miller SECOND: Mrs. Byrne VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

B. Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Monthly Report

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the December Monthly Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Report. (Tab IX.B)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the following cumulative data regarding HIB incidents from Sept. 1 – December 31, 2011.

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B. Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Monthly Report (continued)

School	Number of Alleged Incidents	Number of Verified Incidents
	September 1 – December 31, 2011	September 1– December 31, 2011
High School	20	9
Middle School	9	6
Grant School	10	3
Franklin School	1	1
Kennedy School	1	0
Roosevelt School	4	2
Riley School	0	0

MOTION: Mrs. Miller      SECOND: Mrs. Byrne      VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

X. CURRICULUM/ STUDENT ACTIVITIES

A. Approval of High School Model United Nations Club Trip

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the following trip request from the South Plainfield Model United Nations Club:

Boston Invitational Model United Nations Conference XI  
Boston, MA  
Friday, February 24 – Monday, February 27, 2012  
12 Students  
Chaperones: Frances Flannery and Miten Shah  
(No cost to Board of Education)

MOTION: Mrs. Miller      SECOND: Mrs. Byrne      VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

XI. POLICY

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XII. PERSONNEL

Motion by Member Miller, seconded by Member Byrne, to accept the recommendation of the interim superintendent and adopt the following:

RESOLVED, that the South Plainfield Board of Education approve the following:

(NOTE: Approval of this resolution authorizes the superintendent to submit to the county superintendent applications for emergent hiring and the applicant's attestation and proof that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et. seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et. seq., or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et. seq. This includes background checks and fingerprinting for those employees listed below: (All appointments are contingent upon receipt of proper teaching certification, and all salary placements are pending receipt of college transcripts verifying degree status and letter stating years of service in other districts, \*denotes mentoring required.)

Discussion:

Mrs. Boyle wanted to clarify that nothing had been changed on any of the Personnel Resolutions since they received a copy on Friday. Dr. Bowen confirmed that nothing has changed.

The vote on Resolutions XII.A, XII.B and XII.C was:

**MOTION: Mrs. Miller      SECOND: Mr. Byrne      VOTE: 8-0**  
**Absent: Mr. Stevenson**

**XII.A Leaves of Absence**

Code	Name	Reason	Position	Loc.	Paid FMLA Start Date	Paid Leave (Not FMLA)	Unpaid FMLA Start Date	Unpaid NJFLA Start Date	Unpaid Leave without Benefits	Return Date	Discussion
1	Employee #3252	Maternity Leave	Special Ed. Teacher	Middle School	N/A	12/20/11	01/12/12	N/A	04/06/12	09/01/12	
2	Employee #4294	Maternity Leave	Special Ed. Teacher	Middle School	N/A	03/07/12	04/11/12	N/A	N/A	05/24/12	
3	Employee #3812	Medical Leave	Registered Nurse	Out-of-district special ed. Facility	N/A	N/A	January 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27, 31, 2012	N/A	N/A	Employee will work Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays	Employee will be on medical leave Tuesdays & Fridays

**XII.B Appointments, Transfers**

Code	Name	Action	Position	Deg /Step	Salary	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1	Okoszko, Joanne	Approve	Assistant Transportation Supervisor	N/A	\$45,000 (prorated)	Transportation Office	1/19/2012	6/30/2012	Replacement for Ramsaywack, Totaram Acct. #11-000-270-160-16
2	Cantamessa, Barbara	Approve	Accounts Payable Clerk	III-0	\$33,817 (prorated)	Accounting Office	1/19/2012	6/30/2012	Replacement for Scarcella, Barbara Acct. #11-000-251-100-12
3	Montgomery, Colleen	Approve	Mathematics Long Term Substitute Teacher	N/A	\$120.00 per diem	Grant School	1/12/2012	On or about 2/24/2012	Temp. replacement for Wilson, Katherine Acct. #11-130-100-101-04
4	Constantinou, Elena	Approve	Substitute Teacher	N/A	\$85.00 per diem	District	1/19/2012	6/30/2012	Acct. #11-000-213-104-00
5	Leonard, William	Approve	Substitute Teacher	N/A	\$85.00 per diem	District	1/19/2012	6/30/2012	Acct. #11-000-213-104-00
6	Nagy, Tiffany	Approve	Substitute Teacher	N/A	\$85.00 per diem	District	1/19/2012	6/30/2012	Acct. #11-000-213-104-00
7	Saini, Anju	Approve	Substitute Teacher	N/A	\$90.00 per diem	District	1/19/2012	6/30/2012	Acct. #11-000-213-104-00
8	Sikanowicz, Erin	Approve	Substitute Teacher	N/A	\$85.00 per diem	District	1/19/2012	6/30/2012	Acct. #11-000-213-104-00

Code	Name	Action	Position	Deg /Step	Salary	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
9	Merrill, Lisa	Approve	Substitute Athletic Trainer	N/A	\$225.00 per diem	District	12/26/2011	6/30/2012	Includes 2 days Winter Basketball Tournament Acct. #11-402-100-100-22
10	Scheffler, Jane	Approve	Substitute Athletic Trainer	N/A	\$225.00 per diem	District	12/26/2011	6/30/2012	Includes 2 days Winter Basketball Tournament Acct. #11-402-100-100-22
11	Oliveira, Ryan	Approve	Substitute Athletic Trainer	N/A	\$225.00 per diem	District	12/26/2011	6/30/2012	Includes 2 days Winter Basketball Tournament Acct. #11-402-100-100-22
12	Palmer, Dayna	Approve	Instructional Support Aide	Step 7 – 6 hrs. per day	\$23,264 (prorated)	Kennedy School	1/19/2012	6/30/2012	Replacement for Albert, Peggy 6 hrs. per day Acct. #11-213-100-106-18
13	Dezmin, Susan	Approve	Instructional Support Aide	Step 2 – 4 hrs. per day	\$13,448 (prorated)	Roosevelt School	1/19/2012	6/30/2012	Additional position due to IEP requirements & increase of students 4 hrs. per day (RIF recall) Acct. #11-213-100-106-18
14	Lee-Clendenen, Youlanda	Approve	Substitute Instructional Support Aide	N/A	\$9.25 per hour	District	1/19/2012	6/30/2012	Acct. #11-212-100-106-00
15	Bori, Gail	Approve	Substitute Duty Aide	N/A	\$9.25 per hour	District	1/9/2012	6/30/2012	Acct. #11-000-262-107-xx

### **XII.C Adjustments, Stipends, Degree Changes**

Code	Name	Action	Position	Number of Hours (Includes 1 hr. group orientation)	Salary/ Stipend	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1	Publik, Patricia	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-Kindergarten	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
2	Czaplinski, Joy	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-Kindergarten	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
3	Rodger, Mary	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-1st	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
4	Warian, Christine	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-1st	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
5	Boyles, Shannon	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-2nd	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
6	Brandenburg, Christine	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-2nd	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
7	Luck, Teresa	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-3 <sup>rd</sup>	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
8	Chiera, Danielle	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-3 <sup>rd</sup>	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
9	Broggi, Kimberly	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-4th	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
10	Fenning, Susan	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-4th	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17

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11	Rodger, Mary	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-5th, 6th, 6AE	15	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
12	Rafalowski, Michelle	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing 5th, 6th, 6AE	16	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
13	Miehe, Mary Ann	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-7th, Honors 7th, 8th, Honors 8th	19	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
14	Wilson, Katie	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-7th, Honors 7th, 8th, Honors 8th	19	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
15	Encinas, Anthony	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-English 1 Basic, English 1, Honors English 1	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
16	Kriskowski, Jessica	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-English 1 Basic, English 1, Honors English 1	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
17	Naso, Gloria	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-English 2 Basic, English 2, Honors English 2	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
18	Kriskowski, Jessica	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-English 2 Basic, English 2, Honors English 2	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
19	Angeline, John	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-English 3 Basic, English 3, Honors English 3	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
20	Encinas, Anthony	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-English 3 Basic, English 3, Honors English 3	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
21	Pecora, Alyssa	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-English 4 Basic, English 4, Honors English 4	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
22	Angeline, John	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-English 4 Basic, English 4, Honors English 4	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
23	Vigneri, Bonnie	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-Journalism, Advanced Journalism, Yearbook Production	22	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
24	Pecora, Alyssa	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-Creative Writing	16	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
25	Naso, Gloria	Approve	Language Arts Curriculum Writing-Theatre Arts, Advanced Theatre Arts	12	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17

