

SOUTH PLAINFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
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**Committee of the Whole Meeting– Wednesday, March 13, 2019 - 6:00 P.M.**  
**South Plainfield High School**  
**200 Lake Street**  
**South Plainfield, NJ 07080**

South Plainfield Public Schools Mission Statement:

Students are the focus of the South Plainfield Public Schools. We will provide a dynamic, rigorous, relevant and technology-enriched curriculum, guided by the New Jersey Student Learning Standards. Our mission is to develop life-long learners who are prepared to succeed in a global and diverse society. We are resolved to educate the whole child, instilling the desire within our students to question and to become divergent thinkers who can achieve their fullest potential.

- I. CALL TO ORDER - President
- II. SALUTE TO FLAG
- III. ROLL CALL
- 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 January 3, 2019.

Please be advised:

- There is no smoking on school grounds - inside or outside - at any time.
- Please silence all electronic devices.
- Pursuant to District Policy #0167, each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three minutes' duration and no participant may speak more than once on the same topic

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Presentation of Tenure Certificates

The following staff members have been recommended to receive tenure:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Date</u>
Tina Ruhnke	Grant School	11/2/18

Jennifer Leiman	Grant School	12/2/18
Amy Cicenía	Admin. Bldg.	12/2/18
Ann Simone	Franklin School	03/13/19

B. Referendum Update

Mr. Seesselberg will present the report.

VI. AGENDA ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

1. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

VII. CURRICULUM/STUDENT ACTIVITIES

A. Approval of Revised 2018/2019 School Calendar

Approve the revised 2018/2019 School Calendar as shown in Tab VII.A. May 24, 2019 will now be a half-day for students and staff.

DISCUSSION

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the foregoing resolution:

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

VIII. POLICY

IX. PERSONNEL

Motion by Member \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Member \_\_\_\_\_, to accept the recommendation of the 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 the satisfaction of all requirements set forth in P.L. 2018, c.5.** All salary placements are pending receipt of college transcripts verifying degree status and letter stating years of service in other districts, \*denotes mentoring required.)

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

**IX.A Resignations, Retirements, Terminations**

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

Code	Name	Action	Position	Location	Date Eff.	Discussion
1.	Employee ID#: 5412	Terminated	Musical Choreographer	High School	03/13/19	

**IX.B Leaves of Absence**

Code	Name	Reason	Position	Loc.	Paid FMLA Start Date	Paid Leave (Not FMLA)	Unpaid FMLA Start Date	Unpaid NJFL A Start Date	Unpaid Leave without Benefits	Return Date	Discussion
1.	Employee ID#: 4202	Paid Medical/ Unpd. FMLA	Teacher	Roosevelt School		1/22/19	PM of 2/13/19			05/02/19	
2.	Employee ID#: 4202	Paid Personal Days/Unpd FMLA	Teacher	Roosevelt School		05/03/19	05/09/19			05/29/19	Revised Dates
3.	Employee ID#: 4154	Unpd. FMLA	Teacher	High School				2/26/19		03/11/19	Revised Dates

**IX.C Appointments, Transfers**

Code	Name	Action	Position	Deg /Step	Salary/ Hrly. Rate	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1.	Martinetti, Tara	Transfer	Special Education Teacher	6 MA	\$60,885	Franklin School	3/14/2019	6/30/2019	Transfer from Grant School to Franklin Tenured Acct. #11-213-100-101-18
2.	Wargacki, Katheleen	Transfer	Paraprofessional	Step 10 6 hrs per day	\$25,457	Middle/Franklin School	02/27/19	06/30/19	Transfer from the High School Plus \$2400 Longevity Acct#: 11-213-100-106-18
3.	Melick, Leslie	Transfer	Paraprofessional	Step 10 6 hrs per day	\$25,457	Roosevelt	03/01/19	06/30/19	Transfer from Grant School Plus \$2400 Longevity Acct#: 11-213-100-106-18
4.	Emert, Lawrence	Transfer	Paraprofessional	Step 1 6 hrs per Day	\$20,871 (pro-rated)	Franklin	03/01/19	06/30/19	Transfer from Grant School Acct#: 11-212-100-106-18

**IX.D. Adjustments, Stipends, Degree Changes**

Code	Name	Action	Position	Degree/Step/ No. of Hrs.	Salary/ Stipend	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1.	Cassio, Chris	Approve	Sound & Lighting Technician	Step 2	\$2,898.00	High School	9/1/2018	6/30/2019	Stipend renamed because of Sidebar Agreement Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00
2.	Cassio, Chris	Approve	Stage Crew Advisor	Step 1	\$1,606.00	High School	03/13/19	06/30/2019	Acct.#: 11-401-100-100-00
3.	Employee ID#: 5412	Approve	Musical Choreographer	Step 1	\$135	High School	01/28/19	03/13/19	Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00

**IX.E. Approve the Extra-Curricular Sidebar Agreement Between the South Plainfield Board of Education and the South Plainfield Education Association**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following extra-curricular sidebar agreement between the South Plainfield Board of Education and the South Plainfield Education Association:

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AND THE  
SOUTH PLAINFIELD EDUCATION ASSOCIATION**

WHEREAS, The South Plainfield Board of Education (“Board”) and the South Plainfield Education Association (“Association”) are parties to a collective negotiations agreement (“Agreement”) in effect for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Article III of the Agreement states that the Agreement shall not be modified except by an instrument in writing duly executed by both parties; and

WHEREAS, both the Board and the Association wish to modify the Agreement in order to accurately reflect the position titles and stipends for two (2) Schedule C extracurricular positions;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board and the Association agree as follows:

1. The Schedule C position of “Stage Director” will be renamed to “Sound and Lighting Technician.” The associated stipend amounts will remain unchanged.
2. The Schedule C position of “A.V. Coordinator” will be deleted and replaced with the position of “Stage Crew Advisor,” with an associated Step 1 stipend of \$1,606.
3. All other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain unchanged.
4. This Sidebar shall remain in full force and effect throughout the life of the existing Agreement and until a successor Agreement is reached by the Board and the Association, at which time the modifications set forth herein shall be continued and made part of the successor Agreement as if originally negotiated therein, subject to any additional modifications that may be mutually agreed to during the negotiation period.
5. This Sidebar is subject to the approval of the South Plainfield Board of Education prior to becoming effective. Upon approval, it will be appended to the Agreement as an Exhibit and become effective immediately.

FOR THE SPEA:

FOR THE BOARD:

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DATED:

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DATED:

DISCUSSION:

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

X. FINANCE

A. Accept Proposal from Mott MacDonald for Engineering Services for Jost Field House Construction Inspection Services

Accept the proposal from Mott Mac Donald to provide construction phase engineering services in connection with the Jost Field House Construction Inspection Services. The scope of services will be on an as-needed basis as directed by the representatives of the District based on hourly rates shown in the proposal, but not to exceed \$15,000.00.

B. Resolution to Approve ANS Consultants, Inc. for Welding, Bolting Inspection and Testing for Grant, Franklin, Kennedy and Riley Schools' HVAC Project (Referendum)

Resolution to approve ANS Consultants, Inc. to provide steel welding, bolting inspection and testing for Grant, Franklin, Kennedy and Riley Schools' HVAC project (referendum), not to exceed \$4,000.00. Referendum project account numbers 30-000-408-450-03-070 (Grant), 30-000-408-450-04-060 (Franklin), 30-000-408-450-05-053 (Kennedy) & 30-000-408-450-06-058 (Riley).

C. Accept Proposal from ANS Consultants, Inc. for Special Inspection & Testing Services Relative to the Jost Field House Project

Accept the proposal from ANS Consultants, Inc. for Special Inspection & Testing Services relative to the Jost Field House Project as outlined in the proposal, at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.00.

D. Approval for Professional Development Expenditures

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>
1.	NJSHA Annual Convention	5/2-3/19	\$80.00 Registration plus mileage/tolls 11-000-223-580-11	Gillian Velmer
2.	NJ Future Problem Solving State Bowl	3/23/19	\$45.00 11-000-223-580-11	Jillian Tortora

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3.	Designing for the Vinyl Cutter	3/21/19	\$85.00 11-000-223-580-11	Carolyn White
4.	Sewn Circuits and Digital Fabrication	3/28/19	\$85.00 11-000-223-580-11	Carolyn White
5.	FLENJ Annual Conference	4/5/19	\$130.00 11-000-223-580-11	Aura Salazar
6.	Designing for the Vinyl Cutter	3/21/19	\$85.00 11-000-223-580-11	Christine Brandenburg
7.	NJ State High School Wrestling championships	2/28/19	\$230.00 Hotel/mileage/tolls/meals 11-000-223-580-11	Noreen Lishak
8.	Good Ideas in Teaching PreCalc	3/22/19	\$175.00 Registration 20-270-200-500-11 Title II	Scott Mangieri
9.	Good Ideas in Teaching PreCalc	3/22/19	\$175.00 Registration 20-270-200-500-11 Title II	David Knarr
10.	Good Ideas in Teaching PreCalc	3/22/19	\$175.00 Registration 20-270-200-500-11 Title II	Anu Garrison

E. Approval of In-Service Presentation

Approve the expenditure of \$350.00 for an in-service presentation by NJ Center for Tourette Syndrome and Associated Disorders, Inc. on March 21, 2019 for parents and staff.

Account No.: 20-250-200-300-18-00

F. Approval to Discard Obsolete Technology and A/V Equipment

Authorize the disposal of obsolete technology and A/V equipment from the High School, Middle School and Grant School. New Teck Recycling will pick up the equipment for recycling and provide us with a full list of items discarded and certify destruction of any data devices, should they exist.

G. Approval of Home/Bedside Instruction Contracts for both General and Special Education Students for the 2018-2019 School Year

1. Approve the bedside instruction contract with Silvergate Prep for one general education student for the 2018-2019 school year, effective February 25, 2019. Rate is \$41.00 per hour. State ID No.: 9856719166.
2. Approve the home instruction through Educere for one special education student, effective 2/11/19. Total cost will be \$2,523.00 (2/11-4/20/19=\$1,218.00; if extended, 4/21-6/21/19=\$1,305.00). State ID No.: 3711410337.

DISCUSSION

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the foregoing resolution:

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

XI. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

DISCUSSION

XII. PRESENTATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

Buildings & Grounds  
Curriculum  
Finance  
Policy  
Public Relations  
Shared Services  
Special Education  
Traffic Liaison

SEPAC Liaison  
Legislative Liaison

DISCUSSION:

XIII PUBLIC COMMENTS

XIV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

RESOLVED, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 47-:1A-1 *et. seq.*) that the Board meets in closed session at this time to discuss confidential matters pertaining to: (select one or more)

1. a matter rendered confidential by federal or state law
2. a matter in which release of information would impair the right to receive government funds
3. material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy
4. a collective bargaining agreement and/or negotiations related to it
5. a matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds
6. protection of public safety and property and/or investigations of possible violations or violations of law
7. pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation and/or matters of attorney-client privilege
8. specific prospective or current employees unless all who could be adversely affected request an open session.
9. deliberation after a public hearing that could result in a civil penalty or other loss

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters discussed in closed session shall be made public as soon as the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

XVI. AGENDA APPROVAL

RESOLVED, that the agenda for the regular public meeting on March 20, 2019, as may have been modified, is hereby approved.

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

XVII. ADJOURNMENT