

SOUTH PLAINFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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**Committee of the Whole Meeting – Wednesday, June 13, 2018 – 6:00 P.M.**

**South Plainfield High School**

**200 Lake Street**

**South Plainfield, NJ 07080**

- I. CALL TO ORDER - President
- II. SALUTE TO FLAG
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. BOARD PRESIDENT

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.

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 8, 2018.

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

1. Recognition of Students & Staff – Spring Sports Awards

**Baseball**

Team: GMC Champions

Connor Adams

Christopher Born

Matthew Cassio

Ashwin deGroot

Brody Donovan

Austin Feltham

Roberto Gonzalez – All White Division

Jordan Hamberg

Josiah Harvey  
Jose Hernandez  
Justin Jones  
William Keane – All White Division  
Michael Marrero  
Thomas Massaro  
Ryan Massett  
Samuel Nieves  
Christopher Shine – All White Division/ All Conference/Cy Young (Best Pitcher in GMC)  
Cooper Smith  
Michael Stanczak – All White Division/ All Conference  
Edwin Niko Vasquez  
Alexys Craggan, Manager  
Gianna Ruzicka, Manager

Coaches:

Anthony Guida, Head Coach - All White Division Coach of the Year/All Conference Coach of the Year  
Michael Battista, Assistant Coach  
Mark Benak, Assistant Coach  
Steven Wiczorek, Assistant Coach  
Dan Hansen, Volunteer Coach  
Jeffrey Pellegrino, Volunteer Coach  
Vincent Pellegrino, Volunteer Coach

**Girls Lacrosse**

Lynda Farinella – All Conference

**Golf**

David Bickunas – All White Division  
Brandon Wizda – All White Division

**Girls Spring Track**

Team: Blue Division Relay Champions; Blue Division Champions  
Jacinda Anderson  
Brianna Atkinson – All Blue Division  
Domonique Bowe  
Melissa Calderon  
Lauren Calvey  
Amanda Cheng  
Ming-Wai Cheung  
Juliane Ferraro  
Jasmine Garwood  
Priscilla Gavilanes  
McKayla Grabinsky  
Kayla Greenleaf – All Blue Division, All Conference  
Jordan Lovett  
Kaylie Macpherson  
Lauryn McMillan

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Ellenie Mejias  
Alyssa Moffitt  
Brianna Padovano  
Hailey Palmer – All Blue Division  
Tiffany Parajon - All Blue Division  
Samantha Pullen – All Blue Division, All Conference  
Megan Russo  
Emily Samayoa  
Ria Soni  
Lisette Vega  
Stephanie Waters  
Sofia Watson – All Blue Division  
Anya Wilson  
Ashley Wyber  
Coaches:  
Christopher Fish – Head Coach  
David Rosa – Assistant Coach  
Kelly Gamaro – Assistant Coach

**Boys Spring Track**

Team: Blue Division Champions  
Nicholas Aiello  
Chibundu Anyanwu  
Paul Baldassarre  
Ryan Bali  
Trevor Barry  
Justin Billich  
Jared Campos  
Abdul Cokley  
Alexander Crews  
Warner Cruz  
Alejandro Garcia – All Blue Division  
Keyon Gardner  
Adam Globis  
Kevin Hagy  
Troy Harzula  
Jeff Heine  
O’Shaun Hinds – All Blue Division  
Dylan Kolvites  
Anthony Laudani  
Julian Lee  
Keith Lehman  
Elijah McNeill – All Blue Division  
Jorge Mora  
John O’Brien  
Jalil Palms – All Blue Division, All Conference  
Brandon Pascale

Dheer Patel – All Blue Division  
Everette Pfeiffer  
Robert Rivera  
Andre Rivers  
Hamilton Uzoma

Coaches:

Matthew Connell – Head Coach, All Blue Division Coach of the Year  
Bryan Holt – Assistant Coach  
Stephen Balzer – Assistant Coach

Softball

Jennifer Grasso – All White Division/All Conference  
Jillian Holoboski – All White Division/All Conference  
MaKayla Sosa – All White Division/All Conference  
Coach:  
Don Panzarella – Winningest Softball Coach in NJ – 749 WINS

Athletic Awards

William Keane – Greater Middlesex Conference Sportsmanship Award  
Ria Soni- Greater Middlesex Conference Sportsmanship Award  
Jennifer Grasso- New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association Scholar Athlete/  
Greater Middlesex Conference Scholar Athlete

Joseph Heilmann- Greater Middlesex Conference Scholar Athlete

2. Good News and Progress in our Schools

VI. AGENDA ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

1. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

VII. CURRICULUM/STUDENT ACTIVITIES

DISCUSSION:

VIII. 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:

**VIII.A. Appointments, Transfers**

Code	Name	Action	Position	Deg /Step	Salary/ Hrly. Rate	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1.	* Brandon, Andrew	Approve	Director of Special Services	N/A	\$132,000	District	TBD	6/30/2019	Plus \$625 Time as Admin. Plus \$1025 Degree Credit Acct#:11-000-240-103-18

