

Regular Board Meeting – April 8, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Irvington Board of Education was held virtually on Wednesday, April 8, 2020. The meeting was called to order by Board President Richard Williams, followed by a flag salute.

Present were: Syesha Benbow
Gloria Chison
Gene Etchison
Joseph Sylvain
Audrey Lyon, Vice President
Richard Williams, President

Excused: Luis Antilus
Annette Beasley
Ronald Brown

Others: Dr. Neely Hackett, Superintendent of Schools
Reggie Lamptey, CPA, Assistant Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary
Dr. April Vauss, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction.
Roger Monel, Associate School Business Administrator
Ronald Hunt, Board Attorney
John Amberg, Media Services Director

Board President Richard Williams reported that in accordance with P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, adequate notice of this meeting was posted in the Administration Building and copies of said notice sent to the Irvington Herald, the Star Ledger, and Township Clerk.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

VII. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Board of Education meetings held on the dates as indicated, as corrected and transcribed, be received and filed.

March 18, 2020 – Regular Board Meeting
March 25, 2020 – Budget Public Hearing

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison
Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments on agenda items.

PERSONNEL1. LEAVE (S) OF ABSENCE

RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the leave(s) of absence of the listed personnel, effective as indicated:

Certificated

- (a) Jehita Kitchen Paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 02/20/2020 through 03/29/2020 using 24 personal illness days. High School – Guidance Counselor.
- (b) Glenn Inmann Paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 04/01/2020 through 05/31/2020 using 34.5 personal illness days and 1.5 personal business days. High School – Physical Education Teacher
- (c) Hanifah Stephenson Unpaid medical leave of absence with Board paid benefits effective 02/26/2020 through 04/05/2020. High School – ELA Teacher
- (d) Delores Abernathy Paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 02/20/2020 through 03/01/2020 and medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 03/01/2020 through 03/13/2020. High School – Special Education Teacher

Non Certificated

- (e) Shalonda Morgan Extension of paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 03/16/2020 through 03/19/2020 using 1 vacation day; extension of unpaid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 03/20/2020 through 04/17/2020; extension of paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 04/18/2020 through 06/01/2020 using 30 Sick Bank days. Augusta Pre-School - Receptionist

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

PERSONNEL (Continued)2. RETURNED TO WORK FROM LEAVE OF ABSENCECertificated

- (a) Jennifer Ciuba Returned to work from unpaid medical leave effective 03/24/2020. 2nd Grade Teacher – Berkeley Terrace School
- (b) Jehita Kitchen Returned to work from paid medical leave effective 03/30/2020. High School – Guidance Counselor
- (c) Erin Barbato Returned to work from unpaid maternity leave effective 03/30/2020. Chancellor Avenue School – 1st Grade Teacher
- (d) Sundra Murray Returned to work from unpaid medical leave effective 03/23/2020. Florence Avenue School – Special Education Teacher
- (e) Bruce Mitchell Returned to work from paid medical leave effective 04/06/2020. High School – Social Studies Teacher
- (f) Hanifah Stephenson Returned to work from unpaid medical leave effective 04/06/2020. High School – ELA Teacher
- (g) Delores Abernathy Returned to work from unpaid medical leave of absence effective 03/17/2020. High School – Special Education Teacher

Non-Certificated

- (h) Melanie Cuthbertson Returned to work from paid medical leave effective 04/13/2020. Special Services Dept. – Secretary
- (i) Quanar Guglielmini Returned to work from unpaid medical leave effective 04/01/2020. Chancellor Avenue School -Custodian
- (j) Veronica Cannon Returned to work from unpaid medical leave effective 03/23/2020. High School – Custodian

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

PERSONNEL (Continued)

3. SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL

(a) Building Substitute Teacher

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of Willie Mae Williams-Robinson for Building Substitute Teacher at Augusta Preschool Academy effective 3/16/20, payable from account number 20-EC0-100-101-03-01.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

4. SEPARATIONS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the separation of the listed personnel, effective as indicated:

Retirement

Certificated

- (a) Harriett Mathis-Kellam, 1st Grade Teacher, Berkeley Terrace School, retirement effective 7/1/20. (DOH 1/3/83)

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

5. APPOINTMENTS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of the listed personnel, effective as indicated:

Administrative

- (a) Acting Human Resources Manager 2019-2020 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of Alberta Sharif as Acting Human Resources Director from 4/20/20 through 6/30/20 (51 days total: April – 9 days, May - 20 days, and June - 22 days) at \$500.00 per day for days worked. Total cost not to exceed \$25,500.00 payable from account number 11-000-230-100-00-16. Replacing Cherelle C. Tolor, Esq.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

PERSONNEL (Continued)

(b) Acting Human Resources Manager 2020-2021 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of Alberta Sharif as Acting Human Resources Director from 7/1/20 through 7/31/20 (23 days) at \$500.00 per day for days worked. Total cost not to exceed \$11,500.00 payable from account number 11-000-230-100-00-16. Replacing Cherelle C. Tolor, Esq.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison
Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

6. CREATION OF NEW POSITION/JOB DESCRIPTION

(a) RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the position of Special Education Master Teacher and the job description for the 2020/2021 school year.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison
Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

7. AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS

(a) Child Study Team Summer Employment

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved four (4) Child Study Team Members (1) LDTC, (1) Psychologist, (1) Social Worker and (1) Speech Therapist for summer employment effective July 6, 2020 through August 7, 2020, for five hours a day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Said staff will be compensated for the days they perform their duties at 1/200th of their annual salary or as per negotiated agreement for each day worked. Summer employment costs not to exceed \$53,295.00 to be paid from account number 11-000-219-104-25-25.

Michael Beardsley, Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant
Tamara Dumarsais, School Psychologist
Cheryn deGroot, Social Worker
John Fulweiler, Speech Therapist

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison
Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

PERSONNEL (Continued)(b) Extended Summer School 4 Week Program (Grades Pre-K – 8) and (Grade 9 Autistic)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for the Department of Special Services to conduct an Extended Summer School Year Program (ESY) mandated by the NJDOE. This program will be held for four (4) weeks starting July 6, 2020, and will conclude on July 31, 2020, for grades Preschool to 8th and the Autistic and CBI classes for five hours a day between 8:15 a.m. and 1:15 p.m., Monday through Friday for a total of 100 hours. This program will be housed at the following schools: Mt. Vernon Avenue School (grades: Pre-school – 5th), Union Avenue Middle School (grades: 6th – 8th) and Irvington High School (Autistic and CBI program). The staff will be comprised of (20) Elementary Special Education Teachers, and (3) Middle School Special Education Teachers, and (1) High School Autistic Teacher, (1) CBI Teacher, and (1) Speech Therapist. All teaching/speech staff shall be paid at the rate of \$39.00 per hour for a total of \$3,900.00 each (\$39.00 per hour x 100 hours) for a total of \$101,400.00, Support staff of one (1) School Nurse shall be paid at the rate of \$39.00 per hour (\$39.00 x 100 hours) for a total of \$3,900.00 and one (1) Secretary shall be paid as per bargaining unit rates for a total of \$8,125.00. Total cost is not to exceed \$113,425.00 to be paid from account number 20-IB1-200-100-00-25.

Mt. Vernon Avenue School Pre-school – 5th Grade:

Vinneth Davy Pre K Autistic Class
 Lena McCalla Pre K Autistic Class
 Michael Conte Pre K Class
 Daisey Rodriguez Pre K Class
 Dionna McDowell Pre K Class
 Kirsten Johnson Smith Pre K Class
 Dolly Cobb Pre K Autistic Class
 Anne McNally Primary- 1st Grade Autistic Class
 Gena Harris Primary- 1st Grade Autistic Class
 Julie Samuels Primary- 1st Grade Autistic Class
 Dena Crump Primary
 Wendy Wilson-Martinez 1st- 2nd Grade
 Tanya Risis 2nd Grade Samuel
 Roxanne Pinnock 2nd- 3rd Grade Autistic Class
 Samuel Rajigadoo 2nd- 3rd Grade Autistic Class
 Faith Stewart 3rd Grade
 Radisha Paul 4th- 5th Grade Autistic Class
 Patricia Eden Hughey 4th Grade
 Samma Romer 5th Grade
 Anthony Onorato 5th Grade

PERSONNEL (Continued)

Mt. Vernon Avenue School Support Staff

Donna Samake School Nurse
Gayle Rosen Secretary
Johanna Islinger Speech Specialist

In District wide (Pre K -12th) Union Avenue Middle School 6th – 8th Grades

Jean Belony 6th- 8th Grade
John Sengotta 6th- 8th Grade Autistic Class
Deirdre Oglesby 6th- 8th Grade

Irvington High School

Nicole Perroth 9th Grade Autistic Class
Kimberly Petcos CBI Program

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

(c) Extended Summer School 5 Week Program- Credit Recovery (Grades 9-12)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for the Department of Special Services to conduct an Extended Summer School Year Program (ESY) mandated by the NJDOE. This Credit Recovery Program will be held for five (5) weeks starting July 6, 2020, and will conclude on August 7, 2020, for grades 9-12 for five hours a day between 8:15 a.m. and 1:15 p.m., Monday through Friday for a total of 125 hours. This Credit Recovery Program will be housed at Irvington High School (grades: 9th – 12th) and the staff will be comprised of (3) High School Special Education Teachers, (1) general education teacher to develop PLAAFPs (Present Level Academic and Functional Performances) and attend meetings and (1) Rite Officer. All teaching staff shall be paid at the rate of \$39.00 per hour for a total of \$4,875.00 each (\$39.00 per hour x 125 hours) for a total of \$19,500.00. The Rite Officer will be paid as per bargaining unit rates (\$29.68 rate x 125 hours) for a total of \$3,710.00. Total expenses not to exceed \$23,210.00 to be paid from account number 20-IB1-200-100-00-25. High School 9th- 12th Grade Special Education Teachers

Yan Shen 9th- 12th Grades
Latasha McMillan 9th- 12th Grades
Myles Hart General Education Teacher District Wide (Pre K-12th)
Teacher-TBD
Rite Officer Marcus Hackett District Wide (Pre K-12th)

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

PERSONNEL (Continued)

(d) Community Based Instruction Program to Establish Community Partnerships and Contractual Agreements 2020-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the hiring of two (2) staff members to establish community partnerships and create the Community Based Instruction Agreements (CBI) for the 2020-2021 school year at Irvington High School. The staff members will be paid at the rate of \$39.00 per hour for a total of 40 hours during the month of August 2020, for a total of \$1,560.00, payable from account 20-IB1-200-100-00-25.

Kimberly Petcos
Patricia Padavoni

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

8. FOR THE RECORD

(a) Item 5, letter B, Page 7, Board approved 3/18/20 titled Acting Human Resources Manager is rescinded.

(b) Item 9 letter J, page 13, Board approved January 15, 2020 entitled “After-School Dance Enrichment Program - Madison Avenue School” should be titled “Band/Music After-School Program - Madison Avenue School”

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

CURRICULUM

9. FRONTLINE EDUCATION- MEDIA SERVICES

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for Frontline Education located at 1400 Atwater Drive, Malvern PA 19355, to provide the evaluation tool for the Irvington staff from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 at a cost of \$9,205.00 payable from account number 20-2A1-200-300-00-30. The tool will be implemented in the 2019-2020 school for a one-time cost of \$5,200.00 payable from account number 20-2A0-200-300-00-30.

SECOND QUOTE

Teach Point \$14,962.50

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

ATHLETICS10. CHAMPIONSHIP JACKETS AND RINGS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to allow the Irvington Athletic Department to order championship jackets and championship rings from the Printing Guru, located at 105 Branchwood Dr. Deptford, NJ 08096. The purpose of the purchase is to provide jackets and rings to student-athletes, coaches, and administrators when conference, district, regional, county, sectional, group, state, meet/tournament of champions, and national championships are won by Irvington Public Schools-sponsored teams, programs, and individual student-athletes. The amount shall not exceed \$9,000.00 for the 2019-2020 school year from account number 11-000-230-590-00-16 and \$1,000.00 from account number 15-402-100-500-00-12.

2nd Quote: BSN Sports, Inc. - \$12,444.45

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS11. BIO SHINE – EMERGENCY SUPPLIES--DISTRICT WIDE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to award a contract to Bio Shine, 190 Summerhill Road, Spotswood, NJ 08884 for additional funds in the amount of \$6,130.39 to provide emergency custodial supplies due to COVID-19 district wide, for the 2019-2020 school year. New Jersey State Approved Co-op Member # 65MCESCCPS. Bid #ESCNJ 17/18-47 Bid Term: 1/22/18 - 1/21/20 payable from account number 11-000-262-610-00-34.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

12. ALYSSA’S LAW COMPLIANCE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Irvington Board of Education (the Board) desired to increase school safety by providing security alarms throughout its facilities in accordance with Alyssa’s Law – C.18A:41-11, C.18A:41-12 and C.18A:41-13; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of that objective the Board retained the firm OCA Architects, Inc. and its subconsultant(s) to prepare an Amendment to the Long Range Facility Plan (LRFP) and develop necessary plans and specifications for equipping its public and secondary schools with panic alarms or emergency mechanism required by the State of New Jersey: and

WHEREAS, The Board desired to authorize its Business Office personnel to submit the Amended Plan for approval to the New Jersey Department of Education,

NOW THEREORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Board, having considered same, now authorized the Business Office, on behalf of the Board to proceed with submission of the Plan and to coordinate with the New Jersey Department of Education (DOE) and New Jersey Schools Development Authority (NJSDA) to obtain the required approvals and/or recommendations so that the Plan can be approved and the improvements shown can be constructed.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

FINANCE

13. PAYMENT OF BILLS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved payment for the following bills and claims:

Regular Accounts Payable:	April	\$ 7,100,402.10
Regular Payroll:	March	\$ 6,612,608.24
Workers Compensation:	April	<u>\$ 45,504.61</u>
Total:		\$ 13,758,514.95

The accounts payable appearing on the April 8, 2020, Board Meeting agenda may be inspected in the Board Secretary’s Office.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

14. BOARD SECRETARY’S FINANCIAL REPORT – FEBRUARY 2020

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Board Secretary’s Report for the period ending February 29, 2020.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

15. TREASURER OF SCHOOL MONIES FINANCIAL REPORT – FEBRUARY 2020

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Treasurer of School Monies Financial Report for the period ending February 29, 2020.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

FINANCE (Continued)16. CERTIFICATION OF EXPENDITURES REPORT – FEBRUARY 2020

Pursuant to 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, the Board of Education has obtained from the Board Secretary that as of February 29, 2020, no major account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation and hereby certified pursuant to 6A:23A-16.10(b) that no major account or fund has been over expended.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

17. PAYMENT OF DISTRICT TAXES FOR FEBRUARY 4TH REQUEST

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and requested the payment of school district taxes for the month of February 2020 from Irvington Township in the amount of \$1,454,960.75.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

18. PAYMENT OF DISTRICT TAXES FOR MARCH 3RD REQUEST

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and requested the payment of school district taxes for the month of March 2020 from Irvington Township in the amount of \$1,454,960.75.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

19. PAYMENT OF DISTRICT TAXES FOR APRIL 2ND REQUEST

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and requested the payment of school district taxes for the month of April 2020 from Irvington Township in the amount of \$1,454,960.75.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

FINANCE (Continued)20. PAYMENT OF DISTRICT TAXES FOR MAY 1ST REQUEST

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and requested the payment of school district taxes for the month of May 2020 from Irvington Township in the amount of \$1,454,960.75.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

21. CONTRACT FOR THERAPY SOURCE, STAFFING SOLUTIONS TO PROVIDE A SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST (LEAVE REPLACEMENT EXTENSION) FOR IN-DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS 2019-2020

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of schools and granted permission to Therapy Source, Staffing Solutions, for the 2019-2020 school year to service in-district Special Education students with a Speech Language Pathologist (SLP) to replace Susan Glanzberg, contract extension beginning April 20, 2020 through June 19, 2020. The cost for the Speech Language Pathologist will be \$88.00 per hour for six and one half (6.5) hours per day, to work five (5) days a week for a total of forty-four) days ($\$88.00 \text{ p/h} \times 6.5 \text{ hrs.} \times 44 \text{ days} = (\$25,168.00)$). Total cost not to exceed \$25, 168.00, to be paid from account number 11-000-216-320-00-25.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

22. THE MIKE STEVKO DISTINGUISHED ATHLETE AWARD

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission to receive and award the \$500.00 Mike Stevko Distinguished Athlete Award scholarship to Desmond Marfo, a senior at Irvington High School.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

23. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION – USA FOOTBALL FOUNDATION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and accepted a \$1,000 grant from USA Football Foundation to select equipment from the USA Football online catalog for the Irvington High School Football teams.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

FINANCE (Continued)24. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION - SULLIVAN SPORTS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the acceptance of a donation of fifteen (15) new Wilson U.S. Open Tennis rackets from Sullivan Sports, Spring, TX. The purpose of the donation is to supply the Irvington High School Boys and Girls Tennis Teams with additional equipment for the 2019-2020 school year. The total value of the donation is \$524.85 (\$34.99 per racket). There is no cost to the district.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

25. REPRODUCTION OF STUDENT PACKETS - STAPLES

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the contract with Staples Business Advantage, 777 S. Sable Blvd., Aurora, CO 80012, Ed-Data Bid Number SPLS9829, to reproduce copies from the student learning packets required for at-home learning during the COVID 19 emergency. Total cost not to exceed \$28,000.00 for approximately 1,200,000 copies, payable from account number 11-190-100-500-00-15.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

26. LITIGATION EXPENSE – STAR INSURANCE COMPANY V HUNT, HAMLIN & RIDLEY

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the payment of the invoice from the firm of Wilson/Elser in defense litigation on behalf of Hunt, Hamlin & Ridley, Board Counsel in which all claims were dismissed related to the above civil matter venued in Federal District Court under Civil Case No. 2:19-cv-08677 for the sum of \$14,102.00 to be paid from approved expense account for Hunt, Hamlin, and Ridley number 11-000-230-590-00-31.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

FINANCE (Continued)

27. TRANSFER OF FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the following appropriation transfer of funds for the 2019-2020 school year in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 for the reason(s) noted:

Account Number/Description		From	To	Explanation
11-000-222-500-00-16 11-000-230-590-00-16	Media Services Purchase Services	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	<u>Superintendent's Office</u> -To provide additional funds for general administrative purchase services
11-190-100-610-00-15 11-190-100-500-00-15	Instructional General Supplies Instructional Purchase Service	\$27,100.00	\$27,100.00	<u>Curriculum & Instruction</u> - To provide funds for reproducing learning packets during the COVID 19 closure.

ACTION:

Motion by: Syesha Benbow, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments.

CLOSED SESSION

“In accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, be it hereby resolved that the Irvington Township Board of Education meet in closed session, May 20, 2020 (If the District is open.) at 5:30 p.m., at University Elementary School, 1 University Place, Irvington, New Jersey, to address confidential matters of personnel, negotiations, and/or attorney client privilege.

It is expected that the matters discussed will be made public at the time that the need for confidentiality no longer exists.”

Upon the motion by Syesha Benbow, seconded by Gene Etchison and unanimously approved on a roll call vote, the Regular Meeting of the Irvington Board of Education adjourned.

Reggie Lamptey

Reggie Lamptey, CPA
Assistant Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary

RL/rcs