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26	Publik, Patricia	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-Kindergarten	4	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
27	Czaplinski, Joy	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-Kindergarten	4	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
28	Boschen, Mary Beth	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-Kindergarten	5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
29	Publik, Patricia	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-1st	4	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
30	Czaplinski, Joy	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-1st	4	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
31	Boschen, Mary Beth	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-1st	4	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
32	Publik, Patricia	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-2nd	4	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
33	Czaplinski, Joy	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-2nd	4	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
34	Boschen, Mary Beth	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-2nd	4	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
35	Luck, Teresa	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-3rd	6	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
36	McCreesh, Laura	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-3rd	7	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
37	Luck, Teresa	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-4th	6	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
38	McCreesh, Laura	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-4th	6	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
39	Orfan, John	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-5th	7	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
40	Mazzacco, Elizabeth	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-5th	7	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
41	Stolz, Lori	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-6th	7	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
42	White, Carolyn	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-6th	7	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
43	Heim, Geraldine	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-7th, Honors 7	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17

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44	Tortora, Jillian	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-7th, Honors 7 <sup>th</sup>	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
45	Zoleta, Julie	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-8th, Honors 8 <sup>th</sup>	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
46	Tortora, Jillian	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-8th, Honors 8 <sup>th</sup>	7.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
47	Weiner, Karen	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-Biology (3 levels)	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
48	Green, Angela	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-Biology (3 levels)	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
49	Glus, Dorothy	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-Chemistry (3 levels)	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
50	Lehman, Monika	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-Chemistry (3 levels)	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
51	Dreher, John	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-Physics (3 levels)	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
52	Panek, Brian	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-Physics (3 levels)	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
53	Porzio, Patricia	Approve	Science Curriculum Writing-Forensics	13	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
54	Bonanno, Catherine	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-3 <sup>rd</sup>	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
55	Luck, Teresa	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-3 <sup>rd</sup>	7.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
56	Downey, Linda	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-4 <sup>th</sup>	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
57	Simpson, Kathy	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-4 <sup>th</sup>	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
58	Orfan, John	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-5 <sup>th</sup>	7.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
59	Haus, Joanne	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-5 <sup>th</sup>	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
60	Pompilio, Cathy	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-6th, 6AE	10	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
61	White, Carolyn	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-6th, 6AE	9	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17

Code	Name	Action	Position	Number of Hours (Includes 1 hr. group orientation)	Salary/ Stipend	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
62	Decker, Marianne	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-7 <sup>th</sup>	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
63	Zoda, Kathy	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-7 <sup>th</sup>	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
64	Decker, Marianne	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , Honors Pre-Algebra	9	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
65	Tierney, Donna	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , Honors Pre-Algebra	10	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
66	Tierney, Donna	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Algebra 1Basic, Academic, Honors	10.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
67	Zoda, Kathy	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Algebra 1Basic, Academic, Honors	10.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
68	Emmons, Anthony	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Geometry Basic, Academic, Honors	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
69	Zoda, Kathy	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Geometry Basic, Academic, Honors	10.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
70	Emmons, Anthony	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Algebra 2 Basic, Academic, Honors	10.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
71	Greco, John	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Algebra 2 Basic, Academic, Honors	11.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
72	Knarr, David	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Algebra 3, Trigonometry	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
73	Garrison, Anu	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Algebra 3, Trigonometry	8.5	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
74	Knarr, David	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Pre-Calculus, Pre-Calculus	9	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
75	Garrison, Anu	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Pre-Calculus, Pre-Calculus	9	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
76	Knarr, David	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Calculus	15	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
77	Greco, John	Approve	Mathematics Curriculum Writing-Senior Mathematics	15	\$40.00 per hour	Roos. Admin. Bldg.	1/30/2012	4/13/2012	Any extension of time requires administrative approval Acct. #11-000-221-110-17
78	Hamilton, William	Approve	Volunteer – Wrestling	N/A	N/A	High School	12/21/2011	3/16/2012	N/A
79	Powylan-Petschauer, Jessica	Approve	Student Teacher (Caldwell)	N/A	N/A	Franklin School	1/23/2012	5/17/2012	Cooperating Teacher-Fusaro, Tara

## **XII.D Job Description Approval**

RESOLVED, that the South Plainfield Board of Education approve the Substitute Athletic Trainer job description, as per TAB XII.D.

**MOTION: Mrs. Boyle      SECOND: Mrs. Byrne      VOTE: 8-0**  
**Absent: Mr. Stevenson**

## **XII.E Substitute Athletic Trainer Daily Rate Approval**

RESOLVED, that the South Plainfield Board of Education approve the daily rate of \$225.00 for the position of Substitute Athletic Trainer, retroactive to December 26, 2011.

**MOTION: Mrs. Boyle      SECOND: Mrs. Byrne      VOTE: 8-0**  
**Absent: Mr. Stevenson**

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## **XIII. FINANCE**

### **1. Approval of Corrective Action Plan – 2010/2011 School Year Audit**

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the Corrective Action Plan for the 2010/2011 School Year Audit in accordance with the Independent Auditors Management Report of Administrative Findings – Financial and Compliance – as shown in Tab XIII.(1).

**MOTION: Mr. Seesselberg      SECOND: Mrs. Byrne      VOTE: 8-0**  
**Absent: Mr. Stevenson**

### **2. Rescind Resolution of the South Plainfield Board of Education Regarding the Residency Hearing of S.W.**

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2011, the South Plainfield Board of Education removed student S.W. from the District because required proof of residency in South Plainfield was not provided pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:22-3.4 and N.J.A.C. A:22-43(a); and

WHEREAS, following the Board hearing, the requisite proofs were provided to the District evidencing the family's domicile in South Plainfield;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the resolution removing the student is

hereby rescinded and the pupil is permitted to continue attending school in the district.

MOTION: Mr. Seesselberg SECOND: Mrs. Byrne VOTE: 8-0

Absent: Mr. Stevenson

3. Rescind Resolution of the South Plainfield Board of Education Regarding the Residency Hearing of D.T.

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2011, the South Plainfield Board of Education removed student D.T. from the District because required proof of residency in South Plainfield was not provided pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:22-3.4 and N.J.A.C. A:22-43(a); and

WHEREAS, following the Board hearing, the requisite proofs were provided to the District evidencing the family’s domicile in South Plainfield;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the resolution removing the student is hereby rescinded and the pupil is permitted to continue attending school in the district.

MOTION: Mr. Seesselberg SECOND: Mrs. Byrne VOTE: 8-0

Absent: Mr. Stevenson

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4. Board Member Conference/Travel

The following Board Members have registered for conferences, seminars, etc., which are compliant with State payment guidelines; with Board Bylaw 0147; with employee/ Board Member job responsibilities; and are critical to the needs of the school district. (Account 11.000.230.585.12)

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Date and Location</u>	<u>Cost/Mileage</u>
Bill Seesselberg	“Analyzing and Constructing Salary Guides”	February 11, 2012 NJ Principals & Supervisors Assoc. Monroe Township	Cost: \$207.00 Mileage: \$ 14.88

MOTION: Mrs. Miller

SECOND: Mrs. Boyle

VOTE: 7-0-1

Absent: Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Seesselberg abstained.

5. Award Bid #12-02 – (1) 2012 Integrated 54 Passenger Bus NJ Type “C” – “Hydraulic Disc Brakes, Diesel Engine, 2010 Compliant, IC Corp CE or Equal and (1) 2013 NJ Type “B” 25 Passenger with 15 Integrated Child Seats – Chevrolet Gasoline 12,300 lb. GVWR 159” Wheel Base Chassis – (Trade in Option)

WHEREAS, the South Plainfield Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18:18A-1 (et seq.), advertised for sealed bids for Bid #12-02 – One (1) 2012 Integrated 54 Passenger Bus NJ Type “C” – “Hydraulic Disc Brakes, Diesel Engine, 2010 Compliant, IC Corp CE or Equal and One (1) 2013 NJ Type “B” 25 Passenger with 15 Integrated Child Seats – Chevrolet Gasoline 12, 300 lb. GVWR 159” Wheel Base Chassis – (Trade-in option) on

