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**BRIDGETON BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC ACTION MEETING
February 10, 2015**

The public action meeting of the Bridgeton Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Angelia Edwards. Board Members present were Ms. Angelia Edwards, Mrs. Mary Peterson, Mr. Kenny SmithBey Jr., Mrs. Brenda Dellaquilla, Mr. James Williamson (arrived at 6:20pm), Mr. Ricardo Perez, Mr. Albert Morgan and Mr. Michael McCoy. Ms. Barbara Taylor Holmes was absent. Also in attendance were Dr. Thomasina Jones, Superintendent, Mrs. Nicole M. Albanese, School Business Administrator and Mr. Kevin McCann, Solicitor. Mr. Nedd Johnson, Assistant Superintendent was absent. Prayer was offered by Ms. Edwards.

1. OPENING ACTIVITIES/MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Bridgeton Public School District is to provide multiple pathways for all students to attain the Common Core State Standards and meet the needs of our diverse student population. All students will be provided with the opportunity and resources to succeed through the creation of state-of-the-art safe learning environments which will ultimately enable all students to graduate from high school and become productive members of a global community.

CALL TO ORDER of meeting by the President

PRAYER

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL by the School Business Administrator

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. Bridgeton Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Bank Street Administration Building and mailed to the City Clerk of Bridgeton, South Jersey News, Bridgeton, The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville and Radio Station WSNJ, Bridgeton on May 16, 2014.

1.6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-

Ms. Mears addressed the board about why the pre-k and kindergarten cannot have two bus stops. Ms. Edwards explained the Board did not want to start the policy of changing or adding bus stops without a significant reason. Ms. Edwards stated she will ask transportation to look at moving the stop to the middle so it is equal distance.

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1.7 RESOLUTIONS

1.8 PRESENTATIONS –

Bulldogs of the Month – Dr. Jones introduced the bulldogs of the month. Each student received a plaque and incentives to recognize the achievement.

Discipline Referrals, Suspensions, In-School Suspensions, Attendance Data – Dr. Jones shared power point slides on discipline referrals and suspensions. She noted that there has been an increase.

Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Report – Dr. Jones presented the monthly HIB report. Substantiated and unsubstantiated claims were presented to the board and the discipline taken was also shared. There were 3 substantiated and 4 unsubstantiated.

Benchmark Review of Superintendent's Goals – Dr. Jones presented a review of her merit goals

#1-Dr. Jones sent a community news letter and will be utilizing let's talk.

#2 Completed standardizing hiring process by creating rubric and lesson plan demonstration along with writing sample.

#3 Domain 2 shows an improvement

Domain 3 shows an improvement

#4 Students reading on grade level this goal is not be achieved at this time.

#5 There is a reduction in 8th grade out of school suspensions.

1.9 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Dellaquilla, second by Mr. Williamson approving the following minutes:

Regular Public Action Meeting

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Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

The Board reviewed the agenda. Item 4.4.12 was added to the agenda

**CONSENT AGENDA*

Item 2.1

*Approval of Textbooks

These items were approved by the Board Curriculum and Instruction Committee on January 13, 2015.

Textbooks for Approval:

- **United States History and Geography – McGraw Hill – To be used in U.S. History I and II – Copyright: 2014**
- **World History and Geography – Modern Times – McGraw Hill - To be used in World History and Geography – Copyright: 2014**
- **Cyber Literacy for the Digital Age – B. E. Publishing – To be used in Computer Literacy I and II – Copyright: 2014**
- **Collections – Houghton Mifflin Harcourt – To be used in English Composition/Literature – Copyright: 2015**
- **Science Fusion (Kindergarten) – Houghton Mifflin Harcourt – Copyright: 2012**
- **Equals Assessment Flip Book- Mathematics Curriculum for Students of Differing Abilities – Part I and II - Ablenet, Inc. – To be used in K-12 Mathematics (Cognitive Moderate) – Copyright: 2011**

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Item 2.2 a-h ***Approval of Professional Development**

- a. Approved Professional Development: Response to Intervention- Passion for Compassion presented by Ms. Sharon McCarthy from FEA. This professional development will be provided for 20 Response to Intervention teachers. The date is March 9, 2015. Funding provided through the FEA/SLP Grant (\$1,850.00).
- b. Approved Professional Development Online Topics for Teachers Aides. The Master Teacher - Para educator PD Now is an on-line program/training to provide support to Teacher's Aides across the District in understanding and addressing the needs of "At Risk Students in General Education". These are Mini-On Line topics that address diverse needs of our "At Risk Students". This will be an additional effort from the Office of Special Education in utilizing CEIS (Coordinated Early Intervention Services) to reduce referral and increase students academics and emotional support. This will provide support for 58 aides plus 9 administrators. Total cost \$2680.00, Acct. # 20-250-200-320-01-40.
- c. Approved Professional Development: Orton Gillingham Training to be provided by the Institute of Multi-Sensory Education. This PD will be provided to 20 Response to Intervention Teachers and two administrators. The training will take place (5 days) TBD within the month of April. Total cost \$20,125.00, Acct. # 20-250-100-610-01-40.
- d. Approved Jamie Weldon, Purchasing Secretary and Theresa Thompson, Purchasing Agent to attend Rutgers University Public Purchasing Forum April 29-30, 2015 at Atlantic City Convention Center. Registration cost \$350.00 each, Acct. # 11-000-251-592-00-80.
- e. Approved Corey Conklin, Teacher at Quarter Mile Lane to attend the Judy Freeman Winners Workshop on April 23, 2015 at the Mansion, Voorhees, NJ. Registration cost \$199.00, Acct. # 15-000-213-590-65-08.
- f. Approved Delores Franco, Nurse at Quarter Mile Lane to attend the NJ School Nurse Conference on March 28, 2015 at the Renaissance Hotel Conference Center in Woodbridge, NJ. Registration cost \$210.00, Acct. #15-000-213-590-65-08.
- g. Approved the following staff to attend the 2015 Conference for New Jersey Kindergarten Teachers on February 24, 2015 from 8:15 AM – 4:05 PM in Atlantic City. Registration cost \$235.00 each, Acct. # 15-000-223-690-00-03.

Amy Repp	Kate Schlegal
Peggy Minervini	Vicki Andrews
Johanna Ortiz	Barbara Berkley
Nicole Carminati	
- h. Approved Charles Schriver, Daytime Custodial and Grounds Supervisor to attend Organic Turf and Grass Management workshop on February 12, 2015 from 8:30 AM – 3:15 PM at Rutgers Campus, New Brunswick, NJ. Registration cost \$210.00. Acct. #11-000-262-590-00-23.

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Item 2.3 a-ff

***Approval of Student Programs**

a. Approved the 2015 **Bridgeton Public Schools Summer** Programming schedule.

