

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 1, 2016, at 6:36 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 6, 2016 and January 27, 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: 6:36 p.m.

<b>Board Members</b>		<b>Others</b>	
Mrs. Beviano	P	Dr. Robertozzi	P
Mrs. Birch	P	Mrs. Cleary	P
Mrs. Hudak	P	Ms. Gaylord	P
Mr. Kolibas	P	Attorney Margaret Miller	P
Mr. Topoleski	P		
Mrs. Villani	P		
Mr. Alvarez	P		
Mr. Russell	P		

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Motion to approve the minutes of the Organization Meeting and Regular Meeting held on January 4, 2016. (Copies in the hands of Board Members).

Roll Call:

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

Motion 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 questioned item #18 under C&I – PARCC Appeal Tutoring. What is it? Dr. Robertozzi responded that it is for seniors who have not met the high school proficiency standards, whether it be by passing the PARCC or meeting the requirements of the SAT, and the ACT. We are, therefore, providing extra tutoring for those students.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

See information to the Board.

The Superintendent reported on the following:

- Monthly HIB report.

- He thanked the custodial and maintenance staff for digging us out from the blizzard that hit on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, under the supervision of Mr. Miranda who was out all day and all night ensuring that our schools were clear and safe for our children. As a result of the storm we have used two of our four snow days.
- The NJDOE will be visiting to observe our ESL Model Program. For the past seven years, Linden has been designated as a Model ESL Program by the NJ Department of Education.
- Sports Teams –
  - The boys varsity basketball team is having a tremendous season. Their record is 12-2 and are currently ranked as the third best team in the State and the #1 public school. Their only two losses came at the hands of #2 ranked Patrick School.
  - The girls varsity basketball team had a little bit of a rough start with first year coach Mr. Fekete. They are 3-11. They are a young team without a single senior.
  - The swim team is 1-4 with a total of 28 personal records cutting off 10% of their time. This year we had the largest ever student athlete turnout for the swim team.
  - Boys winter track team is doing extremely well. Sebastian Chaquea broke the 1600 meter record; Chris Banks took first place in the 55 meter dash at the Union County Freshman Meet; Alex Tarnawski broke the sophomore school record for the 800.
  - The girls winter track team is having a phenomenal season. Iyanna Jenkins took second in the Union County Individual Championships. She's third in the 5500 hurdles, currently ranked #2, tied the school record in the 55 meter dash, and ranked #1 North Jersey, Section Two, Group Four.
  - The wrestling team has a record of 4-9. The first year coach inherited a young team, eight freshman and sophomores, who are competing against 14 starting weight classes.
  - The bowling team has a record of 9-3. James Fostinis leads the boys with an average of 212. Michelle Dekowski leads the females with 198 average. The team won the Central Jersey Winter Classic. They finished third in the Union County Tournament and four out of the five starters are competing for the Union County Tournament Individual title.
- Dr. Robertozzi commented that we are very proud of our students. He is a big proponent of extra-curricular activities, and in Linden, he believes we have something for all of our children.

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
Emotionally Disturbed	Lord Stirling School Basking Ridge, NJ	12/21/15	50,370.00 annual 438.00 per diem
Other Health Impaired	Essex Valley School 1 Henderson Dr. West Caldwell, NJ	1/11/16	39,301.08 annual 333.06 per diem
Multiply Impaired	In Roads to Opportunities 301 Cox St. Roselle, NJ 07203	10/14/15 (3 days/week)	14,240.00 pro rata 150.00 per diem

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

Classification	Recommended Placement	Effective Date	Tuition
Emotionally Disturbed	CPC High Point 1 High Point Center Way Morganville, NJ	12/20/15	63,450.00 annual 352.50 per diem
Communication Impaired	Union County Vocational 1776 Raritan Rd. Scotch Plains, NJ	1/4/16	4,000.00 annual 400.00 per month
Multiply Impaired	In Roads to Opportunities 301 Cox St. Roselle, NJ	10/14/15	27,000.00 annual 150.00 per diem
Multiply Impaired	In Roads to Opportunities 301 Cox St. Roselle, NJ	12/1/15	14,240.00 pro rata 150.00 per diem

3. Approve home instruction pending placement.

Classification	Effective Date	Tuition
Other Health Impaired	11/2/15	10 hours per week 30.00 per hour

4. Terminate home instruction for the following classified student.

Classification	Effective Date
Other Health Impaired	1/4/16

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

Related Services	Fees Not To Exceed
BILINGUAL SOCIAL EVALUATION H & H Bilingual Social Assessments 449 Huntingdon Rd. Union, NJ 07086	400.00
BILINGUAL EDUCATIONAL EVALUATION Theresa Hernandez 10-50 <sup>th</sup> St. Weehawkin, NJ 07086	400.00 x 9
BILINGUAL PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION Jeanette Pena 2009 Summit Ave. Union, NJ 07087	400.00 x 9
BILINGUAL SPEECH/LANGUAGE EVALUATION Patricia Vasquez-Hill 14 Brookside Terrace North Caldwell, NJ 07006	500.00 x 9
VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENT In Roads to Opportunities 301 Cox St. Roselle, NJ 07203	250.00
JOB SAMPLING Bergen County Special Services 347 E. Ridgewood Ave. Paramus, NJ 07652	11/23/15 19,148.00
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6. Approve *Transportation* for the following students:

Student/ Parent	Dates	Location	Rate per Day	Cost
Student M.H. and parent	1/15/16	99 Lord Stirling Road Basking Ridge, NJ	\$226.76	Transportation \$226.76 <small>11-000-270-512-00-000-33</small>
10 Students 5 Teachers	2/12/16	UCC Cranford Campus	None	None
Student A.M.	October 2015 20, 27, November 2015 10, 17, 24 December 2015 1, 8, 15, 22 January 2016 5, 12	Modell's Store 1601 W. Edgar Road Linden, NJ 07036	\$242.04	Transportation \$2,662.44 <small>11-000-270-512-00-000-33</small>
Students S.W., J.D., R.M., S.S.	February 2016 10, 17, 24 March 2016 2, 9, 16, 23 April 2016 6, 13, 20, 27 May 2016 4, 11, 18, 25 June 2016 1, 8	Hampton Inn & Marshall's	\$120.00	Transportation \$2,040 <small>11-000-270-512-00-000-33</small>
Students A.W., J.C., M.C., E.D., M.M., T.R.	February 2016 10, 17, 24 March 2016 2, 9, 16, 23 April 2016 6, 13, 20, 27 May 2016 4, 11, 18, 25 June 2016 1, 8	Hampton Inn, Marshall's and TJ Maxx	\$120.00	Transportation \$2,040 <small>11-000-270-512-00-000-33</small>

7. Approve the *Team Sports Schedules* for the Spring 2016 season, as listed.

SPORT	CATEGORIES
Baseball	Boys Varsity, JV, Freshman, Middle School
Softball	Girls Varsity, JV, Middle School
Tennis	Boys Varsity
Spring Track	Boys Varsity
Spring Track	Girls Varsity
Spring Volleyball	Boys Varsity, JV

8. Grant approval to establish a Boys Volleyball Program at Linden High School beginning Spring 2015-2016 school year.
9. Grant approval for Spring Weight Room hours to be 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. beginning March 4, 2016.
10. Amend Board action on past Curriculum & Instruction Reports, as listed:

Date	Item#	Action
6/22/15	10	Change Winter Sports Awards Program from March 29, 2016 to April 6, 2016.
9/21/15	20	Change the cost of the AMTNJ-NCTM Regional Conference for Mottley, Lindsey, to read Not to Exceed \$800.00, Account No. 11-000-223-580-00-000-50.
10/19/15	33	Remove Title III Immigrant carry-over money from FY 2014-2015.
11/23/15	16	Change Morek, Kimberly from 4 <sup>th</sup> grade science training on 1/12/16 to 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade science training on 1/13/16.
11/23/15	16	Add Candia, Deon to 4 <sup>th</sup> grade science training on 1/12/16.
11/23/16	16	Change account number for Walters, Michael, FETC workshop, from 11-000-221-580-00-000-20 to 11-000-221-580-00-000-04.
1/4/16	7	Change Therapy Care, LTC Speech services to read from January 11, 2016 to June 17, 2016. Amount \$75.00 per hour, not to exceed \$59,625.
1/4/16	13	Remove Ortiz, Lizzie and Williams, Mary and add Abel, Kurt; Wolsten, Leah; Bartolomeo, Jennifer; and Argentiere, Janice to SuccessNet Plus Training Workshop on 2/24/16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
1/4/16	14	Remove Bonilla, Eugenia and Morek, Kim and add Ravago, Erica; Candia, Deon; Loftus, Nicole; Esteves, Christina; Hollus, Albert, and Moore, Shaliek to SuccessNet Plus Training Workshop on 2/24/16 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
1/4/16	29	Add dates for the Accuplacer test to include 1/11/16 and 1/13/16.

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

School	Requested By	Date	Time/Location	Event	Expenses
Four	Cataline, Anthony	3/14/16	9:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Cafeteria	Union County Police K-9 Unit	None
Six	Perkins, Atiya	1/28/16	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Cafeteria	Pre-Kindergarten Game Night	None
Six	Marchica, Sharon	2/3/16	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Cafeteria	Dental Health Assembly – “Sugar-LESS Day”	None
Six	Perkins, Atiya	2/9/16	10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Cafeteria	Read Across America - Cat In The Hat Assembly	None
Eight	Smith, Jennifer	2/3/16 2/10/16 2/17/16 2/24/16 3/2/16	6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Cafeteria	Family Science	None
Eight	Appierto-Hunter, Carmela	3/16/16	1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Reading Room	Annual Title I Parent Meeting	None
Nine	Molinaro, Richard	1/27/16	9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Cafetorium	Union County Police K-9 Unit	None
Nine	Molinaro, Richard	2/8/16	1:20 p.m. & 2:15 p.m. Cafetorium	The Power of One: Anti-Bullying Assembly	\$500.00 11-190-100-320-00-000-16
Ten	Coglianesse, Sandra	2/17/16	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Gymnasium	American Heart Association Hoop Shoot	None

11. Continued:

School	Requested By	Date	Time/Location	Event	Expenses
SMS	Picaro, Joseph	February 9-11,16-19, 23-26 March 1-4, 8-11, 15-18, 22- 25, 29-30 April 5-8, 12-15, 18-19	2:45 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Auditorium	School Play Auditions and Rehearsal	None
SMS	Picaro, Joseph	4/16/16	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Auditorium	School Play Rehearsal	None
SMS	Picaro, Joseph	4/20/16 4/21/16	6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Auditorium	School Play	None
LHS	Horre, Yelena	1/26/16	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Room 100	GAPP Student Meeting	None
LHS	Appierto-Hunter, Carmela	2/3/16 2/10/16 2/17/16 2/24/16 3/2/16 3/9/16 3/16/16 3/23/16	3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. 4 English Classrooms	PARCC Appeal Tutoring - ELA	None
LHS	Appierto-Hunter, Carmela	2/6/16 2/13/16 2/20/16 2/27/16 3/5/16 3/12/16 3/19/16	9:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. 4 English Classrooms	PARCC Appeal Tutoring - ELA	None

11. Continued:

School	Requested By	Date	Time/Location	Event	Expenses
LHS	Sullivan, Richard	2/4/16 2/11/16 2/18/16 2/25/16 3/3/16 3/10/16 3/17/16 3/22/16	3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. 4 Math Classrooms	PARCC Appeal Tutoring - Math	None
LHS	Sullivan, Richard	2/6/16 2/13/16 2/20/16 2/27/16 3/5/16 3/12/16 3/19/16	9:00am – 11:15am 4 Math Classrooms	PARCC Appeal Tutoring - Math	None
LHS	Horre, Yelena	2/3/16	Media Center 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Chinese Exchange Parent Orientation Meeting	None
LHS	Horre, Yelena	3/9/16	Media Center 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Chinese Exchange Parent/Teacher/ Student Meeting	None
Special Services	Stefanick, Marie	2/22/16	Administration Bldg. Conference Room	Teacher Obligations & Legal Responsibilities	None

12. Approve *District Field Trips*. Copy in the hands of the board members.

13. Approve *Training for District Staff*, as listed.

Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Apalinski, Cynthia	Liaison Meeting	2/19/16	Rahway, NJ	None
Apalinski, Cynthia	NJDOE Weather and Climate	4/5/16	Trenton, NJ	Other Expenses \$40.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-60

13. Continued:

Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Apalinski, Cynthia	PTW Planning Meeting	2/5/16	Newark, NJ	None
		3/10/16	Linden, NJ	None
		3/11/16		
Bongiovi, Laura	PTW Planning Meeting	2/5/16	Newark, NJ	None
		3/10/16	Linden, NJ	None
		3/11/16		
Capanna, Lisa	PTW Planning Meeting	2/5/16	Newark, NJ	None
		3/10/16	Linden, NJ	None
		3/11/16		
Clark, Reina	Implementing Close Reading	2/10/16	Clark, NJ	Registration \$175.00 20-270-200-500-00-000-55 TITLE II A
Coglianesi, Sandra	Teasing and Bullying Training	4/14/16	New Brunswick, NJ	None
Delgado, Eloy	Global Education: Developing Engaged Global Citizens	2/4/16	New York, NY	Registration \$85.00 20-241-200-500-00-000-54
Dinis, Alicia	Teasing and Bullying Training	4/14/16	New Brunswick, NJ	None
Ederer, Caryl	National Writing Project Mid-Winter Conference 2016	2/6/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$95.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-06
Fazio, Gail	Executive Functions and ADHD in Children & Adolescents	3/16/16	Eatontown, NJ	Registration \$220.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-34 Other Expenses \$50.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-34
Gallagher, Kelly	PTW Planning Meeting	2/5/16	Newark, NJ	None
		3/10/16	Linden, NJ	None
		3/11/16		
Goldstein, Rose	Liaison Meeting	2/19/16	Rahway, NJ	None
Goldstein, Rose	PTW Planning Meeting	2/5/16	Newark, NJ	None
		3/10/16	Linden, NJ	None
		3/11/16		

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Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Grillo, Maria	Aligning the Reading of Complex Text and Writing to Sources	3/9/16	Clark, NJ	Registration \$175.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-15
Grillo, Maria	Implementing Close Reading	2/10/16	Clark, NJ	Registration \$175.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-15
Halvorsen, Diane	Executive Functions and ADHD in Children & Adolescents	3/15/16	South Plainfield, NJ	Registration \$199.00 20-270-200-500-00-000-55 TITLE II A
Hamilton, Jo Ann	Director of Guidance Services Meetings	2/19/16 3/18/16 5/20/16	Clark, NJ Rahway, NJ Hillside, NJ	Other Expenses \$15.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-44
Hamilton, JoAnn	PARCC District Test Coordinator Training	3/8/16	Monroe Township, NJ	Other Expenses \$40.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-44
Hamilton, JoAnn	Update to NJ Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act & Lawful Management of HIB Records	2/5/16	Lodi, NJ	Registration \$115.00 Other Expenses \$40.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-44
Healy, Bart	NJMEA Conference	2/19/16	East Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$165.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-57
Hoffer, Janice	National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics	4/12/16 4/13/16 4/14/16 4/15/16 4/16/16	San Francisco, CA	Registration \$400.00 Other Expenses \$2,600.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-50
Hu, Lin Lin	FLENJ 2016 Conference	2/26/16 2/27/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$180.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-54
Ianazzi, Kimberly	Teasing and Bullying Training	4/14/16	New Brunswick, NJ	None

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Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Ives, Kami	Time Saving Strategies to Integrate Your SLP Interventions into Classrooms	2/3/16	Piscataway, NJ	Registration \$239.00 11-000-219-580-00-000-33
LaMastra, Kevin	FLENJ 2016 Conference	2/26/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$115.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-54
Li, Xu	FLENJ 2016 Conference	2/26/16 2/27/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$180.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-54
Long, Gwendolyn	ABLE PLUS WIA Title II Consortium, Partners' Monthly Meeting	1/11/16 2/8/16 3/14/16 4/11/16 5/11/16 6/8/16	Elizabeth, NJ	None
Long, Gwendolyn	New Jersey Leaders to Leaders Orientation	2/11/16 3/8/16 4/6/16	Monroe Township, NJ	None
Macchiarelli, Dena	PTW Planning Meeting	2/5/16 3/10/16 3/11/16	Newark, NJ Linden, NJ	None None
Massa, Allison	Developing NGSS Aligned Lessons	3/22/16	Branchburg, NJ	None
Massa, Allison	PTW Planning Meeting	2/5/16 3/10/16 3/11/16	Newark, NJ Linden, NJ	None None
Mastriano, William	New Jersey Association of Federal Program Administrators Spring Conference	6/9/16	Atlantic City, NJ	Registration \$139.00 Other Expenses \$35.00 20-231-200-500-00-ADM-55
McHugh, Robert	FLENJ 2016 Conference	2/26/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$115.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-54

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Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Migueluez, Tania	Global Education: Developing Engaged Global Citizens	2/4/16	New York, NY	Registration \$85.00 20-241-200-500-00-000-54
Olarte, Viviana	Combining Reading of Complex Text and Writing	3/9/16	Clark, N.J.	Registration \$175.00 11-000-223-500-00-000-08
Olarte, Viviana	Implementing Close Reading	2/10/16	Clark, N.J.	Registration \$175.00 11-000-223-500-00-000-08
Paternostro, Alphonsina	FLENJ 2016 Conference	2/26/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$115.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-54
Paternostro, Alphonsina	Model Program Visit	2/19/16	Princeton, NJ	Other Expenses \$25.00 11-000-221-580-00-000-54
Penaranda, Eliana	FLENJ 2016 Conference	2/26/16 2/27/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$180.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-54
Penaranda, Sobeida	FLENJ 2016 Conference	2/26/16 2/27/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$180.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-54
Preston, Dona	Teach NJ: A New Paradigm for Corrective Action Plans and Progressive Supervision	4/1/16	Monroe, NJ	Registration \$150.00 11-000-223-500-00-000-08
Push, Leah	PTW Planning Meeting	2/5/16 3/10/16 3/11/16	Newark, NJ Linden, NJ	None None
Radil, Elizabeth	NJSSNA Spring Conference	4/9/16	Woodbridge, NJ	Registration \$210.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-06
Ravkin, Tara	Teasing and Bullying Training	4/14/16	New Brunswick, NJ	None
Robertozzi, Danny	NJ Leadership and Learning Conference	2/25/16	New Brunswick, NJ	None
Romero, Megan	FLENJ 2016 Conference	2/26/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$115.00 11-000-223-580-00-000-54

13. Continued:

Name	Workshop	Dates	Location	Cost
Szulc, Bozena	FLENJ 2016 Conference	2/26/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$115.00 <small>11-000-223-580-00-000-54</small>
Terwilliger, Kimberly	PTW Planning Meeting	2/5/16 3/10/16 3/11/16	Newark, NJ Linden, NJ	None None
Wallace, Dakota	FLENJ 2016 Conference	2/27/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$115.00 <small>11-000-223-580-00-000-54</small>
Wang, Xueling	FLENJ 2016 Conference	2/26/16	New Brunswick, NJ	Registration \$115.00 <small>11-000-223-580-00-000-54</small>
Zucosky, Margaret	National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics	4/12/16 4/13/16 4/14/16 4/15/16 4/16/16	San Francisco, CA	Registration \$400.00 Other Expenses \$2,600.00 <small>11-000-223-580-00-000-50</small>

14. Approve Teacher Obligations/Legal Responsibilities Workshop for the following teachers on February 22, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Administration Building Conference Room.

Name	Name	Name
Delucca, Maria	Hollus, Albert	Push, Leah
DeMarco, Lori	Huff, Patricia	Ravkin, Tara
Dollard, Aubrey	Lee, Mary	Scorese, Marissa
Dort, Rasheeda	Makowski, Stephanie	Smith, Allison
Eisenberg, Susan	Maretta, Kathleen	Sousa-Redgate, Jennifer
Epstein, Jennifer	Miceli, Melissa	Stec, Justyna
Figaro, Francine	Nahmias, Sandra	Stewart-Cuttita, Laura
Frankonis, Nicole	Perez, Toni	Suszko, Arleen
Gallo, Maria	Petrin, Nicole	Torres, Melissa
Grabowy, Bernadette	Piscino, Danielle	Zucker, Lisa

15. Approve *Professional Development Activities*, as listed:

Workshop	Provider(s)	Date(s)	Cost
Teacher Obligations/Legal Responsibilities	Resolution Resource Partners, LLC	2/22/16	\$2,500.00 11-000-219-320-00-000-33

16. Accept the following Linden Public School District Course Description Guides:

2016-2017	Elementary
2016-2017	Middle School
2016-2017	High School

17. Authorize curriculum writing as listed, not to exceed 20 hours:

Curriculum	Grade Level	Hours	Account#
Understanding The Holocaust	9-12	20	11-140-100-101-00-001-53

18. Approve *After School and Saturday Tutoring* as listed:

PARCC Appeal Tutoring - Math	LHS	February 4, 11, 18, 25 March 3, 10, 17, 22 <u>3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.</u> February 6, 13, 20, 27 March 5, 12, 19 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	4 teachers @ \$30.00 per hour 2 substitute teachers @ \$30.00 per hour 11-140-100-101-00-000-04
PARCC Appeal Tutoring - ELA	LHS	February 3, 10, 17, 24, March 2, 9, 16, 24 <u>3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.</u> February 6, 13, 20, 27 March 5, 12, 19 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	4 teachers @ \$30.00 per hour 2 substitute teachers @ \$30.00 per hour 11-140-100-101-00-000-04

19. Approve the administration of *Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State to State (ACCESS) Test* for English Language Learners as listed:

School(s)	Date(s)	Test
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9	4/4/16	Kindergarten
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9	4/5/16	Kindergarten
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9	4/6/16	Kindergarten
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9	4/7/16	Kindergarten
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9	4/8/16	Kindergarten
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9	4/11- 4/13/16	Kindergarten (Make-up)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	2/29/16	Listening/Reading (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/1/16	Listening/Reading (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/2/16	Listening/Reading (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/3/16	Listening/Reading (Make-up)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/4/16	Speaking (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/7/16	Speaking (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/8/16	Speaking (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/9/16	Speaking (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/10/16	Speaking (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/11/16	Speaking (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/14/16	Speaking (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/15/16	Speaking (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/16/16	Speaking (Make-up)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/17/16	Writing (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/18/16	Writing (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/21/16	Writing (grades 1-5)
#1, #2, #4, #6, #8, #9, #10	3/22/16	Writing (Make-up)
LHS, MMS, SMS	3/7/16	Listening/Reading (A-B-C)
LHS, MMS, SMS	3/8/16	Listening/Reading (A-B-C)
LHS, MMS, SMS	3/9/16	Listening/Reading (A-B-C)
LHS	3/10/16	Speaking
LHS	3/11/16	Speaking
LHS, MMS, SMS	3/14/16	Speaking
LHS, MMS, SMS	3/15/16	Speaking
LHS, MMS, SMS	3/16/16	Speaking
LHS, MMS, SMS	3/17/16	Writing
LHS, MMS, SMS	3/18/16	Writing
LHS, MMS, SMS	3/21/16	Listening/Reading (Make-up)

19. Continued:

School(s)	Date(s)	Test
LHS, MMS, SMS	3/22/16	Speaking (Make-up)
LHS, MMS, SMS	3/23/16	Writing (Make-up)
All Schools	4/4 – 4/8/16	All Other Make-ups (as needed)

20. Approve the Bi-yearly Summation Report on HIB under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act for all Linden Public Schools. Copies in the hand of Board members.
21. Approve the School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act for all Linden Public Schools. Copies in the hand of Board members.

At this time, Dr. Robertozzi gave a public review of the HIB Bill of Rights.

Mr. Russell opened the floor to public comments. There were none.

22. Grant approval to submit Race to the Top III Grant Final Expenditure Report.
23. Grant approval to submit NCLB Performance Report.
24. Grant approval to apply for the 2016-2017 ECPA/ELLI Preschool Program Plan Update and Budget Workbook in the amount of \$2,874,564.00.
25. Grant approval for fifteen (15) Linden High School German Exchange students to visit the Weidig School in Butzbach, Germany, accompanied by two (2) chaperones, from April 11, 2016 to May 1, 2016.
26. Grant approval for twenty- four (24) Linden High School French Exchange students to visit the Lycée Robespierre School in Arras, France, accompanied by two (2) chaperones, from March 6, 2016 to March 21, 2016.
27. Grant approval for thirteen (13) Linden High School Chinese Exchange students to visit the Xiamen Foreign Language School in Xiamen, China, accompanied by four (4) chaperones, from March 23, 2016 to April 3, 2016.
28. Approve the administration of the 2016 National German Exam for thirty-eight (38) high school students. Cost not to exceed \$300.00, Account #11-190-100-500-00-000-54.

29. Proclaim the month of February, 2016 as Black History Month to be highlighted in the Linden Public Schools as outlined in the following resolution:

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, African American culture has been a part of American’s heritage since before the founding of this country; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carter G. Woodson, a historian, initiated the celebration in 1926 by marking a week in February as Black History Week; and

WHEREAS, the Black History month theme for 2016 has been established by the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History as: *Hallowed Grounds: Sites of African American Memories*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the City of Linden is committed to commemorate the contributions made by African Americans in the development of this nation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the City of Linden, in keeping with national recognition, proclaims the month of February as Black History Month in all schools in the district, to be fully celebrated with appropriate activities, ceremonies and events.

30. Approve the Superintendent’s determination and actions taken for all reported incidents of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying discussed at the January 4, 2016 regular meeting, as listed:

Case	HIB	Action
MMS-308	No	Services provided
MMS-307	No	Services provided
SMS-191	Undetermined	Services provided, Physical change
Sch 9-33	Undetermined	Services provided, Monitored
Sch 5-10	No	Services provided
Sch 4-18	Undetermined	Services provided, Disciplined
Sch 4-17	No	Services provided, Mediated, Training provided
Sch 4-16	No	Mediated

Motions 1 – 30:

Roll Call:

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

Motions 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, PAULINE STETZ in her lifetime was a truly dedicated member of the Board of Education who gave of 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 public expression of their feelings for the loss in the passing of PAULINE STETZ on January 28, 2016 and do tender to the members of her family their heartfelt sympathy and condolence in this time of bereavement and sorrow.

2. The following retirements are accepted with regret:

Name	Assignment	Location	Yrs./Service	Effective Date
Greco, Denise	Teacher Grade One	School 4	30	7/1/16

WHEREAS, the above employee is retiring from active service in the public schools of Linden after the number of years listed; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the members of the Board of Education of the City of Linden to express their appreciation for their loyal and unselfish service during those years; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the gratitude and best wishes of the members of the Board of Education of the City of Linden and hereby be tendered to the employee in acknowledgement of the service she so faithfully and conscientiously rendered, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread on the minutes of the Board of Education.

3. Approve the following resignations:

Name	Assignment	Location	Effective Date
Dittmar, Janice	Special Education Resource	Soehl	2/19/16
Hollus, Albert	Special Education Resource	School 2	3/18/16
Morresi, Nicole	Middle School Math Teacher	McManus	1/29/16
Penn, Joanna	Elementary Art Teacher	School 1 & 6	2/23/16
Rego, Kim	Part Time School Aide	School 5	2/5/16

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

Date	Item	Action
9/21/15	14	Add Gorski, Paul as a volunteer advisor to the Civil War Roundtable Club.
1/4/16	8	Amend Grabowy, Bernadette to read 1/11/16-1/29/16 –personal/unpaid.
11/23/15	8	Amend Koziol, Nancy to read 12/14/15- 1/22/16 –Medical/sick – 1/25/16-2/8/16 – FMLA – 2/9/16-4/22/16- FMLA/FLA – 4/25/16-4/29/16- FLA
1/4/16	8	Amend Tomko, Magdalena to read 2/17/16-2/19/16 –personal/unpaid.
1/4/16	4	Amend the start date for Merten, Christine from 1/5/16 to 1/15/16.
11/23/15	6	Add the location for Czajkowski, Brandon to read: School 10 and McManus.
1/4/16	4	Amend the start date for Bicsko, Rachael from 2/1/16 to 2/16/16.
11/23/15	8	Amend Secor, Tracey to read: 1/11/16-1/13/16 personal/unpaid.
11/23/15	11	Rescind staff returning from leave.

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

Name	Effective Date	Degree	Credited Exp./ Step	Assigned Subj. Area	Bldg./Dept.	Spec. Prog. Or Budget	Total Annual Salary Rate
CERTIFIED							
Arrieta, Jacqueline <sup>1</sup>	4/1/16	BA	4	Kindergarten	School 10	Budget/R	\$51,698
NON-CERTIFIED							
Farhan, Ashley	2/2/16			Part-Time School Aide	School 9	Budget/R	\$21.41
Mekovetz, Stephanie	2/2/16			Part Time School Aide	School 2	Budget/R	\$21.41

1. Leave Replacement for M. Sousa

6. Leave of absence:

Name	Assignment	Location	From	To	Reason
Bacon, Jessica <sup>1</sup>	Pre-K	#10	3/25/16	5/12/16	Medical
Bacon, Jessica <sup>2</sup>	Pre-K	#10	5/12/16	6/30/16	FMLA/FLA
Baxter, Eileen	P/T Aide	#1	4/4/16	4/8/16	Personal
Benavidez, Tiffanyann <sup>1</sup>	Grade 1	#4	2/29/16	4/25/16	Medical
Carson, Rachel <sup>1,3</sup>	Phys. Ed	#6	4/4/16	4/22/16	Medical
Carson, Rachel <sup>2</sup>	Phys. Ed	#6	4/25/16	6/24/16	FMLA/FLA
Charles, Tamika <sup>1</sup>	Grade 5	#2	1/13/16	2/18/16	Medical

6. Continued:

Name	Assignment	Location	From	To	Reason
Charles, Tamika <sup>2</sup>	Grade 5	#2	2/19/16	3/1/16	FMLA
Dixon, Maquentta <sup>2</sup>	Paraprofessional	#2	1/19/16	5/13/16	Personal
Flanagan, Jan	Resource Teacher	McManus	2/10/16	2/29/16	FMLA/Unpaid
Guderian, Janine <sup>1</sup>	Resource	McManus	2/18/16	4/1/16	Medical
Heuschkel, Tara <sup>1</sup>	P/T Aide	#2	1/5/16	1/15/16	Medical
Hill, Emily <sup>1</sup>	Grade 4	#4	4/7/16	6/24/16	Medical
Mironski, Paula <sup>2</sup>	Paraprofessional	#2	1/7/16	1/18/16	Medical
Olden, Marissa <sup>1</sup>	Teacher	TOP Program	4/4/16	5/30/16	Medical
Palomino, Mariana <sup>2</sup>	P/T Aide	#1	1/4/16	6/30/15	Personal
Sager, Debra <sup>1</sup>	Resource Teacher	High School	1/20/16	2/17/16	Medical
Sinclair, Denise <sup>2</sup>	P/T Aide	#9	2/1/16	2/5/16	Personal
Spano, Lara <sup>1,3</sup>	Grade 1	#2	3/14/16	5/10/16	Medical
Spano, Lara <sup>2</sup>	Grade 1	#2	5/11/16	6/24/16	FMLA/FLA

1. Using sick days 2. Unpaid 3. Using sick then unpaid

7. Compensate staff listed for unused vacation and sick days upon retirement as per negotiated contract:

Name	Vacation Days	Amount	Sick Days	Amount	Article Days	Amount
Fleming, Leanora	10	\$5,562.70	68	\$4,760.00		
Forstenhausler, Jean	8	\$4,516.80	253	\$17,710.00		
Tyburczy, Barbara			155.5	\$4,665.00		
Yesinko, Stephen	14	\$8,645.42	256	\$17,920.00	2	\$200.00

8. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Linden Board of Education has determined that two quantitative goals (copies in the hands of board members), established for the 2015-2016 school year for Danny A. Robertozzi, Ed.D. Chief School Administrator, have been satisfied to date, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Union County Superintendent of Schools in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-3.1; and

8. Continued:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon receipt of confirmation of satisfaction of the above goal from the Union County Superintendent of Schools, the applicable Merit Bonus provisions of the Superintendent’s contract shall be paid.

9. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Linden Board of Education has determined that one qualitative goal (copies in the hands of board members), established for the 2015-2016 school year for Danny A. Robertozzi, Ed.D. Chief School Administrator, has been satisfied to date, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Union County Superintendent of Schools in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-3.1; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon receipt of confirmation of satisfaction of the above goal from the Union County Superintendent of Schools, the applicable Merit Bonus provisions of the Superintendent’s contract shall be paid.

10. Authorize Christine Groeller to teach Language Arts as an extra teaching period in McManus Middle School at a per diem rate (annual pay/200 days/hours) for the period of 1/26/16 to 6/24/16.

11. Appoint the following staff as translators for the 2015-2016 school year at the contractual rate, to be paid from Title III funds Acct. #20-241-100-100-00-000-54.

Name	Language	Hours	Cost Not to Exceed
Sumrein, Faten	Arabic	15	\$325.00
Pelesz, Anna	Polish	15	\$405.00

12. Appoint the following staff for PARCC Appeal Tutoring Program during the 2015-2016 school year at the contractual rate of \$30/hr. Cost not to exceed the hours listed below. Account #11-140-100-101-00-000-04.

Name	Hours	Substitute
English, Cheryl	34	Donachy, Thomas
Kirby, Starlette	20	
Kondratowicz, Dariusz	20	
Paserchia, Nicole	34	
Stratis, Sophia	34	

13. Appoint the following staff for PARCC APPEAL Tutoring program during the 2015-2016 school year at the contractual rate of \$30/hr. Cost not to exceed the hours listed below. Account #11-140-100-101-00-000-04.

Name	Hours	Substitute
Calatayud, Melanie	34	Oder, Gretchen
Edvalson, Sarah	20	
Lee, Larissa	34	
Szulc, Bozena	20	
Walker, Kate Lynn	34	

14. Appoint the following staff to work as a substitute teacher for the Alternative Program at Linden High School for the 2015-2016 school year at the contractual rate of \$30/hr. as needed. Acct. #11-423-100-101-00-000-05.

Name
Maresco, Diane

15. Appoint the following teaching staff for the 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC/Soehl Middle School effective 2/1/16-8/31/16 at the 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC contractual rate of \$30/hr. Account #20-454-100-00-000-35.

Name	Position
Duckett, Edith	Substitute Teacher
Rogowski, Zofia	Substitute Teacher

16. Appoint the following staff as substitutes for the Aftercare Program for Schools 4, 5, and 8 at the rate of \$25.00 per hour. Paid from the Enterprise Fund as listed Acct. # 60-930-320-100-00-000-02.

Name
Bradley, Dominique
Medina, Marysol

17. Appoint the following staff to work Family Science Nights at School No. 8, at the contractual rate of \$27.00/hr.

Name	Account #	Total Cost Not to Exceed
Spoganetz, Peter	11-120-100-101-00-000-15	\$360.00
Mannuzza, Staci	11-120-100-101-00-000-15	\$360.00

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

Spring Sports:

a) High School Athletics

Sport	Position	Name	Salary	Step
Baseball	Head Coach	Mastriano, William	9503.00	3
	Assistant Coach	Happel, Wayne	6853.00	3
Baseball	Assistant Coach	Hasenauer, Frank	5983.00	1
	Assistant Coach	Protomastro, Joseph	6853.00	3
Softball	Head Coach	Mehalick, Wayne	9503.00	3
	Assistant Coach	Bivona, Gia	6853.00	3
	Assistant Coach	Kuban, Natasha	6853.00	3
Boys Tennis	Head Coach	Gonzalez, Alberto	6016.00	3
Spring Track	Boys Head Coach	McDonald, Daniel	9186.00	3
	Boys Assistant Coach	Brooks, Monty *	6853.00	3
	Girls Head Coach	Devero, Leonist	9503.00	3
	Girls Assistant Coach	Brown, Terrence	5983.00	1
Trainers (Spring)	Head Trainer	Rotondi, Roger	7155.00	3
	Assistant Trainer	Radice, Marissa	3499.00	3
	Assistant Trainer	Oliviera, Anthony	2992.00	1
Volleyball	Boys Head Coach	TBA	6724.00	1
	Boys Assistant Coach	TBA	5000.00	1

18. Continued:

b) Middle School Athletics

Sport	Position	Name	Salary	Step
Baseball	Middle School Coach	Corsale, Christopher	4167.00	1
Softball	Middle School Coach	Rotola, Rebecca	4167.00	1

c) High School Activities

Sport	Position	Name	Salary	Step
Volleyball	Intramural Instructor	TBA	1837.00	3
Weight Training	Spring Instructor	Albert Chiola	4169.00	3

Summer Sports:

Sport	Position	Name	Salary	Step
Weight Training	Summer Instructor	Chiola, Albert	2147.00	3
Trainer (Summer)	Head Trainer	Rotondi, Roger	7084.00	3
Trainer (Summer)	Asst. Trainer	Radice, Marissa	3464.00	3

\* Pending County Superintendent Approval

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

Name	Sport
Mastriano, Michael	Varsity Baseball
Ortiz, Andrew	Varsity Baseball
Czajkowski, Brandon	Varsity Baseball
Clark, Michael	Middle School Baseball

20. Appoint the following staff to work as Athletic Ticket Sales for various events throughout the 2015-2016 school year at the approved rate.  
Acct # 11-402-100-100-00-000-00

Name	Name
Berube, David	Koziol, Kelly
Capers, Ula	Kushner, Danielle
Carter, Lakhia	McDonald, Daniel
Dertinger, Dianna	Mondelli, Daniel
Firestone, Michael	Spano, Linda
Hasenauer, Frank	Weber, Donna
Hughes, Denise	

21. Appoint the following Medical Bus Aide for the 2015-2016 school year at the contractual rate of \$15.00/hr. Account # 11-000-213-100-00-001-00.

Name	School
Morago, Karen	8

22. Appoint the following staff for the 2016 Soehl Middle School Musical production of “Seussical, Jr.” Account #11-401-100-100-00-000-57, Cost Not to Exceed \$6,039.00

Position	Name	Amount
Director/Musical Director	Tattoli, Gina	\$2,730.00
Vocal Director	Chapman, Tracey	\$683.00
Choreographer	Jefferson, Melanie	\$683.00
Stage Manager	Healy, Bartholomew	\$394.00
Scenic Artist	Reilly, Catherine	\$525.00
Costumer	MacDonald, Jennifer	\$630.00
Tickets/Program/Publicity	DeCastro, Mark	\$394.00

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

Name
Grievess, Ashley

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 11<sup>th</sup> 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.

Name	Name	Name
Aniello, Kathleen	Jackson, Rhonda	Pelliccio, Jackie
Dolan, Claudia	Jones, Kari-Lynn	Rivera, Vanessa
Dunn, Ronald	Lominy, Bianca	Schnarr, Fidelia
Israel, Dominique	Marcus, Brian	

Motions 1 – 24:

Roll Call:

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

Motions 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 December 31, 2015 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. 6A:23-2.11(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 December 2015. (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 January 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. Attached lists of transfers and adjustments for the month of December 2015.
7. Treasurer’s Report for the month of December 2015. (Copy in hands of Board Members and on file in the Office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary).
8. Student Activities Report (Linden High School) for the months of November and December 2015. (Copies in hands of Board Members and on file in the office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary).
9. Accept funds from Infineum USA, Linden, NJ, in support of Linden High School as follows:

Process Technology Program	\$1,500.00
ROTC Scholarships	\$1,000.00

10. Accept funds in the amount of \$500.00, payable to Linden High School from The Exxon Mobil Educational Alliance Grant.
11. Accept funds in the amount of \$100.00 from Villani Bus Company in support of the School #6 Leader in Me Program.
12. Accept funds in the amount of \$50.00 from Kathryn Guest, South Bloomingville, OH, for the Linden High School Class of 1965 Scholarship Fund.
13. Accept funds in the amount of \$25.00 from the Employees of Phillips 66 Bayway Refinery to place an advertisement in the McManus M.S. Musical Ad/Program Book for the Drama Club's production of Disney's "The Lion King, Jr."
14. Accept funds from "Merck Gives Back Employee Giving Program" for the benefit of Linden High School as follows:

Check #61762	\$6.72
Check #65317	\$6.72

15. Accept a donation of instruments for the Fine and Performing Arts Department as follows:

Instrument	Donor
Artley Flute	Anonymous
Jean Baptiste Clarinet	Connie Getchies

16. Approve a contract in the amount of \$39,447.95 with Maffey's Security Group, Elizabeth, NJ, for the installation of additional Access Control Mullions at all schools based on quote received December 29, 2015, purchased through Union County Cooperative purchasing #BA51-2010.
17. Approve a contract in the amount of \$2,258.21 with WageWorks, Inc., San Mateo, CA, to serve as COBRA administrator for the period February 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016.
18. Approve the establishment of the Linden Tech Care Program for repairs of the Apple Computers through the Linden Technology Department at a fee of \$50.00 per computer effective February 1, 2016.
19. Approve the enrollment of student J.B. in the Pre-K program for the 2016-2017 school year, eligible on a tuition basis under District Policy #5118, pending enrollment figures.
20. Authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to submit the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for the period ended December 31, 2015 to the Executive Union County Superintendent of Schools.

21. Proclaim the month of January, 2016 as *School Board Recognition Month* to be highlighted in the Linden Public Schools as outlined in the following resolution:

SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH

**WHEREAS**, The New Jersey School Boards Association has declared January 2016 to be School Board Recognition Month, a time that all residents might acknowledge the contributions made by our local school board members; and

**WHEREAS**, The Linden Board of Education is one of more than 581 local school boards in New Jersey that sets policies and oversees operations for public school districts; and

**WHEREAS**, The Linden Board of Education embraces the goal of high-quality education for all New Jersey public school students; and

**WHEREAS**, New Jersey's local school boards help determine community goals for the education of approximately 1.4 million children in pre-kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade; and

**WHEREAS**, New Jersey's 4,800 local school board members, who receive no remuneration for their services, act as advocates for public school students as they work with administrators, teachers and parents for the betterment of public education; and

**WHEREAS**, School boards strive to provide the resources necessary to meet the needs of all students, including those with special needs; and

**WHEREAS**, Boards of education provide accountability to the public; they communicate the needs of the school district to the public; and they convey to school administrators the public's expectations for the schools; and

**WHEREAS**, New Jersey can take pride in its schools, which rank among the nation's best in key achievement indicators such as the National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP) scores and Advanced Placement offerings and test scores. Now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Linden Board of Education, does hereby recognize the services of local school board members throughout New Jersey as we join communities statewide in observing January 2016 as SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Linden Board of Education urges all New Jersey citizens to work with their local boards of education and public school staffs toward the improvement of our children's education.

22. **WHEREAS**, the Linden Board of Education is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 to adopt policy and approve travel expenditures by district employees and board members using local, State, or Federal funds to ensure that travel is educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; and

**WHEREAS**, the board of education has determined that the training and informational programs sponsored by NJSBA, NJASA, NJASBO, UCSBA, UCASA, and UCASBO, and set forth below are directly related to and within the scope of the listed job title's current responsibilities and the board's professional development plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the board of education has determined that participation in the NJSBA, NJASA, NJASBO, UCSBA, UCASA, and UCASBO training and informational programs requires school district travel expenditures and that this travel is critical to the instructional needs of the district and/or furthers the efficient operation of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, the board of education has determined that the school district travel expenditures to NJSBA, NJASA, NJASBO, UCSBA, UCASA, and UCASBO programs are in compliance with State travel guidelines as established by the Department of the Treasury and within the guidelines established by the federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB), except as superseded by conflicting provision of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, the board of education finds that a mileage reimbursement rate equal to the OMB reimbursement rate of .31 cents per mile is a reasonable rate; and

**WHEREAS**, the board of education has determined that participation in the NJSBA, NJASA, NJASBO, UCSBA, UCASA, and UCASBO training and informational programs are in compliance with the district policy on travel; therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the board of education hereby approves the attendance of the listed number of school board members and district employees at NJSBA, NJASA, NJASBO, UCSBA, UCASA, and UCASBO training and informational programs, and the costs of attendance including all registration fees, and statutorily authorized travel expenditures, provided that such expenditures are within the annual maximum travel expenditure amount as follows:

Alexander Alvarez, Board Member	John Kolibas, Board Member	Danny A. Robertozzi, Ed.D., Superintendent
Dawn Beviano, Board Member	Bryan Russell, Board Member	Denise Cleary, Assistant Superintendent
Tracey Birch, Board Member	Raymond Topoleski, Board Member	Kathleen A. Gaylord, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Susan Hudak, Board Member	Theresa Villani, Board Member	

23. 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 #	Serial Number/ BOE/Tag#
Information Technology	1	Dell 1703FP LCD	cn02y3114760642car7k/
	1	Dell P190s LCD	cn0rnmh6744450bcaazl/
	1	Dell E178FPB LCD	cn0ry979742617bg8ngl/4797
	1	Dell E177p LCD	cn0uh5724663366u6vjl/1287
	1	Dell E178p LCD	cn0ry979742617cb3t9l/
	1	Dell E177p LCD	cn0wh318728726bg0wki/3847
	1	Dell P190s LCD	cn0rnmh67444515kb0ql/
	1	Dell E176p LCD	cn0mc040641805al0ewc/3861
	1	Dell E177p LCD	cn0wh318728726bg21ji/4506
	1	Dell 1703FP LCD	cn02y315716183cca310/3311
	1	Dell E178p LCD	cn0ry9797426185q7f4l/
	1	Dell 1703FP LCD	cn02y3114760642carmm/
	1	Dell E173p LCD	cn0f5035641805971b5c/1103
	1	Dell 1905p LCD	cn0t611671618562am1b/4103
	1	Dell 1908p LCD	cn0g313h7426188u93gl/
	1	Dell P190s LCD	cn0rnmh67444505sbgjs/sch05-34-dm
	1	Dell E173p LCD	cn0f5035641804bp1h8s/3340
	1	Dell Optiplex SX 260	2qq7k21/
	1	Dell Optiplex 755	c4q8l3j/sms-137-dd
	1	Dell Optiplex GX620	7pb0k91/5414
	1	Apple iMac A1195	qp9130x22jw/
	1	Apple iMac A1195	w86357jzvuv/1550
	1	Brother Printer DCP9040CN	u61831a8j232347/5115
	1	Xerox Phaser 8400	1697/5091
	1	HP Deskjet5550	my33p1r3432l/
	1	HP LaserJet CP1215	]]\cnb1209857/
	1	HP LaserJet 3500	cnbrn13624/
	1	Xerox Phaser 8400	386735201-452076597/5888
	1	Work Center pro 575	48210486A/
	1	HP scanjet 8200	cn45et039272/3817
	1	Xerox Phaser 8400	351113600-435089293/
	1	HP Deskjet 6127	my49e3b09c5c/
	1	APC Back-UPS XS 1500	jb0547024423/

23. Continued:

Location	Quantity	Description/Model #	Serial Number/ BOE/Tag#
Information Technology	1	HP LaserJet CP1215	cnb1108539/
	1	Sharp XG-MB50X	512912131/4824
	1	Hitachi CP-X201	cp-x201gup/sch05-12-mp
	1	Hitachi CP-RS56	h6g010150/
	1	Hitachi CP-RS57	h7c004962/
	1	Hitachi CP-S317	g2j00114/
	1	Epson Powerlite 92	p92f120183L/
	1	Epson Powerlite 92	p92f120189L/
	1	Sharp PG-C45X	407322548/4140
	1	Sharp XR-20X	507911342/
	1	Promethean PRM-10	68Y22473/
	1	Dell Optiplex GX620	81kzn81/4538
	1	Dell Optiplex GX620	51kzn81/4546
	1	Dell Optiplex GX620	7ptjnb1/4500
	1	Dell Optiplex 745	2l6frd1/
	1	Dell Optiplex 745	8p1qhd1/
	1	Dell Optiplex 745	7k6frd1/
	1	Dell Optiplex 745	22z0gf1/
	1	Dell Optiplex 330	13rhjh1/
	1	Dell Optiplex 330	63rhjh1/
	1	Lenovo Think Center	11s41r6302zv3dz838t19/
	1	Dell Optiplex 745	80n4yc1/
	1	Dell Optiplex 330	33rhjh1/
	1	Dell Optiplex 745	669q8f1/
	1	Dell Optiplex GX620	b8y5191/5422
	1	Dell Optiplex 745	5bpsdc1/
	1	Dell Optiplex GX620	5ptjnb1/4545
	1	Dell Optiplex 745	6qg5yc1/
	1	Dell Optiplex 745	jhpyzc1/
	1	Dell Optiplex GX620	8c6dkb1/5618
	1	Dell Optiplex 745	hhpyzc1/
	1	Dell Optiplex GX620	7wp2991/5046
	1	Dell Optiplex 330	b3rhjh1/
	1	Hitachi cp-250wf	f6e036452/4531

23. Continued:

Location	Quantity	Description/Model #	Serial Number/ BOE/Tag#
Information Technology	1	Hitachi cp-s235w	g4d000857/
	1	Sharp XR-20X	507911842/
	1	Sharp XG-MB50X	512912142/5193
	1	Phillips DUP3340V	DE1A071470469/
	1	Toshiba D-VR660	PC302014096/
	1	Dell E178FPB LCD	cn0ry979742617at83mu/4933
	1	Dell E178FPB	cn0fj1816418065f41ks/4345
	1	Dell E178FPB	cn0wh318728726bg15ei/3010
	1	Dell E178FPB	cn0uh572466336641h3s/4327
	1	Dell E178FPB	cn0tp2196418078h0ndl/5778
Field House	1	Electric Golf Cart	N/A
	1	Ford Aerifield machine	N/A
	1	Ford Cutting Component	#917- #402536
McManus	1	Projector	004974

24. Approve a contract in the amount of \$51,737.18 with Nickerson Corp., Union Beach, NJ, for new lockers at McManus M.S. and relocation of lockers to School #2 with pricing based off the Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission Cooperative Pricing System #65MCESCCPS (BID #MRESC 12/13-48).
25. Approve a Lease Agreement with Apple, Inc., Irving, Texas, (agreement #7737218) in the amount of \$2,102,540.00 for the period of March 15, 2016 through March 15, 2018.

FACILITIES:

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

Date	Item	Action
8/31/2015	4	Rescind Under the Big Top on February 12, 2016 and re-schedule it to February 17, 2016

2. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by Y. Horre, Principal, Linden High School and D. Hernandez, President, School No. 9 PTA:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>School No. 9 vs. Harlem Wizards Basketball Game</u> High School Gymnasium	Thursday 4:00 p.m.- 10:00 p.m.	May 19, 2016

3. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by Y. Horre, Principal, Linden High School:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>Relay for Life Kick-off Meeting</u> Cafeteria	Friday 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	February 5, 2016

4. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by M. Walters, Director, Linden Academy of Science & Technology:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>Vocational Open House</u> Cosmetology Classroom	Wednesday 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	February 3, 2016

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

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>PTA Meeting</u> Cafeteria	Wednesday 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	February 3, 2016
<u>PTA Book Fair</u> Lobby	Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	<u>2016</u> March 22, 23, 24

6. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by S. Coglianese, Principal, School No. 10:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>Yoga for Children</u> Gymnasium	Thursday 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	<u>2016</u> February 4, 11, 18, 25 March 3, 10

7. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by R. Greco, President, Mystic Vision Players:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>Camp Rehearsal &amp; Set Building</u> Soehl Middle School Auditorium	Weekdays 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	<u>2016</u> June 27 to July 21
<u>Camp Rehearsal &amp; Set Building</u> Soehl Middle School Auditorium	Monday & Tuesday 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	<u>2016</u> July 25, 26
<u>Performance (Show)</u> Soehl Middle School Auditorium	Wednesday-Friday 6:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m.	<u>2015</u> July 27,28,29
<u>Strike/Set Cleanup</u> Soehl Middle School Auditorium	Monday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	August 1

8. Use of facilities at no charge as requested by J. Cajuste, Athletic Director, St. John's Athletic Association:

Activity/Location	Day & Time	Date
<u>Basketball Practice</u> School No. 8 Gymnasium	Monday, Thursday & Friday 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	January 29, 2016 to March 31, 2016
<u>Basketball Practice</u> School No. 9 Gymnasium	Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	January 29, 2016 to March 30, 2016

9. Use of facilities at a service charge as requested by V. Vinegra, President, Union County Rugby Club:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>Rugby Practices</u> Tiger Stadium	Tuesday & Thursday 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	<u>2016</u> March 1,3,8,10,15,17
<u>Rugby Games</u> Tiger Stadium	Sunday 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	<u>2016</u> March 6,13,20

10. Use of facilities at a service charge as requested by E. Oliveira, Coordinator, PSE&G:

Activity/Location	Day and Time	Date
<u>March of Dimes Fundraiser</u> <u>Basketball Game</u> McManus Middle School Gymnasium	Saturday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	February 27, 2016

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

Date	Item	Action
1/4/2016	5	Amend PTA Winter Wonderland Setup and Dance on January 22, 2016 and re-schedule it to February 12, 2016

Motions 1 – 25:

FINANCE:

Roll Call:

Board Member	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Mrs. Beviano			X		#22 (D. Beviano)
Mrs. Birch			X		#22 (T. Birch)
Mrs. Hudak		X	X		#22 (S. Hudak)
Mr. Kolibas			X		#22 (J. Kolibas)
Mr. Topoleski	X		X		#22 (R. Topoleski)
Mrs. Villani			X		#11 & #22 (T. Villani)
Mr. Alvarez			X		#22 (A. Alvarez)
Mr. Russell			X		#22 (B. Russell)

Motions Carried.

Motions 1 – 11:

FACILITIES:

Roll Call:

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

Motions 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. First Reading:

Policy Number	Title
5145.7	Gender Identity and Expression

Motion 1:

Roll Call:

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

Motion Carried.

NJSBA Delegate:

Mr. Topoleski: Reported on meeting he attended on January 16<sup>th</sup> in Monroe, NJ. A Pro Legislative Advocacy Agenda was part of the program.

UCSBA Delegate:

Mrs. Hudak: She and several other Board Members attended a meeting on January 27<sup>th</sup> regarding security for computers and servers. The upcoming meeting in March will have to do with student award presentations.

EST for Students:

Mr. Topoleski: He will have a meeting with students on Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>.

EST:

Mrs. Beviano: No report.

EST for Special Education:

Mrs. Hudak: No report.

Board Member Comments/New Business:

Mr. Alvarez took this opportunity to congratulate the staff and students at McManus M.S. for a great play, Lion King, Jr.

Mrs. Hudak agreed stating the play was really terrific. She also wanted to congratulate the Union County Student Training and Enrichment Program (UC STEP) and explained the program briefly. Students from 27 high schools throughout Union County participated in the annual program, which took place in December 2015 at Kean University in Union. She asked Brendan Birch of the winning Red Team to explain the project. “Garments & Gear – Greatness for Years” focuses on supporting less fortunate athletes by collecting money and equipment needed for them to excel in sports. The goal of this program is to give these athletes the opportunity to play a sport by providing the necessary gear.

Mrs. Beviano congratulated the custodial and maintenance staff for an exceptional job cleaning up after the snow storm. She also mentioned the exceptional job McManus did with their school play. They outdo themselves every year.

Unfinished Business:

None.

Comments from the Public:

Elizabeth Welsh  
903 Kent Place

She first mentioned that McManus did a fantastic job on the play. She asked how often the students would receive a new Mac Airbook computer. Dr. Robertozzi responded that every three years, students would receive a new Airbook. As far as insurance, whenever the insurance is up, we will be offering an in-house Tech Care Program for next school year.

Mrs. Welsh also asked when a replacement for Mrs. Ormon would be appointed. Mr. Russell replied that there would be a Committee of the Whole meeting on Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> to conduct interviews for prospective candidates.

Finally, Mrs. Welsh asked when was the last time we had a female Board President? Mrs. Hudak was the last female president, three years ago.

Ginny Sleiger  
418 West Lane, Clark, NJ

Mrs. Sleiger took this opportunity to thank the Board of Education, directors, supervisors, and our Superintendent, Dr. Robertozzi for their continued support. She continued on to speak of her many rewarding years in the Linden School District and thanked everyone involved.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Topoleski made a motion to adjourn at 7:20 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Beviano. Voice vote was unanimous.

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Kathleen A. Gaylord  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary