

**MINUTES
ACTION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
FRANKLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA/LIBRARY
OCTOBER 22, 2015 – 6:40 PM**

CALL OF ROLL

Mrs. Christine Danielsen
Mrs. Nancy LaCorte, Vice President
Mr. Edward Potosnak, III, President
Dr. Julia Presley - absent
Mr. Richard Seamon

Ms. Patricia E. Stanley
Mrs. Margaret E. Steele
Ms. Latee E. Walton-McCleod - absent
Mrs. Betty Whalen - absent

Dr. John A. Ravally, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. James H. Strimple, Jr., Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary
Dr. Jeffrey Charney, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction - absent
Mr. Orvyl Wilson, Director of School Management
Dr. Brenda Sofield, Director of Pupil Personnel Services - absent

And 10 Members of the Public

Mr. Strimple read the following statement:

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

In accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" P.L. 1975, c. 231 (Sunshine Law), the schedule and notification of this meeting have been provided for on January 5, 2015 and October 19, 2015. Copies of this notice were faxed to the **Courier News**, the **Home News Tribune**, **The Star-Ledger**, **The Trenton Times**, Franklin Township Clerk/Manager, WCTC Radio, District Schools, Offices and Associations, PTO Presidents, and posted on the Central Administration Building notice board.

Confidential Session - Library

Moved: Mrs. LaCorte

Seconded: Mrs. Danielsen

Motion to adjourn to confidential session at 6:41 PM for the purpose of discussing the following: negotiations, a grievance update, a potential special education settlement and a student residency matter. Minutes of the confidential session will be made public when the reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

Returned to open session at 7:37 PM in the Cafeteria.

Reconvening roll call – All board members were present with the exception of Dr. Presley, Ms. Walton-McCleod and Mrs. Whalen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mr. Seamon led the Board in the pledge.

Ms. Steele read the following statement:

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Mission of the Franklin Township Public Schools is to provide excellent educational opportunities that meet or exceed New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards for every student; maintain an environment that engenders an appreciation of the value of every student; develop every student to his/her highest potential; and instill the attitudes, skills, and knowledge necessary to become independent, contributing members of a democratic, multi-cultural society.

DISTRICT GOALS 2015-2016

- ***To establish the Superintendent as the Educational Leader of Franklin Township Public Schools.***
- ***To utilize data analysis in reviewing our educational programs and make recommendations for subsequent years to improve college and career readiness for all students.***
- ***To recruit and retain high quality staff and re-energize current staff through continued support and professional development.***
- ***To continue progress on our facilities projects with the least amount of disruption to the educational process.***

I. Action to Adopt the Agenda

Moved: Mrs. LaCorte

Seconded: Mrs. Danielsen

<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Yes</u>
Danielsen	LaCorte	Presley	Seamon	Stanley	Steele	Walton-McCleod	Whalen	Potosnak

II. Board President's Report

Franklin High School

- Rahul Boppana, Bilva Chandra, Sonia Gupta, Shaun Guru, Priti Kantesaria, Sean Maggio, Kelvin Qian, Archana Raghunath and Jonathan Tsai have been named Commended Students in the 2015 National Merit Scholarship Program. About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2016 competition for National Merit Scholarships, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2016 competition.
- Arnav Tolat will be one of a select few student speakers at this year's Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association Foundation's Annual Tribute Dinner. Last year Arnav won the state title in the SIMFA/McGraw Hill Investwrite contest. Arnav placed 5th nationally in that competition. His maturity and confidence greatly impressed the executives involved in the contest so he was invited to speak at the upcoming dinner, a major event for the association. We join Arnav's parents in expressing our Warrior Pride at this accomplishment.
- The Franklin High School Warrior Marching Band won three trophies at the Hillsborough High School Marching Band festival earlier this month. Awards were presented for Best Music (arranged by band co-director Daniel Berz), Best Color Guard, directed by Betty Gupta and Adrian Drayton, and Best Percussion, arranged by Ankit Somani and Nathan Sankari. Further congratulations should be extended to the band co-director Eric Diaz.

Safe Halloween

Once again Franklin High School will be hosting Safe Halloween, an opportunity for parents and their young children to participate in games and activities. This will be held in the events lobby and cafeteria from 4:00 - 6:00 PM on Thursday, October 29, 2015.

