

SOUTH PLAINFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Regular Public Meeting –Wednesday, March 20, 2019 – 6:30 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

Mr. Chapman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. SALUTE TO FLAG

III. ROLL CALL- Alex Benanti
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Present: Mr. Both, Mrs. Boyle, Mr. Giannakis, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Pennisi Mrs. Wolak, Mr. Cassio, Mr. Chapman

Absent: Mr. Farinella

Also Present: Dr. Noreen Lishak, Superintendent; Ms. Mary Malyska, Assistant Superintendent; Mr. Alex Benanti, Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Mr. Joseph 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 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. AGENDA ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

VI. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

VII. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PRIOR BOARD MEETING MINUTES/COMMITTEE MINUTES

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| a. | Committee of the Whole Meeting | February 13, 2019 |
| b. | Executive Session | February 13, 2019 |
| c. | Regular Public Meeting | February 20, 2019 |

MOTION: Mr. Giannakis SECOND: Mrs. Miller VOTE: 8-0

VIII SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Presentation by Students from John F. Kennedy School and Franklin School
Mr. Kevin Hajduk and Mr. Ralph Errico, along with student representatives, presented an overview of the Wingman Program that was implemented in Kennedy and Franklin Schools.
3. Good News and Progress in Our Schools

Dr. Lishak announced that our elementary schools sent home a permission slip this week for our students in Pre-K through 4th grade to participate in a free eye screening during the first week of May. This is a free screening sponsored by the Lions Club of South Plainfield. It is to serve as a preliminary screening to various eye diseases. The school nurse will be present during the screening. The screening will be done by a trained Lion's Club member using a highly sensitive camera to screen the eyes. The test will only take a matter of seconds. Each child who participates will be provided a printout of information to send home to parents and guardians on the results of the screening. If you are interested in having your child participate in this very valuable offering from the Lions Club, please complete the permission slip and return it to your child's school on or before April 30th. Once the screening is completed the information will be kept in the medical files of the student only and will not be released.

The South Plainfield High School Musical, "In the Heights", will open Friday, April 5th and will run through Sunday, April 7th. We have a very talented cast performing in the show so we hope you will be able to make it to the play. Tickets will be available online on the district website next week and at the door the night of the show.

IX. CURRICULUM/STUDENT ACTIVITIES

1. Acceptance of the Fire and Security Drill Reports for February 2019

Accept the Fire and Security Drill Reports to the Board of Education for February 2019.

2. Acceptance of Anti-Bullying Report

Approve the Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Reports from February 21, 2019 – March 20, 2019.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the following cumulative data regarding HIB incidents from September 5 – March 20, 2019 reported as of this agenda.

School	Number of Alleged Incidents September 5, 2018 – March 20, 2019	Number of Verified Incidents September 5, 2018 – March 20, 2019
High School	18	7
Middle School	13	6
Grant School	28	10
Franklin School	1	0
Kennedy School	1	0
Roosevelt School	1	0
Riley School	4	1

3. Approval for Overnight Trip

Approve the following trip for students:

Target Group: South Plainfield High School Marching Band

Band Camp
Camp Cayuga, Honesdale, PA
August 20-26, 2019

No cost to the Board of Education
Number of students: ~70

Trip Proposal: Mr. William Haughwout, Band Director
Chaperones: Sean Ferguson Assistant Band Director, Kelly Martini & Amy Meerovich
Color Guard Instructors, 7-10 Parent Chaperones TBD

4. Reversal of HIB Determination

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2019, the Administration reported to the Board that HIB Case No. 50-2018/19 was investigated and found to be substantiated, which was then approved by the Board as part of Agenda Item #IX(2); and

WHEREAS, the Administration thereafter reexamined the evidence for HIB Case No.50 - 2018/19 and has now determined that the outcome of its investigation in this case should be unsubstantiated, because the complained-of actions do not meet the policy and legal definition of harassment, intimidation and bullying;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that, based on the Administration's reconsideration of the matter, the Board hereby rescinds its initial determination that HIB Case No.50-2018/19 was substantiated and further, approves the Administration's revised finding that HIB Case No. 50-2018/19 is unsubstantiated, in accordance with Board policy and applicable law.