2015 Summer Programs

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Program	# of Students	School	Time	Grades	Start	End	Breakfast/ Lunch times	Funding Source
Migrant	125	Indian	8:30-2:30	PK-12	7/6/15	8/7/15 (Mandatory 25 days)	8:30-9/12-12:30	GCSSSD
SPED	50	Indian	8:30-2:30	PK-8	7/6/15	7/31/15	8:30-9/12-12:30	IDEA
Buckshutem Summer Program	48	Indian	8:30-12:30	4-5	7/6/15	7/31/15	8:30-9/12-12:30	Title I
Pathways 21 st Century	250	Cherry	9-1	4-8	7/6/15	7/31/15	9-9:30/12-12:30	Pathways 21 st Century
GEAR UP (M-R)	100	CCC	8-1	6-12	7/6/15	7/31/15	NA	CCC
Youth to Youth (includes McKinney Vento students 10)	100	West	8-2	K-12	7/6/15	8/14/15	8:00-8:30/12-12:30 (breakfast and lunch ends 8/7/15)	Self Funded/ McKinney Vento/ Title I
6-8 Grade Attendance	30	West	9-1	6-8	7/6/15	7/31/15	9-9:30/12:30-1	Title I
21 st Century-Cherry St.	50	West	8-1	5-8	7/6/15	7/31/15	8-8:30/11:30-12	CEZ
West Avenue Summer Program	60	West	8-12	6-8 (tentative)	7/6/15	7/31/15	8-8:30/11:30-12	Title I
Credit Completion	220	BHS	9-1	9-12	7/6/15	7/31/15	NA	District Funded
Summer School	170	BHS	9-2:15	9-12	6/29/15	7/31/15 (24 days=60 hours)	12-12:30 lunch only	District Funded
Carrera	40	BHS	8-3	6	7/6/15	7/31/15	8-8:30/12-12:30	Inspira

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- b. Approved "**It's All About Work**" Program - State of NJ Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in Partners with the Centers for Independent Living. A series of classes will be provided to students in an After School classroom at Bridgeton High School. It's all About Work will be included under Supplemental Transition Services in the student's IEP. (2) Tiers of classes: Tier (1) for students ages 14 and up; (8) sessions focusing on: interests, abilities, career exploration, transition, independent living skills, community access, and participation in the IEP process, interpersonal and social skills. (12) Students are eligible to participate. Tier (2) students ages 16 and up. (10) Sessions focusing on: how I learn, interest, abilities, planning for transition, career exploration, world of work, job search, resume, applications, interview skills, dressing for success, independent living, systems of support, goal planning and IEP development. (12) Students are eligible to participate. Program dates March 1- June 30, 2015, Tuesday and Wednesday from 2:30-4:30 PM. Total cost \$2700.00, Acct. # 20-250-200-320-00-40.
- c. Approved Bridgeton High School to participate in the **2015 New Jersey Student Health Survey** (NJSHS) being conducted by the NJ Department of Education in collaboration with the Departments of Human Services, Health, Children and Families, and law and Public Safety. The NJSHS is conducted every two years and is one of the state's primary sources of information about such issues as diet, physical activity, obesity, sexual behavior, and safety behaviors among youth. Information about alcohol, tobacco, other drug use, depression and violence, including bullying, is also collected through this survey. The NJSHS will be administered to students by trained field staff during one regular class period in two to four classes selected by random sampling. (Attached)
- d. Approved visiting **Guest Artist, Jim McHugh**, to teach two student workshops at Bridgeton High School Art Department on April 29, 2015 from 7:45-10:45 AM. Mr. McHugh is an artist with Appel Farms in Elmer, NJ. Mr. McHugh will guide students through a music poster illustration that is aligned to the curriculum. Total cost \$350.00, Acct. # 15-190-100-320-10-02.
- e. Approved a new **BHS Art Club** for grades 9-12. The mission of the BHS Art Club is to provide an outlet to our students that are interested in exploring and mastering mediums in art. This will allow us to develop further school pride and beautify our environment via murals, posters, and imagery. The club members will also learn about collaboration, by creating props, backdrops, and costumes for various events such as dance showcases, plays, and musicals. We will also explore ways how to develop art based relationships with our Bridgeton community through contests, murals, and attending events. The club will meet Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of every week for 2 hours per day and students will use the activity bus. 1 teacher \$27 an hour, 6 hours a week, for approx 35 weeks = \$5670.00 (Stipend). Art supplies \$500 a year (School Bank) (Full description attached)

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- f. Approved the **Face Forward Program** – a new student intervention program. The Face Forward Program is a division of the Pathstone Agency and is specifically for Bridgeton residents. Students/residents between the ages of 16 and 24 who have a criminal record, either adult or juvenile, are eligible to participate. Participants receive assessment services, work maturity and career planning, service learning opportunities and 12 month follow up services which include possible expunging of criminal record, life coach and mentoring services, and other supportive services. Students who are 18 at the time of enrollment are eligible to receive certification training at CCTEC or another technical school. We are seeking permission to refer eligible students from Bridgeton High School and allow Face Forward counselors to meet with student referrals here at BHS. These meetings would be individual and personal in nature and occur during the school day. **ONLY BHS students** referred will meet at BHS. Any office space would be suitable for these meetings. There is no cost to the Board.
- g. Approved the **Carrera program** presently held at BHS to revise program hours to dismiss at 5pm on Fridays only. This change is requested to accommodate student sports and other school program commitments.
- h. Approved Broad Street School to hold a **PARCC & Pizza Parents Night** on Thursday, February 19, 2015 from 6:00 - 7:30 PM for Grades 3-8. This event will be for students and parents and includes "Ace Your PARCC" by The YoJo Show! Bromley Productions which is an elementary school assembly program that's all about getting students prepared and energized to put forth their best effort for the PARCC tests. The program consists of important student preparations before the test, technology enhanced items and being confident and having an A+ attitude. They bring in their own large screen video display to better illustrate all the details of the PARCC experience. Cost of program is \$785.00. Broad Street School will be responsible for providing the pizza and drinks. Acct. # 20-237-200-320-03-40.
- i. Approved **Broad Street School Band/Orchestra** Extended Day Program for grades 5-8. . They will meet 1 day a week for 1.5 hours from March 11, 2015 to the end of May 2015. This club will promote skills on various instruments, learning how to communicate musically and effectively in heterogeneous settings they normally would not have as well as adding to their portfolio for future instrumental school events. 1 teacher @ \$27 x 1.5 hrs. x 12 weeks = \$486.00, Acct. # 15-421-100-100-00-03.
- j. Approved **Broad Street School's Family Late Night Literacy Event** on March 11, 2015, from 5:30-7:30 PM. At this event, parents will help their children design a Dr. Seuss character for Read Across America, participate in language arts board games, and write a short story from the Scrabble Write game which will be displayed on the SmartBoard. The Food Service department will also attend the event and will have an information table for parents about the Importance of Healthy Nutrition as well as provide healthy snack samples. Total cost \$200.00, Acct. #20-237-200-600-03-40.
- k. Approved **Broad Street School Annual Career Day** on Tuesday, April 14, 2015. This will take place in the auditorium for grades K-8 with a tentative time of 9:00 – 11:00 AM.