December 14, 2011; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with that advertisement, the bids were received, publicly opened and read aloud in the Business Office in the Roosevelt Administration Building, 125 Jackson Avenue on January 4, 2012. A total of three (3) bids were received.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education and upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools that the bid be awarded to the following vendors:

The 2013 25-Passenger 2013 Type "B" Bus bid is awarded to Arcola Sales and Service Corporation, 51 Kero Road, Carlstadt, NJ 07072 in the amount of \$57,921 less \$500 for the trade-in of a 2000 Chevrolet 14 Passenger, 1 Wheelchair Van for a total bid of \$57,421.

The 2012 Integrated 54 Passenger Bus NJ Type "C" Bus is awarded to Wolfington Body Company, 1315 Rt. 38, Mount Holly, NJ 08060 in the amount of \$96,700.00 less \$1,500 for the trade in of a 2000 Blue Bird 54 Passenger Bus a for a total bid of \$95,200.00. The bid is being awarded to the second lowest responsible bidder due to exceptions taken by the lowest bidder regarding tire size.

MOTION: Mr. Seesselberg SECOND: Mrs. Byrne VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

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6. Middle States Dues

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the payment of its 2011/2012 Middle States dues in the amount of \$1,200. (Account # 11-190-100-890-01)

MOTION: Mr. Seesselberg SECOND: Mrs. Byrne VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

7. Approval of Grant Application (Foreign Language Educators of New Jersey)

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the preparation and submission of a grant application to support a classroom or school project related to World Language education for \$1,000 to the FLENJ by Shannon Lorenzo, South Plainfield High School teacher.

MOTION: Mr. Seesselberg SECOND: Mrs. Byrne VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

8. Professional Development Expenditures

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the following expenditures (registration, mileage, and conference fees), substitutes, and trips, which are compliant with State payment guidelines, employee job responsibilities and critical to the needs of the school district.

<u>Name of Workshop</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Person Attending</u>
Launching Gifted Education Into the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Bridgewater, N.J. 20-234-100-500-17 (Title I – Middle School)	3/9/12	\$184	Jillian Tortora
2012 Kindergarten Teacher Conf. Atlantic City, N.J. 20-234-100-500-17 (Title I - Riley School)	2/24/12	\$219	Patricia Publik
Social Work Leadership for Effective Change Atlantic City, N.J. 11-000-219-500-18	5/6-8/12	\$340	Janice Baer
Conference on Reading & Writing (Grade 4 Lang. Arts NJ ASK preparation) Somerset, N.J. 20-234-100-500-17 (Title I – Riley School)	3/16/12	\$175	Christine Dispenzieri

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8. Professional Development Expenditures (continued)

<u>Name of Workshop</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Person Attending</u>
TECHSPO Atlantic City Acct. #11-000-221-800-30	Jan.27, 2012	\$219.00	Dr. Frank Cocchiola
TECHSPO Atlantic City Acct. #11-000-251-890-12	Jan. 27, 2012	\$219.00	James Olobardi
Emotion & Education: Affect, Anxiety & Achievement Acct. #11-000-219-500-18	4/19/12	\$249	Amanda Somers

MOTION: Mr. Seesselberg SECOND: Mrs. Byrne VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

Discussion on Finance Resolution #9:

Mrs. Miller asked for an explanation of where this money is going. Dr. Cocchiola said that in trying to close out the 2010/2011 funding, which we thought we had spent, Mr. Cardaneo found there were funds carried over from the 2009/2010 school year into 2010/2011 that were never submitted to the Department as a final report. The amount shown for approval are the amounts including carry-over that we had as of September 1, 2011. This is not the amount left in the accounts as of today because we have been spending from these accounts.

9. NCLB 2011/2012 Amendment (Pending approval of 2010/2011 NCLB final report)

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, that the



Absent: Mr. Stevenson

12. Approval of Bill Lists

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve payment of bills and claims that have been certified by the Board Secretary and filed in the Business Office. The following is a list of payments being approved:

<u>Checks</u>	<u>Payroll Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Payroll	233	\$ 1,473,885.55
Payroll	234	\$ 1,468,266.65

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12. Approval of Bill Lists (continued)

<u>Checks</u>	<u>Check Numbers</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Hand Checks		
Preschool	601222 - 601225	\$ 7,169.07
Latchkey	611444 - 611446	\$ 2,062.32
Trips	631763	\$ 1,413.49
Adult Education	641921	\$ 247.50
Trust and Agency	2847 - 2892	\$ 206,912.58
FICA	880461 - 880462	\$ 180,948.11
Cafeteria		\$
Machine Checks	064972 - 065281	\$ 1,673,356.80

MOTION: Mr. Seesselberg SECOND: Mrs. Byrne VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

Discussion on Finance Resolution #13:

Mrs. Miller asked that Mr. Merenbloom provide a report on his progress and what was accomplished at the conclusion of his visit. Mrs. Boyle asked for a list of what dates Mr. Merenbloom was here and the amount spent for his services to date.

13. Professional Consultant Service

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the consulting services of Elliot Merenbloom in the Middle School and Grant School for scheduling and related education initiatives for Friday, January 27, 2012. This includes professional development to prepare each faculty to implement the new schedule, the implementation of RTI (Response to Intervention), special education initiatives, small learning communities and teaching strategies for variable length time periods. The day's session will be for a minimum of eight (8) hours. Expenses will be:

• Honorarium for services provided	\$2,500
• Ground transportation – Baltimore	\$ 110 (approximate)
• Ground transportation – New Jersey	\$ 90 (approximate)
• Amtrak	\$ 300 (approximate)
• Lodging	\$ 150 (approximate)
• Meals	<u>\$ 60 (approximate)</u>
Total	\$3,210 (approximate)

MOTION: Mrs. Boyle SECOND: Mrs. Miller VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

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14. Special Education Student Expenditures – 2011/2012

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the following special education student placement expenditures for the 2011/2012 school year.

- a. One special education student, presently attending South Plainfield High School, will attend Easter Seals, New Jersey, Raritan Valley Workshop three days per week from January 24, 2012 to June 30, 2012 at the rate of \$1,000.00 per month. The student will continue to attend SPHS two days per week.  
State ID No.: 7503248048.
- b. One special education student, presently attending South Plainfield High School, will attend Easter Seals, New Jersey, Raritan Valley Workshop three days per week from January 24, 2012 to June 30, 2012 at the rate of \$1,000.00 per month. The student will continue to attend SPHS two days per week.  
State ID No.: 5188584699.

MOTION: Mr. Seesselberg SECOND: Mrs. Miller VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

Discussion on Finance Resolution #15:

Mr. Hubner asked what exactly we are accepting when we vote on this resolution. Dr. Bowen said we are making it a matter of record that the audit was done and the report was received by the Board. Mrs. Boyle said she feels there is conflicted information and discrepancies in the report. She said she can't support this audit and had asked that the Auditor attend their Finance Committee Meeting. She said the audit is not as in-depth as she thought it would be and still wants the auditor to attend a meeting. Mrs. Byrne said most of Board Members have further questions on this incident and would like the Board to meet with the Auditor and try to get their questions answered.

**Mrs. Boyle made a motion to table Finance Resolution #15:**

MOTION: Mrs. Boyle SECOND: Mr. Sorrentino VOTE: 8-0

**Absent: Mr. Stevenson**

**Finance Resolution #15 was tabled.**

15. Acknowledge Receipt and Acceptance of the Special Student Activities Account Audit Report

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education acknowledge receipt and acceptance of the Special Student Activities Account Audit Report dated December 19, 2011, prepared by the firm of Lerch, Vinci and Higgins.