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

5. RESOLUTION TO INVOKE DOCTRINE OF NECESSITY TO APPROVE SIDEBAR
WITH SPEA
MARCH 20, 2019

WHEREAS, the Board and South Plainfield Education Association intend to enter into a sidebar agreement regarding terms and conditions of employment for certain stipend positions related to the District's drama program; and

WHEREAS, to be approved by the Board, a majority of non-conflicted Board members must vote on the resolution to approve the sidebar; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that, based upon prior and recently published Advisory Opinions issued by the School Ethics Commission, four (4) of the Board's members currently have conflicts of interest preventing their participation in matters of negotiations with the SPEA, including sidebar agreement; and

WHEREAS, in the event that there are insufficient non-conflicted Board members present and voting at the March 20, 2019 meeting, the sidebar cannot be approved or voted on without invoking the Doctrine of Necessity; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes the sidebar to take effect immediately in order to apply to the upcoming school play, and therefore the resolution and associated sidebar must be voted on and approved at the March 20, 2019 Board of Education meeting because it is the last meeting prior to the scheduled dates for the school play; and

WHEREAS, the Board has consulted with its legal counsel on this issue; and

WHEREAS, because the Board is a nine (9) member body, it is not possible for the non-conflicted members present at the meeting to reach the required minimum affirmative votes to approve the sidebar;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby invokes the Doctrine of Necessity to permit all Board members to vote on the sidebar at issue as it relates to the school play, in order to allow the Board to attain a majority vote on the motion and, if approved, have the sidebar become effective in time for the upcoming school play; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be posted where the Board posts public notices for a period of 30 days and the Board Secretary shall provide a copy of the resolution to the School Ethics Commission.

DISCUSSION:

Mrs. Boyle asked if the sidebar was signed by the Association and the Board. Mr. Chapman confirmed.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the foregoing resolutions.

MOTION: Mr. Giannakis

SECOND: Mrs. Miller

VOTE: 8-0

X. POLICY

1. Approve the Second Readings of Bylaws/Policies/Regulations

Approve the second readings of the following Bylaws/Policies/Regulations, and hereby adopts them:

- a. Policy 2415.06-Unsafe School Choice Option (Revised)
- b. Policy 2422-Health and Physical Education (Revised)
- c. Policy 2431.3-Practice and Pre-Season Heat-Acclimation for School-Sponsored Athletics and Extra-Curricular Activities (Revised)
- d. Regulation 2460.8-Special Education-Free and Appropriate Public Education (Revised)
- e. Policy 2610-Educational Program Evaluation (Revised)
- f. Policy 4219-Commerical Driving License Controlled Substance and Alcohol Use Testing (Revised)
- g. Policy 5111-Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students (Revised)
- h. Regulation 5111-Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students (Revised)
- i. Policy 5337-Service Animals (Revised)
- j. Regulation 5530-Substance Abuse (Revised)
- k. Policy 5600-Student Discipline/Code of Conduct (Revised)
- l. Regulation 5600-Student Discipline/Code of Conduct (Revised)
- m. Policy 5611-Removal of Students for Firearms Offenses (Revised)
- n. Regulation 5611-Removal of Students for Firearms Offenses (Revised)

- o. Policy 5612-Assaults on District Board of Education Members or Employees (Revised)
- p. Regulation 5612-Assaults on District Board of Education Members or Employees (Revised)
- q. Policy 5613-Removal of Students for Assaults with Weapons Offenses (Revised)
- r. Regulation 5613-Removal of Students for Assaults with Weapons Offenses (Revised)
- s. Policy 5756-Transgender Students (Revised)
- t. Policy 7440-School District Security (Revised)
- u. Regulation 7440-School District Security (Revised)
- v. Policy 8461-Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Alcohol, and Other Drug Offenses (Revised)
- w. Regulation 8461-Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Alcohol, and Other Drug Offenses (Revised)
- x. Policy 8561-Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs (Revised)
- y. Policy 8601-Pupil Supervision After School Dismissal (Revised)
- z. Policy 8860-Memorials (Revised)

2. Approval of Revised Fee Schedule for Policy #7510 – Use of School Facilities

Approve the Revised Fee Schedule for Policy #7510 as shown in Tab X.2

DISCUSSION:

Mrs. Boyle asked if the fees are waived for all of the 501(c)(3)'s that are affiliated with the school. She said that there was a comment last week about the Education Foundation and while they are a 501(c)(3), they are recognized as a New Jersey State charity. Mrs. Boyle said that there are vice principals from the high school and teachers that are part of the Education Foundation. She said that they do the Gold Card Picnic and help if teachers need supplies that are not covered. Mrs. Boyle asked how would they would not be a part of this.

Dr. Lishak said that when we discussed who would be considered as being waived for the fees, we discussed the PTO's and non-profits that are directly related to the school. They are all receiving a waiver so they wouldn't have to pay for a custodian during the course of a regular scheduled day when custodians are on duty as well as beyond the regular day. If they are having a function on a Saturday and all of the money is returning back to the school, it supports the school then the fees are waived. The Borough is also a part of the waiver.

Dr. Lishak said that anyone who is a non-profit and community-based, we will also waive the fees but anything beyond the regular schedule, where we would have to pay for a custodian to come in, they will not be waived.

Mrs. Boyle said that they don't do anything on a weekend and they are affiliated by doing the Gold Card picnic so would that come under that? Dr. Lishak said that her understanding is that the way it was discussed is the PTO's, Booster and the Borough only would have the fees waived beyond the regular schedule. She said that as a non-profit, during a regular scheduled time when a custodian is on duty, they would not be charged for that but if they wanted to have something on a Saturday when custodians are called in, they will be responsible for payment.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the foregoing resolutions.

MOTION: Mr. Giannakis

SECOND: Mrs. Miller

VOTE: 8-0

XI. PERSONNEL

Motion by Member Mr. Giannakis, seconded by Member Mrs. Miller, 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.)

XI.A Resignations, Retirements, Terminations

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

Code	Name	Action	Position	Location	Date Eff.	Discussion
1.	Wargacki, Kathleen	Retire	Paraprofessional	High School	07/01/19	
2.	Zablocki, Nicole	Retire	Elementary Teacher	Riley School	07/01/19	
3.	Gumina, Margaret	Retire	Elementary Teacher	Riley School	07/01/19	
4.	Cooper, Natalie	Retire	Bus Aide	District	03/18/19	

XI.B 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 ID#: 5375	Paid Medical/ Unpd. FMLA	Duty Aide	Franklin School		03/12/19	03/26/19			04/08/19	
1.	Employee ID#: 4202	Paid Medical/ Unpd. FMLA	Teacher	Roosevelt School		1/22/19	PM of 2/13/19			04/18/19	Revised Dates
2.	Employee ID#: 4202	Paid Personal Days/Unpd FMLA	Teacher	Roosevelt School		04/18/19	05/02/19			05/29/19	Revised Dates The use of personal days on 4/18/19, 4/29/19, 4/30/19 & 5/1/19
4.	Employee ID#: 2041	Unpd. FMLA	Teacher	Roosevelt School			01/16/19			03/27/19	Revised Dates

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XI.C Appointments, Transfers

Code	Name	Action	Position	Deg /Step	Salary/ Hrly. Rate	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1.	Hajduk, Kevin	Approve	Principal	\$130,675		Kennedy School	1/01/2019	6/30/2019	Tenured Advance on Salary Guide as per SPPPU- Increase in degree credit to MA+60 at \$1525 \$2430 TD& \$625 TA Acct#: 11-000+-240-103-05
2.	Benton, Kathleen	Approve	Science Teacher	9 MA	\$66,885	High School	1/1/2019	6/30/2019	Salary Advancement Tenured Acct. #11-140-100-101-01
3.	Colucci, Shannon	Approve	Elementary Teacher	9 MA +30	\$69,085	Kennedy School	1/1/2019	6/30/2019	Salary Advancement Tenured Acct. #11-120-100-101-05
4.	Paul, Amelia	Approve	Nurse	3 BA+15	\$56,885	Middle School	1/1/2019	6/30/2019	Salary Advancement Non-Tenured Acct#:11-000-213-104-02
5.	Benanti, Alex	Approve	Board Secretary	N/A	N/A	District	03/04/19	06/30/19	N/A
6.	Benanti, Alex	Approve	Temporary Qualified Purchasing Agent	N/A	N/A	District	03/04/19	06/30/19	N/A
7.	Benanti, Alex	Approve	Public Agency Compliance Officer (P.A.C.O.)	N/A	N/A	District	03/04/19	06/30/19	N/A
8.	Benanti, Alex	Approve	Custodian of School Records	N/A	N/A	District	03/04/19	06/30/19	N/A
9.	Benanti, Alex	Approve	Food Services Representative	N/A	N/A	District	03/04/19	06/30/19	N/A
10.	Benanti, Alex	Approve	Special-Ed – Medicaid Initiative Co-Coordinator	N/A	N/A	District	03/04/19	06/30/19	N/A
11.	Benanti, Alex	Approve	Affirmative Action Officer for Equity in Employment Practices	N/A	N/A	District	03/04/19	06/30/19	N/A
12.	Luck, Theresa	Approve	Title I Summer Program Administrator	N/A	\$2000.00	District	04/01/19	08/01/19	Acct#:20-231-200-100-11
13.	Gnapp, Pamela	Approve	Duty Aide	Step 1 3.5 hrs. per day	\$11,377 (pro-rated)	High School	03/25/19	06/30/19	Acct#:11-000-262-107-01
14.	Born, Kim	Approve	Duty Aide	Step 2 3.5 hrs. per day	\$11,545 (pro-rated)	High School	03/21/19	06/30/19	Increase in hours from 3 to 3.5 per day Acct#:11-000-262-107-01
15.	Orlowski, Kristen	Approve	Duty Aide	Step 9 3.5 hrs. per day	\$13,346 (pro-rated)	High School	03/21/19	06/30/19	Increase in hours from 3 to 3.5 per day Acct#:11-000-262-107-01
16.	Lodato, Vanessa	Approve	Bus Aide	Step 2 5.5 hrs. per day	\$17,859 (pro-rated)	District	03/18/19	06/30/19	Increase in hours from 4 to 5.5 Acct#:11-000-270-107-16
17.	Pettaway, Tonette	Approve	Bus Aide	Step 1 4 hrs. per day	\$13,138 (pro-rated)	District	03/21/19	06/30/19	Replacing N. Cooper Acct#:11-000-270-107-16
18.	Ali, Neelam	Approve	PT Paraprofessional	Step 1 19.5 hrs. per week	\$13,566 (pro-rated)	Franklin School	03/21/19	06/30/19	Acct#:11-213-100-106-18

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19.	Jones, Nicole	Approve	Paraprofessional	Step 1 6 hrs. per day	\$20,870 (pro-rated)	Franklin School	TBD	06/30/19	Pending successful completion of criminal history background check Acct#:11-213-100-106-18
20.	Margiotta, Stephen	Approve	PT Paraprofessional	Step 1 19.5 hrs. per week	\$13,566 (pro-rated)	Middle School	TBD	06/30/19	Replacing A. Romano Pending successful completion of criminal history background check Acct#:11-213-100-106-18