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- l. Approved **Buckshutem Road School's Read Across America Night** on February 26, 2015 from 5:30-7:30 PM, (Snow Date: 3/3/2015) for grades K-8. The event will feature a variety of literacy games and activities, Reading around the Campfire pajama party to promote family reading, story time reading and a fun performance from the Buckshutem Pathways 21st Century Program Students. Program costs \$440.00 include light refreshments, craft supplies, decorations and incentives for the students. Acct. #20-237-100-600-06-40, 20-237-200-600-06-40.
- m. Approved **Buckshutem Road School's Read Across America** celebration on February 27, 2015 from 8:30 – 10:15 AM. Mr. Mike Santiago, Guest author will talk to students in grades 5-8 about his book, African American Firsts in the City of Bridgeton and then follow with a question and answer session. Some of the people featured in the book and parents will be invited to attend. Total cost \$110.00, includes light refreshments and books. Acct. # 20-237-200-600-06-40, 20-237-100-600-06-40.
- n. Approved **Buckshutem Road School Multicultural Night** on March 19, 2015 from 5:30-7:30 PM. Crafts, food and activities that reflect the cultures of Bridgeton residents will be celebrated. Families will learn the history, traditions and customs of each culture. There will be "Taste of Bridgeton" mini food stations and dance lessons. NJEA will co-sponsor this event by assisting with food purchases and by providing incentives for parents. Program costs include craft supplies and student incentives. Total cost \$700.00, Acct. 20-237-200-600-06-40, 20-237-100-600-06-40.
- o. Approved **Conversational English for the Hispanic Families** presented by Wanda Albizu, (retired educator) for 4 weeks April 13, 20, 27 and May 4, 2015 from 5:30-7:30 PM at Cherry Street School. One certified instructor is requested to provide homework help to attending school age children. Instructor fee is \$400.00, Acct. # 20-237-200-300-04-40
1 teacher @ \$27 x 2 hrs. x 4 weeks = \$216.00, Acct. # 20-237-100-100-04-40
Supplies \$247.74, Acct. # 20-237-100-610-04-40
- p. Approved the **UNIVERSAL African Dance and Drum Ensemble** at Cherry Street School on February 23, 2015 from 1:30-2:30 PM for Grades 5-8. The group is made up of talented African-Americans who have been taught by some of the best teachers in America since 1984. They have made great accomplishments with their traditional, sensational, electrifying and amazing performances. There are Stilt Walkers, Dancers, Drummers, Ground Masquerades, Drama and a very exciting Acrobatic Show. Total cost \$1500.00, Acct. #15-190-100-320-00-04.
- q. Approved **Kindercise with Kinderman** at Dr. Geraldyn O. Foster Early Childhood Center on Monday, April 20, 2015. Programs will be 9:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 11:30 AM, and 2:30 PM. Kindercise with Kinderman incorporates movement, song, and rhyme into an interactive experience. This program aligns to Health, Safety, and Physical Education Standard 2.4: Children develop competence and confidence in activities that require gross and fine motor skills and Social / Emotional Development Standard 0.4: Children exhibit positive interactions with other children and adults. Total cost \$1050.00, Acct. #20-218-100-500-00-01.

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- r. Approved **Quarter Mile Lane students** to travel to the **Toothmobile** at Dr. Geraldyn O. Foster Early Childhood Center February 23-April 30, 2015. Select QML students will be transported on a school bus (between 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM) to and from the Toothmobile with an aide from the Head Start program. Three or four students will be transported at a time. Services consist of cleanings, small fillings, screenings, fluoride treatments and more. There is no cost to the board.
- s. Approved **The Bug Lady** performance at Dr. Geraldyn O. Foster Early Childhood Center on March 17-19, 2015. Programs will be 9:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 11:30 AM, and 2:30 PM. This is an interactive science / language arts program which includes an insect museum, puppet show and story time. The program aligns to the NJ Preschool Teaching & Learning Standards. Total cost \$1295.00, Acct. # 20-218-100-500-00-01.
- t. Approved **Young Audiences of NJ** Performance at Indian Avenue School on February 26, 2015. Two Assemblies will be held: grades K-4 @ 9:15 AM and grades 5-8 at 10:15 AM. The performers of Illstyle and Peace Productions will demonstrate that by perseverance and paying attention students can reach their highest goals. The dancers will trace Hip-Hop dance styles from the late 1960's through today and will demonstrate positive messages including, "Think it -- Do it" and "Become it!" The performance will also be connected to the Middle School S.C.O.P.E. initiative focused on the character trait of Perseverance. Total cost \$1,770.00, Acct. #15-190-100-320-00-05.
- u. Approved **Lend a “Helping Hand”** to the Red Cross by creating a chain of linked paper hands around Indian Avenue School as a fundraising campaign during Spring Parent Conferences (4/21-4/24) and throughout the month of April. Students, teachers, and parents will receive a paper hand to decorate in exchange for a \$.50 donation - the challenge will be to form a chain of all the paper hands hung in our hallways to see how far around the school we can go. Red Cross information about Preparedness and Health and Safety will be distributed with report cards. All donations will go to the local Chapter of the Red Cross.
- v. Approved **Indian Avenue School PARCC Parent Information/Family Movie Night** on February 24, 2015 from 6:00-8:00 PM. Indian Avenue School will be conducting a parent information session for the PARCC test along with Parent Spirit Committee Family Movie Night – Disney’s “Big Hero 6” in the back cafeteria. This event is to promote safe family fun as well as strengthen parent-teacher relationships while providing information to parents about the PARCC Assessment in March. Food and beverages will be available for purchase as a Parent Spirit fundraiser.
- w. Approved **First Grade Bilingual Tutoring Club** at Indian Avenue School beginning February 11 – May 15, 2015 from 3:00-4:30 PM. Students will benefit from additional instruction: one-to-one or very small group instruction; work in centers when they are not engaged with the teacher and assistance with homework.
1 teacher @ \$27 x 3 hrs. x 14 weeks = \$1134.00, Acct. # 15-421-100-100-00-05.
- x. Approved **Bilingual Tutoring Club Grades 2-3** at Indian Avenue School beginning February 11 – May 15, 2015 from 3:00-4:30 PM. Students will benefit from additional instruction: one-to-one or very small group instruction; work in centers when they are not engaged with the teacher and assistance with homework.
1 teacher @ \$27 x 3 hrs. x 14 weeks = \$1134.00, Acct. # 15-421-100-100-00-05.

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- y. Approved **Open Gym Club** for Grades 5-8 at Indian Avenue School beginning February 11–May 15, 2015 from 3:00-4:30 PM. The goal of this afterschool club is to encourage the students to have a healthy active lifestyle and healthy eating habits.
1 advisor @ \$30 x 3 hrs. x 14 weeks = \$1260.00, Acct. # 15-421-100-100-00-05.
1 teacher @ \$27 x 3 hrs. x 14 weeks = \$1134.00, Acct. # 15-421-100-100-00-05.
- z. Approved **Indian Avenue School Spirit Week** on March 2-6, 2015. During this week students will participate in daily activities such as "Crazy Sock Day," "Crazy Hair Day," "Backwards/inside out Day," "Silly Hat Day," and "Mix Match Day" (Students will adhere to the dress code policy by wearing their uniforms)
This week will also include a night event on April 15th from 5:30 - 7:30 PM, for grades K-5. Students and their families will be invited to share in storytime, music, art and fun. Reading strategies will be shared with parents to help them reinforce strategies when reading at home. Refreshments will be served. SIP Goal #3 - Step 11. Total cost \$650.00, Security: 15-000-266-110-00-05, Supplies: 20-237-200-600-05-40 & 20-237-100-600-05-40.
- aa. Approved **Loving Literacy** at Quarter Mile Lane School on February 26, 2015 from 5:30-7:00 PM. Students, parents and staff are invited to attend a family, fun reading night at QML. Guests can participate in silent or group reading. To encourage reading at home, books will be provided for families to take home and add to their personal library. Parents will also receive tips on ways to make reading enjoyable, promote reading at home and learn reading techniques. Light refreshments will be served. Total cost \$200.00, Acct. #20-237-100-600-08-40, 20-237-200-600-08-40.
- bb. Approved **Parents and PARCC Breakfast** at Quarter Mile Lane School on February 23, 2015 from 9:00-10:00 AM. A district administrator (to be determined) will equip parents with the necessary information needed in preparation of the upcoming PARCC Assessment Test. Light breakfast, literature and materials will be provided. Total cost \$700.00, Acct. #20-237-100-600-08-40, 20-237-200-600-08-40.
- cc. Approved **Quarter Mile Lane School Celebrates Black History Month** on February 24, 2015 from 9:15 – 11:15 AM. Young Audiences Presenter Ssuuna will use traditional instruments to take students on a cultural extravaganza. With audience participation, he will fuse traditional and modern East African music, dance and storytelling. Students will learn the origins of instruments and the meaning of dances. Total cost \$1140.00, Acct. #15-190-100-320-00-08.
- dd. Approved **Read Across America** at West Avenue School on March 2, 2015 from 6:00-7:30 PM. Parents and students will be invited to spend the evening with Dr. Seuss from Currier's Magical Mania. The show will consist of Dr. Seuss book trivia, practicing rhyming and an interactive foot book dance. There will also be reading activity stations available, and every child will be receiving a free book. Total cost \$450.00, Acct. #20-237-200-320-07-40 and 20-237-200-600-07-40.