Mr. Potosnak spoke about other upcoming events and reminded everyone to come out and vote on Election Day on November 3rd.

III. Committee Reports

Mrs. Danielsen, Facilities Committee Chair, reported on the October 19th meeting.

Mrs. LaCorte, Finance Committee Chair, reported on the October 19th meeting.

III. Comments From The Public *(5 minutes per speaker - any topic)*

The meeting was opened for public comments at 7:50 PM on a motion by Mr. Seamon, seconded by Ms. Steele. All board members were in agreement. There were no public comments at this time.

Motion to close the public comment portion of the meeting by Ms. Steele, seconded by Mrs. Danielsen. All board members were in agreement.

IV. New Business

- R-01 Monthly Reports
- M-01 Minutes of Board Meetings
- A-01 Travel & Related Expense Reimbursement
- A-02 Affirm Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Decisions
- A-03 Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials
- A-04 Submission of QSAC Statement of Assurance for 2015-2016
- A-05 School Bus Emergency Exit Drill
- A-06 Travel & Related Expense Reimbursement - Addendum
- B-01 Warrants & Payrolls
- B-02 Transfer of Funds
- B-03 Financial Reports
- B-04 Board of Education Monthly Certification
- B-05 Contract Approval
- B-06 Submission of Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and M1 Form
- B-07 Accept Grant Funds
- B-08 Authorize Submission to Department of Education
- B-09 Change Orders - Energy Savings Improvement Projects (ESIP)
- B-10 Change Order – Conerly Road School, MacAfee Road School & Pine Grove Manor School
- B-11 Change Orders – Sampson G. Smith School – HVAC Upgrades
- B-12 Change Order – Sampson G. Smith School – Roof Replacement
- B-13 WHL Enterprises, Inc. – Contract Amendment
- B-14 Acknowledgment of the Franklin Township Board of Education's 2015-16 Purchasing Manual
- B-15 Acknowledgment of the Franklin Township Board of Education's Standard Operating Procedures and Internal Controls
- B-16 Food Services Member Participation in a Cooperative Pricing System
- B-17 Account Custodian in Accordance with Policy 3326.1
- C-01 Out of District Students, School Year 2015-2016
- C-02 Field Trip Destinations
- C-03 Agreement With Rutgers University – PCAST Project
- C-04 Continuation of the Youth In Action Program
- C-05 Grant Application
- C-06 Approve Title I Extended Day Program

Moved: Mrs. LaCorte

Seconded: Ms. Steele

R-01 Monthly Reports

Acknowledge receipt of the following reports, attached and made a part of the minutes:

a. Principals' Reports	September	Exhibit R-01.a
b. Attendance Officer's Report	September	Exhibit R-01.b
c. Enrollment Report	September	Exhibit R-01.c
d. School Safety Drills	September	Exhibit R-01.d
e. Suspension Report	September	Exhibit R-01.e

M-01 Minutes of Board Meetings

Approve the minutes of the following meetings of the Franklin Township Board of Education:

a.	September 17, 2015	Work Session	Exhibit M-01.a
b.	September 24, 2015	Action	Exhibit M-01.b
c.	September 24, 2015	Confidential	Exhibit M-01.c

Administration**A-01 Travel & Related Expense Reimbursement**

Adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, the Franklin Township Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district, and

Whereas, N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 requires Board members to receive prior approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

Whereas, a Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel only as described in NJOMB Circular Letter 06-02, including amendments or revisions thereto, a threshold amount below which Board approval is not required; and

Whereas, the Board of Education establishes, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of \$1,500 per staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby approves the attendance of the listed school board members and district employees at the attached training, seminars, conferences and conventions, 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; and, be it further

Resolved, that the Franklin Township Board of Education authorizes in advance, as required by statute, attendance at the attached training, seminars, conferences and conventions as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. (Exhibit A-01)

A-02 Affirm Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Decisions

Whereas, the Franklin Township Board of Education has received and accepted HIB Investigation Reports at its regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting on October 15, 2015; and

Whereas, these HIB Investigation Reports indicated each reported case of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying and the results of the investigation also known as the Superintendent's decision – including any services provided, training established or discipline imposed; and

Whereas, the parties involved in those cases reported were notified of the results of the investigation, Superintendent's decision, and the rights of those parties to request a hearing before the Board of Education; and

Whereas, no requests for a hearing before the Board of Education have been received; and

Whereas, the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights provides the Board of Education the opportunity to affirm, modify or reject the Superintendent's decisions on reported cases of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying;

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decisions in the cases listed in the HIB Investigation Reports previously accepted by the Board at its regularly-scheduled Board of Education meetings on October 15, 2015.

A-03 Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials

Approve the "Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials," approved by the Superintendent of Schools and recommended by the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office and the Somerset Executive County Superintendent of Schools as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. (Exhibit A-03)

A-04 Submission of QSAC Statement of Assurance for 2015-2016

Approve submission of the NJQSAC (New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum) Statement of Assurance for the 2015-2016 school year to the New Jersey Department of Education as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. (Exhibit A-04)

A-05 School Bus Emergency Exit Drill

Acknowledge receipt of the School Bus Emergency Exit Drill report dated October 9, 2015. This drill is conducted bi-annually and detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit A-05)

A-06 Travel & Related Expense Reimbursement - Addendum

Approve the Travel & Related Expense Reimbursement – Addendum, as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit A-06)

Business

B-01 Warrants & Payrolls

Approve the following on the certification of the Board Secretary that sufficient funds are available to meet these claims (attached hereto and made a part of the minutes):

- a. General warrants and payrolls in the amount of \$16,498,799.66 identified in the bills list. (Exhibit B-01.a)
- b. Food Service Enterprise Fund warrants in the amount of \$275,771.34 for the month of September 2015. (Exhibit B-01.b)

B-02 Transfer of Funds

Approve Account Transfers No.3 for the 2015-2016 school year, as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-02)

B-03 Financial Reports

Accept financial reports attached hereto and made a part of the minutes as follows:

- a. Report of the Board Secretary (A-148) (Exhibit B-03.a) (September)
- b. Report of the Treasurer (A-149) (Exhibit B-03.b) (September)
- c. Cash Reconciliation of A-148 & A-149 (Exhibit B-03.c) (September)
- d. Certification of the Asst. Supt. for Business/Board Secretary (Exhibit B-03.d) (September)
- e. Food Service Fund Financial Report (Exhibit B-03.e) (September)

B-04 Board of Education Monthly Certification

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)(4) we certify that as of September 30, 2015 after review of Secretary's monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)(3) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the fiscal year.

B-05 Contract Approval *(All contracts are LEA-funded, unless otherwise noted.)*

Approve the following:

- a. An agreement with Balfour (Taylor Publishing Company) for the 2016 Franklin Middle School yearbook, for an estimated amount of \$8,234.69, as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. Funded by the FMS Student Activities Account. (Exhibit B-05.a)

- b. Payment of a 2014-15 invoice from Gladys Portacio, School Psychologist, in the amount of \$450, as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (*The contract for Gladys Portacio was board-approved on July 31, 2014*). (Exhibit B-05.b)
- c. Payment of a 2014-15 invoice from Occupational Therapy Consultants, Inc., for speech, occupational and physical therapy services, in the amount of \$800. (*The contract for Occupational Therapy Consultants, Inc. was board-approved on July 31, 2014*). (Exhibit B-05.c)
- d. Payment of a 2014-15 invoice from Daytop Village of New Jersey, Inc. for educational services for students while in treatment at Daytop, in the amount of \$2,040. (*The contract for Daytop Village of New Jersey, Inc. was board-approved on December 11, 2014*). (Exhibit B-05.d)
- e. The purchase of technology supplies from CDW-G. for Somerset Bible Baptist Christian Academy in the amount of \$1,175.59, using non-public funding, through Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission, as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-05.e)
- f. A transportation jointure with Burlington County Special Services School District, Westhampton, NJ from July 1, 2015 to August 31, 2015 identified as Contract BCSSS-15P EX YR, as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-05.f)
- g. A transportation contract payable with Montauk Transit Services, LLC, New Brunswick, NJ from September 8, 2015 to June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$13,303.72 identified as Contract MTSQ-1 as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-05.g)
- h. A parent transportation contract with J.C. from October 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 identified as Contract JC-02-16P EX YR in the amount of \$8,050 as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-05.h)
- i. The purchase of technology supplies from Keyboard Consultants, Inc. for Cedar Hill Prep School in the amount of \$5,074.00, using non-public funding, through Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission, as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-05.i)
- j. An agreement with Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission to implement the Nonpublic Security Aid Program from October 22, 2015 through June 30, 2020, as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-05.j)
- k. The purchase of technology supplies from CDW Government for Rutgers Preparatory School in the amount of \$12,231.75, using non-public funding, through Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission, as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-05.k)

B-06 Submission of Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and M1 Form

Adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, the Department of Education required New Jersey School Districts to submit three-year maintenance plans documenting "required" maintenance activities for each of its public school facilities; and

Whereas, the required maintenance activities as listed in the attached document for the various school facilities of the Franklin Township Public School District are consistent with these requirements; and

Whereas, all past and planned activities are reasonable to keep school facilities open and safe for use or in their original condition and to keep their system warranties valid.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Franklin Township Board of Education hereby authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary to submit the attached Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and M1 Form for the Franklin Township Public School District in compliance with Department of Education requirements, as detailed in the attached exhibit and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-06).

B-07 Accept Grant Funds

Accept grant funds in the amount of \$5,426 from New Jersey Schools Insurance Group for the 2015 Safety Grant.

B-08 Authorize Submission to Department of Education

Authorize the submission of the following project to the New Jersey Department of Education for the purpose of a Final Educational Adequacy approval:

Elizabeth Avenue School	Multi-Purpose Rm., Cafeteria, Admin Area	NJDOE #1610-070-14-2000
	Classroom Addition	NJDOE #1610-070-14-3000
Hillcrest School	Additions & Alterations	NJDOE #1610-100-14-1013
Pine Grove Manor School	Additions & Alterations Elevator Project	NJDOE #1610-140-14-2000

B-09 Change Orders - Energy Savings Improvement Projects (ESIP)

a. Conerly Road School – Mechanical Control Upgrades – A.M.E., Inc.

As recommended by the architect, ratify Change Order No. 2 to A.M.E., Inc. involving mechanical control upgrades at Conerly Road School in the amount of \$6,800, thereby increasing the contract total to \$1,216,833. The exhibit is attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-09.a)

Present Contract -	\$1,210,033.00
Change Order No. 2 -	<u>\$ 6,800.00</u>

New Contract Total - \$1,216,833.00

b. Sampson G. Smith School – Mechanical Upgrades – WHL Enterprises, Inc.

As recommended by the architect, ratify Change Order No. 3 to WHL Enterprises, Inc. involving mechanical upgrades at Sampson G. Smith School, thereby reducing the contract by \$20,000 to \$3,238,000. The exhibit is attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-09.b)

Present Contract -	\$3,258,000.00
Credit Change Order No. 3 -	<u>\$ (20,000.00)</u>
<i>(remove boilers at SGS)</i>	
New Contract Total -	\$3,238,100.00

c. MacAfee Road School – Mechanical Upgrades – WHL Enterprises, Inc.

As recommended by the architect, ratify Change Order No. 4 to WHL Enterprises, Inc. involving mechanical upgrades at MacAfee Road School, thereby reducing the contract by \$15,000 to \$3,223,000. The exhibit is attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-09.c)

Present Contract -	\$3,238,000.00
Credit Change Order No. 4 -	<u>\$ (15,000.00)</u>
<i>(remove boilers at MAC)</i>	
New Contract Total -	\$3,223,000.00

d. Sampson G. Smith School - Lighting Fixture Upgrades – TSUJ Corporation

As recommended by the architect, ratify Change Order No. 2 to TSUJ Corporation involving lighting fixture upgrades, thereby reducing the contract by \$20,019 to \$412,038.00. The exhibit is attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-09.d)

Present Contract -	\$432,057.00
Credit Change Order No. 2	
Did not provide 43 light fixtures	\$ (10,019.00)
Remaining Allowance	<u>\$ (10,000.00)</u>
New Contract Total -	\$412,038.00

B-10 Change Order – Conerly Road School, MacAfee Road School & Pine Grove Manor School

As recommended by the architect, ratify Change Order No. 1 to Protective Paving, LLC involving paving projects at Conerly Road School, MacAfee Road School and Pine Grove Manor School using \$12,707.20 of the \$20,000.00 allowance, thereby reducing the allowance to \$7,292.80 which shall be returned as a credit to the total contract. The exhibit is attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-10)

Original Contract -	\$323,000.00
Original Allowance -	\$20,000.00
Use of Allowance -	<u>\$(12,707.20)</u>
Remaining Allowance -	\$ 7,292.80
Credit to Contract -	<u>\$ 7,292.80</u>
New Contract Total -	\$315,707.20

B-11 Change Orders – Sampson G. Smith School – HVAC Upgrades

- a. As recommended by the architect, approve Change Order No. 3 to K&D Contractors, LLC involving upgrades at the Sampson G. Smith School using \$4,264.00 of the remaining allowance, thereby reducing it to zero and increasing the contract by \$6,119.60 to \$195,119.60. The exhibit is attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-11.a)

Original Contract -	\$189,000.00
Change Order No. 3 -	<u>\$ 6,119.60</u>
New Contract Total -	\$195,119.60

- b. As recommended by the architect, approve Change Order No. 4 to K&D Contractors, LLC involving upgrades at the Sampson G. Smith School for \$5,000.00, thereby increasing the contract by \$5,000.00 to \$200,119.60. The exhibit is attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-11.b)

Original Contract -	\$195,119.00
Change Order No. 4 -	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>
New Contract Total -	\$200,119.60

B-12 Change Order – Sampson G. Smith School – Roof Replacement

As recommended by the architect, approve Change Order No. 1 to VMG Group involving the roof replacement at Sampson G. Smith School using \$11,508.64 of the \$15,000 allowance, thereby reducing the allowance to \$3,491.36. The exhibit is attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-12)

General Allowance -	\$15,000.00
Change Order No. 01 -	<u>(\$11,508.64)</u>
Remaining Allowance -	\$3,491.36

B-13 WHL Enterprises, Inc. – Contract Amendment

It is recommended that the Franklin Township Board of Education amend the motion B-08 of March 25, 2015 for the award of Boiler Replacement/Mechanical Upgrades/Replacements to WHL Enterprises, Inc. of Metuchen New Jersey as follows:

Award the following contract to WHL Enterprises, Inc. based on their bid received on March 18, 2015:

Base Bid	\$2,594,000
Alt. Bid A-1 Sampson G. Smith Boiler	415,000
Alt. Bid A-2 Pine Grove Steam Condensate Pipe	175,000
Alt. Bid A-4 Franklin Park Annex Boiler Demo	15,000
Alt. Bid A-5 Sampson G. Smith Boiler Demo	20,000
Alt. Bid A-6 MacAfee Road Boiler Demo	15,000
Alt. Bid A-7 Hillcrest Boiler Demo	<u>24,000</u>
Total Contract Award	\$3,258,000

B-14 Acknowledgment of the Franklin Township Board of Education's 2015-16 Purchasing Manual

The Franklin Township Board of Education's 2015-16 Purchasing Manual is attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-14)

(Complete manual on file in the Asst. Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary's office.)

B-15 Acknowledgment of the Franklin Township Board of Education's Standard Operating Procedures and Internal Controls

The Franklin Township Board of Education's Standard Operating Procedures and Internal Control is attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-15)

(Complete manual on file in the Asst. Superintendent for Business/Board Secretary's office.)

B-16 Food Services Member Participation in a Cooperative Pricing System

Authorize the Franklin Township Board of Education to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement.

Whereas, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

Whereas, the Atlantic County Special Services, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency " has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

Whereas, on October 22, 2015 the governing body of the Franklin Township Board of Education , County of Somerset, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved, as follows:

This Resolution shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Franklin Township Board of Education

Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the James H. Strimple, Jr., Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business, is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

The exhibit is attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit B-16)

B-17 Account Custodian in Accordance with Policy 3326.1

Approve for the 2015-2016 school year, a retail store account/house charge account with Village Supermarket stores, naming Dr. Jeffrey Charney, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction as the custodian of that account and allowing him to purchase items at Shop Rite, 435 Elizabeth Avenue, Somerset, NJ 08873, in accordance with Policy 3326.1, with a maximum price of \$20.00 per individual miscellaneous item allowed to be purchased under the account.

Curriculum and Instruction

C-01 Out of District Students, School Year 2015-2016

Approve out of district placements for students, as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made part of the minutes. (Exhibit C-01)

C-02 Field Trip Destinations

Whereas, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.8 requires prior approval of field trip destinations by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby approves, in advance, field trip destinations, all trips within district, local community locations, and all other schools and universities in New Jersey; be it further

Resolved, that the Franklin Township Board of Education authorizes, in advance, the list of destinations as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. (Exhibit C-02)

C-03 Agreement With Rutgers University – PCAST Project

Approve an agreement with Rutgers University's Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities to participate in the PCAST (Person Centered Approaches to Schools and Transition) project. This project is aimed at promoting effective transitioning for students with disabilities through the use of person centered approaches critical to the process of transitioning from school to adult life as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. No cost to the District. (Exhibit C-03)

C-04 Continuation of the Youth In Action Program

Approve the continuation of the Youth In Action program for Franklin High School ESL students. This program will establish an after school club that will engage students in an action research project. Culmination will be a symposium at Rutgers University where students will present their research to the university community and to peers from neighboring districts. Funded by Title III.

C-05 Grant Application

Approve submission of a grant application for the NJ Association of Physical Education, Health, Recreation and Dance Mini Grant. This is a \$1,000.00 grant that is aimed toward improving teacher knowledge, skills and attitudes toward physical fitness through training. It will also provide monies to purchase a TRX system for Franklin Middle School in order to augment curriculum in physical fitness, health and wellness as detailed in the exhibit attached hereto and made a part of the minutes. (Exhibit C-05)

C-06 Approve Title I Extended Day Program

Approve the 2015-2016 Title I Extended Day Tutorial Program to provide supplemental support in Language Arts Literacy and Mathematics as follows:

- a) Hillcrest School 3rd and 4th grade students will receive before school instruction at Hillcrest School for 25 weeks (Tuesday - Thursday), beginning November 3, 2015 through May 19, 2016
- b) Pine Grove Manor School 3rd and 4th grade students will receive before school instruction at Pine Grove Manor School for 25 weeks (Tuesday - Thursday), beginning November 3, 2015 through May 19, 2016.
- c) Elizabeth Avenue School 3rd and 4th grade students will receive after school instruction at Elizabeth Avenue School for 26 weeks (Tuesday - Thursday), beginning November 3, 2015 through May 26, 2016.
- d) Sampson G. Smith School 5th and 6th grade students will receive after school instruction at Sampson G. Smith School for 26 weeks (Tuesday - Thursday) beginning October 27, 2015 through May 26, 2016.
- e) Franklin Middle School 7th and 8th grade students will receive instruction at Franklin Middle School for 23 weeks (Tuesday - Thursday) beginning November 10, 2015 through May 5, 2016.

Students are nominated by their teachers. Funded by Title 1 Federal Grant.

<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes/Abs</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Yes</u>
Danielsen	LaCorte	Presley	Seamon	Stanley	Steele	Walton-McCleod	Whalen	Potosnak

Mrs. LaCorte abstained on Resolution C-03.

V. Good of the Order

Ms. Steele thanked everyone for their help with the Project Graduation Clothing Drive.

Mr. Potosnak thanked everyone who attended Canalfest.

Richard Seamon spoke about the comprehensive presentation by the architects about the referendum and ESIP projects and indicated it is available on the district website.

Confidential Session

Moved: Mr. Seamon

Seconded: Mrs. Danielsen

Motion to adjourn to confidential session at 7:58 PM for the purpose of discussing negotiations, a grievance update, a potential special education settlement and a student residency matter. Minutes of the confidential session meeting will be made public when the reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

Returned to open session.

Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

VII. Adjournment

Moved: Mrs. LaCorte

Seconded: Mrs. Danielsen

Action to adjourn at 9:45 PM.

Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

Respectfully submitted,

James H. Strimple, Jr.
Board Secretary