**VIII.B.Adjustments, Stipends, Degree Changes**

Code	Name	Action	Position	Degree/Step/ No. of Hrs.	Salary/ Stipend	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1.	Decker, Marianne	Approve	National Honor Society	Step 1	\$502.00	Middle School	9/1/2017	6/30/2018	(1/2 of \$1004.00) Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00
2.	Tierney, Donna	Approve	National Honor Society	Step 1	\$502.00	Middle School	9/1/2017	6/30/2018	(1/2 of \$1004.00) Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00
3.	Lillis, Brittany	Approve	Student Council Co-Advisor	Step 4	\$986.50	Kennedy School	9/1/2017	6/30/2018	(1/2 of \$1973.00) Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00
4.	Haus, Lauren	Approve	Student Council Co-Advisor	Step 3	\$950.00	Kennedy School	9/1/2017	6/30/2018	(1/2 of \$1900.00) Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00
5.	Wharton, Kathleen	Approve	Safety Partol Advisor	Step 5	\$2,278.00	Kennedy School	9/1/2017	6/30/2018	Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00

**DISCUSSION:**

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

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

**IX.. FINANCE**

1. Approval the Renewal of the Horizon Direct Access Medical and Prescription Plans and Monthly Rates for Van Drivers for the 2018/2019 school year (Subgroups 20, 21, 22 & 23)

Approve the Conract with Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield of NJ to provide medical and prescription Insurance for Van Drivers (Subgroups 20, 21, 22 & 23) for the 2018/2019 school year at the following monthly rates:

**Van Drivers' Plan**

	<b><u>Direct Access</u></b>	<b><u>Prescription</u></b>
Single	\$ 813.87	\$232.48
Employee & Children	\$1,401.01	\$409.89
Employee & Spouse	\$1,988.56	\$581.78
Family	\$2,304.91	\$674.35

**Dependent to Age 31 – Van Driver’s Direct Access Plan**

Single Medical	\$494.84
Singe RX	\$141.35

2. Approval to Join the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA)

Grant approval for the South Plainfield Public Schools to join the National Joint Powers Alliance for cooperative purchasing which allows us the opportunity to purchase off of nationally, competitively solicited contracts.

2. Reject Bid #14-18 – 25 Passenger Bus

WHEREAS, the South Plainfield Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18:18A-1 (et seq.) advertised for sealed bids for Bid #14-18 – 25 Passenger Bus on May 4, 2018; 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 May 15, 2018. A total of two (2) bids were received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education and upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the bids be rejected since the bids did not comply with the bid specifications regarding the warranty on the vehicle.

4. Approve the Purchase of a 25 Passenger Bus through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Purchasing Co-op

Approve the purchase of a 2019 Starcraft “Quest” 25 Passenger Bus with gasoline engine and Wheel Chair Assessibility from Alliance Bus Group, Inc. in the amount of \$71,028.00 through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Co-op.

3. Reject Bid #15-18 – 54 Passenger Bus

WHEREAS, the South Plainfield Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18:18A-1 (et seq.) advertised for sealed bids for Bid #15-18 – 54 Passenger Bus on May 4, 2018; 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 May 15, 2018. A total of two (2) bids were received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education and upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the bids be rejected since the amounts bid exceeded the budgeted amount.

4. Approve the Purchase of 54 Passenger Bus through the National Joint Powers Alliance

Approve the purchase of a 2019 54 Passenger Blue Bird “Vision” Bus with gasoline engine and hydraulic brakes per Contract #102115-BBB from Hoover Truck & Bus Centers in the amount of \$97,078.74 through the National Joint Powers Alliance Cooperative Purchasing Co-op.

5. Award Bid #17-18 – Surplus Item – Metal Shop

WHEREAS, the South Plainfield Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18:18A-1 (et seq.) advertised for sealed bids for Bid #17-18 – Surplus Items – Metal Shop on May 25, 2018; 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 June 5, 2018. A total of two (2) bids were received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education and upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the bid be award to American Machinery Liquidators, Inc., P.O. Box 6995, East Brunswick, NJ 08816-6995, for the sum of \$2021.00 as shown in Tab IX.5

6. 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.	Lifeguarding Review	6/16/18	\$245.00 11-402-100-800-22	Thomas Conneely
2.	Professional Learning Board	Online Course 5 hours	\$39.00 11-000-223-580-11	Donna Tierney
3.	Professional Learning Board	Online Course 5 hours	\$39.00 11-000-223-580-11	Stephen Phillips

7. Reject Bid #13-18 – Custodial and Grounds Operations

WHEREAS, the South Plainfield Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18:18A-1 (et seq.) advertised for sealed bids for Bid #13-18 – Custodial and Grounds Maintenance on May 16, 2018; 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 June 8, 2018. A total of two (2) bids were received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education and upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the bids be rejected because the bids were over the budgeted amount. The Business Administrator is directed to re-bid for these services.

DISCUSSION

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

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

X BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

DISCUSSION

XI. PRESENTATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

DISCUSSION:

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

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

XIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

XIV. 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:

XV. AGENDA APPROVAL

RESOLVED, that the agenda for the regular public meeting on June 20, 2018, as may have been modified, is hereby approved.

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

XVI. ADJOURNMENT