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- ee. Approved "**A Time in History**" Black history assembly at West Avenue School on February 27, 2015. Two students from each class were nominated by their teacher to participate in various parts of the Black history assembly designed to promote the celebration and education of African American culture. It will incorporate the history of Negro spirituals, monologues of famous African Americans, poems of conflict and cooperation as well as a video of segregation and success. The (2) assemblies will be presented at 9:15 AM for grades 5-8 and at 1:30 PM for grades K-4. There is no cost to the Board.
- ff. Approved a "**Parent Breakfast**" at West Avenue School on February 19, 2015 Previously approved on the January Board Agenda for April 16, 2015. The date was revised to ensure that parents are given all of the PARCC testing information prior to the beginning of testing. A light breakfast will be offered to parents of children in grades 3-8 who attend. During the breakfast there will be a guest speaker who will lead an open forum for parents to ask questions about PARCC testing. Parents will also be given take-home handouts about various ways to prepare their children for testing. Total cost \$250.Acct. #20-237-200-600-07-40.

Item 2.3.1 ***Ratification of Student Programs**

Ratified **The Cat in the Hat Visit** sponsored by NJEA at Cherry Street School on February 4, 2015 at 11:45 AM. Cherry Street School was selected to receive a visit from The Cat in the Hat to promote Read Across America.

Item 2.4 ***Approval of Internship**

Approved Ms. Angelia Vega, Cumberland County College student, to complete a second 90-hour social work internship with Ms. Allison Gray, Social Worker at Cherry Street School beginning February 11, 2015. Ms. Gray doesn't have any other interns at this time.

Item 2.5 ***Approval of Merit Awards**

Approved the following new Merit Awards:

1. **CASA/Allen Associate Insurance in Memory of Stanley H. Allen Scholarship.**
Criteria: This \$500.00 award will go to (one male & one female) Graduating Senior from each district - Vineland, Millville, Cumberland Regional, CCTEC and Bridgeton; Must be pursuing higher education; Must have been involved with school or community service; Must have strong character.
2. **Reuben A. Jacobs, Sr. Memorial Scholarship.** This \$500.00 cash award is established in memory of Reuben A. Jacobs, Sr. Reuben was an avid basketball, football, and baseball player and fan. All graduating male seniors that have a minimum G.P.A. of 2.0, demonstrate financial need and intend to further their education at a two or four year institution or a trade school are eligible for this annual award.

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3. **BHS Guidance Department “Touch My Heart” Scholarship.** The BHS Guidance Department would like to establish a scholarship to be awarded to one deserving male and female graduating senior who meet the following criteria:
- Exhibits good moral character.
 - Is in good academic standing and has a good attendance record.
 - Is or has been (during their high school career) involved in community/school/family activities and /or has work experience.

The funds for this scholarship will be voluntarily donated by the members of the guidance department. The amount will vary each year depending on the donations, but will be no less than \$100.00 per award recipient.

Item 3.1 a-c ***Approval of Field Trips**

- Approved **Broad Street School's Student Council** to take Valentines to the residents of the Cumberland Manor on Wednesday, February 11, 2015. This will be part of their community service project. Bus transportation will be needed. Departure: 9:00 A.M. Return: 12:00 P.M.
- Approved the following **Super Saturday Club** Field Trips: Broadway Theatre of Pitman – Saturday, March 21, 2015, to view a production of Charlotte’s Web. Breakfast & Lunch: \$275.00 and Admission: \$396.00. Adventure Aquarium – Saturday, April 25, 2015. Breakfast & Lunch: \$275.00 and Admission: \$440.50. Philadelphia Zoo – Saturday, June 13, 2015. Breakfast & Lunch: \$275.00 and Admission: \$480.00. Thirty-nine students and five staff members will attend. Paid for through the McKinney-Vento grant..
- Approved Bridgeton High School student Luis Vega, and Advisor Debra Moore, to attend the **NJ DECA Gold Conference** on February 25-27, 2015 in Cherry Hill, NJ. Total cost \$608.00, Acct. 20-361-100-890-00-40. The student’s parents will transport him and will be present. This overnight trip is paid for through the Perkins Grant.

Item 3.2 ***Ratification of Field Trip**

Ratified **Cherry Street 21st Century Club** to attend the Philadelphia 76’s Basketball game on January 28, 2015 departing 5:15 PM and returning 10:00 PM. 40 students and 5 chaperones will attend.

Item 4.1.1 ***Ratification of Retirement of Certificated Staff**

Ratified the retirement of Mr. Thomas Masucci from the position of Social Worker at Dr. Geraldyn O. Foster Early Childhood Center, effective February 1, 2015.

Item 4.1.2 a-b ***Ratification of Resignation of Non-Certificated Staff**

- Ratified the resignation of Mr. Eric Bailey from the position of Educational Enforcement Officer at Bridgeton High School, effective January 26, 2015.
- Ratified the resignation of Ms. Edna Flores from the position of Satellite Aide at Cherry Street School, effective January 28, 2015.

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Item 4.1.3 a-e ***Approval of Leaves of Absences of Certificated Staff**

- a. Approved request of Ms. Kirsten Guidry, Teacher at Indian Avenue School, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence**, with pay from February 18, 2015 to March 12, 2015 and unpaid from March 13, 2015 to April 2, 2015 and a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** and **New Jersey Family Leave of Absence**, without pay from April 3, 2015 to June 24, 2015 and a **New Jersey Family Leave of Absence** without pay from June 25, 2015 to June 30, 2015. This leave and paid sick days are subject to change.
- b. Approved request of Ms. Germanae Turner, Guidance Counselor at BHS, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence**, with pay from February 11, 2015 to March 31, 2015 and a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** and **New Jersey Family Leave of Absence**, without pay from April 1, 2015 to June 19, 2015 and a **New Jersey Family Leave of Absence** without pay from June 20, 2015 to June 30, 2015. This leave and paid sick days are subject to change.
- c. Approved request of Ms. Lynnae Hill, Teacher at BHS, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence**, with pay from March 9, 2015 to April 22, 2015 and unpaid from April 23, 2015 to May 1, 2015 a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** and **New Jersey Family Leave of Absence**, without pay from May 2, 2015 to June 30, 2015. This leave and paid sick days are subject to change.
- d. Approved request of Ms. Brittany Gossin, Teacher at BHS, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence**, with pay from April 1, 2015 to April 20, 2015 and unpaid from April 21, 2015 to May 31, 2015 a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** and **New Jersey Family Leave of Absence**, without pay from June 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015. This leave and paid sick days are subject to change.
- e. Approved request of Mr. William Turner, Teacher at Buckshutem Road School, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence**, with pay from February 11, 2015 to February 27, 2015. This leave and paid sick days are subject to change.

Item 4.1.4 a-f ***Ratifications of Leaves of Absences of Certificated Staff**

- a. Ratified request of Ms. Nancy Lucca, Teacher at BHS, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** with pay using accumulated sick days from December 16, 2014 until June 30, 2015 or sick days are exhausted, then unpaid until patient released from doctor's care, not to exceed 12 weeks, to be used on an intermittent basis.
- b. Ratified request of Ms. Linda Cervini, School Nurse at Indian Avenue School, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** with pay using accumulated sick days from December 1, 2014 until June 30, 2015 or sick days are exhausted, then unpaid until patient released from doctor's care, not to exceed 12 weeks, to be used on an intermittent basis.
- c. Ratified request of Ms. Wendy Williams, Teacher at Buckshutem Road School, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** with pay using accumulated sick days from January 21, 2015 until June 30, 2015 or sick days are exhausted, then unpaid until patient released from doctor's care, not to exceed 12 weeks, to be used on an intermittent basis.
- d. Ratified request of Ms. Arlene Ortiz, Teacher at Cherry Street School, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** with pay using accumulated sick days from December 11, 2014 until December 30, 2014 or sick days are exhausted, then unpaid until patient released from doctor's care, not to exceed 12 weeks, to be used on an intermittent basis.

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- e. Ratified request of Ms. Bernadette Cuff, Teacher at West Avenue School, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** with pay using accumulated sick days from February 5, 2015 until February 28, 2015 or sick days are exhausted, then unpaid until patient released from doctor's care, not to exceed 12 weeks, to be used on an intermittent basis.
- f. Ratified request of Ms. Shasharaa Blackshear, Master Teacher at Dr. Geraldyn O. Foster Early Childhood Center, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence**, with pay from February 9, 2015 to March 3, 2015 and unpaid from March 4, 2015 to March 16, 2015 and a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** and **New Jersey Family Leave of Absence**, without pay from March 17, 2015 to June 17, 2015 and a **New Jersey Family Leave of Absence** without pay from June 18, 2015 to June 30, 2015. This leave and paid sick days are subject to change.

Item 4.1.5 a-e *Ratifications of Leaves of Absences of Non-Certificated Staff

- a. Ratified request of Ms. Debra Rainer, Custodian at Geraldyn O. Foster Early Childhood Center, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence**, without pay from January 13, 2015 to April 7, 2015 or released from doctor's care, not to exceed 12 weeks.
- b. Ratified request of Ms. Barbara Allen-Newton, Custodian at Cherry Street School, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence**, with pay from January 6, 2014 to January 27, 2015 and without pay from January 28, 2015 to January 30, 2015 or released from doctor's care, not to exceed 12 weeks.
- c. Ratified request of Ms. Lennita Linen, Office Manager at Bank Street Administration, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** with pay using accumulated sick days from February 12, 2015 until May 29, 2015 or sick days are exhausted, then unpaid until patient released from doctor's care, not to exceed 12 weeks, to be used on an intermittent basis.
- d. Ratified request of Ms. Terri May, Secretary at Bank Street Administration, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence** with pay using accumulated sick days from January 1, 2015 until June 30, 2015 or sick days are exhausted, then unpaid until patient released from doctor's care, not to exceed 12 weeks, to be used on an intermittent basis.
- e. Ratified request of Ms. Donna Edwards, Bus Driver at Annex, for a **Family Medical Leave of Absence**, with pay from February 2, 2015 to February 22, 2015. This leave and paid sick days are subject to change.

Item 4.2.1 *Approval of Appointments of Certificated Staff

Approved the appointment of Mr. Dell Dinicola to the position of Response To Intervention Teacher at Indian Avenue School for the 2014-2015 school year, effective on February 18, 2015 through on or before June 30, 2015 on Step 0 of the MA Salary Guide, \$49,750.00, prorated. **This is a short-term contract and there are no benefits with this position.** Account # 15-424-100-101-84-05. PC# 2306.

Item 4.2.2 *Approval of Change of Start Date of Certificated Staff

Approved the **change of start date** of Ms. Jeannie M. Cuevas to the position of District Supervisor of Bilingual/ESL K-12 at Bank Street Administration Building for the 2014-2015 school year, **effective now on February 17, 2015** on Step 1 of the ABA Salary Guide, \$87,998.00, prorated. Account # 11-000-221-102-00-01. PC #9.

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Item 4.2.3 a-b *Approval of Transfer of Certificated Staff

a. Approved the following certificated staff to be transferred back to their original positions, effective February 17, 2015. The transfer was due to a Family Medical Leave of Absence:

Name	From	PC#	To	PC#	Account#
Janet Matheussen	Mathematics Master Teacher – Indian Ave	2421	Middle School Math Teacher – Indian Ave	2260	15-424-100-101-84-05
Mary Anne Keyes	Middle School Math Teacher – Indian Ave	2260	Mathematics Master Teacher – Indian	2421	20-237-200-176-05-40

b. Approved the following transfer of certificated staff, effective September 1, 2015.

Name	From	PC#	To	PC#	Account#
Bruno Vagnarelli	Guidance Counselor – BHS -	2320	Guidance Counselor - West	382	15-000-218-104-00-07
Aliyah Covington	Guidance Counselor - West	382	Guidance Counselor - BHS	2320	15-000-218-104-00-02

Item 4.2.4 a-b Approval of Changes of Salary for 2014-2015 School Year

a. Approved the change of salary status of Ms. Cherie Douglas, Preschool Teacher at Dr. Geraldyn O. Foster Early Childhood Center, from Step 10 of the BA Salary Guide, \$59,175.00 to Step 10 of the BA+30 Salary Guide, \$59,875.00 prorated, effective **March 1, 2015**. Account # 20-218-100-101-00-01. PC # 2230.

b. Approved the change of salary status of Ms. Jennifer Garwood, Master Teacher at Indian Avenue School, from Step 7 of the BA+30 Salary Guide, \$55,445.00 to Step 7 of the MA Salary Guide, \$56,245.00 prorated, effective **March 1, 2015**. Account # 20-237-200-176-05-40. PC # 2431.

Item 4.2.5 *Approval of Reappointment of Certificated Staff

Approved the reappointment of Ms. Dana Spitz, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:28-12 to the preferred eligibility list of Social Worker at Dr. Geraldyn O. Foster Early Childhood Center for the 2014-2015 school year, effective on a date to be determined on Step 9 of the MA BANTS' Salary Guide \$68,493.00 prorated. Account #20-218-200-104-02-01.

Item 4.3.1 a-b *Ratification of Appointments of Non-Certificated Staff

a. Ratified the **extension** appointment of Ms. Patricia MacFarland to the position of Parent Liaison at Indian Avenue School for the 2014-2015 school year, effective on January 10, 2015 through on or before January 30, 2015 at a salary of \$23,301.80, prorated. Acct# 15-000-211-173-00-05. PC # 940. **This is a short-term contract and there are no benefits.**

b. Ratified the **extension** of appointment of Ms. Sandra Lavine to the position of 12-Month Secretary at Indian Avenue School for the 2014-2015 school year, effective on January 9, 2015 through January 13, 2015 at a salary of \$42,144.00, prorated. Acct# 15-000-240-105-00-05. PC # 154. **This is a short-term contract and there are no benefits.**

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Item 4.3.2a-b ***Approval of Appointments of Non-Certificated Staff**

- a. Approved the appointment of Ms. Barbara Richter to the position of Bus Driver at Bank Street Annex for the 2014-2015 school year, effective on February 16, 2015 for 6 hours a day at \$24.82 per hour for a total of \$27,103.44, prorated. Acct# 11-000-270-160-00-25. PC# 127.
- b. Approved the appointment of Mr. Clifford Lewis to the position of Bus Driver at Bank Street Annex for the 2014-2015 school year, effective on February 16, 2015 for 6 hours a day at \$24.82 per hour for a total of \$27,103.44, prorated. Acct# 11-000-270-160-00-25. PC# 90.

Item 4.3.3 ***Ratification of Transfers of Non-Certificated Staff**

Ratified the following non-certificated staff transfers to the following locations for the 2014-2015 school year, effective January 29, 2015.

Name	From	PC#	To	PC#	Account#
Christopher Tiltmann	Day Custodian - Broad	753	Day Custodian – Indian	863	11-000-262-110-00-23
Eduardo Cordero	Day Custodian – Indian	863	Day Custodian – Broad	753	11-000-262-110-00-23

Item 4.3.4 ***Approval of Transfers of Non-Certificated Staff**

Approved the following non-certificated staff to be transferred temporarily until a replacement is found for the 2014-2015 school year, effective February 11, 2015:

Name	From	PC#	To	PC#	Account#
Cassandra Logan	Attendance Officer – BHS	2305	Attendance Officer – Cherry	778	15-000-211-171-00-04

Item 4.3.5 a-e ***Approval of Professional Days for 2014-2015 School Year**

- a. Approved the professional development for Ms. Lennita Linen, Human Resources Administrative Assistant/Office Manager at Bank Street Administration Building to attend the Human Resources and The Law 2015 Workshop in Atlantic City, NJ from March 3-4, 2015. The cost is for registration and membership fees of \$349.00 which will allow for future workshops at no additional cost throughout the year. Account # 11-000-251-580-00-14.
- b. Approved the professional development for Mr. Jeffrey Schirf, Athletic Trainer at Bridgeton High School to attend the National Athletic Trainers Association 66th Annual Clinical Symposia and AT Expo Conference in St. Louis, Missouri. The conference is required for training certification and license. The conference will be held from June 23, 2015 through June 26, 2015. This is an overnight trip. There is no cost to the board.

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- c. Approved the professional development for Ms. Yvonne Scull and Ms. Gina Campanella, School Nurses at Bridgeton High School to attend the NJ State School Nurse Association – The Key to Student Success Conference in Iselin NJ on March 27, 2015 through March 28, 2015. This conference is and overnight trip and it is required to maintain certification and license. The cost for registration is \$239.00 per person for a total of \$478.00. Account # 15-000-213-590-65-02 and 10-000-520-930-00-02.
- d. Approved the professional development for Dr. Thomasina Jones, Superintendent, to attend the Annual ASCD Conference in Houston, Texas on Friday, March 20, 2015 through Monday, March 24, 2015. Total cost approx. \$2290.00, Acct. # 11-000-230-580-00-15.
- e. Approved the professional development for the following **change** in staff to attend the Leader in Me Symposium at Grand Prospect Hall in Brooklyn, NY on March 5-7, 2014. **Previously Approved on the November 11, 2014 Board agenda and approved by the County Superintendent on January 5, 2015.**
- Mr. Tyrone Williams for Dr. Dawson – Quarter Mile Lane School
 - Mr. E. Deionne ThrBak, Principal for Mr. Hull– West Avenue School

Item 4.4.1 ***Approval of Substitutes for the 2014-2015 School Year**

Approved the following substitutes for the 2014-2015 school year, effective February 11, 2015.

Name	Position	Certificate	Rate	Account #
Angela Kelley	Substitute Teacher	County	\$90.00 per day	To be determined
LaToshya Cox	Substitute Teacher	County	\$90.00 per day	To be determined
Kim Strickland	Substitute Teacher	County	\$90.00 per day	To be determined
Jesten Morgan	Substitute Bus Driver	N/A	\$13.84 per hour	To be determined
Sophia Heard	Substitute Bus Driver	N/A	\$13.84 per hour	To be determined
Lula Holbrook	Substitute Breakfast Aide	N/A	\$8.49 per hour	To be determined
Lula Holbrook	Substitute Cafeteria Aide	N/A	\$8.38 per hour	To be determined

Item 4.4.2 a-c ***Approval of Staff for Extended Day Program for 2014-2015**

- a. Approved the following staff for the previously approved Afterschool Programs at Indian Avenue School, effective February 11, 2015 through May 31, 2015 from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Account # 15-421-100-100-00-05.

Name	Program	Position	Salary/Hr	Hours per wk	Up to Weeks	Up to Total
Francis Ferrara	Bilingual Tutoring Gr. 1	Advisor	\$27.00	3	14	\$1134.00
Elle Goga	Bilingual Tutoring Gr. 2-3	Advisor	\$27.00	3	14	\$1134.00
James Pierce	Open Gym	Advisor	\$30.00	3	14	\$1260.00
Samantha Trapp	Open Gym	Co-Advisor	\$27.00	3	14	\$1134.00

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- b. Approved the following staff for the previously approved Afterschool Program at Quarter Mile Lane School, effective February 16, 2015 through May 30, 2015 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Account # 20-237-100-100-08-40.

Name	Program	Position	Salary/Hr	Hours per wk	Up to Weeks	Up to Total
William Kennedy	Character Education Club	Advisor	\$30.00	2.5	14	\$1050.00

- c. Approved the following staff for the previously approved PARCC Preparation Extended Day Clubs for Grades 3-8 at Broad Street School, effective February 11, 2015. Account# 20-237-100-100-03-40.

Name	Program	Position	Salary/Hr	Hours per wk	Up to Weeks	Up to Total
Nicole Carminati	PARCC Grade 3	Teacher	\$30.00	2	10	\$600.00
Christina Wroblewski	PARCC Grade 4	Teacher	\$27.00	2	10	\$540.00
Reina Hernandez	PARCC Grade 5	Teacher	\$30.00	3	10	\$900.00
Heather Camlin	PARCC Grade 6	Teacher	\$30.00	1.5	10	\$450.00
Maureen McCloud	PARCC Grade 6	Teacher	\$27.00	1.5	10	\$405.00
Stanley Kryszczak	PARCC Grade 7	Teacher	\$30.00	3	10	\$900.00
Lauren Nuss	PARCC Grade 8	Teacher	\$27.00	3	10	\$810.00

Item 4.4.3 *Approval of Staff for Curriculum Writing for 2014-2015 School Year

Approved the following staff for the previously approved 2014-2015 Revise Curriculum Guide for Computer Literacy I at Bridgeton High School, effective February 11, 2015 through May 30, 2015. Account # 20-237-200-101-00-40.

Name	Position	Salary/Hr	Hours	Up to Total
Lisa Burgess	BHS Teacher	\$27.00	24	\$648.00

Item 4.4.4 *Approval of Staff for Family Fitness for 2014-2015 School Year

Approved the following staff to be instructors for the previously approved Family Fitness Night at Buckshutem Road School on February 18, 2015 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. This is funded through NJ Department of Health School Health to Enhance Student Learning Grant through AtlantiCare. Account # 20-290-200-100-06-40.

Name	Position	Salary/Hr	Hours	TOTAL
Devon Land	Teacher/Instructor	\$30.00	1.5	\$45.00
Dannon Mehaffey	Teacher/Instructor	\$27.00	1.5	\$40.50

Item 4.4.5 *Approval of Staff for Pathways 21st CCLC for 2014-2015

Approved the following staff to be a substitute coordinator for the previously approved Pathways 21st Century Community Learning Centers After School Program, effective February 11, 2015 through June 21, 2015. Account #20-460-200-103-01-40.

Name	Position	Salary/Hr	Up to Hours	Up to Weeks	TOTAL
Dr. Margaret Morgan	Substitute Site Coordinator	\$35.00	2.5	25	As needed

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Item 4.4.6 ***Approval of Home Instructor for 2014-2015 School Year**

Approved the following staff to be a Home Instructor for the 2014-2015 school year, effective February 11, 2015 through June 30, 2015. Account #11-219-100-101-00-18 and 11-150-100-101-00-18.

Name	Position	Salary/Hr
Kenneth Thomas	Home Instructor Tutor	\$27.00

Item 4.4.7 ***Ratification of Resignation of Extra Contract**

Ratified the resignation of Mr. George L. Linen as the advisor for the extra contract position of BHS AFJROTC Drill, due to Family Medical Leave of Absence, effective February 1, 2015.

Item 4.4.8 ***Ratification of Extra Contract**

Ratified the extra contract for the following staff to be effective, February 2, 2015.

Name	Position	Rate	Account #
Michael Parks	AFJROTC Drill Advisor	\$2580.00, prorated	11-401-100-100-00-01

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***Approval of Bills January 2015**

Approved the January bills to be paid as follows:

10-General	\$ 9,550.00
11-Current Expense	\$ 662,499.35
12-Capital Outlay	\$ 103,483.65
13-Special Schools	
15-Whole School Reform	\$ 149,265.89
20-Special Revenues	\$ 601,040.03
40-Debt Service	
30-Capital Projects	\$ 98,834.65
60-Enterprise Fund	\$ 179,886.25
70- Internal Service Fund	
Health Benefits	\$ 1,619,948.41
Payroll	\$ 5,619,102.20
TOTAL	\$ 9,043,610.43

Item 5.1.2 a-b ***Approval of Financial Reports**

- a. Approved December Treasurer's Reports for the 2014-2015 school year.
- b. Approved the December Board Secretary's Report for the 2014-2015 school year.

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Item 5.1.3 ***Approval of Board Secretary’s Certification**

Approved the Board Secretary’s Monthly Certification of Budgetary Status for December.

I certify that as of December 31, 2015 no major budgetary account or fund has been over-expended.

Nicole M. Albanese, Board Secretary

Date:

Item 5.1.4 ***Approval of Certification of Major Account/Fund Status**

Approved the Board of Education’s Monthly Certification of Major Account/Fund Status. We certify that as of December 31, 2015 after review of the secretary’s monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Item 5.1.5 ***Approval of 2014-2015 Tuition**

Approved the tuitions listed for out of district placements. Yearly tuition amounts, tuition payments prorated.

Pineland Learning Center			
Start Date	#	Tuition	Account#
12/18/2014	16	\$46,319.40	11-000-100-566-00-01
SCSSSD-Daretown			
Start Date	#	Tuition	Account#
12/17/2014	5	\$45,362.00	11-000-100-565-00-01

Item 5.1.6 a-b ***Approval of Change Order**

- a. Approved Change order #2 for Bank St. Administration Roof upgrades with an increase of \$7,790.46.
- b. Approved Change order #3 for Bank St. Administration roof upgrades with an increase of \$1,820.50.

Item 5.1.7 ***Approval of Transfers**

Approved budget transfers through January 31, 2015 for the 2014-2015 school year as attached.

Item 5.1.8 ***Approval of Freedom Shrine**

Approved Broad Street School to have a 28 document Freedom Shrine placed in the front hallway. The Bridgeton Exchange Club and The Cumberland County Soroptimist Club will purchase all the documents. District Expense would be for the installation. This would be like one at Bridgeton High School.

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Item 5.1.9 a-c ***Approval of Donations**

- a. Approved the donation of a Wii game system to the Multiply Disabled Class at BHS from the 2014 Senior Class.
- b. Approved the application for a donation of The Walking Classroom audio programming and tools for the students in the Pathways 21st CCLC Afterschool Program. The Walking Classroom is offered by The Walking Classroom Institute, a nonprofit educational organization started by a former fifth grade teacher. This program utilizes pre-recorded educational and entertaining audio segments that students listen to on individual players as they walk in a group (usually outside) during the Pathways 21st CCLC Program. The program comes with an extensive Teacher's Guide so that before and after each half-hour walk, teachers can integrate and synthesize the material the students will have learned while walking. The program is directly aligned to BPS curriculum standards and provides wonderful supplementary information for students. The Walking Classroom agreement is attached for review. There is no cost to the Board.
- c. Approved Acme's donation of a \$25 gift card to a family attending Bridgeton's Parent University, in support of parent involvement. Each family attending will enter to win, and a name will be drawn at the end of the event on April 1st. There is no cost to the board.

Item 5.1.10 ***Approval of Field Trip Grant**

Approved Broad Street School to apply for a free field trip grant for fifty sixth grade students through the Wheaton Arts/General Mills Field Trip Subsidy. If the application is approved, the field trip would take place on Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 10:00am. There is no cost to the Board.

Item 5.1.11 ***Approval of Cancellation of Outstanding Checks**

Approved the cancellation of outstanding checks over one year old from the following accounts:

General
Payroll

Item 5.1.12 a-b ***Approval of Contracts**

- a. Approved the PathStone Child and Family Development Services Program Memorandum of Agreement. This agreement is made between the PathStone New Horizon Child Enrichment Center Head Start Program and the Cumberland County Board of Education. This agreement will be effective from 2015 - 2016 and will be reviewed annually (see attached Memorandum of Agreement).
- b. Approved contract with Presenter Ssuuna to use traditional instruments to take Quarter Mile Lane students on a cultural extravaganza to celebrate Black History Month. With audience participation, he will fuse traditional and modern East African music, dance and storytelling. Students will learn the origins of instruments and the meaning of dances.

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Item 5.1.13 *Approval of Polling Places

Approved the following as polling places; Bank Street Administration Building, Bridgeton High School and Quarter Mile Lane School for the following elections:

School Board Elections

Tuesday, April 21, 2015 from 12:00 noon until 9:00 PM

Primary Election

Tuesday, June 2, 2015 from 5:00 AM until 8:00 PM

General Election

Tuesday, November 3, 2015 from 5:00 AM until 8:00 PM.

Item 5.1.14 *Approval of Election Worker Hourly Rate

Approved the Election worker hourly rate of \$14.29 for 2015 elections.

Item 5.1.15 *Approval of West Ave. School Mural

Approved the attached design to be painted on the wall in the Main Lobby of West Avenue School. This is funded through the Pathways 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant. It is designed by Jacquelynn Knight, artist in residency from Appel Farm Art & Music center which is a partner for the Pathways Program. The theme of the mural is anti-bullying. The mural will be painted by Ms. Knight as well as the Pathways students at West Avenue. The Mural was conceived by working with the students and Mr. Thomas Herman (Guidance Counselor at West Avenue School). The unveiling will be June 10, 2015. The proposed design is attached. There is no cost to the Board.

Item 5.1.16 *Approval of Corrective Action Plan

Approved the 21st Century Community Learning Center Corrective Action Plan. (Will be available for the Board Meeting)

Item 6.1.1 a-c *Facility Usage

- a. Approved the request of Mount Hill Missionary Church to use the Bridgeton High School auditorium and W. Cafeteria on Saturday, June 13, 2015 from 2:00 - 7:00 PM for gospel concert. **Rental, Custodial, Security and Kitchen staff charges will be charged. An appropriate insurance certificate is on file.** Approval is granted contingent on the understanding that school activities take precedence. If a school facility is required for a school activity, board approval is revoked.
- b. Approved the request of Mount Hill Missionary Church to use the Buckshutem cafetorium on Saturday, May 16, 2015 from 2:30 - 6:30 PM for gospel concert. **Rental, Custodial, Security and Kitchen staff charges will be charged. An appropriate insurance certificate is on file.** Approval is granted contingent on the understanding that school activities take precedence. If a school facility is required for a school activity, board approval is revoked.
- c. Approved the request of GEAR UP to use Bridgeton High School Auditorium, West Cafeteria and Media Center on Wednesday, February 25, 2015 from 4:30 - 8:30 PM for a Talent Show. **Rental fees will be waived as per grant agreement. Custodial, Sound Tech, and Security fees will be charged.** Approval is granted contingent on the understanding that school activities take precedence. If a school facility is required for a school activity, board approval is revoked.

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**Motion by Mr. Perez, second by Mrs. Dellaquilla approving the consent agenda.
Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.**

Item 7. Non-Consent Agenda

Item 4.2.5 c. Approval of Changes of Salary for 2014-2015 School Year

c. Motion by Mr. SmithBey, second Mr. McCoy approving the change of salary status of Ms. Victoria Reigart, Teacher of The Handicapped at the ALMs Center, from Step 2 of the BA+30 Salary Guide, \$49,620.00 to Step 2 the MA Salary Guide, \$50,420.00 prorated, effective **March 1, 2015**. Account # 11-209-100-101-00-18. PC # 2486.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 7-0-1, with Mrs. Dellaquilla abstaining.

Item 4.4.9 Ratification of Suspension of Non-Certificated Staff

Motion by Mr. Williamson, second by Mr. Perez ratifying the suspension of a non-certificated staff without pay, effective January 23, 2015, whose name has been filed with the Director of Human Resources.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

Item 4.4.10 Ratification of Return from Suspension of Non-Certificated Staff

Motion by Mrs. Dellaquilla, second by Mrs. Peterson approving the return from suspension of a non-certificated staff, effective January 29, 2015, whose name has been filed with the Director of Human Resources.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

Item 4.4.11 Approval of Termination of Non-Certificated Staff

Motion by Mrs. Dellaquilla, second by Mrs. Peterson approving the termination of a non-certificated staff for abandonment of position, whose name has been filed with the Director of Human Resources, effective February 11, 2015.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

Item 4.4.12 Approval Suspension of Non-Certificated Staff

Motion by Mrs. Dellaquilla, second by Mrs. Peterson approving the suspension of non-certificated staff without pay, effective February 11-12, 2015, whose name has been filed with the Director of Human Resources.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

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Item 6.1.1 d. Facility Usage

Motion by Mrs. Dellaquilla, second by Mr. Perez approving the request of Glory Tabernacle Church to use the Bridgeton High School Auditorium and W. Cafeteria on Sunday, March 15, 2015 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM for Family & Friends Day. **Requesting waiver of rental fees and requesting custodians and security volunteer time. Sound Tech and Kitchen Staff fees will be charged.** Approval is granted contingent on the understanding that school activities take precedence. If a school facility is required for a school activity, board approval is revoked.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 6-2, with Mrs. Peterson and Ms. Edwards abstaining.

Item 8. OTHER BOARD ACTION: INFORMATION

8.1 Motion by Mrs. Dellaquilla, second by Mrs. Peterson approving Second Reading Revised Policy 5131 Conduct/Discipline

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

8.2 First Reading Revised Policy 6161.3 Replacement of Lost, Damaged, or Destroyed Materials and Equipment

8.3 Motion by Mrs. Dellaquilla, second by Mrs. Peterson approving Sick Bank for MaDora Turpin, Secretary at Indian Avenue School. This sick bank is to be effective January 5, 2015 – April 1, 2015 or released from doctor's care.

8.4 Motion by Mr. Morgan, second by Mr. Perez ratifying request of Ms. Maria DeHaro, Cafeteria Worker at BHS, for a **Board Approved Leave**, with pay from December 5, 2014 to December 16, 2014 and without pay from December 17, 2014, 2015 to June 30, 2015 or released from doctor's care, not to exceed 12 weeks.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

Motion by Mrs. Dellaquilla, second by Mr. Perez approving the expulsion of J.S.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

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9.1 Committee Reports

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February 10, 2015

9.2 Executive Session-6:35pm

Motion by Mrs. Dellaquilla, second by Mrs. Peterson approving the following Resolution for Executive Session:

Whereas, Section 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231 PL 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances: and

Whereas, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the City of Bridgeton, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon hereinafter specified subject matters.

The nature of the subject matters to be discussed is:

a. Updates on Legal Matters:

S.G, A.T., J.R., D.B., W.G., C.S., B.C., T.B. and T.T.

b. Status of EEO waivers & Status of PTC Certifications

c. Discussion of student placement determinations: B.W. and Q.M.

d. Discussion of Association contract petitions from the BEA and BSEA.

e. Discussion of IT issues with Comcast & Verizon, etc.

f. Discussion of US Foods Settlement

g. New pending litigation related to Insurance Claim, L.C.

h. New pending litigation related to Motor Vehicle accident, P.W.

i. Discussion of affirmative action claim, PCN #'s 2499 & 270

j. Suspension of Non Certificated Staff, PCN #753

k. Termination of Non Certificated Staff, PCN#1049

l. Discussion of Course Reimbursement from previous staff member, PCN#720

m. Expulsion Hearing

2. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matters will be made public when appropriate.

3. This Resolution will take effect immediately.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

RETURN TO THE PUBLIC

Motion by Mrs. Dellaquilla, second by Mrs. Peterson, approving the return to the public portion of the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

Item 10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Dellaquilla, second by Mrs. Peterson approving adjourning the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Motion carried, roll call vote was 8-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole M. Albanese
School Business Administrator