XI.D. Adjustments, Stipends, Degree Changes

Code	Name	Action	Position	Degree/Step/ No. of Hrs.	Salary/ Stipend	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1.	Piesche, Barbara	Approve	District Accountant II	N/A	\$73.50	Admin Bldg.	02/01/19	02/01/19	Sick Day Payout Acct#: 11-000-251-100-12
2.	Hudzik, Sharon	Approve	6th Period Assignment	8 MA+30	\$6,708.50 (pro- rated)	Roosevelt School	03/04/19	06/30/19	3 days per week Acct#: 11-213-100-101-18
3.	Rodger, Mary	Approve	PD Presenter	3 hrs.	\$80.67	Franklin School	2/15/19	2/15/19	Acct#:11-120-100-101-04
4.	Denitzio, Joseph	Approve	Volunteer Special Olympics	N/A	N/A	District	TBD	06/30/19	Pending successful completion of the criminal history background check
5.	Salvatore, Craig	Approve	Volunteer Spring Weight Room	N/A	N/A	High School	03/21/19	06/30/19	N/A
6.	Benton, Kathleen	Approve	6th Period –Science	9 MA	\$8,918. (pro- rated)	High School	01/01/19	06/30/2019	Revised—increase due to salary advancement 4 days per week Acct#: 11-140-100-101-25
7.	Moniz, Kristi	Approve	Volunteer	N/A	N/A	District	03/21/19	06/30/19	N/A
8.	Cassio, Chris	Approve	Sound & Lighting Technician	Step 2	\$2,898.00	High School	9/1/2018	6/30/19	Stipend renamed because of Sidebar Agreement Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00
9.	Cassio, Chris	Approve	Stage Crew Advisor	Step 1	\$1,606.00	High School	03/20/19	06/30/19	Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00
10.	Maddolin, Shannon	Approve	PD Presenter	5 BA	\$46.86 per hr. Total of 4 hrs. \$187.45	Elementary School	05/08/19	05/29/19	Genesis Gradebook Training 05/08/19, 05/15/19 & 05/29/19 4 hrs. total Acct#:11-120-100-101-03, 11-120-100-101-06 & 11- 130-100-101-03
11.	McDonough, Nicole	Approve	PD Presenter	2 BA	\$44.36 per hr. Total of 4 hrs. \$177.45	Elementary School	05/08/19	05/29/19	Genesis Gradebook Training 05/08/19, 05/15/19 & 05/29/19 4 hrs. total Acct#:11-130-100-101-03
12.	Luck, Teresa	Approve	PD Presenter	19 MA+30	\$82.50 per hr. Total of 4 hrs. \$330.02	Elementary School	05/08/19	05/29/19	Genesis Gradebook Training 05/08/19, 05/15/19 & 05/29/19 4 hrs. total Acct#:11-120-100-101-07

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

MOTION: Mr. Giannakis
Mr. Cassio abstained on 11D.8 & 9

SECOND: Mrs. Miller

VOTE: 8-0

XI.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 sidebar agreement between South Plainfield Board of Education and 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:

DATED:

DATED:

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

MOTION: Mr. Giannakis

SECOND: Mrs. Miller

VOTE: 8-0

XII. FINANCE

1. Acceptance of 2019/2020 State Aid

Accept State Aid for the 2019/2020 school year as follows:

General Fund Aid:

Equalization Aid	\$6,455,470.
Transportation Aid	\$ 305,134
Categorical Aid	\$2,230,194
Security Aid	\$ 112,479
Preschool Aid	\$ 52,800
Debt Service Fund Aid	\$ 458,569
Assessment for Debt Service on SDA Funding	\$(64,257)

Grand Total Payable to District: \$9,550,389

2. Acceptance and Submission of the Tentative 2019/2020 Budget

Approve the adoption and authorize the Business Administrator to submit the 2019/2020 school district budget to the Middlesex County Superintendent of Schools as follows:

Fund 10	\$63,504,357
Fund 20	\$ 1,527,800
Fund 40	\$ 2,817,345
Total Budget	\$67,849,502

As per N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3(a), the proposed budget provides for a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for travel appropriation of \$40,000.00. \$40,000.00 was budgeted in the 2018/2019 school year, of which \$23,314 was spent to date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the following amounts to be raised by taxes, which in final form, will be submitted to the Middlesex County Superintendent of Schools on or before May14, 2019.

General Fund	\$49,853,136
Debt Service	\$ 2,343,427

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the use the Health Care Cost Adjustment of \$250,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the appropriations from the following accounts for the 2019/2020 school year:

Maintenance Reserve	\$ 974,116
Emergency Reserve	\$ 1,972
Capital Reserve	\$1,255,000

3. Approval of Nonpublic School Security Aid Program Purchase Order

Approve the Nonpublic School Security Aid Program Purchase Order through the Educational Services Commission of NJ for Al-Minhaal Academy in the amount of \$11,330.15, as shown in Tab XII.3

4. Approval of Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program Purchase Order

Approve the Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program Purchase Order through the Educational Services Commission of NJ for Al-Minhaal Academy in the amount of \$184.00, as shown in Tab XII.4

5. Approval of Nonpublic School Security Aid Program Purchase Order

Approve the Nonpublic School Security Aid Program Purchase Order through the Educational Services Commission of NJ for Holy Savior Academy in the amount of \$957.52, as shown in Tab XII.5

6. Approval of Line Item Transfers

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the monthly transfer reports for February 2019, and submits to the Executive County Superintendent for approval. Tab XII.6

7. Receipt of Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the receipt of the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports as of February 2019, and acknowledge the following certification of the Board Secretary:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2-11(c)4, the Board Secretary certifies that after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial reports in the minutes of the Board each month that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.121(b).

Alex Benanti, Board Secretary

Date

8. Approval of Bill List for February 2019

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	2-15-2019	\$ 1,675,362.12
Payroll	2-28-2019	\$ 1,747,680.29

<u>Checks</u>	<u>Check Numbers</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>Hand Checks</u>		
Preschool		\$
Latchkey	400068 - 400069	\$ 7,701.15
Adult Ed	500036 - 500040	\$ 1,618.40
Cafeteria	200032 - 200034	\$ 223,433.46
Trust and Agency	100321 – 100344	\$ 182,235.37
FICA	902151908	\$ 97,349.93
	902281920	\$ 101,847.22
Unemployment		\$
Machine Checks	4601 - 4819	\$ 2,021,926.91
Machine Check	4820	700.00
FUND 30	700167 - 700176	\$ 297,277.97
FUND 30	700177	\$ 190,365.00

9. Resolution to Approve Various Purchase Contracts and Orders for the 2018/2019 School Year

Approve the purchase contracts and orders pursuant to NJSA 18A:18A-10 and 18A:18A-5(6) in the 2018/2019 school year for the following vendors.
 Purchase Order numbers and amounts listed in Tab XII.9

Grainger
 Supplyworks

10. Approve the Letter of Agreement and DOT Testing Fee Schedule for 2019/2020 with Prevention Specialists, Inc.

Approve the Letter of Agreement and DOT Testing Fee Schedule for the 2019/2020 school year with Prevention Specialists, Inc. in accordance with Tab XII.10.

11. Approval of Non-Public School Security Initiative Program Purchase Order

Approve the Nonpublic School Security Initiative Program purchase orders through the

Educational Services Commission of New Jersey for Holy Savior Academy totaling \$21,216.48 as shown in Tab XII.11.

12. 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.	Restock Your Pediatric Toolbox	5/22/19	\$75.00 11-000-223-580-11	Ardis DeCamp
2.	Hot Topics for SLs: From RtI/MTSS to ASHA's Roles and Responsibilities of SLPs in Schools	5/10/19	\$99.00 11-000-219-580-18	Chelsea Walsh
3.	NJCEE Workshop - Equity	4/4/19	\$10.85 mileage 11-000-223-580-11	Shanti Kantha-Murray
4.	2019 Spring Nike Championship Basketball Clinics	4/26-28/19	\$155.00 11-402-100-800-01	John Greco
5.	Engineering Design Through Children's Literature	5/3/19	\$85.00 11-000-223-580-11	Kendall Ribar
6.	Engineering Design Through Children's Literature	5/3/19	\$85.00 11-000-223-580-11	Sharon Hunt

