BOARD OF EDUCATION

IRVINGTON, NEW JERSEY

Regular Board Meeting - December 16, 2020

The Regular Board Meeting of the Irvington Board of Education was held VIRTUALLY on Wednesday, December 16, 2020. This meeting was called to order by Board Vice President Audrey Lyons followed by a flag salute.

Present were: Annette Beasley

Ronald Brown Gloria Chison Gene Etchison Joseph Sylvain

Audrey Lyon-Vice President

Excused: Luis Antilus

Syesha Benbow

Richard Williams, President

Others: Dr. April Vauss, Superintendent of Schools

Reggie Lamptey, Assistant Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary

Dr. Matin Adegboyega, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

Roger Monel, Associate School Business Administrator

Dr. Latee Walton-McCleod, Assistant to the Asst. Sup. For Curriculum and Inst.

Ronald Hunt, Board Attorney

Brett Cannon, Media Services Technology

Esther Oko, Student Trustee

Neyssa Derphonse, Student Trustee

Several other administrators, interested citizens and newspaper reporters.

Board Vice President Audrey Lyon 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.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. April Vauss began her report by saying welcome and introducing the principal of Florence Avenue School.

Ms. Mary Michailidis, Principal of Florence Avenue Elementary School welcomed all on behalf of herself and her Assistant Principal Mohammed Bala. She was pleased to say that the school year started off well. She said the teachers, staff, administrators, students and parents planned in advance for the virtual type of reopening and the planning paid off. Parents have been attending PTA meetings, workshops, back to school night, parent teacher conference and meeting with staff and administration as they recognize the importance of becoming full partners with the school in their child's education.

She said Florence Avenue Teachers and staff have also been fully committed to improving their instruction with interactive technology use through Google Classroom and Google Sweep features. This has led to engaging instruction and improved student participation and attendance.

Student scholars received chrome books and hotspots to ensure all of them had access to remote and online education. Students also competed in a reading competition during the fall break with winners on each grade level. The next reading competition would be winter break which would start December 24th. Florence Avenue recognized the importance of the development of a love of reading and reading fluency because it impacted student achievement in every subject. The Principal mention another activity that brought the community together which was a virtual movie night hosted by the Hispanic Heritage Committee that was well attended and "Dora the Explorer" was enjoyed by all. Finally, Ms. Michailidis introduced a virtual Holiday Art Display coordinated by retiring Art Teacher Ms. Belove and the Florence Avenue Chorus sang virtually "What a Wonderful World" directed by Music Teacher Dr. Yu.

Dr. Vauss thanked Ms. Michailidis and her staff for their commitment and the video presentation. She said it brought back memories of her old home Florence Avenue School, getting ready for those holiday performances. She went on to introduce the new student trustees from Irvington High School for the 2020-2021 school year, Neyssa Deriphonse and Esther Oko. Both ladies were seniors and two of the highest performing students.

Estther Oko planned to major in neuroscience in college. She hadn't gotten all her acceptance letters so she would wait until they were all in to decide which school she would be attending.

Neyssa Deriphonse was going to major in biology and planned to become a dermatologist in the future.

Dr. Vauss said the number of cases for Covid-19 continue to expand in the Irvington community, the need for increased caution and care was obvious. In the abundance of care and safety the return of teachers to the buildings has been moved to January 25th upon the approval of the board that evening. The first concern was to always place the safety of the students, staff and community at the forefront of the district's planning. She added to please check as always the district website and school websites for updates.

Dr. Vauss was happy to announce that the district was the Super Football Conference Co-Champions. She extended congratulations to Coach Pierre and his staff along with Dr. Taylor. She said she couldn't begin to count how many championships and awards the district received since both of these gentlemen have been in the ranks so they deserved applause. She acknowledged three students who have signed letters of intent for D1 Schools for football; Rutgers, Buffalo and Nebraska. She stated all were to be commended because they were not just athletes, they were student athletes and out of this would come greatness. She added there was another student who would be receiving a scholarship to Kean University a D3 School, so he would be attending the school and playing football.

She was also excited to announce there were 24 bikes donated by Golconda Temple #24 Prince Hall Shriners of New Jersey to a school that had high test scores and high attendance. The bikes were given to the 24 students who were responsible. They met at Madison Avenue Elementary School where the students would receive the bike and a toy. She stated the group was gracious and spoke for Principal Wright, her staff and the parents of the students for the most generous donation.

Also the district was the recipient of the "Energy to Educate Grant" through conservation energy. She extended congratulation to Mr. Shivers and Dr. Adegboyega who worked diligently for the grant. She added that Mr.

Shivers fought hard for the grant, he would not accept no so he and Dr. Adegboyega definitely deserved a congratulation on getting that grant.

Finally, Dr. Vauss stated as the district closed the calendar year and reflected, concluded or prepared for the various holidays or events that are near and dear to their families and loved ones, she thanked everyone for their hard work and commitment to the education of the Irvington Students. She wished all a healthy and happy winter break and looked forward to seeing all in the new year.

FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Board Vice President Lyon thanked Ms. Michailidis for putting together the program, she stated presentation was really nice.

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.

November 18, 2020 – Virtual Board Meeting

ACTION:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: (On agenda items only)

There were no public comments on agenda items.

ADMISSION OF STUDENTS AFER OCTOBER 1, 2020 WHO HAE NOT BEEN ENROLLED IN IN SCHOOL

STUDENT	SCHOOL	ENROLMENT DATE	GRADE LEVEL
A.S.	THURGOOD MARSHALL	12/15/2020	KINDGERGARTEN

PERSONNEL DECEMBER 16, 2020

1. **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)	Natasha Greene	Paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 12/22/20 through 2/9/21 using 28 personal illness days; unpaid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 2/10/21 through 2/15/21. (High School-Computer Teacher)
(b)	George Keteku	Paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 10/13/20 through 1/15/21 using 55 personal illness days. (High School-Mathematics Teacher)
(c)	Yardley George	Extension of paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 12/1/20 through 1/14/21 using 26 Sick Bank days; extension of unpaid medical leave of absence with Board paid benefits effective 1/15/21 through 1/26/21. (University Middle School-Special Education Teacher)
(d)	Pierette Charles	Paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 11/30/20 through 12/21/20 using 14.5 personal illness days and 1 personal business day; unpaid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 12/22/20 through 1/3/21. (High School - Special Education Teacher)
(e)	Muhammad Rahman	Paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 11/30/20 through 1/3/21 using 18 personal illness days. (High School - Science Teacher)

ACTION:

Non-Certificated

(f)	Corey Collins	Extension of unpaid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 11/1/20 through 1/12/21. (Blue Knights Academy-Head Custodian)
(g)	Rashee Simmons	Unpaid intermittent FMLA effective 11/17/20 through 5/28/21, not to exceed 14 days. (Augusta Preschool-Custodian)
(h)	Mikal Lawson	Extension of paid leave of absence per EFMLA effective 12/1/20 through 12/31/20 at 2/3 rd pay. (Districtwide-Security Officer)
(i)	Allison Cunningham	Extension of paid leave of absence per EFMLA effective 12/1/20 through 12/31/20 at 2/3 rd pay. (Madison Avenue School-Security Officer)
(j)	Grace Cortes	Paid medical leave of absence with Board paid benefits effective 12/14/20 through 1/19/21 using 9 personal illness days, 3 floating holidays and 10 vacation days; unpaid medical leave of absence with Board paid benefits effective 1/20/21 through 1/31/21; paid medical leave of absence with Board paid benefits effective 2/1/21 through 2/28/21 using 19 Sick Bank days. (Business Office-Confidential Administrative Secretary)
(k)	Thaddus Williams	Paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 12/2/20 through 12/15/20 using 9.5 personal illness days; unpaid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 12/16/20 through 1/11/21. (Custodian-Berkeley Terrace School)
(1)	Sylvester Sanders	Paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 11/20/20 through 12/21/20 using 10.5 personal illness days, 4.5 accrued vacation days, 1 personal business day and 4 vacation days. (Assistant Head Custodian-High School)
(m)	Donnell Williams	Paid intermittent FMLA effective 12/4/20 through 3/31/21, not to exceed 6 days, using available personal illness, personal business and vacation days. (Augusta Preschool-Secretary)

(n) Donna Martin-Yelverton Paid intermittent medical leave of absence as

per FMLA effective 12/14/2020 through 01/15/2021 using available personal illness days, not to exceed 15 days. (Special

Services Department- Secretary)

(o) Linda Thomas Unpaid medical leave of absence with Board paid

benefits effective 12/2/20 through 1/29/21. (Chancellor Avenue

School - Secretary)

(p) Aneesah Chambers Paid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective

10/22/20 through 11/17/20 using 11.5 personal illness days and 2.5 personal business days; unpaid medical leave of absence per FMLA effective 11/18/20 through 12/31/20. (Berkeley Terrace/Grove Street School-

Medical Clerk)

ACTION:

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

2. RETURN TO WORK FROM LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the return to work from leaves of absence of the listed personnel, effective as indicated:

Non-Certificated

(a) Julissa Velez Returned to work from unpaid medical leave of absence

effective 11/30/20. (Human Resources Department-

Confidential Administrative Secretary)

ACTION:

Motion by: Annette Beasley, Seconded by: Gene Etchison

Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

3. SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL

(a) RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of the listed personnel as substitute teachers, at the pay rate of \$100.00 per day, not to exceed 29 hours per week, effective 12/17/20:

Eligible for Work

Nasir Jones Juliet Ogbuokiri

ACTION:

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

(b) **Building Substitute Teacher**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of Thelma Watson, as a Building Substitute Teacher, Mt. Vernon Avenue School, effective 12/17/20, at a pay rate of \$150.00 per day not to exceed 29 hours per week for days worked, payable from account number 15-120-100-101-00-09. Replacing Maurice Nash.

ACTION:

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

4. <u>SEPARATIONS</u>

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

Resignations

Certificated

- (a) Jean Annulyssess, 2nd Grade Bilingual Teacher, Chancellor Avenue School, effective 1/18/21 close of business.
- (b) Edna Fameux, School Nurse, Mt. Vernon Avenue School, effective 1/27/21 close of business.
- (c) Rosandra Alba, 3rd Grade Teacher, Mt. Vernon Avenue School, effective 2/5/21 close of business.
- (d) Jamie Hastings, Special Education Teacher, High School, effective 2/2/21 close of business.

ACTION:

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

5. <u>APPOINTMENTS</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of the listed personnel, for the 2020-2021 school year, effective as indicated:

Certificated

(a) RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of Nkoseh Okwuchukwu, Science Teacher, Irvington High School, at an annual salary of \$ 62,151.00, Step 6, MA Level, University of Lagos, effective 1/11/21, (pending criminal history clearance and *S-414/A-3381* (*P.L.2018*, *c.5*) clearance), payable from account number 15-140-100-101-00-12. Replacing Maureen O'Neil.

ACTION:

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

(b) RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of Miriam Diaz, Mathematics Teacher, Irvington High School, at an annual salary of \$83,004.00, Step 13, BA Level New Jersey City University, , effective 1/11/21, (pending criminal history clearance and *S-414/A-3381* (*P.L.2018*, *c.5*) clearance), payable from account number 15-140-100-101-00-12. Replacing Reza Lashkari.

ACTION:

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

(c) RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of Diana Moreno, 2nd Grade Teacher, Mt. Vernon Avenue School, at an annual salary of \$66,901.00, Step 8, MA Level, Concordia University, effective 1/11/21, (pending criminal history clearance and *S-414/A-3381* (*P.L.2018*, *c.5*) clearance), payable from account number 15-120-100-101-00-09. Replacing Faith Cavanaugh.

ACTION:

PERSONNEL (continued)

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(d) RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of Alberta Sharif, Acting Director of Human Resources as the Irvington Public School's Acting Affirmative Action Officer for the School Term 2020/2021, effective 10/26/20.

ACTION: THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.

Non-Certificated

(e) RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the appointment of Bria Wallace, B-12 Secretary, Irvington High School, at an annual salary of \$43,881.00, Step 7, effective 12/17/20, payable from account number 15-000-218-105-00-12. Replacing Kim Spann.

ACTION:

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

6. REASSIGNMENT/TRANSFERS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the reassignment/transfer of the listed personnel, at the indicated position and location:

Certificated

(a) Tanisha DeLa Espada, P-3 Special Education Inclusion Teacher, Thurgood Marshall School reassigned to K-5 Special Education Inclusion Teacher, Florence Avenue School, effective 1/4/21, payable from account number 15-213-100-101-00-04. Replacing Sundra Murray.

ACTION:

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

Non-Certificated

(b) Suliaman Thomas, Custodian, Chancellor Avenue School (days), reassigned to Acting Head Custodian, Blue Knight Academy (days), effective 10/14/20, Step 1, \$47,110.99, payable from account number 11-100-262-100-00-34. Replacing Corey Collins.

ACTION:

7. <u>STIPEND</u>

(a) Stipends for Parent Coordinators to Support School and Community Activities 2020 -2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to pay a stipend for the Parent Coordinators listed to coordinate and support school and community level parental involvement activities before, after school, and on weekends in accordance with the required permission and /or Board approvals. Each Parent Coordinator will be compensated at time and a half the individual's hourly rate, not to exceed 50 hours for activities from September 2020 – June 2021. Total for all stipends not to exceed \$10,800.00 payable from account 20-TI1-200-100-40-30.

Berkeley Terrace - Jennifer Persaud-Parris Chancellor School - Lee Johnson Florence Avenue - Darlene Sabree-Reeves Grove Street - Tia Head Madison Avenue - Synthia Jones- Pender Mt. Vernon Ave School - Clara Thomas Thurgood Marshall School - Cindy Windley- Clark University Elementary School - Tykyannah Fields - Brown

ACTION:

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

8. AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

(a) Annual School Plan – Florence Avenue School

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the three staff members listed below to write the State mandated Annual School Plan for Florence Avenue School during the months of September 2020 – June 2021. The teachers will be paid the contractual rate of \$39.00 per hour not to exceed 10 hours (\$390.00 per person). The total cost is not to exceed \$1,170.00, payable from account number 20-2A1-200-100-00-30.

Sharon Colon Crystal Sepulveda Yiashira Cosme

ACTION:

(b) Attendance Review Committee – Florence Avenue School

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of School and approved the three staff members listed below to serve as Attendance Review Committee Members for the 2020-2021 school year. Each member will be paid at the contractual rate of \$39.00 per hours not to exceed 10 hours (\$390.00 per person). The total cost is not to exceed \$1,170.00, payable from account number 20-TI1-200-100-04-30.

Johanna Cedillo Paula Cappel Noorul Sahera

ACTION:

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

(c) School Leadership Council – Florence Avenue School

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the five staff members listed below as School Leadership Council Advisors for Florence Avenue School for the 2020-2021 school year. Each advisor will be paid at the contractual rate of \$39.00 per hour not to exceed 10 hours (\$390.00 per person). The total cost is not to exceed \$1,950.00, payable from account number 15-000-240-110-00-04

Andrea Rochman Yiashira Cosme Leonor Madrigal Darlene Reeves Johanna Cedillo

ACTION:

(d) PBSIS Committee – Thurgood Marshall School

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for Thurgood Marshall School to implement a PBSIS Committee. The purpose of the committee will be to disaggregate data, meet with Positive Behavior Support in Schools coordinator, create and monitor incentives, organize and plan PBSIS events and rallies, and develop monthly PBSIS communications. Four members of the PBSIS Committee (3 staff members, and 1 secretary will meet a total of twelve hours during the school year from January 2021 – June 2021. Each teacher will be paid at the contractual rate of \$39.00 per hour. The secretary will be paid at the contractual rate of \$50.10 per hour. Each member will be paid for a total of 12 hours (\$39.00 x 12 x 3 =\$1,404.00) + (\$50.10 x 12 = \$601.20) for a total cost not to exceed \$2,005.20 payable from account number 20-TI1-200-100-08-30. Pending the availability of funds.

Nijah Jihad Belinda Perry Dachi Sampeur Catherine Pierre

ACTION:

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

(e) <u>Play Unified Champions Club Advisors- Elementary Program – Office of Special Services</u> <u>2020-</u> <u>2021</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to hire 8 Play Unified Champions Club Advisors (one from each elementary school) to coordinate and plan organized physical activities for student participants in the Play Unified Champions Club. The Play Unified Champions Club is designed to promote friendship, tolerance, appreciation of diversity, and a lifelong consciousness of health and wellness. The program will culminate in student participation in a District wide Play Unified Champions Game Day Event. The program will be conducted three times a month for an hour each day for seven months from December 2020 through June 2021. The total cost for advisors' salaries for club activities will be \$6,552.00 (8 advisors x 3 hours/ month for 7 months x \$39.00/hour) and two hours of training (8 advisors x 2 hours x \$39.00 = \$624.00). Advisors' salaries will be payable from 20-PU1-100-100-00-25 for club advisement and the cost of training will be payable from 20-PU1-200-100-00-25. Total cost of the program will not exceed \$7,176.00.

Berkeley Terrace – Mitchell Perry Chancellor Avenue – Christine Pfeiffer Florence Avenue – Kimberly Petcos Grove Street – Corey Dishmen

Madison Avenue- Shannon Ostoyic Mt. Vernon Avenue – Abdelkade Laib University Elementary – Gary Andrewshetsko Thurgood Marshall – Javarayl Hilton

ACTION:

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

(f) Play Unified Champions Club Advisors- Middle School Program- Office of Special Services 2020-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to hire 2 Play Unified Champions Club Advisors (one from each middle school) to coordinate and plan organized physical activities for student participants in the Play Unified Champions Club. The Play Unified Champions Club is designed to promote friendship, tolerance, appreciation of diversity, and a lifelong consciousness of health and wellness. The program will culminate in student participation in a District wide Play Unified Champions Game Day Event. The program will be conducted three times a month for an hour each day for seven months from December 2020 through June 2021. The total cost for advisors' salaries for club activities will be \$1,638.00 (2 advisors x 3 hours/ month for 7 months x \$39.00/hour) and two hours of training (2 advisors x 2 hours x \$39.00 = \$156.00). Advisors' salaries will be payable from 20-PU1-100-100-00-25 for club advisement and the cost of training will be payable from 20-PU1-200-100-00-25. Total cost of the program will not exceed \$1,791.00.

Union Avenue Middle School – Leon Wallace University Middle School – Stephen Bernath

ACTION:

(g) Play Unified Program Coordinator - Office Special Services 2020-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to hire a Play Unified Program Coordinator. The goal of the Play Unified Program is to support and expand the growth of the District's sports programs while promoting friendship, tolerance, appreciation of diversity, inclusive education, and a lifelong consciousness of health and wellness. The Program Coordinator will be responsible for coordinating and implementing all activities associated with the program. The Play Unified Program Coordinator will be compensated for full coordination and implementation of the program from November 2020 through June 2021 at a Special Olympic's stipend of \$3,500.00. Total stipend will not exceed \$3,500.00 and will be payable from account 20-PU1-200-100-00-25.

