

SOUTH PLAINFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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**Committee of the Whole Meeting– Wednesday, October 10, 2018 - 6:30 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
- VI. AGENDA ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS
  - 1. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only
- VII. CURRICULUM/STUDENT ACTIVITIES

1. Approval of Amended Fall Football Schedule – North Plainfield/South Plainfield Game

Approve the date change of the North Plainfield/South Plainfield football game from November 9, 2018 to November 8, 2018. In the event either team advances in the post season, the game will be moved to November 15, 2018 or November 22, 2018.

DISCUSSION

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

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

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.)

**VIII.A Appointments, Transfers**

Code	Name	Action	Position	Deg /Step	Salary/ Hrly. Rate	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1.	Merkler, Ashley	Approve	Elementary Teacher	5 MA	\$58,885 (prorated)	Grant School	12/10/18 or sooner	6/30/19	Replacing S. George-Mingo Acct#: 11-120-100-101-03
2.	Olson, Heather	Approve	Paraprofessional	Step 5	\$22,043 (prorated)	Middle School	10/29/18 or sooner	6/30/19	Replacing G. Kazmir Acct#: 11-213-100-106-18
3.	Ackerman- Garcia, Pamela	Approve	Supervisor of English, L.A., S.S. & E.S.L.	N/A	\$119,870	District	07/01/18	06/30/19	Non-Tenured Plus \$1,025 DC & \$425 TA Acct#:11-000-223-102-30
4.	Garrison, Anu	Approve	Director of ESSA, District Grants & Math	N/A	\$121,912	District	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$2,430 TD Acct#:11-000-223-102-11
5.	Kantha- Murray, Shanti	Approve	Supervisor of Science, Fine/Visual Arts & Music	N/A	\$115,488	District	07/01/18	06/30/19	Non-Tenured Plus \$1,025 DC Acct#:11-000-221-102-30
6.	Stoeckel, Annemarie	Approve	Supervisor of Ed. Technology, Library Media, Business & G&T	N/A	\$124,078	District	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$1,500 DC, \$2,750 TD & \$800 TA Acct#:11-000-252-100-14
7.	Fierra, Samuel	Approve	Director of Guidance	N/A	\$124,734	District	07/01/18	06/30/09	Non-Tenured Acct#:11-000-240-103-21
8.	McCann, Kevin	Approve	Director of Athletics	N/A	\$117,265	District	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$2,430 TD Acct#:11-000-240-103-22
9.	Spring, Ronnie	Approve	Principal	N/A	\$142,020	High School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$630 TD & \$625 TA Acct#:11-000-240-103-01
10.	Grier- Dupiche, Tamekia	Approve	Assistant Principal	N/A	\$122,959	High School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$630 TD & \$625 TA Acct#:11-000-240-103-01
11.	Redmon, Robert	Approve	Assistant Principal	N/A	\$114,058	High School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Non-Tenured Plus \$1,025 DC & 425 TA Acct#:11-000-240-103-01
12.	Richkus, Robert	Approve	Assistant Principal	N/A	\$130,502	High School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$1,025 DC, \$2,430 TD & 625 TA Acct#:11-000-240-103-01

13.	Vroom, Roger	Approve	Principal	N/A	\$127,015	Middle School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$1,230 TD Acct#:11-000-240-103-02
14.	Richkus, Kelly	Approve	Assistant Principal	N/A	\$132,657	Middle School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$2,430 TD & 625 TA Acct#:11-000-240-103-02
15.	Sarullo, Patrick	Approve	Principal	N/A	\$123,238	Grant School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Non-Tenured Plus \$1,230 TD & \$425 TA Acct#:11-000-240-103-03
16.	Goman, Robert	Approve	Assistant Principal	N/A	\$112,640	Grant School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Non-Tenured Plus \$2,025 DC Acct#:11-000-240-103-03
17.	Errico, Ralph	Approve	Principal	N/A	\$136,621	Franklin School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$1,230 TD & \$625 TA Acct#:11-000-240-103-04
18.	Hajduk, Kevin	Approve	Principal	N/A	\$130,675	Kennedy School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$1,025 DC, \$2,430 TD & \$625 TA Acct#:11-000-240-103-05
19.	Whalen, Leo	Approve	Principal	N/A	\$139,563	Riley School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$2,430 TD & \$1,025 TA Acct#:11-000-240-103-06
20.	Diehl, Robert	Approve	Principal	N/A	\$130,150	Roosevelt School	07/01/18	06/30/19	Tenured Plus \$2,430 TD & \$625 TA Acct#:11-000-240-103-07
21.	Johnston, Steven	Approve	Head Wrestling Coach	Step 3	\$7,822	High School	11/12/18	03/22/19	Acct#: 11-402-100-100-22