7.	NJAFPA 2019 Annual Spring Conference	5/30/19	20-270-200-500-11 \$173.18	Anu Garrison
8.	Legal One HIB Law Update	4/12/19	\$150.00 11-000-223-580-11	Lisa Silkowski
9.	NJSSNA Spring Conference	3/30/19	\$225.00 11-000-213-800-01	Carol Ullom
10.	Sensory Processing Disorders	4/24/19	\$249.00 11-000-223-580-11	Megan Lardieri
11.	2019 Procurements Updates	3/21/19	\$111.80 registration/mileage 11-000-251-580-12	Murat Yazici
12.	Getting Ready for Your 2019 Audit	4/11/19	\$111.80 registration/mileage 11-000-251-580-12	Murat Yazici

13. Dissolution of Fall Transportation Jointure

Approve the dissolution of the following Fall Transportation jointure for the 2018/2019 school year:

School	Rt. #	District	# of Days	Adjusted Route Cost
Grant School/Roos.	WSS/GHM7	West Windsor	49	\$3675.00

14. Approve the Purchase of a Ford Truck from Winner Ford through a State Contract

Approve the purchase of a Ford Truck/9' 2/3 yard dump/ 8-1/2 foot Western MVP Plus V Plow from Winner Ford in the amount of \$44,458.00 through State Contract Number A88758, T2101

15. Approval of Contingency Change Order #1 for M & M Construction Company, Inc. Relative to the Proposed Locker & Toilet Building Project at the Jost Field Athletic Complex - \$2,886.62

Approve Contingency Change Order #1 for M & M Construction, Company, Inc. in the amount of \$2,886.62 for removal of existing sanitary manhole and existing footings relative to the Proposed Locker & Toilet Building Project at the Jost Field Athletic Complex. The Owner's Contingency Reserve of \$100,000.00 will be reduced by \$2,886.62, leaving a balance of \$97,113.38.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the foregoing resolutions.

MOTION: Mr. Giannakis SECOND: Mr. Pennisi VOTE: 8-0
Mrs. Boyle recused on bills list items 19-2376 and 19-3203.

Mrs. Boyle thanked Dr. Lishak and Mr. Benanti for their help on her questions on the budget.

XIV. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

XV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

XVI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Chapman congratulated the students on this evening's presentation. He said that it was a great presentation and program and he is happy that we have something like that in our schools.

Mr. Chapman said that he would like to let the public know that he and Dr. Lishak coordinated a meeting with Senator Diegnan on March 27th to discuss the school funding. He said that we have concerns about the trend that is coming our way and we would like to express our concerns with him in person and see if we can help resolve any issues with currently have coming our way. He said that we are concerned as a board and we are being proactive.

Mrs. Boyle said that she is also having a meeting coming up with Senator Diegnan, Assemblywoman Pinkin, Assemblyman Karabinchak, Assemblyman Zwicker from South Brunswick and Assemblywoman from the 19th District, Yvonne Lopez also to discuss the SRFA Funding and the reasoning that 200 districts were cut and 300 plus received additional funding.

Mrs. Boyle said congratulated all those who are retiring. She thanked Mr. Hajduk and Mr. Errico and their students for the excellent presentation. She said that they got up and spoke and did a great job.

Mrs. Boyle announced that the Middlesex County Recondition Dinner is next Tuesday,

March 26th at Old Bridge High school. She said that two students from each of the 19 towns who have met challenges or overcome challenges are going to be recognized.

Mrs. Boyle announced that this Saturday, March 23rd is the South Plainfield High School Baseball team fundraiser. IT will be located at the PAL over by the pool from 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Just bag anything that you would like to donate. They take clothes, accessories and toys. Bring it to the PAL and load it on the truck.

The Education Foundation Top Golf event is on March 31st. The funds raised will go toward scholarship. March 30th is the Cultural Arts Murder Mystery. There is no charge for those tickets but you have to register online on the Borough website at Cultural Arts.

Mrs. Boyle announced that the annual Mayor's Wellness Committee's Annual Autism Awareness event will be held at the Senior Center on April 7th from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. There will be various doctor's there representing the Autism. There will be a balloon release and balloon artist, Eddie Lin will be there. There will also be sensory project for the children to do.

Taste of South Plainfield will be held on April 29th.

The Knights of Columbus is hosting their annual substance abuse poster contest. It's for ages 8-11 and 12-14. Information is posted on the Borough's website.

Women's Leadership is partnering with Suburban Women's Club is hosting their 9th Annual Women's History Essay Contest. That is for the High School students in World History and English and this year we are doing it on Ruth Bader Ginsburg. There is a first prize of \$250.00, second prize of \$150.00 and third prize of \$100.00. This is also in the newspapers and listed on the website.

Mrs. Boyle said that Mr. Errico did a great job with the Lenahan Breakfast. They had a great turnout with everything done in green.

Mr. Both announced that on March 21st is the Special Education Department Speaker Series. Mr. Brandon will have Strategies and Accommodations for Students with Tourette's Syndrome, ADHD, OCD, learning disabilities and associated disorders. The speaker series will be held at the Middle School at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Both said that he had a productive meeting at the PAL today. They have Buddy Ball up and running. It will be starting on April 29th and will be for students 5 years and older. Two of our teachers from Franklin School will be running the program for us.

Mr. Both announced that Sunday, April 7th is the SEPAC Special Olympics breakfast. This is for the Special Olympics as well as the SEPAC group. Half of the money will go toward the athlete's equipment and the other half will go toward a SEPAC scholarship for students with disabilities that are going on to college.

Mr. Both said that for many, March 21st is just March 21st but for him it is Down Syndrome Awareness Day. 3 segments on 21 chromosomes. Kennedy school staff has volunteered to wear their buddy walk shirts in celebration. They will also be provided a light breakfast from the Buddy Walk of South Plainfield.

Mrs. Miller said that she attended the Parent Palooza II that was held on February 26th. She said that the presentation was fantastic but, as Mr. Chapman said last week, the attendance from parents was rather dismal. She said that she attended the session on the digital footprint presented by Christine Bragenburg, which was extremely informative.

Mrs. Miller said that she also attended the 50th district Music Festival. Performances by all students were outstanding and impressive. She commended our music staff for their hard work and dedication with working with our students all year long to put on this spectacular festival.

Mrs. Miller congratulated the retirees and thanked them for all they have done for our students over the years. She said she hopes they relax and enjoy their retirement because they definitely earned it.

Mrs. Miller said that the Kennedy and Franklin presentations here tonight were wonderful and she thanked the students and staff. She said that she loves these presentations because it gives us the opportunity to meet some of our students and see what they are accomplishing in the schools.

Mrs. Miller thanked Mary for giving her the information that she requested regarding Before and After Care. Thank you.

The South Plainfield High School auction that helps support the class of 2019 Project Graduation will take place on May 4th in the High School gym. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Get your family and friends together and join us for a fun night to help support an event for not only our high school seniors but for our entire South Plainfield Community. Everyone benefits from this event.

Mrs. Wolak said that she is very happy to hear that Dr. Lishak and Mr. Cassio as well as Mrs. Boyle are going to be meeting and talking about these issues because we can't be losing this money.

Dr. Lishak said that if you happen to be watching News 12 yesterday, you caught our Jazz Band being mentioned for their performance at Raymour and Flannigan. She said that someone that was shopping in the store was so impressed by the Jazz Band that they took pictures and contacted News 12. Dr. Lishak said that we are very, very proud of them.

Mr. Chapman echoed what Mrs. Wolak said about everyone meeting to express our dissatisfaction with the school funding. He said that it is very important and he thanked them for doing that.

Mr. Chapman said that Kennedy and Franklin had a great presentation. He also shared the URL to purchase the shirts that they were wearing. The URL is tinyurl.com/spwingman.

Mr. Chapman announced that the Harlem Wizards game to benefit all elementary and Grant School PTOs will be held on March 30th.

XVII. 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: Mr. Giannakis

SECOND: Mrs. Miller

VOTE: 8-0

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business of the Board, there was a motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION: Mr. Giannakis

SECOND: Mr. Farinella

VOTE: 9-0

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Benanti
Business Administrator/Board Secretary