Districtwide - Kirstin Duska

ACTION:

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

(h) <u>Play Unified Champions Club Advisors-High School Mentor Program – Office of Services 2020-2021</u> Services 2020-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to hire 1 Play Unified Champions Club Advisors to coordinate and plan organized physical and mentoring activities for student participants in the Play Unified Champions High School Mentor Program. The Play Unified Champions High School Mentor Program is designed to promote friendship, tolerance, appreciation of diversity, and a lifelong consciousness of health and wellness. Student participants in the Play Unified Champions High School Mentor Program will support the Elementary and Middle School Programs by serving as mentors and role models to student participants in elementary and middle school club activities. The program will culminate in student participation in a District wide Play Unified Champions Game Day Event in which High School Mentors will assist in the organization of Game Day activities and support of elementary and middle school students as they participate in the event. The program will be conducted three times a month for an hour each day for seven months from December 2020 through June 2021. The total cost for advisors' salaries for club activities will be \$819.00 (1 advisor x 3 hours/ month for 7 months x \$39.00/hour) and two hours of training (2 advisors x 2 hours x \$39.00 = \$78.00). Advisors' salaries will be payable from 20-PU1-100-100-00-25 for club advisement and the cost of training will be payable from 20-PU1-200-100-00-25. Total program cost is not to exceed \$897.00.

Irvington High School -Derrick Tomassino

ACTION:

(i) Play Unified Champions Event (Game Day) – Office Special Services 2020-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Special Olympics NJ Play Unified Champions Event (Game Day) in June, 2021, to be held at Irvington High School from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and led by the eleven (11) Board approved Play Unified Grant Advisors. Each advisor is from an Elementary School (8), Middle School (2), and Irvington High School (1) as approved in the project plan of the Play Unified Grant and will be paid at the rate of \$39.00 per hour for five (5) hours from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. for a total of \$2,145.00 (\$39.00 p/h x 5 hours = \$195.00 p/p x 11 staff = \$2,145.00) to set up and close out the event. Staff will be paid from 20-PU1-200-100-00-25.

ElementaryMiddle SchoolHigh SchoolMitchell PerryLeon WallaceDerrick Tomassino

Christine Pfeiffer Stephen Bernath

Kimberly Petcos Corey Dishmen Shannon Ostoyic Abdelkade Laib Gary Andrewshetsko Javaryl Hilton

ACTION:

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

(j) School Improvement (ScIP) Teacher Chancellor Avenue School

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and appointed Mr. Afiz Agboola to serve the school's ScIP Teacher to coordinate after-school professional development workshops for the teachers. The workshops will be aligned to the district's goals and the school's Professional Development Plan. Mr. Agboola will be paid \$39/hour for 10 hours for a total not to exceed \$390 for the year payable from account number 15-120-100-101-00-03.

ACTION:

(k) Data Analysis Specialist 2020 - 2021 - Irvington High School

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to hire one Data Analysis Specialist at each of the following schools for the 2020-2021 school year: Grove Street Elementary School, University Elementary School, University Middle School, and Irvington High School from September 2020-June 30, 2021. The Data Analysis Specialist will be responsible for gathering, disaggregating, analyzing, and reporting student performance data, student attendance data, student discipline data, and other pertinent student information that will be used to inform instructional and intervention strategies to promote increased attendance and academic achievement in targeted areas. Each Data Analysis Specialist will be paid a stipend of \$6,825.00 for work done outside the contractual day. All activities performed by the Specialist must be documented on Supplemental Activity Logs and submitted with requests for payment. Submission of accurate activity logs will be required for payment to be processed. All stipends will be payable from account number 20-SI1-200-100- 00-30 and will not exceed \$6,825.00 (\$39.00 per hour for 175 hours) per Data Analyst.

Name	Position
David Dickman	Technology Coach

ACTION:

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

(1) DOJO Team/PSIS Members- Union Avenue Middle School

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for Union Avenue Middle School, to hire (5) Dojo Team/PBSIS members to meet once a month for the 2020 to 2021 school year. The Committee will disaggregate school climate data, create and monitor incentives, organize and plan PBSIS events and rallies, and develop monthly PBSIS communication to stakeholders. Teachers will be paid for 2 hours per month at the contractual rate of \$39.00 per hour ($$39.00 \times 6(\times 2) = 468) per person. January 2021-June2021 The total cost for the Class Dojo/PBSIS team is not to exceed \$2,340.00, paid from account 20-TI1-200-100-11-30.

Members

Maureen Jasovsky Charity Ezeji Regina Reilly Elizabeth Chomko Elham Fahmy

ACTION:

9. FOR THE RECORD

- A. Item 1, letter F, page 2, Board approved 11/18/20, Julissa Velez, effective dates of medical leave of absence are amended to 10/28/20 through 11/29/20.
- B. Item 9, letter H, page 11, Board approved 11/18/20, Data Team Member Florence Avenue School should be changed from Samara Florexil to Frances Perry.
- C. Item 10, letter N, page 33, Board approved 8/12/20, listed as ScIP Teacher Berkeley Terrace School, should be amended to read:

Staff Member Name	Position	Rate of Pay Per/Hr	Total # of Hours	Amount not to	Amount to be paid from
				Exceed	Account #
Ava Swaby	Teacher	\$39.00 as per collective bargaining agreement	10 hrs. (from September 2020 to June 2021	\$390.00	15-120-100-101-00-02

D. Item 9, letter F, page 10, Board approved 11/18/20, listed as School Safety Team 2020-2021 School Year – Berkeley Terrace School, should be amended to read:

Kendall Ashford (teacher) Alim Edwards (guidance counselor) Molly Ann Farrier (nurse) Koryne Lee (teacher) Hermari Lloyd (teacher)

ACTION:

CURRICULUM DECEMBER 16, 2020

10. CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES - PLACEMENTS PUBLIC & NON-PUBLIC

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, in concurrence with the Director of Special Services, and approved placements of Children with Disabilities in the following Public & Non-Public schools, at the listed tuition rates, upon receipt of appropriate bills, tuition and transportation (where necessary), subject to verification for the **2020-2021** school year. Effective as of September 1, 2020

NON-PUBLIC

NP20-147 Grade: 9th Bonnie Brae School

Tuition: \$83,800.00 ED – New Placement

Effective: 09/16/2020

NP20-148 Grade: 11th FedCap School

Tuition: \$ 71,000.00

MD, ED, OHI – New Placement

Effective: 11/17/2020

NP20-149 Grade: 10th Mt. Carmel Guild Academy

Tuition: \$ 64,900.00 ED- New Placement

Effective: 09/01/2020

NON-PUBLIC – Corrections

NP20-073 Grade: 4th Mt. Carmel Guild Academy

1:1 Aide: \$ 22,140.00 MD– New Placement

Effective: 09/01/2020

Correction from 08/12/20 agenda, tuition cost in contract is higher than board approved 1:1 Aide

NP20-074 Grade: 4th Mt. Carmel Guild Academy

1:1 Aide: \$ 44,280.00 OHI– New Placement

Effective: 09/01/2020

Correction from 08/12/20 agenda, tuition cost in contract is higher than board approved 1:1 Aide

NP20-086 Grade: 3rd Mt. Carmel Guild Academy

1:1Aide: \$ 44,280.00 MD- New Placement

Effective: 09/01/2020

Correction from 08/12/20 agenda, tuition cost in contract is higher than board approved 1:1 Aide

NP20-091 Grade: 6th Mt. Carmel Guild Academy

1:1 Aide: \$22,140.00 AUT- New Placement

Effective: 09/01/2020

Correction from 08/12/20 agenda, tuition cost in contract is higher than board approved 1:1 Aide

NP20-095 Grade: 11th Mt. Carmel Guild Academy

1:1 Aide: \$ 22,140.00 MD– New Placement

Effective: 09/01/2020

Correction from 08/12/20 agenda, tuition cost in contract is higher than board approved 1:1 Aide

TOTAL TUITION AMOUNT OF NEW PLACEMENTS - \$ 374,680.00

CLASSIFICATION DEFINITIONS

- 1. "Auditorily Impaired" corresponds to "auditorily handicapped" and further corresponds to the Federal eligibility categories of deafness or hearing impairment. "Auditorily impaired" means an inability to hear within normal limits due to physical impairment or dysfunction of auditory mechanisms characterized by (c)1i or ii below. An audiological evaluation by a specialist qualified in the field of audiology and a speech and language evaluation by a certified speech- language specialist are required.
- <u>i. "Deafness"</u>--The auditory impairment is so severe that the student is impaired in processing linguistic information through hearing, with or without amplification and the student's educational performance is adversely affected.
- <u>ii. "Hearing Impairment"</u>--An impairment in hearing, whether permanent or fluctuating which adversely affects the student's educational performance.
- **2. "Autistic"** means a pervasive developmental disability which significantly impacts verbal and nonverbal communication and social interaction that adversely affects a student's educational performance. Onset is generally evident before age three. Other characteristics often associated with autism are engagement in repetitive activities and stereotyped movements, resistance to environmental change or change in daily routine, unusual responses to sensory experiences and lack of responsiveness to others. The term does not apply if the student's adverse educational performance is due to emotional disturbance as defined in (c) 5 below. A child who manifests the characteristics of autism after age three may be classified as autistic if the criteria in this paragraph are met. An assessment by a certified speech-language specialist and an assessment by a physician trained in neurodevelopmental assessment are required.
- <u>3. "Intellectually Disabled"</u> means a disability that is characterized by significantly below average general cognitive functioning existing concurrently with deficits in adaptive behavior; manifested during the developmental period that adversely affects a student's educational performance and is characterized by one of the following:

- <u>i. "Mild Intellectual Disability"</u> means a level of cognitive development and adaptive behavior in home, school, and community settings that are mildly below age expectations with respect to all of the following:
 - (1) The quality and rate of learning;
 - (2) The use of symbols for the interpretation of information and the solution of problems; and
 - (3) Performance on an individually administered test of intelligence that falls within a range of two to three standard deviations below the mean.
- <u>ii.</u> "Moderate Intellectual Disability" means a level of cognitive development and adaptive behavior that is moderately below age expectations with respect to the following:
 - (1) The ability to use symbols in the solution of problems of low complexity;
 - (2) The ability to function socially without direct and close supervision in home, school and community settings; and
 - (3) Performance on an individually administered test of intelligence that falls three standard deviations or more below the mean.
- <u>iii.</u> "Severe Intellectual Disability" means a level of functioning severely below age expectations whereby in a consistent basis the student is incapable of giving evidence of understanding and responding in a positive manner to simple directions expressed in the child's primary mode of communication and cannot in some manner express basic wants and needs.
- **4. "Communication Impaired"** corresponds to "communication handicapped" and means a language disorder in the areas of morphology, syntax, semantics and/or pragmatics/discourse which adversely affects a student's educational performance and is not due primarily to an auditory impairment. The problem shall be demonstrated through functional assessment of language in other than a testing situation and performance below 1.5 standard deviations, or the 10th percentile on at least two standardized language tests, where such tests are appropriate, one of which shall be a comprehensive test of both receptive and expressive language. When the area of suspected disability is language, assessment by a certified speech-language specialist and assessment to establish the educational impact are required. The speech-language specialist shall be considered a child study team member.
- i. When it is determined that the student meets the eligibility criteria according to the definition in (c) 4 above, but requires instruction by a speech-language specialist only, the student shall be classified as eligible for speech-language services.
- ii. When the area of suspected disability is a disorder of articulation, voice or fluency, the student shall be evaluated according to N.J.A.C. 6A:14-3.4(g) and, if eligible, classified as eligible for speech-language services according to N.J.A.C. 6A:14-3.6(a).
- <u>5. "Emotionally Disturbed"</u> means a condition exhibiting one or more of the following characteristics over a long period of time and to a marked degree that adversely affects a student's educational performance due to:
 - i. An inability to learn that cannot be explained by intellectual, sensory or health factors;
 - ii. An inability to build or maintain satisfactory interpersonal relationships with peers and teachers;
 - iii. Inappropriate types of behaviors or feelings under normal circumstances;
 - iv. A general pervasive mood of unhappiness or depression; or
 - v. A tendency to develop physical symptoms or fears associated with personal or school problems.

- <u>6. "Multiply Disabled"</u> corresponds to "multiply handicapped" and "multiple disabilities," and means the presence of two or more disabling conditions, the combination of which causes such severe educational needs that they cannot be accommodated in a program designed solely to address one of the impairments. Multiple disabilities includes cognitively impaired-blindness, cognitively impaired-orthopedic impairment, etc. The existence of two disabling conditions alone shall not serve as a basis for a classification of multiply disabled. Eligibility for speech-language services as defined in this section shall not be one of the disabling conditions for classification based on the definition of "multiply disabled." Multiply disabled does not include deaf-blindness.
- **7.** "Deaf/blindness" means concomitant hearing and visual impairments, the combination of which causes such severe communication and other developmental and educational problems that they cannot be accommodated in special education programs solely for students with deafness or students with blindness.
- **8.** "Orthopedically Impaired" corresponds to "orthopedically handicapped" and means a disability characterized by a severe orthopedic impairment that adversely affects a student's educational performance. The term includes malformation, malfunction or loss of bones, muscle or tissue. A medical assessment documenting the orthopedic condition is required.
- <u>9. "Other Health Impaired"</u> corresponds to "chronically ill" and means a disability characterized by having limited strength, vitality or alertness, including a heightened alertness with respect to the educational environment, due to chronic or acute health problems, such as attention deficit disorder or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, a heart condition, tuberculosis, rheumatic fever, nephritis, asthma, sickle cell anemia, hemophilia, epilepsy, lead poisoning, leukemia, diabetes or any other medical condition, such as Tourette Syndrome, that adversely affects a student's educational performance. A medical assessment documenting the health problem is required.
- **10.** "Preschool Child with a Disability" corresponds to preschool handicapped and means a child between the ages of three and five who either:
- i. Is experiencing developmental delay, as measured by appropriate diagnostic instruments and procedures, in one or more of the areas in (c) 10 i (1) through (5) below, and requires special education and related services. When utilizing a standardized assessment or criterion-referenced measure to determine eligibility, a developmental delay shall mean a 33 percent delay in one developmental area, or a 25 percent delay in two or more developmental areas.
 - (1) Physical, including gross motor, fine motor and sensory (vision and hearing);
 - (2) Intellectual;
 - (3) Communication;
 - (4) Social and emotional; and
 - (5) Adaptive; or
- ii. Has an identified disabling condition, including vision or hearing, that adversely affects learning or development and who requires special education and related services.
- <u>11. "Social Maladjustment"</u> means a consistent inability to conform to the standards for behavior established by the school. Such behavior is seriously disruptive to the education of the student or other students and is not due to emotional disturbance as defined in (c) 5 above.
- <u>12. "Specific Learning Disability"</u> corresponds to "perceptually impaired" and means a disorder in one or more of the basic psychological processes involved in understanding or using language, spoken or written, that

may manifest itself in an imperfect ability to listen, think, speak, read, write, spell, or to do mathematical calculations, including conditions such as perceptual disabilities, brain injury, minimal brain dysfunction, dyslexia, and developmental aphasia.

- i. A specific learning disability can be determined when a severe discrepancy is found between the student's current achievement and intellectual ability in one or more of the following areas:
 - (1) Basic reading skills;
 - (2) Reading comprehension;
 - (3) Oral expression;
 - (4) Listening comprehension;
 - (5) Mathematical calculation;
 - (6) Mathematical problem solving;
 - (7) Written expression; and
 - (8) Reading fluency.
 - ii. A specific learning disability may also be determined by utilizing a response to scientifically based interventions methodology as described in N.J.A.C. 6A:14-3.4(h)6.
 - iii. The term severe discrepancy does not apply to students who have learning problems that are primarily the result of visual, hearing, or motor disabilities, general cognitive deficits, emotional disturbance or environmental, cultural or economic disadvantage.
 - iv. The district shall, if it utilizes the severe discrepancy methodology, adopt procedures that utilize a statistical formula and criteria for determining severe discrepancy. Evaluation shall include assessment of current academic achievement and intellectual ability.
- 13. "Traumatic Brain Injury" corresponds to "neurologically impaired" and means an acquired injury to the brain caused by an external physical force or insult to the brain, resulting in total or partial functional disability or psychosocial impairment, or both. The term applies to open or closed head injuries resulting in impairments in one or more areas, such as cognition; language; memory; attention; reasoning; abstract thinking; judgment; problem-solving; sensory, perceptual and motor abilities; psychosocial behavior; physical functions; information processing; and speech.
- <u>14. "Visually Impaired"</u> corresponds to "visually handicapped" and means an impairment in vision that, even with correction, adversely affects a student's educational performance. The term includes both partial sight and blindness. An assessment by a specialist qualified to determine visual disability is required. Students with visual impairments shall be reported to the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

11. DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICES-ELIMINATION OF PK INCLUSION PROGRAM

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the elimination of the one PK Inclusion Program at Thurgood Marshall School for the 2020-2021 school year due to decreased PK Inclusion numbers in this specific program.

ACTION:

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

12. <u>PLAY UNIFIED CHAMPIONS CLUB ADVISORS- ELEMENTARY PROGRAM – OFFICE OF SPECIAL SERVICES 2020-2021</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to hire 8 Play Unified Champions Club Advisors (one from each elementary school) to coordinate and plan organized physical activities for student participants in the Play Unified Champions Club. The Play Unified Champions Club is designed to promote friendship, tolerance, appreciation of diversity, and a lifelong consciousness of health and wellness. The program will culminate in student participation in a District wide Play Unified Champions Game Day Event. The program will be conducted three times a month for an hour each day for seven months from December 2020 through June 2021. The total cost for advisors' salaries for club activities will be \$6,552.00 (8 advisors x 3 hours/ month for 7 months x \$39.00/hour) and two hours of training (8 advisors x 2 hours x \$39.00 = \$624.00). Advisors' salaries will be payable from 20-PU1-100-100-00-25 for club advisement and the cost of training will be payable from 20-PU1-200-100-00-25. Total cost of the program will not exceed \$7,176.00.

OTHER QUOTES: N/A

ACTION:

13. <u>PLAY UNIFIED CHAMPIONS CLUB ADVISORS- MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM- OFFICE OF SPECIAL SERVICES 2020-2021</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to hire 2 Play Unified Champions Club Advisors (one from each middle school) to coordinate and plan organized physical activities for student participants in the Play Unified Champions Club. The Play Unified Champions Club is designed to promote friendship, tolerance, appreciation of diversity, and a lifelong consciousness of health and wellness. The program will culminate in student participation in a District wide Play Unified Champions Game Day Event. The program will be conducted three times a month for an hour each day for seven months from December 2020 through June 2021. The total cost for advisors' salaries for club activities will be \$1,638.00 (2 advisors x 3 hours/ month for 7 months x \$39.00/hour) and two hours of training (2 advisors x 2 hours x \$39.00 = \$156.00). Advisors' salaries will be payable from 20-PU1-100-100-00-25 for club advisement and the cost of training will be payable from 20-PU1-200-100-00-25. Total cost of the program will not exceed \$1,791.00.

OTHER QUOTES: N/A

ACTION:

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

14. PLAY UNIFIED PROGRAM COORDINATOR- OFFICE OF SPECIAL SERVICES 2020-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to hire a Play Unified Program Coordinator. The goal of the Play Unified Program is to support and expand the growth of the District's sports programs while promoting friendship, tolerance, appreciation of diversity, inclusive education, and a lifelong consciousness of health and wellness. The Program Coordinator will be responsible for coordinating and implementing all activities associated with the program. The Play Unified Program Coordinator will be compensated for full coordination and implementation of the program from November 2020 through June 2021 at a Special Olympic's stipend of \$3,500.00. Total stipend will not exceed \$3,500.00 and will be payable from account 20-PU1-200-100-00-25.

OTHER QUOTES: N/A

ACTION:

15. <u>PLAY UNIFIED CHAMPIONS CLUB ADVISORS-HIGH SCHOOL MENTOR PROGRAM – OFFICE OF SPECIAL SERVICES 2020-2021</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to hire 1 Play Unified Champions Club Advisors to coordinate and plan organized physical and mentoring activities for student participants in the Play Unified Champions High School Mentor Program. The Play Unified Champions High School Mentor Program is designed to promote friendship, tolerance, appreciation of diversity, and a lifelong consciousness of health and wellness. Student participants in the Play Unified Champions High School Mentor Program will support the Elementary and Middle School Programs by serving as mentors and role models to student participants in elementary and middle school club activities. The program will culminate in student participation in a District wide Play Unified Champions Game Day Event in which High School Mentors will assist in the organization of Game Day activities and support of elementary and middle school students as they participate in the event. The program will be conducted three times a month for an hour each day for seven months from December 2020 through June 2021. The total cost for advisors' salaries for club activities will be \$819.00 (1 advisor x 3 hours/ month for 7 months x \$39.00/hour) and two hours of training (2 advisors x 2 hours x \$39.00 = \$78.00). Advisors' salaries will be payable from 20-PU1-100-100-00-25 for club advisement and the cost of training will be payable from 20-PU1-200-100-00-25. Total program cost is not to exceed \$897.00.

OTHER QUOTES: N/A

ACTION:

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

16. <u>PLAY UNIFIED CHAMPIONS EVENT (GAME DAY) – OFFICE OF SPECIAL SERVICES 2020-2021</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Special Olympics NJ Play Unified Champions Event (Game Day) in June, 2021, to be held at Irvington High School from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and led by the eleven (11) Board approved Play Unified Grant Advisors. Each advisor is from an Elementary School (8), Middle School (2), and Irvington High School (1) as approved in the project plan of the Play Unified Grant and will be paid at the rate of \$39.00 per hour for five (5) hours from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. for a total of \$2,145.00 (\$39.00 p/h x 5 hours = \$195.00 p/p x 11 staff = \$2,145.00) to set up and close out the event. Staff will be paid from 20-PU1-200-100-00-25.

OTHER QUOTES: N/A

ACTION:

17. <u>PUBLIC CONSULTING GROUP (EASYIEP) AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE REMOTE</u> SERVICES FOR 2020-2021 – OFFICE OF SPECIAL SERVICES

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved Public Consulting Group, who manages the Individual Educational Program database for special education students in the Irvington School District, to use ED Plan Connect Portal to improve communication and connection with the families of students with disabilities during COVID-19 and beyond. It will provide parents/guardians with secure online access to student records, the ability to sign documents electronically, automatically and personalized notifications. Additionally, the EDPlan Connect portal and all notifications are translated into the parent's native language, providing your non-native English-speaking families with the ability to also use the portal. Total cost not to exceed \$5,000.00 to be paid from account number 20-CVO-200-300-00-30.

OTHER QUOTES: N/A

ACTION:

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

18. <u>INTEGRATED SPEECH PATHOLOGY, LLC 2020-2021 – ON-GOING SPEECH PATHOLOGY CONSULTATION SERVICES -2020-2021 - OFFICE OF SPECIAL SERVICES</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission and approves Integrated Speech Pathology, LLC an approved NJ Department of Education (NJDOE) agency, to conduct staff support, technical assistance, habituation treatment plan development and facilitation for students' post-formal Augmentative Alternative Communication (AAC) evaluation. This structure allows staff time to implement the previous visits recommendations and can assess progress and suggest any modifications needed to move the student forward with respect to communication, language development and curriculum support and improve communication and connection with the families of students with disabilities during COVID-19 and beyond. These services are provided one (1) scheduled day for (1) hour a day up to (5) hours, every other month, scheduled at least 30 days in advance at a rate of \$110/hour with a maximum of \$550.00 per day. This shall not include initial AAC evaluations, professional development conferences or participation in IEP or other formal meetings with staff and parents on days outside of the monthly consultation date. Total cost is not to exceed \$2,400.00, payable from the IDEIA account number 20-IB1-200-300-00-25. Pending the availability of funds.

OTHER QUOTES: N/A

ACTION:

19. GIRLS CAN – MT. VERNON AVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for Latora Pruden, Co-Author of the book, "Girls Can" to conduct virtual Readers Workshops with the 3rd, 4th and 5th grade girls at Mt. Vernon Avenue School. There will be three 45-minute workshops given for the 3 grade levels. Each workshop will consist of information about the author, inspirations and rationales for the woman featured in the book, read along and time for questions and answers. The virtual workshops will be held January 8, 2021. Times: 3rd grade 10:00 am, 4th grade 11:00 am and 5th Grade 12 noon. Total amount for the three performances is not to exceed \$750.00 (\$250 each), payable from account number 20-T10-100-500-00-09.

ACTION:

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

20. NEW JERSEY PHYSICIAN'S GROUP - YES YOU CAN! CURRICULUM

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the New Jersey Physician's Group to facilitate the Yes You Can! Curriculum during the health classes at Irvington High School, Union Avenue Middle School and University Middle School. The instruction will take place during the second, third, and fourth marking periods, and the lessons will be offered virtually during online instruction and in-person when live classes resume on-campus. Instruction will take place over a period of eight classes per marking period. There is no cost to the district

ACTION:

21. <u>APPROVAL TO HIRE STAFF DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS INC., FOR THE DELIVERY OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO OUR DISTRICT ON THE SHELTERED INSTRUCTION OBSERVATION PROTOCOL (SIOP) MODEL-DEPARTMENT OF BIL/ESL/WL-OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission to approve the hiring of Staff Development Workshops, Inc. for the delivery of professional develop to our district on the Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) Model.

As part of our districts' initiative to meet state requirement in servicing English Learners (ELs), Irvington Public School has been providing teachers and administrators for the past five years with training on the SIOP model. This model provides teachers and administrators the support they need to help ELs gain access to classroom content while they acclimate to an English learning environment, making instruction more comprehensible.

Elementary Teachers/Administrators will be virtually trained for one and one-half (1 ½) hour sections for six (6) weeks assembled across schools, using the SIOP Model during the months of January to February of 2021. Based on total number of new teachers, we will conduct the training in one or two groups (maximum of 10 to 15 teachers in each room).

Option 1: One Group - All Teachers

SIOP TRAINING FOR ELEMENTARY TEACHERS 2021

Groups	Day 1	Day 2	Day3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
A	1/21/21	1/28/21	2/420	2/11/20	2/18/21	2/25/20

Option 2: Two Groups - Total Teachers Divided Into Two Groups

Groups	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3 Day 4		Day 5	Day 6	
A	1/21/21	1/28/21	2/420	2/11/20	2/18/21	2/25/20	
В	1/22/21	1/29/21	2/520	2/12/20	2/19/21	2/26/20	

Cost: A rate of \$4,500.00 with will include the sixth (6) day for the 1 ½ hour sections and teacher support during required homework activities.

Total cost not to exceed \$4,500.00 payable from account number 2A1-200-300-00-30 (Title II).

ACTION:

22. <u>APPROVAL TO IMPLEMENT AN ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (ELLs) SCHOOLS / COMMUNITY COLLABORATION OUTREACH PROGRAM - DEPARTMENT OF ESL/WL/BILINGUAL PROGRAMS</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission to implement an English Language Learners (ELLs) Schools/Community Collaboration Outreach Program during the months of December 2020 through June 2021 for ELLs at both middle schools (UAMS/UMS) and at Irvington High Schools. The purpose of the program is to find ways to increase motivation (school and community engagement) of our ELL population due to the impact of COVID-19 on learning.

Our goal is to build and enhance the capacity of schools and the community in the following areas: **Capabilities** (skills and knowledge), **Connections** (networks), **Cognition** (beliefs, values) and most of all **Confidence** (self-efficacy). In order to have the most positive impact on the academic and wellness outcomes of ELL students, it is imperative that schools and communities work together through a collaborative and comprehensive approach. *Strong school–community partnerships are essential for a world-class, 21st century education*, more communities across the country are creating such partnerships. Both our Irvington Public Schools and community will benefit from this program.

There's tremendous power in establishing partnerships between schools and local community organizations. These community partners help to engage students in authentic educational experiences with the chance to affect their communities in positive ways. Irvington is composed of different immigrant communities that are looking for ways to be an integral part of the whole community and school environment, complementing and reinforcing its cultural and linguistic values.

Some roles and responsibilities of selected staff: Reach out to districts with comparable demographics to learn about the methods they have employed to reach out to ELs (immigrant students/families); Compiling data from the community/districts to be presented to the program administrators on organizations/services/supports; and Contact colleges, universities, and community organizations to see how we can create internship career/life skills pipeline for our students.

The program will hire two (2) bilingual advisors (Haitian Creole and Spanish) who will be paid at the contractual rate of \$39.00 per hour. Advisors will work six (6) hours a week, for a total of one hundred and forty four (144) hours. (2 Advisors X 144 hrs. = \$11,232.00)

Total cost for the program not to exceed \$11,232.00 payable from account number 20-CV0-100 100-24-30

ACTION:

CURRICULUM (continued)

DECEMBER 16, 2020

23. <u>APPROVAL TO RENEW THE ONLINE LICENSES FOR HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT (HMH) BEIN DIT FRENCH WORLD LANGUAGE CURRICULUM FOR THREE YEARS – DEPARTMENT OF BIL/ESL/WL – OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission to renew the online licenses for the Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) *Bein Bit* French World Language Curriculum for three additional years for the middle and high school programs.

High School Licenses = \$2,372.40

Level 1

Digital Package (w/3yr digital) Level 1

Online Teacher Edition with Resources 3-Year Level 1

Level 2

Digital Package (w/3yr digital) Level 2

Online Teacher Edition with Resources 3-Year Level 2

Level 3

Digital Package (w/3yr digital) Level 3

Online Teacher Edition with Resources 3-Year Level 3

University MS = \$364.10

Level 1A

Digital Package (w/3yr digital) Level 1A

Online Teacher Edition with Resources 3-Year Level 1A

Level 1B

Digital Package (w/3yr digital) Level 1B

Online Teacher Edition with Resources 3-Year Level 1B

Union Avenue MS = \$364.10

Level 1A

Digital Package (w/3yr digital) Level 1A

Online Teacher Edition with Resources 3-Year Level 1A

Level 1B

Digital Package (w/3yr digital) Level 1B

Online Teacher Edition with Resources 3-Year Level 1B

Cost:

HS = \$2,372.40

UAMS = \$364.10

UMS = \$364.10

Total cost not to exceed \$3,100.60 payable from account number TT1-100-500-00-30 (Title III).

ACTION:

24. <u>ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE VIRTUAL DANCE – UNIVERSITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for University Elementary School's Attendance Committee to host a Virtual Dance Party. This incentive serves as a booster activity to reinforce the implementation of school wide expectations frame, along with the goal to encourage improved attendance rates. Scholars will earn daily and weekly points that are tracked on Class Dojo based on particular criteria (on time to school, daily attendance, i-Ready minutes, cameras on) in order to attend the Virtual Dance Party in its entirety. All scholars will be invited, however, if scholars do not accumulate enough points, they will participate with abbreviated time. The Virtual Dance Party will occur Wednesday, December 23, 2020, in two sessions (K-2 & 3-5), include scholar leader volunteers to monitor video sessions, and will be an hour in duration.

ACTION:

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

25. ESSEX COUNTY STEERING COMMITTEE FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION—OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved of Aneesah Noel, IG teacher at University Elementary, and Nicole Smith, IG teacher at Madison Avenue Elementary, to attend upon invitation the virtual meetings of the Essex County Steering Committee for Gifted and Talented Education.

Participation on the committee is at no additional cost to the district.

ACTION:

26. STAFF EVALUATION TEMPLATES - OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the 2020-2021 evaluation templates for the following staff members: Teacher – formative and summative

Nurse – Danielson Evaluation Template-formative and summative
Guidance Counselor/HSSC – Danielson Evaluation Template- formative and summative
Instructional Specialist – Danielson Evaluation Template- formative and summative
Child Study Team – Danielson Evaluation Template- formative and summative
Inclusion Teacher – Danielson Evaluation Template- formative and summative
Speech Therapist – Danielson Evaluation Template- formative and summative
Media Specialist – Danielson Evaluation Template -formative and summative
School Administrator-Marazano Model
Supervisor/Director
Superintendent's Cabinet
Superintendent

ACTION:

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

27. NJ PREP - PREGNANCY & INFANT CURRICULUM

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Partnership for Maternal and Child Health of Northern New Jersey to facilitate the NJ Prep Curriculum during the health classes at Irvington High School, Union Avenue Middle School and University Middle School. The instruction will take place during the second, third, and fourth marking periods, and the lessons will be offered virtually during online instruction and in-person when live classes resume oncampus. Instruction will take place over a period of six classes per marking period. There is no cost to the district

ACTION:

28. <u>INSPIRED INSTRUCTION, LLC: ALIGNING PRACTICES WITH THE NEW JERSEY STUDENT LEARNING STANDARDS</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approves Inspired Instruction, LL. to conduct a virtual training titled "Aligning Practices with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards" for twelve (12) schools. The training will be held on December 17, 2020 and December 23, 2020. The training will provide staff with strategies to infuse literacy in Mathematics and Science as well as create cross-curricular lessons. The cost for training is \$1800.00 per school session (total sessions 24). Total cost is not to exceed \$43,200.00, payable from account number 20-TRI-200-300-00-30.

ACTION:

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

29. <u>INSPIRED INSTRUCTION, LLC: ALIGNING PRACTICES WITH THE NEW JERSEY STUDENT LEARNING STANDARDS</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved Inspired Instruction, LL. to conduct a virtual training titled "Aligning Practices with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards" for twelve (12) schools. The training will be held January 13, 2021, January 27, 2021, February 10, 2021, February 24, 2021, March 3, 2021, March 17, 2021 and March 31. 2021. The training will provide staff with strategies to infuse literacy in Mathematics and Science as well as create cross-curricular lessons. Total cost is not to exceed \$151,200.00, payable from account number 20-TRI-200-300-00-30.

ACTION:

30. FIELD TRIPS

RESOLVED, that the Board Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the following field trips, under the conditions listed below:

Destination/	Date/	Grade	# of	# of	# of	Admission	Transportation & Cost	Total Cost	Account #
Rationale	Time	Level	Students	Teachers/	Chaperone	Per Person			
				Names					
Mt. Vernon Avenue	2/2021-	4-5	40	3	1	FREE	N/A	N/A	N/A
School	4/2021								
		ESL &		Ms. Ostrega					
Drew University	Mondays	Selected		Ms. Magny					
36 Madison Avenue	and	students		Ms. Walsh					
Madison, NJ 07940	Wednesday	from							
Virtually traveling to	S	awarded							
ONLINE platform of	Virtually	classes							
Drew University	between								
Via: Google									
Classroom	11:50 am-								
Madison, NJ 07940	2:30 pm								
Dadia nala									
Rationale:									
To encourage students									
to create creative									
works with college									
choreography students.									
To learn about the									
creative process and									
connect the embodied									
vocabulary to a word									

from the dance lesson					
created. To share what					
they learned and give					
felt responses and give					
acknowledgement for					
the shared experience.					
Students will be able					
to share feedback to					
others' works and have					
the opportunity to					
improvise in a final					
circle using the					
medium of Bantaba					
improvisation. Each					
person will enter the					
circle one by one and					
dance however they					
want. Students will be					
able to write					
preliminary questions					
and write a reflection					
essay recounting their					
experience. This is a					
virtual field trip and					
Partnership with the					
Dance Department of					
Drew University					
Dance in collaboration					
with the Center for					
Civic Engagements at					
Drew University,					
Madison, NJ.					

CCSS: 4. MD.5-7,4. G.3, W4.2a-c, SL.4 ACTION

ACTION:

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31. CHANGE IN TITLE- FROM SUPERVISOR OF SCIENCE TO SUPERVISOR OF SCIENCE AND INTELLECTUALLY GIFTED PROGRAM – OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the change in title from Supervisor of Science to Supervisor of Science and Intellectually Gifted Program.

ACTION:

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

32. ORAL HEALTH ASSEMBLY PROGRAM - MADISON AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission to Madison Avenue School to allow New Jersey Children's Oral Health Program to provide Pre-Kindergarten – Fifth grade students with an Oral Health and Eating Habits assembly. The virtual program will reinforce and provide a visual presentation of the importance of good oral health. This assembly will be at no cost to the District.

ACTION:

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

33. NEWSELA PILOT PROGRAM – UNIVERSITY MIDDLE SCHOOL

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for University Middle School purchase the NEWSELA Pilot Program. The program will be available from January 2021 through June 2021. This web-based program supports students in reading, reading comprehension and vocabulary while using informational text. Differentiated instruction is supported based upon individual student reading Lexile. This program is aligned with University Middle Schools Annual School Plan (ASP) Goal #2. Teachers and students can effortlessly shift between online and inperson teaching with a flexible curriculum. It will deepen student participation with content for ELA, SEL, social studies and science that can support any learning environment or learning level. The cost is not to exceed \$4,750.00 payable from account #20-SI1-100-500-00-10.

ACTION:

34. NEARPOD – UNIVERSITY MIDDLE SCHOOL

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for University Middle School purchase the Nearpod Program. The Nearpod program provides teachers with pre-made interactive lessons and videos which are standards based. It is student paced with quick formative assessments. This program is aligned with University Middle Schools Annual School Plan (ASP) Goal #2. Teachers and students can effortlessly shift between online and in-person teaching with a flexible curriculum. It will deepen student participation and engagement. The cost is not to exceed \$6,000.00 payable from account #20-SI1-100-500-00-10.

ACTION:

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

35. <u>CDWG/ GOGUARDIAN SOFTWARE 2020-2021- OFFICE OF MEDIA SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY - OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the purchase of GoGuardian Software through CDWG, 230 N. Milwaukee Ave, Vernon Hill, IL 60061 to provide student accountability software, district-wide as needed for the 2020-2021 school year. All orders will be purchased using account number 20-CVO-100-500-19-30 cost not to exceed \$59,075.00.

ACTION:

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

36. STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE-SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Statement of Assurance of Superintendent Position.

ACTION:

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

37. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: OUT OF DISTRICT WORKSHOPS/CONFERENCES – OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for the identified staff below to attend the following out of district workshops:

STAFF	POSITION	SCHOOL	WORKSHOP	DATE	LOCATION	FEES/ACCOUNT#
			TITLE			
Jennifer Ostrega	ESL Teacher	Mt. Vernon	Equity for Language	5/25-5/27,	NJTESOL/NJBE	Registration:
		Avenue School	Learners	2021	Virtual Spring Conference	\$199.00
					2021	Account:
					ONLINE	15-000-223-320-00-
					PRESENTATION	09
					New Jersey	
Safiya Bashir	Health and	Madison Avenue	Certified Clinical	12/03/2020	Madison Ave / MTV	No cost to the
	Social Counselor	School	Trauma Professional:	to		District
			2 Day Trauma	12/04/2020		
			Competency			
			Conference			

ACTION:

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

38. <u>UNIFORM MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT – OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Uniform Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Officials for the 2020-2021 school year. This agreement is mandated by the New Jersey Department of Education and the State of New Jersey Office of the Attorney General to serve as a guide for the District's partnership with law enforcement agencies in an effort to ensure the safety of the Irvington Public School community.

ACTION:

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

39. <u>AMENDMENT TO THE COVID-19 RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN – OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the amendment to the "Recommended Procedures for the 2020-2021 Re-Opening of Schools."

ACTION:

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

40. FOR THE RECORD

- A. Item #35, Page #48, Board approved October 21, 2020, entitled "ProShred Security Company to Shred Confidential Documents –Early Childhood" should reflect an account number change from 20-EC1-200-500-03-37 to 20-EC1-200-590-03-37.
- B. Item 20, page 28, Board Approved on November 18, 2020, entitled: Kagan Professional Development: Total Student Engagement Through Zoom Online Workshop, should be amended with a change in account number from 20-2A1-200-300-00-27 to 20-2A1-200-300-00-30.
- C. Item 112, page 127, Board approved on August 12, 2020 Titled: Progressive Mathematics Initiative (PMI) Professional Development, should reflect that SAVVAS will provide virtual professional development services from August 31 to September 3, 2020 payable from 20-2AO-200-300-00-30. SECOND QUOTE: N/A
- D. Item 112, page 127, Board Approved on August 12, 2020, entitled: Progressive Mathematics Initiative (PMI) Professional Development, should be amended with a change in account number from 20-2AO-200-300-00-30 to 20-2A1-200-300-00-30.

BY-LAWS & POLICY DECEMBER 16, 2020

41. <u>POLICY – 1620 ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS (M)</u> (REVISED) – 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Policy 1620 Administrative Employment Contracts (M) (REVISED)

ACTION:

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

42. POLICY - 2431 ATHLETIC COMPETITION (M) (NEW) - 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated New Policy 2431 Athletic Competition (M) (NEW)

ACTION:

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

43. <u>REGULATION – 2431.1 EMERGENCY PROCEDURES FOR SPORTS AND</u> OTHER ATHLETIC ACTIVITY (M) (REVISED) – 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Regulation 2431.1 Emergency Procedures for Sports and Other Athletic Activity (M) (Revised)

ACTION:

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

44. POLICY - 2451 ADULT HIGH SCHOOL (M) (REVISED) - 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Policy 2451 Adult High School (M) (Revised)

ACTION:

45. $\underline{POLICY-2464}$ GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS (M) (REVISED) -2^{nd} READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Policy 2464 Gifted and Talented Students (M) (Revised)

ACTION:

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

46. POLICY - 5330.05 SEIZURE ACTION PLAN (M) (NEW) - 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated New Policy 5330.05 Seizure Action Plan (M) (New)

ACTION:

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

47. REGULATION - 5330.05 SEIZURE ACTION PLAN (M) (NEW) - 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated New Regulation 5330.05 Seizure Action Plan (M) (New)

ACTION:

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

48. POLICY – 6440 COOPERATIVE PURCHASING (M) (REVISED) – 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Policy 6440 Cooperative Purchasing (M) (Revised)

ACTION:

49. <u>POLICY – 6470.01 ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER AND CLAIMANT</u> CERTIFICATION (M) (NEW) – 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated New Policy 6470.01 Electronic Funds Transfer and Claimant Certification (M) (New)

ACTION:

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

50. <u>REGULATION – 6470.01 ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER AND CLAIMANT CERTIFICATION (M) (NEW) – 2nd READING</u>

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated New Regulation 6470.01 Electronic Funds Transfer and Claimant Certification (M) (New)

ACTION:

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

51. POLICY - 7440 SCHOOL DISTRICT SECURITY (M) (REVISED) - 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Policy 7440 School District Security (M) (Revised)

ACTION:

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

52. $\frac{\text{REGULATION} - 7440 \text{ SCHOOL DISTRICT SECURITY (M) (REVISED)} - 2^{\text{nd}}}{\text{READING}}$

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Regulation 7440 School District Security (M) (Revised)

ACTION:

53. POLICY - 7450 PROPERTY INVENTORY (M) (REVISED) - 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Policy 7450 Property Inventory (M) (Revised)

ACTION:

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

54. POLICY - 7510 USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES (M) (REVISED) - 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Policy 7510 Use of School Facilities (M) (Revised)

ACTION:

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

55. $\underline{\text{REGULATION} - 7510}$ USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES (M) (REVISED) -2^{nd} $\underline{\text{READING}}$

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Regulation 7510 Use of School Facilities (M) (Revised)

ACTION:

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

56. POLICY – 8420 EMERGENCY AND CRISIS SITUATIONS (M) (REVISED) – 2^{nd} READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Policy 8420 Emergency and Crisis Situations (M) (Revised)

ACTION:

57. <u>POLICY – 8561 PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES FOR SCHOOL NUTRITION</u> PROGRAMS (M) (REVISED) – 2nd READING

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated Revisions to Policy 8561 Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs (M) (Revised)

ACTION:

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

58. <u>BYLAW - 0164.6 REMOTE PUBLIC BOARD MEETING DURING A DECLARED EMERGENCY (M) (NEW) - 2nd READING</u>

RESOLVED, that the Irvington Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the Mandated New Bylaw 0164.6 Remote Public Board Meeting During A Declared Emergency (M) (NEW).

ACTION:

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

MOTION: Move the Board of Education suspended Bylaw 0131 that required two readings to adopt a Bylaw or Policy and adopt Bylaw 0164.6 with one reading to be in compliance with the new emergency regulations regarding remote meetings held during a Governor-declared emergency, N.J.A.C. 5:39-1.1 through 1.7, promulgated by Department of Community Affairs.

ACTION:

ATHLETICS DECEMBER 16, 2020

59. COACHING APPOINTMENTS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the following coaching appointments for the 2020-2021 school year at the step and honorarium indicated as per the Coaches' Salary Guide of the teachers' contract, pending criminal background check, a negative COVID-19 test taken after January 1st, 2021, and completion of NJSIAA required coaching certifications. Coaches will be paid from account number 15-402-100-100-00-12 of the 2020-2021 school budget.

Elias Brantley	Head Boys Basketball	Step 4	\$7,332.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
Raymond Wright	Assistant Boys	Step 4	\$5,028.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
	Basketball			
Nhemie Theodore	Assistant Boys	Step 4	\$5,028.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
	Basketball			
Whaheed Dixon	Assistant Boys	Step 2	\$3,838.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
	Basketball			
Troy Bowers	Assistant Boys	Step 4	\$5,028.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
	Basketball			
Anthony Veiga	Assistant Boys	Step 4	\$5,028.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
	Basketball			
Veleria Brown-Garner	Head Cheerleading	Step 4	\$3,525.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
Gail Lane	Assistant Cheerleading	Step 4	\$3,132.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
Nasir Jones	Assistant Football	Step 1	\$3,717.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
Luc-Julian Excellent	Assistant Football	Step 1	\$3,717.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
Brett Cannon	Head Girls Basketball	Step 4	\$7,332.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
Ryan Carroll	Assistant Girls	Step 4	\$5,028.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
	Basketball	_		
Michael Brown	Assistant Girls	Step 4	\$5,028.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
	Basketball			
Ray-Quell Cotton	Assistant Girls	Step 1	\$3,717.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
	Basketball	_		
Gail Allen	Assistant Girls	Step 3	\$4,672.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
	Basketball			
Steven Bernath	Assistant Girls	Step 4	\$5,028.00	15-402-100-100-00-12
	Basketball			

ACTION:

60. IRVINGTON ATHLETICS HALL-OF-FAME, CLASS OF 2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the following Irvington High School alumni, coaches, and teams for induction into the Irvington High School Athletics Hall of Fame, class of 2021.

Kenya Capers - Boys Basketball, class of 1992
Ahmed Vincent - Football, class of 1996
Deirdre Ogelsby- Girls Basketball Coach, 1987-2005
Mario Porter- Boys Basketball, class of 1998
Betina Ware, Girls Basketball, class of 2005
Katrina Ware, Girls Basketball, class of 2005
Rashon "Rocky" Evans- Football & Track, class of 2010
1988 Football Team

ACTION:

Motion by: Ronald Brown, Seconded by: Annette Beasley Roll Call: Unanimously approved on a roll call vote.

61. APPROVED AUXILIARY PERSONNEL FOR ATHLETIC EVENTS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved the following Board of Education staff members to work athletic events as auxiliary personnel for the 2020-2021 school year. Staff will be paid per the Board of Education approved 2020-2021 rates for auxiliary athletic events personnel from the athletic budget account number 15-402-100-100-00-12.

Reginald Torain Ray-Quell Cotton Gary Grant Ariel Medina Cynthia Roth

ACTION:

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62. FOR THE RECORD

- A. Good Sports. Board approved November 18, 2020. Page #44, Item #73. Account number should have been 15-000-240-500-00-12
- B. Sports Physical Coverage. Board approved November 18, 2020. Page #45, Item #74. Dates should be listed as January 9, 2020, January 16, 2020, January 23, 2020, and January 30, 2020.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS DECEMBER 16, 2020

63. REMINGTON AND VERNICK-IRVINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to award a contract to Remington and Vernick Engineers to review the floor plan, of Irvington High School West Wing and scan and archive the old plan including consultations related to heating systems capacity for the 2018-219 school year in the amount not to exceed \$525.00, payable from account number 12-000-400-334-00-34

ACTION:

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

64. MANHATTAN WELDING COMPANY, INC., BOILERS DISTRICT WIDE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approved additional funds to Manhattan Welding Company, Inc., 1434 Chestnut Avenue, Hillside, NJ, 07205, ESCNJ 19/20-32 for additional repair district wide for the 2020-2021 school year, in the amount not to exceed \$46,000.00, payable from account number 11-000- 261-420-00-33.

ACTION:

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

65. CRYSTAL CLEAR -DISTRICT WIDE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to award a contract to Crystal Clear to install glass doors/windows district wide as needed, 27 Monticello Drive, Hopewell, New Jersey 07731 for the 2020-2021 School year, in in an amount not exceed \$5,000.00, New Jersey Time and Materials, bid number 9752, Package number 36, payable from account number 11-000-261-420-00-33.

Service:

Mechanic, \$50.00 per Hour Mechanic, Journeyman \$45.00 per hour Mark-Up Added to a Wholesale Cost:5%

ACTION:

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

FINANCE____

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66. 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:	December	\$ 7,666,400.11
Regular Payroll:	November	\$ 6,789,397.65
Health Insurance OPT Out	December	\$ 269,976.04
Medicare Reimbursement	December	\$ 49,800.00
Workers Compensation:	December	\$ 56,975.61
Total:		\$14,832,549.41

The accounts payable appearing on the December 16, 2020, Board Meeting agenda may be inspected in the Board Secretary's Office.

ACTION:

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

67. BOARD SECRETARY'S FINANCIAL REPORT - OCTOBER 2020

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approveds the Board Secretary's Report for the period ending October 31, 2020.

ACTION:

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

68. TREASURER OF SCHOOL MONIES FINANCIAL REPORT – OCTOBER 2020

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approves the Treasurer of School Monies Financial Report for the period ending October 31, 2020.

ACTION:

69. CERTIFICATION OF EXPENDITURES REPORT - OCTOBER 2020

Pursuant to 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, the Board of Education has obtained from the Board Secretary that as of October 31, 2020, no major account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation and hereby certifies pursuant to 6A:23A-16.10(b) that no major account or fund has been over expended.

ACTION:

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

70. PAYMENT OF DISTRICT TAXES FOR SEPTEMBER 4th REQUEST

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

ACTION:

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

71. PAYMENT OF DISTRICT TAXES FOR OCTOBER 3rd REQUEST

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

ACTION:

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

72. PAYMENT OF DISTRICT TAXES FOR NOVEMBER 2nd REQUEST

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

ACTION:

73. PAYMENT OF DISTRICT TAXES FOR DECEMBER 1ST REQUEST

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

ACTION:

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

74. <u>ALL COVERED IT SERVICES FROM KONICA MINOLTA EMERGENCY</u> CHROMEBOOK OFFICE OF MEDIA SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approves the emergency purchase of Chromebooks from ALL COVERED IT SERVICES FROM KONICA MINOLTA, 100 William Street Ramsey, NJ 07446 for 1000 Lenovo14e 81mh Chromebook at a cost not to exceed \$339,923.00, paid from account number 20-CV0-100-600-19-30.

ACTION:

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

75. PLAY UNIFIED 2020-2021 GRANT APPLICATION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools accept and approve the awarded Play Unified Grant Funds from Special Olympics of New Jersey for the 2020-2021 school year for \$21,000.00.

20-PU1-100-600-00-25 Instructional Supplies \$ 4,298	.00
20-PU1-200-100-00-25 Personal Services-Salaries \$ 858	.00
20-PU1-200-200-00-25 Employee Benefits <u>\$ 1,190</u>	.00

Total Grant \$21,000.00

ACTION:

76. <u>PROACTIVE RECRUITING (K12 JOB SPOT) - HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT 2020-2021</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and approved Frontline Technologies Group Inc., (Proactive Recruiting K12 Job Spot) located at 1400 Atwater Drive, Malvern, PA, 19355, to provide recruiting solutions for District vacancies from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Total contract cost not to exceed \$5,220.00, payable from account number 11-00-230-590-00-22.

ACTION:

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

77. DONATION FROM BEACON CHURCH - CHANCELLOR AVENUE SCHOOL

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for Chancellor Avenue School to accept 30 winter coats donated from the Beacon Church, formerly known as Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 4 Waldron Avenue in Summit, NJ. Estimated value of the donation is \$500.00.

ACTION:

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

78. <u>DONATION - IMPACT LIBRARY PACKAGE- MADISON AVENUE SCHOOL</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to accept and approve the Little Free Library, 573 Co. Rd. A, Suite 106, Hudson, WI 54016 want to donate the Impact Library Package, which includes a library kit display (for the outside of the library), post, handbooks and starter collection of books to Madison Avenue School Library. Estimated value of the donation is \$500.00.

ACTION:

79. WRAP-AROUND SERVICES ENHANCEMENT GRANT-EARLY CHILDHOOD 2020-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to accept and approve the New Jersey Department of Education, Division of Early Childhood Wrap-Around Services Enhancement Grant in the amount of \$129,078.00. Funds will be used to reduce family cost-sharing for before, after school, and summer "wrap-around" childcare. The District will award the grant funds internally to contracted providers and Head Start programs providing preschool services based on application and approval process developed by Irvington Board of Education, Office of Early Childhood in accordance with parameters articulated by the Department of Education, Division of Early Childhood. The project period ends on June 30, 2021. Funds will be disbursed from Account Number 20-WA1-100-600-03-37.

ACTION:

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

80. DONATION GIVING TREE SERVICE PROJECT – UNIVERSITY ELEMENTARY

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and granted permission for Dr. Chinaire Simons at University Elementary School to accept seventy-five toys from the Giving Tree Service Project, Jefferson Elementary School, 1200 Boulevard, Westfield, NJ 07090. Total value of donation is \$1,500.00

ACTION:

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81. <u>CARL PERKINS 2020 - 2021 GRANT</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to accept and approve the 2020-2021 Carl Perkins Grant in the amount of \$53,651.00.

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Carl Perkins Teacher's Salaries	20-CP1-100-100-00-19	\$ 15,717.00
Carl Perkins Professional and Technical Services	20-CP1-100-300-00-19	\$ 2,324.00
Carl Perkins General Supplies	20-CP1-100-600-00-19	\$ 20,035.00
Carl Perkins Instructional Other Objects	20-CP1-100-800-00-19	\$ 5,400.00
Carl Perkins Support Salaries	20-CP1-200-100-00-19	\$ 1,755.00
Carl Perkins Administrative Staff Salaries	20-CP1-200-100-20-19	\$ 2,683.00
Carl Perkins Employee Benefits	20-CP1-200-200-00-19	\$ 1,337.00
Carl Perkins Purchase Professional and Technical Services	20-CP1-200-300-00-19	\$ 3,000.00
Carl Perkins Other Purchased Services	20-CP1-200-500-00-19	\$ 400.00
Carl Perkins Staff Travel	20-CP1-200-580-00-19	<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>
	Total:	\$ 53,651.00

ACTION:

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82. TRANSFER OF FUNDS 2020-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent and approved the following appropriation transfer of funds for the 2020-2021 school year in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 for the reason(s) noted:

Account Number	Description	From	То	Explanation
15-000-270-512-00-02 15-000-240-600-00-02	Field Trips School Administrative Supplies	3,100.00	3,100.00	Berkeley Terrace - To provide additional funds for walkie-talkies for office use to promote social distancing in compliance with Covid-19 mandates.
15-190-100-800-00-02 15-190-100-610-00-02	Other Objects-Admission Supplies - Instructional	3,100.00	\$3,100.00	Berkeley Terrace - To provide additional funds for student art supplies for 2021 school year.
11-000-100-566-00-25 11-000-100-561-00-25	Tuition –Other LEAs State Tuition – Other LEAs in NJ Regular	60,000.00	60,000.00	Special Services: To provide additional funds for tuition of general education students placed out of district for 2020-2021 school year.
15-000-270-512-00-12	Field Trips	10,000.00		<u>Irvington High School</u> - To provide funds for swipe
15-000-240-600-00-12	School Administrative Supplies	5,000.00		machine, copier lease and graduation expenses 2020-
15-000-222-500-00-12	Purchased Services - Media		8,808.00	2021.
15-000-240-500-00-12	Administrative Purchase Services		6,192.00	
15-120-100-101-00-03	Grades 1-5 Teacher Salaries	8,190.00		Chancellor Ave. School- To provide additional funds
15-240-100-101-00-03	Bilingual- Teacher Salary		6,905.00	for attainment of new level for the 2020-2021 school
15-000-218-104-00-03	Guidance Counselors Salary		1,285.00	year.
15-120-100-101-00-07	Grades 1-5 Teacher Salaries	1,900.00		Madison Ave School - To provide additional funds
15-000-213-100-00-07	Nurse Salaries		900.00	for salaries due to contract settlement for the 2020-
15-213-100-101-00-07	Special Education Teacher		1,000.00	2021 school year.
11-000-262-420-00-34	Cleaning, Repairs and Maintenance	31,000.00		Building and Grounds- To provide additional fund
11-000-262-421-00-33	Service Contract		31,000.00	for boiler repairs district wide for the 2020-2021
				school year
20-CV0-100-600-19-30	Cares-Other Purchased Service	32,332.00		Media Service And Technology - To provide funds
20-CV0-100-500-19-30	Cares-Supplies and Materials		32,332.00	to purchase software to monitor student activity on
				Chromebook district wide for the 2020-2021.

ACTION:

PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael Byock IEA President stated he and the IEA members thanked the Board and the Superintendent for pushing the date back for returning to the buildings and continuing to do so until such time as it being deemed safe to return. He then expressed concern regarding the evaluation process. Finally, he noted the events the IEA recently hosted such as workshops for members, a book club reading event at Berkley Terrace and the 100 meals provide on November 25th for Irvington's bravest and finest. He ended his comments with wishing all a happy and healthy holiday season.

Dr. Vauss stated that she looked forward to meeting with Mr. Byock and his committee so they could elevate any ambiguity but to just know for the record that everything they did evaluation wise for certified staff were aligned with Achiever NJ, they did not deviate from what is laid there, anything else was within the district's prevue. But she did look forward to meeting because the last thing she wanted was for anyone to have ambiguity in regards to something so important as evaluations.

Vice President Lyons thanked everyone for taking the time to participate in the meeting. She expressed everyone should stay safe.

CLOSDED SESSION

"In accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, be it hereby resolved that the Irvington Township Board of Educating meet in closed session, January 20, 2021 (Virtually) at 5:30 p.m., 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 Gene Etchison, second by Joseph Sylvain and unanimously approved on a roll call vote, the Regular Board held Virtually adjourned at 6:48 PM.

Reggie Lamptey, CPA Assistant Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary

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