### **VIII.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 #: 3707	Unpd. FMLA	Elementary Teacher	Roosevelt School			10/12/18			11/12/18	

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

Code	Name	Action	Position	Degree/Step/ No. of Hrs.	Salary/ Stipend	Location	Date Effective	Date Term.	Discussion
1.	Goszewski, Matthew	Approve	First Robotics Team Advisor	Step 1	\$4000.00	High School	09/01/18	06/30/19	Revised Stipend Amount Acct#: 11-401-100-10-00
2.	DiMezzo, Jaclyn	Approve	Middle School Cheerleading Co-Coach	Step 1	\$2,028.00	Middle School	11/12/18	03/22/19	(1/2 of \$4,056) Acct#: 11-401-100-100-02
3.	Wetzel, Alyssa	Approve	Middle School Cheerleading Co-Coach	Step 1	\$2,028.00	Middle School	11/12/18	03/22/19	(1/2 of \$4,056) Acct#: 11-401-100-100-02
4.	Haughwout, Katherine	Approve	Chorus	Step 1	\$1,467.00	Middle School	09/01/18	06/30/18	Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00
5.	Gross, Rebecca	Approve	Academic Bowl Advisor	Step 1	\$1,004.00	Grant School	09/01/18	06/30/19	Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00
6.	Stasio, Marc	Approve	Musical Accompanist	Step 1	\$1,004.00	Grant School	09/01/18	06/30/19	Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00
7.	Vroom, Roger	Approve	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Advisor	Step 1	\$810.50	Middle School	09/01/18	06/30/19	(1/2 of \$1621.00) Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00
8.	Richkus, Kelly	Approve	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Advisor	Step 1	\$810.50	Middle School	09/01/18	06/30/19	(1/2 of \$1621.00) Acct#: 11-401-100-100-00

### **VIII.D Unpaid Suspension**

Employee I.D. # 4002, on an unpaid suspension, effective September 11, 2018 until TBD (Revised)

**VII.E. Approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the South Plainfield Professional Supervisors & Principals Unit & the South Plainfield Board of Education for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the South Plainfield Professional Supervisors & Principals Unit & the South Plainfield Board of Education, for the period covering July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.

MOTION:   SECOND:   VOTE

DISCUSSION:

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MOTION:   SECOND:   VOTE:

**IX. FINANCE**

**A. Approve 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.	Water Safety Instructor	10/14/18	\$75.00 11-402-100-800-22	Thomas Conneely
2.	Microsoft in Education – Modern Management & STEAM	10/12/18	\$25.00 11-000-223-580-11	Michael Estrada
3.	Professional Learning Board	Online course 5 hours	\$39.00 11-000-221-320-11 Previously approved June 2018 Wrong account number	Stephen Phillips
4.	Professional Learning Board	Online course 5 hours	\$39.00 11-000-221-320-11 Previously approved June 2018 Wrong account number	Donna Tierney

B. Authorize Disposal of Personal Property No Longer Needed

Authorize the Board Secretary to dispose of personal property no longer needed for public use in accordance with the list attached in Tab IX.B If no bids are received, property may be disposed of for scrap.

C. Approve Use of Softball Field for Tournament – October 13 & 14, 2018

Grant approval for Mr. Ken Fry to use the Softball Field for a tournament on October 13 & 14, 2018. In lieu of a rental fee, Mr Fry will be responsible for the clean up and preparation of the field for use. Mr. Fry will pay the custodial/maintenance fee.

D. Approval of Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care Purchase Order

Approve the Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care Purchase Order for the South Plainfield School District in the amount of \$5,390.00 for a series of professional development workshops using Title IV funds.

E. Accept Gift Donation

Accept the donation of \$861.00 from the South Plainfield Education Association to be used to purchase practice gear for the High School Boys' Basketball Team.  
Account #20-086-100-600-22

DISCUSSION

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MOTION:

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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:

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 October 17, 2018, as may have been modified, is hereby approved.

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

XVI. ADJOURNMENT