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XIII. FINANCE

16. Resolution to Change Board of Education Election to November 2012

Whereas, on January 9, 2012, the New Jersey Legislature passed Senate Bill 3148/Assembly Bill 4394; and

move Whereas, pursuant to the terms of S3148, a local Board of Education may choose to the annual school election to the same day as the general election in November via passage of a Board resolution; and

Whereas, S3148 also provides for the immediate implementation of all proposed school budgets, without the need for voter approval, so long as the general fund tax levy in the proposed budget is within the 2% State cap; and

encourage District Whereas, the South Plainfield Board of Education believes that holding the annual school election in November, rather than in April, will streamline the election process, more citizens to vote in the election and allow for more efficient and effective operations; and

Whereas, S3148 became immediately effective once Governor Christie signed the Bill into law on January 17, 2012;

Now, Therefore, Be it,

Resolved, that the South Plainfield Board of Education hereby directs that the South Plainfield annual school election be held on the same day as the general election in November; and

Be it further resolved, that pursuant to S3148, the date of the District organizational meeting shall be rescheduled for a day falling within the first week of January following the election; and

increase same Be it further resolved, that in the event that voter approval is required to effect an in the general fund tax levy greater than 2%, said election shall also be held on the day as the general election; and

Be it further resolved, that this resolution approving the rescheduling of the annual school election shall be effective immediately, such that the next South Plainfield school election shall take place in November 2012.

MOTION: Mr. Stevenson      SECOND: Mrs. Byrne      VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

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#### XIV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carol Christatos, a teacher at Kennedy School, said she wanted to inform the Board about a discrepancy she found regarding a pension deduction shown on her June retro paycheck after the contract was settled that was not recorded on her pension statement from Trenton. Mr. Olobardi said he is doing a complete analysis on the June retro paychecks as far as pension is concerned. Once that is complete, he will call a meeting with the Finance Committee and the Union and take corrective action to resolve this problem.

#### XV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Hubner asked the status of the US Hoops contract. Dr. Bowen said the Board has received the draft of the contract and there were no comments regarding its content, so we are now prepared to issue it for execution.

Mrs. Byrne said the Buildings & Grounds Committee had a meeting last evening and a major topic of discussion was the roofs on our buildings. Our Architect of Record did visual inspections of all the roofs, took pictures and provided us with a report. Several are in dire need of replacement or repair and we will have to make decisions in the very near future on what we are going to do to facilitate the safeness of our buildings, students and staff. Mr. Hubner asked about funding. Mrs. Byrne said they are discussing funding and the use of \$1.3 million that has been returned to the Board for various reasons. She said we will probably have to go with repairs since we don't have the amount of money needed for replacement, since that would cost over \$8,000,000.00. She said we need to set priorities, work with our architect and financial people and move forward.

Mr. Sorrentino spoke about the discussion last week about the Student Activity Funds. He said the former bowling coach had received \$315.00 and donated it to two charities. He said for the last thirty years, he has always donated any monies left over at the end of the year to charity. This individual was not renewed as the Coach this year and Mr. Sorrentino does not feel that we should pursue the return of that money and will not support it.

Mrs. Boyle wished everyone a happy, healthy new year. She said February 3, 2012 is "Wear Red Day" in support of women and illnesses that affect women. Mrs. Boyle asked who decided on the January date for reorganization of the Board. Mr. Giannakis said that

date came from the State. Mrs. Boyle referred to the contract for US Hoops and said she is adamant that the statement in the contract stating that if a district event is scheduled for the same night, the district event takes precedence, be in bold print. Mrs. Boyle complimented the Grant School Jazz band, the music staff and administration on doing a great job.

Mr. Seesselberg said he supports the idea of moving the election to November, however, he thinks implementing it in a Presidential election year will cause more undue confusion.

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Mrs. Boyle said our annual volleyball tournament is coming up on January 29<sup>th</sup> between the South Plainfield PBA and South Plainfield Middle School to raise money for senior scholarships for our students and hopes everyone will support it.

Mr. Giannakis said the Board would be going into Executive Session for about twenty minutes and that no action will be taken.

#### XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLVED, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, that the Board meet in closed session at 8:21 p.m. to discuss confidential matters pertaining to personnel, negotiations, student matters and/or attorney-client privilege. It is expected that the matters discussed in closed session shall be made public as soon as the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

MOTION: Mr. Seesselberg                      SECOND: Mrs. Byrne                      VOTE: 8-0  
Absent: Mr. Stevenson

#### XVII. ADJOURNMENT

By a unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James Olobardi  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary