

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education in the City of Linden, County of Union, New Jersey, was held at Linden High School, 121 W. St. Georges Avenue, Linden, New Jersey on Monday evening, February 22, 2016 at 7:16 p.m.

President Russell opened the meeting with a salute to the flag and the Board Secretary announced that in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, adequate notice of this meeting had been provided as follows:

On January 7, 2016 notice was sent to the Home News Tribune, Star Ledger, Union County Local Source, and the Clerk of the Municipality.

The following Board members and others were present:

ROLL CALL: 7:16 p.m.

Board Members		Others	
Mrs. Hudak	P	Dr. Robertozzi	P
Mr. Kolibas	P	Mrs. Cleary	P
Mr. Topoleski	P	Ms. Gaylord	P
Mrs. Villani	P	Attorney, Mark Tabakin	P
Mr. Alvarez	P		
Mrs. Beviano	P		
Mrs. Birch	P		
Ms. Slater	P		
Mr. Russell	P		

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Motion to approve the minutes of the Work Session and the Regular Meeting held on February 1, 2016 and Committee of the Whole held on February 3, 2016. (Copies in the hands of Board Members).

Roll Call:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Mrs. Hudak		X	X		
Mr. Kolibas			X		
Mr. Topoleski	X		X		
Mrs. Villani			X		
Mr. Alvarez			X		
Mrs. Beviano			X		
Mrs. Birch			X		
Ms. Slater					X
Mr. Russell			X		

Motion 1 Carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (agenda items only):

Members of the public desiring to make a public comment may come forward at this time.

Please begin your comments by stating your name and address. Individuals are invited to speak on one topic at a time, and no individual will speak more than once, until all individuals so desiring have spoken once.

The public is reminded that to ensure the efficient and orderly operations of the meeting, members of the public will be limited to speaking on items for three minutes.

Elizabeth Welsh
903 Kent Place

Mrs. Welsh spoke regarding Curriculum & Instruction item #26. She feels it is highly unethical to offer rewards to students for taking the PARCC exam. She thanked Mrs. Villani for her efforts in that area. She suggested that perhaps incentives could be offered to students who pass a final exam or achieve a 3.5 average; those who work on their grades from the start of ninth grade. Offering a reward for a test that has no meaning is quite disturbing to her.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

1. See information to the Board.
2. HIB report was presented.
3. We had a successful visit from the NJDOE approximately two weeks ago. We had applied to be a Model District for ESL. We have received positive feedback from the team that visited and expect to receive good news soon.
4. Congratulations to the bowling team who are the North II, Group IV State Sectional Champions. Also congratulations to Michele Dekowski who won the Female Individual Union County Tournament; best bowler in Union County.
5. Four wrestlers qualified for the District 11 Tournament: Javier Arredondo, Hendrix Vernot, Anthwon Pugh, and Noel Diaz.
6. We also have two state champions in girls winter track. Iyanna Jenkins won the Section II, Group IV State Championship in the 55 meter dash. She also qualified for the NJSIAA Meet of Champions in Toms River.
7. The boys' varsity basketball team is having another outstanding season. They are in the semi-finals of the Union County Tournament. They are the #1 seed in the NJSIAA State Tournament. We are currently ranked the #1 public school in the State of New Jersey.
8. Dr. Robertozzi received a proposal from Councilmembers Ormon and Yamakaitis requesting a revival of the special needs daycamp. He asked the board members to look it over and he would like to discuss it at the next meeting. Most of the cost will be handled by the City of Linden; they are just asking for some support from the Board of Education.

At this time, Mrs. Beviano joined Dr. Robertozzi at the podium to award student certificates. Under the leadership of Social Studies teacher, Anthony Ventura, McManus M.S. students participated in the Annual Geography Bee. After dozens of rounds and hundreds of questions, it came down to three finalists. The category was State and World Capitals. Certificates were presented to winners Alex Stapkowitz, Thomas Turon, and Anna Pieta. Overall winner was Anna Pieta. If she lands in the top 100 throughout New Jersey, she will be invited to Trenton to represent Linden at the State level.

Soehl M.S., led by Social Studies teacher, Michael Damato, also participated in the Geography Bee. Student Roberto Meadows was the outstanding winner and was also presented with a certificate.

No action this meeting.

The Curriculum & Instruction Committee, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Assistant Superintendent, present the following motions to the Linden Board of Education for approval:

1. Approve the enrollment as required by state law, of the following handicapped students in a specialized program for the 2015-2016 school year in accordance with their Individualized Education Plan (IEP) as shown below:

Classification	Recommended Placement	Effective Date	Tuition
Autistic	Center for Lifelong Learning 33 Cheesequake Rd. Parlin, NJ 08859	1/20/16	52,740.00 annual 293.00 per diem
Other Health Impaired	Lord Stirling 99 Lord Stirling Rd. Basking Ridge, NJ 07920	1/19/16	45,552.00 pro rata 438.00 per diem
Autistic	Newmark School 1000 Cellar Ave. Scotch Plains, NJ 07076	1/14/16	53,310.60 annual 296.17 per diem
Other Health Impaired	Collier High School 160 Conover Road Wickatunk, NJ 07765	2/4/16	25,810.00 pro rata 290.00 per diem
Autistic	DLC-Warren 217 Mountainview Rd. Warren, NJ 07059	2/16/16	38,660.80 pro rata 483.26 per diem

2. Approve termination of the following out-of-district placement for the 2015-2016 school year.

Classification	Recommended Placement	Effective Date	Tuition
Other Health Impaired	Mary A. Dobbins 243 Pine St. Mt. Holly, NJ 08060	9/4/15	57,636.00 annual 320.20 per diem
Autistic	Bergen County Special Services 347 E. Ridgewood Ave. Paramus, NJ 07652	1/19/16	19,148.00 annual

3. Approve payment for the related services as per Child Study Team evaluation.

Related Services	Fees Not to Exceed
BILINGUAL CREOLE EDUCATIONAL EVALUATION The Bilingual Child Study team 47 Leah Way Parsippany, NJ 07054	2 @ 900.00
BILINGUAL CREOLE PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION The Bilingual Child Study team 47 Leah Way Parsippany, NJ 07054	2 @ 900.00
BILINGUAL CREOLE SPEECH/LANGUAGE EVALUATION The Bilingual Child Study team 47 Leah Way Parsippany, NJ 07054	2 @ 900.00
BILINGUAL ARABIC EDUCATIONAL EVALUATION NJ Educational Services Alliance, LLC 10 Schalks Crossing Road, Suite 501-164 Plainsboro, NJ 08536	700.00
BILINGUAL ARABIC PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION NJ Educational Services Alliance, LLC 10 Schalks Crossing Road, Suite 501-164 Plainsboro, NJ 08536	700.00
BILINGUAL ARABIC SPEECH/LANGUAGE EVALUATION NJ Educational Services Alliance, LLC 10 Schalks Crossing Road, Suite 501-164 Plainsboro, NJ 08536	700.00
BILINGUAL EDUCATIONAL EVALUATION Theresa Hernandez 10-50 th St. Weehawkin, NJ 07086	4 @ 400.00

3. Continued:

Related Services	Fees Not to Exceed
BILINGUAL PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION Jeanette Pena 2009 Summit Ave. Union, NJ 07087	4 @ 400.00
BILINGUAL SPEECH/LANGUAGE EVALUATION Patricia Vasquez-Hill 14 Brookside Terrace North Caldwell, NJ 07006	4 @ 500.00
BILINGUAL SOCIAL EVALUATION Silvana Hungria-Hargrove 449 Huntington Rd. Union, NJ 07083	2 @ 400.00

4. Approve transportation for the following student:

Student/ Parent	Dates	Location	Rate per Day	Cost
Student D.M-C.	3/14/16	JFK - 80 James Street Edison, NJ	249.87	Transportation 249.87 11-000-270-512-00-000-33
Student D.M-C.	3/15/16	JFK - 80 James Street Edison, NJ	249.87	Transportation 249.87 11-000-270-512-00-000-33

5. Approve adjustment to tuition, as indicated as per New Jersey Department of Education audit.

School	Location	Tuition Year	Adjustment
New Road School of Somerset	Franklin Township, NJ	2015-2016	Tuition Undercharge 11,935.80
New Road School of Parlin	Parlin, NJ	2015-2016	Tuition Undercharge 15,012.84
Youth Consultation Service, Inc.	Newark, NJ	2014-2015	Tuition Undercharge 2,305.00

6. Approve home instruction services provided by Brookfield Educational Services for Linden students admitted as patients to Summit Oaks Hospital during the 2015-2016 school year at a rate of \$30.00 per hour.
7. Approve the enrollment of the following student for the 2015-2016 School Year on a tuition basis from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families:

Student	Placement	Effective Date	Tuition
G.M.	School Two	1/6/16	\$21,348.00

8. Amend Board action on past *Curriculum & Instruction* Reports, as listed:

Date	Item	Action
6/22/15	11	Change the dates of the “Paul Blue Elementary Track and Field Event” from 5/24/16 and 5/25/16, rain date 5/26/16, to 5/16/16 and 5/17/16, rain date 5/18/16.
10/19/15	8	Change the Responsible Public School District for Z.F. from Union to Newark.
1/4/16	11	Change the date of the Medieval Times field trip from 2/12/16 to 2/11/16.
1/4/16	12	Change the cost of the registration for the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Conference in San Francisco, CA, for Miller, Audrey and Williams, Linda, from \$400.00 to \$455.00. Account #11-000-223-580-00-000-50
2/1/16	12	Change the date of the Apple K-2 Cohort workshop for Gil, Josefina and Mannuzza, Staci, from 2/5/16 to 3/4/16.
2/1/16	6	Change the cost of transportation to the Hampton Inn & Marshalls from \$2,040.00 to \$2,740.23.
2/1/16	6	Change the cost of transportation to the Hampton Inn, Marshalls, and TJ Maxx from \$2,040.00 to \$2,740.23.
2/1/16	13	Change the date of the workshop “Update to NJ Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act & Lawful Management of HIB Records” for Hamilton, Jo Ann from 2/5/16 to 3/11/16.
2/1/16	14	Remove Hollus, Albert from Teacher Obligations/Legal Responsibilities Workshop on 2/22/16 and add Ficetola, Jessica.

9. Be it resolved, that the curricula listed below, which are aligned to the NJ Core Curriculum Content Standards, Common Core State Standards, and C3 Framework for Social Studies, be adopted for use in the Linden Public Schools beginning the 2015-2016 school year:

Curriculum	Grade Level
Personal Finance	9-12
IB 20 th Century Topics	9-12
IB Psychology	9-12

10. Grant permission for the following *Use of Facilities and School Activities* on the dates/times listed:

School	Requested By	Date	Time/Location	Event	Expenses
One	Viana, Steven	3/4/16 thru 5/31/16	Monday - Friday 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Gymnasium	Middle School Baseball/Softball/ Volleyball Practice (inclement weather)	None
Two	Appierto-Hunter, Carmela	4/4/16 4/5/16 4/12/16 4/13/16 4/19/16 4/20/16 4/26/16 4/27/16 5/3/16 5/4/16 5/10/16 5/11/16 5/17/16 5/18/16 5/24/16 5/25/16	3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Cafeteria	Title I Parent Involvement Sessions	None

10. Continued:

School	Requested By	Date	Time/Location	Event	Expenses
Four	Appierto-Hunter, Carmela	3/3/16 3/7/16 4/14/16 4/28/16	3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. Library	Title I Parent Meeting	None
Five	Appierto-Hunter, Carmela	4/5/16 4/12/16 4/19/16 5/3/16 5/17/16 5/31/16 6/7/16	3:10 p.m. - 4:10 p.m. Room 203	Title I Parent Involvement Session	None
Five	Rodriguez, Michelle	4/14/16	8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Gymnasium, Cafeteria, & Hallways	Books Come Alive at School No. Five	None
Six	Perkins, Atiya	2/23/16	3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Cafeteria	4 th Grade Math Workshop	None
Six	Perkins, Atiya	2/24/16	1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Cafeteria	Black History Month Assembly	None
Six	Perkins, Atiya	2/25/16	8:00 a.m. Cafeteria	The YoJo Show: Study Skills Assembly	\$720.00 11-190-100-320-00-000-13
Six	Appierto-Hunter, Carmela	3/3/16 3/10/16 3/17/16 4/7/16 4/14/16 4/21/16 4/28/16 5/5/16 5/12/16 5/19/16	3:15 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Library	Title I Parents Book Club	None
Six	Perkins, Atiya	8/15/16 8/16/16 8/17/16	8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. School No. Eight Cafeteria	Faculty & Staff Leader in Me Training	None

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School	Requested By	Date	Time/Location	Event	Expenses
Eight	Viana, Steven	3/4/16 thru 5/31/16	Monday - Friday 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Gymnasium	Middle School Baseball/Softball/ Volleyball Practice (inclement weather)	None
Eight	Appierto-Hunter, Carmela	4/12/16	5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Library	Title I Parent Meeting	None
Nine	Molinaro, Richard	2/25/16	1:30 p.m. Cafetorium	The YoJo Show: Study Skills Assembly	None
Nine	Viana, Steven	3/4/16 thru 5/31/16	Monday - Friday 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Gymnasium	Middle School Baseball/Softball/ Volleyball Practice (inclement weather)	None
Ten	Fazio, Gail	2/24/16	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Administration Bldg Conference Room	Math & Munchies Parent Workshop	Other Expenses \$260.00 11-000-223-500-00-000-34
Ten	Fazio, Gail	3/3/16	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Administration Bldg Conference Room	Parent Workshop by Dr. Goddard	Other Expenses \$100.00 11-000-223-320-00-000-34
MMS	Viana, Steven	3/4/16 thru 5/31/16	Monday - Friday 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Gymnasium	Baseball/Softball/ Volleyball Practice (inclement weather)	None
SMS	Viana, Steven	3/4/16 thru 5/31/16	Monday - Friday 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Gymnasium	Baseball/Softball/ Volleyball Practice (inclement weather)	None
LHS	Viana, Steven	3/1/16 3/3/16 3/5/16	4:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Gymnasium	2016 NJSIAA State Basketball Tournaments	None
LHS	Horre, Yelena	3/3/16	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Media Center	GAPP Exchange Parent Meeting	None

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School	Requested By	Date	Time/Location	Event	Expenses
LHS	Horre, Yelena	3/4/16	5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Media Center	Spanish Class Museum Night	None
LHS	Viana, Steven	3/4/16 thru 5/31/16	Monday - Friday 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Gymnasium	Baseball/Softball/ Volleyball Practice (inclement weather)	None
LHS	Horre, Yelena	4/16/16	8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. LHS Front Lawn & Front Entrance	NJROTC Car Wash & Clothing Drive	None
LHS	Horre, Yelena	4/21/16	4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Gymnasium	Tom Nappa Scholarship Basketball Game Fundraiser	None
LHS	Horre, Yelena	5/9/16	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Auditorium	Project Graduation "BASH" Presentation and Parent Meeting	None
LHS	Horre, Yelena	5/11/16	9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Auditorium	Project Graduation "BASH" Presentation to Seniors	None

11. Approve dates for the following activities:

School	Requested By	Date(s)	Time/Location	Event	Expenses
MMS	Zahir, Kcyronne	6/10/16	6:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. The Forge Woodbridge, NJ	8th Grade Dinner Dance	None
SMS	Picaro, Joseph	6/3/15	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Grand Banquet Hall Linden, NJ	8 th Grade Dinner Dance	None
LHS	Horre, Yelena	5/19/16	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Nuno's Pavilion Linden, NJ	NJROTC Awards Dinner	None

12. Approve *District Field Trips*. Copy in the hands of Board Members.
13. Approve training for *district staff*, as listed.

Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Abel, Kurt	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Altobelli, Michele	Hot Legal Topics in Special Education	3/11/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$199.00 <small>11-000-219-580-00-000-33</small>
Amaro, Stephanie	Drug, Alcohol Ed/Child Abuse ID/School Violence/DASA	3/11/16	New York, NY	None
Appierto- Hunter, Carmela	Union County ESSA Roundtable Meetings	2/24/16 3/23/16 4/27/16 5/25/16	Westfield, NJ	None
Beriont, Rosa	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 2	4/15/16	Science Resource Center	None
Becker, Boyd	USNA Centers of Influence Educator Visit Program	4/11/16 4/12/16 4/13/16 4/14/16	Annapolis, MD	None
Bury, Heather	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Busciano, Veronica	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 1	4/7/16	Science Resource Center	None
Candia, Deon	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 4	4/6/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None

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Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Cataline, Joseph	ISTE 2016 Conference	6/25/16 6/26/16 6/27/16 6/28/16 6/29/16 6/30/16	Denver, CO	Registration \$309.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-04 Other Expenses \$3,100.00 11-000-252-580-00-000-20
Caughman, Jacqueline	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 2	4/15/16	Science Resource Center	None
Cetroni, Carol	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 2	4/15/16	Science Resource Center	None
Chabak, Sarah	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 4	4/6/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Charles, Tamika	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 5	3/21/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Chiola, Albert	Nike Coach of the Year Football Clinic	2/19/16	Atlantic City, NJ	None
Cioffi, Maria	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 4	4/6/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Cleary, Denise	Hot Legal Topics in Special Education	3/11/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$199.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Cleary, Denise	InnovateNJ Spring Convening	3/21/16	Trenton, NJ	None
Cleary, Denise	ISTE 2016 Conference	6/25/16 6/26/16 6/27/16 6/28/16 6/29/16	Denver, CO	Registration \$309.00 Other Expenses \$2,700.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-04
Corradino, Nancy	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 4	4/6/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None

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Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Crawley, Rachelle	Naviance - Beyond the Basics	3/17/16	Madison, NJ	None
Dades, Nicole	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 4	4/6/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Dauphin, Stacy	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Day, Alexandra	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Kindergarten	4/13/16	Science Resource Center	None
Degnan, Laura	Best Practices in Co-Teaching	3/16/16	West Orange, NJ	Registration \$245.00 11-190-100-890-00-000-07
DeTrollo – Jones, Jennifer	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 5	3/21/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Diaz, Michelle	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
DiPolvere, Celia	Transition Conference	4/18/16	Iselin, NJ	Registration \$90.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Dolan, Joan	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Kindergarten	4/13/16	Science Resource Center	None
Donachy, Thomas	Effective Instructional Practices in Language Arts and Math	3/3/16	Monroe Township, NJ	Registration \$135.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-50
Dorney, Michelle	Bilingual Teacher Shortage Focus Group	2/29/16	Trenton, NJ	None
Duckett, Edith	NJTESOL Spring Conference	6/1/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$248.00 20-241-200-500-00-000-54

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Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Duckett, Edith	Teaching the World Forum: Global Education and Human Rights	4/15/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$39.00 20-241-200-500-00-000-54
Eisenberg, Susan	2016 NJSHA Convention	4/14/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$150.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Eisenberg, Susan	Practical Therapy Techniques For Challenging Articulation Cases	3/8/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$239.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Fernandez, Alvaro	NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships	3/18/16	New York, NY	None
Fernandez, Tamarra	NASW 2 nd Annual Conference	3/14/16	New York, NY	Registration \$210.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Ferreira, Aneta	Best Practices in Co-Teaching	3/16/16	West Orange, NJ	Registration \$245 11-190-100-890-00-000-07
Ferrentino, Nicole	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 5	3/21/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Fingerlin, Peter	Hot Legal Topics in Special Education	3/11/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$199.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Fontana, Andrea	Transition Conference Autism NJ	4/18/16	Woodbridge, NJ	None
Froner, Kandra	2016 NJSHA Convention	4/14/16 4/15/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$250.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Gallo, Samantha	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 4	4/6/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Golebiewski, Laura	PARCC District Test Coordinator Training	3/8/16	Monroe Township, NJ	Other Expenses \$40.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-44

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Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Goncalves, Monica	Center for Holocaust and Genocide Education - Looking to the Future	4/12/16	Morristown, NJ	None
Gorbunoff, Mitchell	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Halkias, Sophia	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 5	3/21/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Hendricks, Dorothy	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 2	4/15/16	Science Resource Center	None
Horre, Yelena	Law Enforcement Against Drugs Conference	2/29/16 3/1/16 3/2/16	Atlantic City, NJ	Registration \$250.00 Other Expenses \$600.00 11-000-230-580-00-000-01
Howlett, Lisa	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 1	4/7/16	Science Resource Center	None
Irizarry-Clark, Reina	Aligning Reading of Complex Text & Writing to Sources	3/9/16	Clark, NJ	Registration \$175.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-12
Juliano, Laurie	PARCC District Test Coordinator Training	3/8/16	Monroe Township, NJ	Other Expenses \$40.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-44
Kniazuk, MaryBeth	2016 NJSHA Convention	4/14/16 4/15/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$350.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Kosty, Samantha	Naviance - Beyond the Basics	3/17/16	Madison, NJ	None
LaFace, Cynthia	NGSS Gap Analysis	3/21/16	Science Resource Center	None
LaMastra, Kevin	Newcomer English Language Learner Summit	4/15/16	Monroe, NJ	None

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Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
LaMastra, Kevin	NJTESOL 2016 Spring Conference	6/2/16 6/3/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$274.00 20-241-200-500-00-000-54
Lambrakopoulos, Pelagia	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 5	3/21/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Lapolla, Meghan	4 th Marking Period Science Training – Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Long, Gwendolyn	New Jersey Leaders to Leaders	2/23/16 3/23/16 5/10/16	Monroe Township, NJ	None
Long, Gwendolyn	Law Enforcement Against Drugs Conference	2/29/16 3/1/16 3/2/16	Atlantic City, NJ	Registration \$250.00 Other Expenses \$600.00 11-000-230-580-00-000-01
Luc, Marthelley	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 5	3/21/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Lysick, Frank	21 st Century Community Learning Center Staff Training	3/12/16	Perth Amboy, NJ	Other Expenses \$20.00 20-454-200-580-00-000-35
Lyszczasz, Robert	New Jersey Library Annual Convention	5/16/16 5/17/16	Atlantic City, NJ	Registration \$230.00 Other Expenses \$67.00 11-00-223-580-00-000-55
Macchiarelli, Dena	NGSS Gap Analysis	3/21/16	Science Resource Center	None
Maggio, Melissa	SRA Testing	3/2/16 3/3/16 3/4/16	McManus Soehl	None
Mannuzza, Staci	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 2	4/15/16	Science Resource Center	None

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Martin, Caren	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 5	3/21/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Mastriano, Michael	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Mastriano, William	Union County ESSA Roundtable Meetings	2/24/16 3/23/16 4/27/16 5/25/16	Westfield, NJ	None
McGovern-Drejaj, Kelly	2016 NJSHA Convention	4/14/16 4/15/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$350.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Migueluez, Tania	Teaching the World Forum: Global Education and Human Rights	4/15/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$39.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-54
Miranda, Lawrence	NJSBGA Expo 2016	3/14/16 3/15/16 3/16/16 3/17/16	Atlantic City, NJ	Registration \$125.00 Other Expenses \$675.00 11-000-261-890-00-000-30
Modrak, Antoinette	NJ Childcare Subsidy Meeting	2/4/16	Morristown, NJ	Other Expenses \$20.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-36
Modrak, Antoinette	NJSACC	3/10/16	Union, NJ	Registration \$50.00 Other Expenses \$10.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-36
Mooney, Loryn	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 4	4/6/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Moreau, Debra	2016 NJSHA Convention	4/14/16 4/15/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$250.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Morek, Kimberly	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 2	4/15/16	Science Resource Center	None

13. Continued:

Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Mottley, Lindsey	Effective Instructional Practices in Language Arts and Math	3/3/16	Monroe Township, NJ	Registration \$135.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-50
Murphy, Erin	2016 NJSHA Convention	4/14/16 4/15/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$350.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Nahmias, Sandra	NJDOE Sheltered English Instruction Training of Trainers	7/12/16 7/13/16 7/14/16	Edison, NJ	None
Nahmias, Sandra	NJTESOL 2016 Spring Conference	6/1/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$65.00 20-241-200-500-00-000-54
Naso, Jordan	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 5	3/21/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
O'Loughlin, Elizabeth	Effective Instructional Practices in Language Arts and Math	3/3/16	Monroe Township, NJ	Registration \$135.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-50
Olsen, Keri	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 2	4/15/16	Science Resource Center	None
Orlando, Brenda	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Kindergarten	4/13/16	Science Resource Center	None
Ortiz, Lizzie	New Jersey Leaders to Leaders Leadership Academy	2/23/16 3/23/16 5/10/16	Monroe, NJ	None
Paternostro, Alphonsina	Bilingual Teacher Shortage Focus Group	2/29/16	Trenton, NJ	Other Expenses \$32.00 20-241-200-500-00-000-54
Paternostro, Alphonsina	Developing Comprehensive Equity Plan	3/8/16	Webinar	Registration \$40.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-54
Paternostro, Alphonsina	Newcomer English Language Learner Summit	4/15/16	Monroe, NJ	None
Paternostro, Alphonsina	NJDOE Sheltered English Instruction Training of Trainers	7/12/16	Edison, NJ	None

13. Continued:

Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Paternostro, Alphonsina	NJTESOL 2016 Spring Conference	6/2/16 6/3/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$274.00 20-241-200-500-00-000-54
Pelesz, Anna	Newcomer English Language Learner Summit	4/15/16	Monroe, NJ	None
Picarello, Vicki	The 10 Core Competencies of Trauma PTSD Grief & Loss	3/14/16 3/15/16	Edison, NJ	None
Picarello, Vicki	The Body Keeps Score-Trauma Healing	5/5/16 5/6/16	King of Prussia, PA	None
Picarello, Vicki	Using the DSM-5 & ICD-10	3/31/16	Edison, NJ	None
Piscino, Danielle	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Plummer, Larry	Law Enforcement Against Drugs Conference	2/29/16 3/1/16 3/2/16	Atlantic City, NJ	Registration \$250.00 Other Expenses \$600.00 11-000-230-580-00-000-01
Potts, Derrick	New Strategies for Holocaust Education	4/12/16	Madison, NJ	None
Ravago, Erica	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 4	4/6/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Reinoso, Anthony	NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships	3/18/16	New York, NY	None
Rivoli-Vasquez, Vanessa	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Kindergarten	4/13/16	Science Resource Center	None
Robertozzi, Danny	Law Enforcement Against Drugs Conference	2/29/16 3/1/16 3/2/16	Atlantic City, NJ	Other Expenses \$600.00 11-000-230-580-00-000-01
Robertozzi, Danny	InnovateNJ Spring Convening	3/21/16	Trenton, NJ	None

13. Continued:

Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Rojas, Laura	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Salvato, Stacey	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Kindergarten	4/13/16	Science Resource Center	None
Schweikardt, Walter	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Scocozza, Isabella	Law Enforcement Against Drugs Conference	2/29/16 3/1/16 3/2/16	Atlantic City, NJ	Registration \$250.00 Other Expenses \$600.00 11-000-230-580-00-000-01
Scorese, Marissa	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 4	4/6/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Siegel, Julie	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 5	3/21/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Skramovsky, Mary	New Jersey Library Annual Convention	5/16/16 5/17/16	Atlantic City, NJ	Registration \$160.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-55
Smith, Jennifer	FEA/NJPSA/NJASCD Fall Conference	10/20/16 10/21/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$275.00 11-000-240-580-00-000-15
Spricigo, Anne-Marie	PARCC District Test Coordinator Training	3/8/16	Monroe Township, NJ	Other Expenses \$40.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-44
Spricigo, Anne- Marie	Assessment and Differential Diagnosis of Children	5/11/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$225.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-15
Spricigo, Anne- Marie	Cognitive and Behavioral Therapies for Youth Depression Disorders	5/12/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$100.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-15
Spricigo, Anne- Marie	Dealing With Challenging Parents and Families	3/31/16	Long Beach Township, NJ	Registration \$100.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-15

13. Continued:

Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Stefanick, Marie	Hot Legal Topics in Special Education	3/11/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$149.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Sullivan, Richard	National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics National Conference of Teachers of Mathematics	4/9/16 4/10/16 4/11/16 4/12/16 AND 4/12/16 4/13/16 4/14/15 4/15/16 4/16/16	Oakland, CA San Francisco, CA	Registration \$315.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-50 Registration \$365.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-50 Other Expenses \$4,500.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-50
Tamar, Natalie	2016 NJSHA Convention	4/14/16 4/15/16	Long Branch, NJ	Registration \$350.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
Tattoli, Gina	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 4	4/6/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Terwilliger, Kimberly	NGSS Gap Analysis	3/21/16	Science Resource Center	None
Thomas, Candace	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Tomazic, Juping	National Chinese Language Conference	4/27/16 4/28/16 4/29/16 4/30/16	Chicago, IL	Registration \$575.00 20-015-200-500-00-000-54 Other Expenses \$1,600.00 Confucius Grant 20-015-200-580-00-000-54
Topoleski, Raymond	ISTE 2016 Conference	6/25/16 6/26/16 6/27/16 6/28/16 6/29/16 6/30/16	Denver, CO	Registration \$434.00 Other Expenses \$3,100.00 11-000-230-585-00-000-01

13. Continued:

Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Viana, Steven	DAANJ Conference	3/22/16 3/23/16 3/24/16 3/25/16	Atlantic City, NJ	Registration \$475.00 Other Expenses \$805.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-03
Vitoroulis, Panagiota	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Wainwright- Reider, Nicole	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 5	3/21/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Walker, David	PARCC District Test Coordinator Training	3/8/16	Monroe, NJ	None
Walters, Michael	NJ State Technical Training	3/7/16	Monroe, NJ	None
Walters, Michael	InnovateNJ Spring Convening	3/21/16	Trenton, NJ	None
Walters, Michael	ISTE 2016 Conference	6/25/16 6/26/16 6/27/16 6/28/16 6/29/16	Denver, CO	Registration \$309.00 Other Expenses \$2,700.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-20
Wegrzynek, Raymond	Nike Coach of the Year Football Clinic	2/19/16	Atlantic City, NJ	None
Wells, Daria	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 4	4/6/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
William- Warner, Lisa	In-Depth Interventions for Anxiety, Depression, Panic, Trauma & Other Disorders	4/11/16	Princeton, NJ	None
Wolsten, Leah	4 th Marking Period Science Training - Grade 3	4/12/16	LAST - IT Media Room	None
Yackanin, Grethe	Transition Conference Autism NJ	4/18/16	Woodbridge, NJ	None

13. Continued:

Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Zahir, Keyronne	Law Enforcement Against Drugs Conference	2/29/16 3/1/16 3/2/16	Atlantic City, NJ	Registration \$250.00 Other Expenses \$600.00 11-000-230-580-00-000-01
Zolotucha- Skiba, Anna	Newcomer English Language Learner Summit	4/15/16	Monroe, NJ	None
Zolotucha- Skiba, Anna	NJTESOL Spring Conference	6/3/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$248.00 20-241-200-500-00-000-54

14. Approve Professional Learning Community workshops on 2/24/16, 3/22/16, 4/20/16, and 5/25/16 from 3:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Cost not to exceed \$8,000.00, to be paid from the Merck Foundation Grant.

NAME	NAME	NAME	NAME
Abdeljaber, Saeda	Dollard, Aubrey	Marzulla, Lisa	Terwilliger, Kimberly
Bannon, Sean	Gallagher, Kelly	Ravago, Erica	Thomas, Shirley
Beriont, Rosa	Gallo, Samantha	Reider, Nicole	Wolsten, Leah
Brunton, Laura	Gonzalez, Lisa	Rivoli-Vasquez, Vanessa	
Burt, Linda	Kobylarz, Nanci	Spaziani, Shannon	
Didyong, Donna	Mannuzza, Staci	Szczesny, Nicole	

15. Approve Teacher Obligations/Legal Responsibilities Workshop for the following teachers on March 14, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Administration Building Conference Room.

Name	Name	Name
Abdeljaber, Saeda	Happel, Wayne	Pekosz, Michael
Blizniak, Jo Ann	Kondratowicz, Dariusz	Perroth, Deborah
Calatayud, Melanie	Lowrie, Dana	Ramus, Ismay
Crawley, Rachelle	Manning, Michael	Sager, Debra
Degnan, Laura	Marchica, Russell	Sepulveda, Holly
Delgado, Eloy	Matusz, Dawn	Silverman, Dina
Garcia, Destiny	McPhaul, Bertha	Simonitis, William

15. Continued:

Name	Name	Name
Goncalves, Monica	Migulez, Tania	Tartivita, Patricia
Grayson, Ann	Oder, Gretchen	Vicci, Anna
Grygo, Andrew	Paulino, Catherine	

16. Approve Professional Development Activities, as listed:

Workshop	Provider(s)	Date(s)	Cost
Teacher Obligations/Legal Responsibilities	Resolution Resource Partners, LLC	3/14/16	\$2,500.00 11-000-219-320-00-000-33
Professional Learning Community Workshops	Apalinski, Cynthia Goldstein, Rose	2/24/16 3/22/16 4/20/16 5/25/16	\$1,000.00 20-025-200-320-00-015-60

17. Approve Vanguard Training sessions for the following elementary staff on March 14, 2016, and secondary staff on March 15, 2016. Both training sessions will be held from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the IT Training Room.

NAME	NAME	NAME
Alvarez, Jorge	Grygo, Andrew	Pekosz, Michael
Bongiovi, Laura	Happel, Wayne	Perezuela, Jayme
Buess, Durell	Higgins, Melissa	Push, Leah
Capalabo, Tracey	Hill, Emily	Ramirez, Rosa
Capanna, Lisa	Ioviero, Lauren	Reickhoff, Lisa
Cataline, Joseph	Kang, Melissa	Rivera, Karen
DeCastro, Mark	Kefalas, Kim	Rivoli-Vasquez, Vanessa
Delgado, Eloy	Kowalski, Patricia	Scaldino, Joseph
DeNunzio, JoAnn	Krupski, Kimberly	Schulz, Howard
DeTrolio, Jennifer	Marchica, Russell	Schweikardt, Walter
Dollard, Aubrey	Massa, Allison	Spaziani, Shannon
English, Cheryl	Mastriano, William	Stevens, Sally
Fischetti, Anthony	Mazurek, Gary	Valentino, Rudy
Gil, Josephina	Mazurek, Melissa	Van Dam, Lisa

18. Grant permission for the following delayed start times at Linden High School on April 12, 13, 14, 15, 2016 during PARCC testing.

Grade	Date	Reporting Time
12	April 12, 2016	10:30 a.m.
12	April 13, 2016	10:30 a.m.
12	April 14, 2016	10:30 a.m.
12	April 15, 2016	10:30 a.m.

19. Grant permission for all district schools and organizations listed below to participate in the 18th Annual LINCS Food Pantry *Walk-a-thon to Fight Hunger*, to be held on Friday, June 3, 2016 at Wilson Park, Linden, NJ from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Participating Organizations
LINCS Food Pantry
Linden Education Association
Soehl Middle School National Junior Honor Society
Linden High School National Honor Society
Linden High School Navy Junior ROTC
Linden High School Marching Band
All participating schools

20. Retroactively approve the closing of all schools on Monday, January 25, 2016 and Tuesday, January 26, 2016, due to inclement weather.
21. Grant approval for the Linden Public School District to apply for the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant Award for the 2016-2017 school year in the amount of \$425,000.00.
22. Approve 17 Linden High School students and 5 staff members to travel to Allen, Texas from April 5, 2016 to April 10, 2016.
23. Approve three (3) credits for a Polish Language course to a student, name on file in the Office of the Assistant Superintendent, upon successful completion of the Polish Language Examination, endorsed by the Polish Supplementary School Council of America, Inc.
24. Approve the cost of refreshments for the ESL Parent Informational Meeting for ACCESS 2.0 on 2/24/16 and 2/25/16, to be paid by the Title III funds. Cost not to exceed \$500.00 for each meeting. (Account #20-241-200-600-00-54)
25. Authorize the submission of an amendment to the 2016 IDEA Grant to include 2015 carry-over money.

26. Approve the submission of the “*ESEA Accountability Action Plan-2015 Participation Rate and Assurances*” for School 9, Soehl Middle School, and Linden High School to the Union County Interim Superintendent.

27. Proclaim the month of March 2016 as “*Women’s History Month*” as outlined in the following resolution:

WHEREAS: American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our Nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways;

WHEREAS: American women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of the life of the Nation by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home;

WHEREAS: American women have played a unique role throughout the history of the Nation by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the Nation;

WHEREAS: American women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our Nation;

WHEREAS: American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement;

WHEREAS: American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

WHEREAS: despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching and study of American history:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Linden Board of Education proclaims March 2016 is designated as “*Women's History Month*” throughout the Linden Public Schools and does authorize and encourage all schools to observe March as *Women’s History Month* with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

28. Approve the Superintendent's determination and actions taken for all reported incidents of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying discussed at the February 1, 2016 regular meeting as listed:

Case	HIB	Action
LHS-53	Yes	Services Provided, Disciplined
LHS-52	Undetermined	Services Provided, Disciplined
MMS-309	No	Services Provided, Monitored
SMS-194	Undetermined	Services Provided, Disciplined
SMS-193	Undetermined	Services Provided, Monitored
SMS-192	Yes	Services Provided, Disciplined
Sch 8-19	Undetermined	Services Provided, Monitored
Sch 5-11	Yes	Services Provided, Disciplined
Sch 4-19	Undetermined	Services Provided, Disciplined
Sch 1-35	No	Services Provided, Disciplined

Roll Call:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Mrs. Hudak		X	X		
Mr. Kolibas			X		
Mr. Topoleski	X		X		#13 (R. Topoleski)
Mrs. Villani			X	#26 (H.S. only)	
Mr. Alvarez			X		
Mrs. Beviano			X		
Mrs. Birch			X		
Ms. Slater					X
Mr. Russell			X		

Motions 1 – 28 Carried.

The Management Operations Committee, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools presents the following motions to the Linden Board of Education for approval:

1. WHEREAS, CLAIRE ZIEMIAN in her lifetime was a truly dedicated member of the Board of Education who gave her time and talents for the benefit of the students, staff and parents of the Linden School District, and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Superintendent and the Board of Education of the City of Linden hereby, give expression of their feelings for the loss in the passing of CLAIRE ZIEMIAN on February 1, 2016 do tender to the members of her family their heartfelt sympathy and condolence in this time of bereavement and sorrow.

2. Amend Board action on past Management Operations Reports, as listed:

Date	Item	Action
9/21/15	10	Add Halat, Agnieszka to Early Morning Security at School 2.
10/19/15	17	Add Morgan, Charise to After School Security at School 2.
9/21/15	28	Add Kusher, Danielle to Athletic Security.
9/21/15	14	Add Duran, Liscet as MMS Junior National Honor Society Advisor.
2/1/16	5	Amend the start date for Mekovetz, Stephanie from 2/2/16 to 2/16/16 and location from School 2 to School 4.
5/26/15	31	Add Capanna, Lisa and Schrafft, Jamie for the 2015-2016 school year as Professional Development Presenter for Science Workshops. #11-120-100-101-00-000-60.

3. Accept the resignation of the following staff:

Name	Assignment	Location	Effective Date
Protomastro, Joseph	Freshmen Baseball Coach	Field House	2/10/16
Semeraro, Vita	Teacher of Italian	School 9, MMS, SMS	4/15/16

4. Approve the transfer of the following staff effective 9/1/16

Name	From	Position	To	Position
Schweikardt, Walter	School 2	Grade 3	Schools 5 & 9	Elementary Mathematics Coach

5. Appoint the following staff for the 2015 – 2016 school year as follows:

Name	Effective Date	Degree	Credited Exp./ Step	Assigned Subject Area	Building/ Department	Special/ Program/ Or Budget	Total Annual Salary Rate
CERTIFIED							
Acevedo, Zuleyka	3/1/16	BA	1	Elementary Art Teacher	School 1&6	Budget/R	\$50,099
Alleyne, Tricia	3/1/16	BA	6	Math Resource	Soehl	Budget/R	\$52,764
Buscaino, Veronica ²	3/1/16	BA	1	Grade 1	School 2	Budget/R	\$50,099
Cordero, Rachel ¹	3/15/16	BA	1	Pre-K	School 10	Budget/R	\$50,099
Gwaldis, Laura ³	4/4/16	BA	3	Grade 4	School 4	Budget/R	\$51,165
Marcus, Brian ⁵	4/1/16	BA	1	Physical Ed. Teacher	School 6	Budget/R	\$50,099
Schaad, Danielle ⁴	2/24/16	BA	1	Grade 1	School 4	Budget/R	\$50,099
NON - CERTIFIED							
Desir, Chantal	3/1/16		1	Paraprofessional	McManus	Budget/R	\$16,552
Todaro, Priscilla	3/1/16			Part Time School Aide	School 5	Budget/R	\$21.41

¹. Leave Replacement for J. Bacon ². Leave Replacement for L. Spano ³. Leave Replacement for E. Hill ⁴. Leave Replacement for T. Benavidez ⁵. Leave Replacement for R. Carson

6. Leave of absence:

Name	Assignment	Location	From	To	Reason
Benavidez, Tiffanyann ²	Grade 1	#4	4/26/16	6/24/16	FMLA/FLA
Bonilla, Eugenia ³	Language Arts	Soehl	1/14/16	2/29/16	FMLA
Brady, Barbara ³	Phys. Ed. Teacher	LHS	1/4/16	2/23/16	FMLA
Dugan, Carol ²	P/T Aide	#9	3/7/16	3/11/16	Personal
Kushner, Jane ²	P/T Aide	#4	2/17/16	3/25/16	FMLA
Kratzer, Robert ¹	Custodian	Field House	3/2/16	3/29/16	Medical

6. Continued:

Name	Assignment	Location	From	To	Reason
Klingert, Patricia ¹	Math	McManus	1/19/16	3/11/16	Medical
Lozado, Liliana ³	Paraprofessional	#1	12/2/15	2/19/16	FMLA
Pienciak, Edith ²	Secretary	McManus	2/1/16	UFN	Medical
Sager, Debra ¹	Special Ed. Teacher	High School	2/18/16	2/22/16	Medical
Weiss, Christa ¹	Special Ed. Teacher	#1	2/22/16	3/8/16	Medical

1. Sick 2. Unpaid 3. W/C

7. Appoint the following staff as presenters for the following Title I events:

Name	Event	Dates	Expense
Castaldo, Linda	Title I Parents' Book Club	3/3/16	Contractual rate of \$30.00/hr. Not To Exceed \$450.00 Account # 20-231-200-101-13-PIN-55
		3/10/16	
		3/17/16	
		4/7/16	
		4/14/16	
		4/21/16	
		4/28/16	
		5/5/16	
Van Dam, Lisa	Title I Parent Meeting	3/3/16	Contractual rate of \$30.00/hr. Not To Exceed \$240.00 Account # 20-231-200-101-10-PIN-55
		3/17/16	
		4/14/16	
		4/25/16	

8. Approve funding of staff with Title IA, Title IIA, and Title III as follows:

FY 2016				
ESEA-NCLB Grant				
Teacher	School/Bldg	Actual Salary	<i>% Title I</i>	<i>Title</i>
			<i>Charged</i>	<i>Salary Cost</i>
Eileen Campbell	One	\$56,385.00	100.00%	\$56,385.00
Margaret Parnes	One & Two	\$72,160.00	100.00%	\$72,160.00
Tanya Martin-Cooper	Two	\$93,310.00	100.00%	\$93,310.00
Lisa Van Dam	Four	\$81,151.00	100.00%	\$81,151.00
Kimberly Hughes	Five	\$88,204.00	89%	\$78,501.56
Linda Castaldo	Six	\$100,908.00	65%	\$65,590.20
Michael Stevens	Eight	\$63,111.00	100%	\$63,111.00
Rebecca Cartinella	Soehl	\$70,859.00	100.00%	\$70,859.00
Vickie Wean	Soehl	\$74,359.00	100.00%	\$74,359.00
Rose Luminiello	Soehl	\$96,154.00	11.75%	\$11,298.10
William Mastriano	Admin.	\$72,666.00	50.00%	\$36,333.00
	School/Bldg	Actual Salary	<i>% Title II</i>	<i>Title Salary</i>
Melissa Sousa	Ten	\$51,698.00	100.00%	\$51,698.00
Panagiota Vitoroulis	Two	\$57,913.00	100.00%	\$57,913.00
	School/Bldg	Actual Salary	<i>%Title III</i>	<i>Title Salary</i>
Kevin Lamastra	Soehl	\$100,908.00	50.00%	\$50,454.00

9. Approve staff designated from each elementary school, secretary, nurse, social worker, teacher and part time aides to work Pre-K/Kindergarten Round-up on the evening of Thursday, March 10, 2016 at their contractual rate.
10. Appoint the following staff as substitutes for the Aftercare Program for Schools 4, 5, and 8 at the rate of \$25/hr. aid from the Enterprise Fund as listed 60-930-320-100-00-000-02.

Name
Cress, Lisa
Moraga, Karen

11. Authorize the collection/donation of sick days to employee #07-15/16 from staff members for the 2015/2016 school year. Name of staff member and number of days will be submitted to the Superintendent.
12. Authorize the collection/donation of sick days to employee #08-15/16 from staff members for the 2015/2016 school year. Name of staff member and number of days will be submitted to the Superintendent.
13. Appoint the following staff member to work as substitute teachers for the Alternative Program at Linden High School for the 2015-2016 school year at the contractual rate of \$30/hr. as needed. #11-423-100-101-00-000-05.

Name
Pond, Belinda

14. Appoint the following staff to work Athletic Security detail at their assigned locations for various events throughout the 2015-2016 school year at the contractual rate. #11-402-100-100-00-000-00.

Name
Beltran, Stacy
Citera, Peter

15. Appoint the following as Assistant Coaches on a voluntary basis for the Spring 2016 season.

Name	Sport
Dunn, Ronald	Varsity Boys Volleyball

16. Appoint the following substitute paraprofessional staff for the 21st CCLC/Soehl Middle School effective 11/24/15-8/31/16 at the 21st CCLC contractual rate of \$25 per hour. (Account # 20-454-100-00-000-35)

Name
Medina, Marysol

17. Appoint the following substitute teaching staff for the 21st CCLC/Soehl Middle School effective 2/23/16-8/31/16 at the 21st CCLC contractual rate of \$30 per hour. (Account # 20-454-100-00-000-35)

Name
Chase, Karen
Lowrie, Dana

18. Appoint the following staff to work as substitutes for the Linden Adult School for the 2015-2016 at the listed rates as needed. #20-619-100-101-00-000-96.

Name	Subject	Amount
McIntyre, June	ESL/GED	\$32.00

19. Appoint the following staff for ½ hour early morning and ½ hour afternoon security as needed at Soehl Middle School for the 2015-2016 school year at the contractual rate.

Name
Schmitz, Melissa

20. Appoint the following Secretarial Substitute for the 2015-2016 school year at \$10.70/hr.

Name
Buscaino, Denise

21. Appoint the following staff as Interim Middle School Baseball Coach

Name	Salary
Czajkowski, Brandon	\$4,167

22. Appoint the following coaches for Spring/Summer Sports 2016:

Sport	Position	Name	Salary	Step
Baseball	Assistant Coach	Corsale, Christopher	6853.00	3
Volleyball	Head Coach	Fekete, Jason	7605.00	3
	Assistant Coach	Wegrzynek, Raymond	5526.00	2

23. Approve the following new job description:

Job Title
Academic Support Teacher

24. Appoint the following substitutes for 2015-16 school year at the rates listed:

Days	Fully-Certified	Provisional/County Certified
1 – 25	110.00	100.00
25 +	125.00	110.00

Fully certified substitutes assigned to the same position will receive 1/200 of the BA step-1 on the L.E.A. salary guide commencing with the 11th day in that position. Credit will be given for the number of days worked in the district for the next school year if total exceeds 75.

Names	Name
Cordero, Rachel	Perez, Johari
Dunn, Ronald	Rivera, Justine
Gameiro, Nicole	Rogers, Chioma
Lisowski, Christian	Saleem, Hamidullah
Maresco, Alexander	Stephen, Maureen

Minutes/Management Operations
February 22, 2016

Roll Call:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Mrs. Hudak	X		X		
Mr. Kolibas			X		
Mr. Topoleski		X	X		
Mrs. Villani			X		
Mr. Alvarez			X		
Mrs. Beviano			X		
Mrs. Birch			X		
Ms. Slater					X
Mr. Russell			X		

Motions 1 – 24 Carried.

The Support Operations Committee, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, present the following motions to the Linden Board of Education for approval:

FINANCE:

1. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the Business Administrator/Board Secretary’s certification that as of January 31, 2016 no budgetary line-item account has encumbrances and payments which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Board of Education pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c).
2. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A23-2.11(c) and after review of the Board Secretary’s monthly financial report (appropriation section), and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, certifies that, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
3. Secretary’s Report for the month of January, 2016. (Copy in hands of Board Members and on file in the Office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary).
4. Authorize the Board Secretary to draw warrants due for the salaries and supplemental payroll for the month of February, 2016.
5. Authorize the Board Secretary to draw warrants in the amounts specified in favor of the persons named: (as per list submitted in the files and bookkeeping journal – copy of which will become a part of these original minutes). (See attachment).
6. The attached lists of transfers and adjustments for the month of January, 2016.
7. Treasurer’s Report for the month of January 2016. (Copy in hands of Board Members and on file in the Office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary).
8. Amend Board action on past agendas as follows:

Date	Item	Action
1/25/16	21	Revise travel resolution to add Board Member Lolita Slater.

9. Student Activities Report (Linden High School) for the month of January 2016. (Copies in hands of Board Members and on file in the office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary).

10. Accept funds from the Target “*Take Charge of Education*” program as follows:

School #2	\$ 70.47
School #4	\$ 97.61
School #6	\$ 42.67
Linden High School	\$461.54

11. Accept funds in the amount of \$51.30 from Ohiopyle Prints, Inc., Ohiopyle, PA, representing a donation or royalty for apparel and accessories bearing the Linden School logo that were sold at local retailers.
12. Accept a donation of 20 pair of practice shorts and tops from LIDS Team Sports. The intent would be to distribute them to the Boys Varsity Basketball team.
13. Accept a donation of 8 sweat tops and 8 sweat pants from LIDS Team Sports. The intent would be to distribute them to the Boys Varsity Basketball team.
14. Accept a donation of 25 Dri-Fit T-Shirts from Mark Manuzza. The intent would be to distribute them to the Boys Varsity Basketball team.
15. Accept a donation of 133 inch projection screen HDTV from EGA Home and Business Solutions, Sayreville, NJ, to the Linden Public Schools.
16. Approve a contract in the amount of \$207,047.00 with The MacKenzie Group, Inc., Garwood, NJ, for Window Replacement and Related Work at the Field House and Special Services based on low bid received 2/17/2016 as follows:

Location	Project No.	Amount
Field House	2660-X01-16-1000	\$ 52,936.00
Special Services	2660-X02-16-1000	\$154,111.00
Total Bid Amount		\$207,047.00

(Funds are designated and available for payment of the above.)

17. Approve a contract in the amount of \$34,127.00 with The MacKenzie Group, Inc., Garwood, NJ, for Window Replacement and Related Work at Special Services (project #2660-X02-16-1000) pending the City of Linden releasing the room to the Linden Board of Education.
18. Approve the enrollment of student G.B. in the Pre-K program for the 2016-2017 school year, eligible on a tuition basis under District Policy #5118, pending enrollment figures.

19. Approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-18.5, the Board of Education of Linden does not require St. Joseph’s School for the Blind, Jersey City, NJ, to charge students for reduced and/or paid meals for the 2016-2017 school year.

20. Declare the following as surplus equipment (obsolete and/or unusable) to be disposed of in accordance with District Policy 3260 as follows:

Location	Quantity	Description/Model No.	Serial No./BOE Tag
Soehl M.S.	1	HP Printer	#MY36QF7548
	3	Dell Desktop Computers	#CN-ODJ331-71616-81F-OBEY #G3GOTH1 #SMSRM218-DO2
	1	Dell Desktop Computer	#SMS 51DD CN-OH855F-64180
School #4	1	Epson LCD Projector / Model : H294A	LS6F9Z1048L/None
Special Services	1	Dell 1703FP-LCD	MX02Y3114760543HAVMP

FACILITIES:

1. Amend Board Action on past Support Operations Report (Facilities):

Date	Item	Action
2/1/2016	4	Amend the date of the Vocational Open House to read Tuesday, March 1, 2016.
2/1/2016	9	Amend the available dates for use for Union County Rugby practices to read: Practice – March 1, 2, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 2016. Games – March 6,13,20, 2016
2/1/2016	10	Amend the date of the PSE&G March of Dimes Basketball Fundraiser Game to Saturday, March 12, 2016.

2. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by M. Walters, Director, Technology Department:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>Parent Technology Informational Session</u> Soehl Middle School Auditorium	Tuesday 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.	May 17, 2016
<u>District Academy Awards</u> Linden High School Auditorium	Monday 7:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.	June 6, 2016
<u>Parent Technology Informational Session</u> McManus Middle School Auditorium	Wednesday 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.	June 8, 2016

3. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by J. Picaro, Principal, Soehl Middle School:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>PTA Book Fair</u> Lobby	Wednesday 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	March 23, 2016
<u>PTA Meetings</u> Cafeteria	Wednesday 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	<u>2016</u> March 2 April 6 May 4 June 1
<u>PTA Nominations</u> Auditorium	Wednesday 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	May 11, 2016

4. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by K. Zahir, Principal, McManus Middle School:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>PTA Family Movie Night</u> Auditorium	Friday 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	February 26, 2016
<u>PTA General Meetings</u> Auditorium	Wednesday 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	2016 March 16 April 20
<u>Student vs. Faculty Volleyball</u> Gymnasium	Tuesday 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	March 22, 2016
<u>PTA Fashion Show</u> <u>Rehearsals</u> Auditorium	Monday-Friday 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	February 23,24,25,26,27,29 March 1,2,3,4,5,7,8,9,10,11, 14,15,16,17,18,21,22 April 1,4,5,6,7,8,11,12,13,14
<u>PTA Fashion Show</u> Auditorium	Friday 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	April 15, 2016
<u>PTA Teacher Appreciation</u> <u>Luncheon</u> Faculty Cafeteria	Tuesday 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	May 3, 2016
<u>PTA Tricky Tray Bingo</u> Cafeteria	Friday 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	May 20, 2016

5. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by A. Cataline, Principal, School No. 4:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>Talent Show Auditions</u> Cafeteria	Monday & Wednesday 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	2016 March 21, 23
<u>Father's Program</u> Cafeteria, Courtyard, Gymnasium, Reading Room, Room #23	Tuesday 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.	March 22, 2016

6. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by M. Rodriguez, Principal, School No. 5:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>Book Bingo</u> Cafeteria	Tuesday 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.	March 8, 2016
<u>Books Come Alive at School</u> <u>No. 5</u> Cafeteria, Gymnasium, Halls	Thursday 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	April 14, 2016

7. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by G. Luciano, Recreation Supervisor, LDPP&CS:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>Annual Spring Break Magic Show</u> McManus Middle School Auditorium	Tuesday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	March 29, 2016

8. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by P. Saldanha, Linden Youth Soccer Association and approved by S. Viana, Athletic Director:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>Soccer Practices</u> Tiger Stadium	Monday & Wednesday 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	<u>2016</u> March 2,7,9,14,16,21,23 April 4, 6,11,13,18,25 May 2,4,9,11,16,18,23,25 June 1,6,8,15

FINANCE

Roll Call:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Mrs. Hudak		X	X		
Mr. Kolibas			X		
Mr. Topoleski	X		X		
Mrs. Villani			X		
Mr. Alvarez			X		
Mrs. Beviano			X		
Mrs. Birch			X		
Ms. Slater					X
Mr. Russell			X		

Motions 1 – 20 Carried.

FACILITIES

Roll Call:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Mrs. Hudak		X	X		
Mr. Kolibas			X		
Mr. Topoleski	X		X		
Mrs. Villani			X		
Mr. Alvarez			X		
Mrs. Beviano			X		
Mrs. Birch			X		
Ms. Slater					X
Mr. Russell			X		

Motions 1 – 8 Carried.

The Planning & Policy Committee, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, presents the following motions to the Linden Board of Education for approval:

1. Second reading:

Policy Number	Title
5145.7	Gender Identity and Expression

Roll Call:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Mrs. Hudak		X	X		
Mr. Kolibas			X		
Mr. Topoleski			X		
Mrs. Villani			X		
Mr. Alvarez			X		
Mrs. Beviano			X		
Mrs. Birch	X		X		
Ms. Slater					X
Mr. Russell			X		

Motion 1 Carried.

NJSBA Delegate:

Mr. Topoleski: On March 3rd he will be attending a Technology Conference in Princeton, along with Mrs. Villani. Also, he is on the Bylaws Subcommittee this year.

UCSBA Delegate:

Mrs. Hudak: No report at this time.

UCESC Delegate:

Mrs. Villani: There is a tour for new board members, which she is not able to attend. The Superintendent is trying to work out a one-on-one tour.

EST for Students:

Mr. Topoleski: He and Mrs. Birch met with students. Some of their complaints had to do with bathroom cleanliness during the day, the amount of time wasted in the classroom enforcing the dress code, and the lack of spirit. The students would also like to have school dances. Mrs. Birch mentioned that the students also had positive things to say about their school. For example, they love the new district logo, they love ROTC. They are also very excited about the many clubs and after school activities. However, they were concerned that the freshmen don't know about the clubs until well into the school year. They are very positive children.

Mrs. Villani asked if EST would be coming to the middle school level. Mr. Topoleski replied that it is something to consider.

EST for Special Education:

Mrs. Hudak: No report at this time.

Board Member Comments/New Business:

Mr. Topoleski mentioned that at the end of March there will be a UCSBA meeting which will recognize students. He also reminded board members that they are not restricted to attend just Union County meetings. They may attend any meeting they wish.

Mrs. Villani welcomed Ms. Slater and said that even though she is a new board member herself, she's here to help in any way.

Mrs. Hudak also welcomed Ms. Slater and let her know that it will be a very rewarding experience. She also mentioned teacher Barbara Brady was named Dance Teacher of the Year.

Mrs. Birch also welcomed Ms. Slater.

Dr. Robertozzi apologized for omitting the following comments from his Superintendent Report: Last week our State Aid figures were released. We would have been okay, however, what we didn't know was that \$2,500,000.00 of our budget was to be allocated to a potential new charter school which would be K-5 and occupy the former St. Elizabeth of Hungary School. They are projecting 168 of our students to attend this charter school. He does not believe that our parents will be sending their children to this charter school; however, this money must be allocated just in case. If this does in fact happen, that means we will have to lay off teachers. We will be filing an appeal to the Commissioner of Education. Discussion ensued. They will not be offering anything different than we already offer or do better.

Comments from the Public:

Members of the public desiring to make a public comment may come forward at this time.

Please begin your comments by stating your name and address. Individuals are invited to speak on one topic at a time, and no individual will speak more than once, until all individuals so desiring have spoken once.

The public is reminded that to ensure the efficient and orderly operations of the meeting, members of the public will be limited to speaking on items for three minutes.

Karen Televique (sp)
513 W. Curtis Street

Would like to know when next job fair would be. She currently works for a charter school but would prefer to work in a public school. Dr. Robertozzi told her to send her resume directly to him.

Elizabeth Welsh
903 Kent Place

The Charter School proposal is a wakeup call. They use poor test scores as leverage and Linden's test scores were not very good.

Brendon Birch
625 Beechwood Road

Brendan is the junior class president and for the past three years, he has been trying to run a fundraiser to offset yearbook and cap and gown costs for senior year. For the past three years he has been turned down as there might be conflicts with board policies. He would like to have “jean day”. Students would dress down in jeans, with appropriate dress code top, as long as there are no rips, tears or bleach stains. Jean day would be in high demand at the high school, therefore making this fundraiser a successful one. Mr. Russell responded that it will be taken under advisement and the board will speak to the administration about it.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Topoleski made a motion to adjourn at 8:14 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Hudak. Voice vote was unanimous.

Kathleen A. Gaylord
Business Administrator/Board Secretary