Regular Meeting
South Orange-Maplewood
Board of Education
November 17, 2008

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of South Orange-Maplewood was held in the District Meeting Room at the Administration Building, 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, New Jersey, on November 17, 2008.

Board President Mark Gleason called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

Adequate written notice of this meeting of the South Orange-Maplewood Board of Education was sent to the Township and Village Clerks, the Libraries, The Star Ledger, the News Record and all schools.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mr. Bennett, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Daugherty, Mr. Eastman, Mr. Gleason, Mrs. Karriem, Mr. Laine Dr. Payne-Parrish, Mrs. Wren-Hardin

Absent: Mr. Huemer

9 MEMBERS PRESENT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD RECOGNITION – *Read by Ms. Crawford*

1. The National College Board has announced that a total of 93 current Columbia High School students and 2008 graduates have received Advanced Placement (AP) Scholar Awards for the number of AP courses completed and the high scores received on the AP Exams taken at the end of the course. The College Board AP Program offers students the opportunity to take challenging college-level courses while still in high school and, when the student enters college, receive actual college credit and advanced placement. About 18 percent of the 1.6 million students in almost 16,000 secondary schools worldwide who took AP Exams performed at a high enough level to merit such recognition.

In 2008, Columbia students took 585 AP Exams as compared to 1998 when only 296 AP Exams were taken. The following Columbia students received honors based on the number of courses and exams taken and the grades received (*Denotes June, 2008 graduates):

National AP Scholar

Six students qualified for this award by earning an AP Exam grade average of 4 (the top score is 5) on all AP Exams taken and grades of 4 or 5 on eight or more of these exams. Included are:

Joanna Gross* Jonathan Hall-Eastman Dillon Plunkett
Megan Sweet* Daniel Tessler* Caitlin Williams*

AP Scholar with Distinction

Thirty-seven students qualified for this award by earning an AP Exam grade average of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken and grades of 3 or higher on five or more Exams. Included are:

Emma Barnett* Max Bartick Zoe Becker*
Margaret Brier* Samuel Chabrow* Helen Crow*
Laura Dodd* Josue Figueroa Jelissa Grant*
Claire Greenbaum Joanna Gross* Matthew Gruber
Jonathan Hall-Eastman Matthew Heffley* Lily Hoffman*

Maureen Howley* Evan Johnston* Dylan Joyce*
Ziv Kennan* Jordan Kesner* Christopher Marino
Leslie Miller* Derek Nelson* Dillon Plunkett
Jason Posner* Gabriel Schechter* Alexander Smith*
Christopher Sola* Georgia Squyres Megan Sweet*
Daniel Tessler* Brian Tumolillo* Robert Uhlman*
Nicole Varner* Caitlin Williams* Sophia Yablon*
Jason Young*

AP Scholar with Honor

Twenty-two students qualified for this award by earning an AP Exam grade average of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken and grades of 3 or higher on four or more Exams. Included are:

Cassidy Barkalow* John Day* Jonah Galeota-Sprung*
Joshua Goldsmith Rebecca Grohman* Gregory Hyman
Julia Jeffries Timothy Jonathan* Hannah Lambert*
Margaux Loree* Hayley Maier* Michelle Micallef*
Rebecca Mountain* Benjamin Richardson Sarah Riecke
Sam Rosen* Patrick Scafidi* Stephanie Schneider*
Kathryn Steck* Amelia Swygert* Jordan Taylor
Olivia Uhlman

AP Scholar

Thirty-four students qualified for this award by completing three or more AP Exams with grades of 3 or higher. Included are:

Amanda Abdill* Chad Attenborough* Kelly Buechel*
Shayla Campbell* Cory Epstein Peter Felsman
Grace Fox* Melissa Fox* Victoria Garcia*
Michael Glassman* Daniel Green Sharmeen Hussain*
Jessica Kerley* Hilary Knecht Elizabeth Mahoney*
Ayesha Makhdoom* Theo Mayer Lily Oberman
Amaka Onwuka* Karin Oxford* Anna Paikert
Elissa Parada* Taylor Perkins* Bree Porcelli
Emily Quick* Van Roerty* James Sedlak*
Michael Sender Elyse Surette-DiMuzio Joy Ukaigwe*
Russell Valle* Meghana Vijaysimha* Brian Walter*
Nia Williams*

2. Ms. Judy LoBianco, Supervisor of Health, Physical Education and Nursing Services has been invited by the NJ Department of Education to participate in the Health and Physical Education Standards Revision Focus Team. This team is responsible for reviewing and updating the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards in Comprehensive Health and Physical Education. These standards are slated for revision in 2009.

3. Ms. Stacey Lawrence, English language arts teacher, had her short story, *Notes*, selected as one of the winning entries in the 15th Annual New Jersey Wordsmith Competition. Ms. Lawrence's piece will be presented at the Work in Process Forum on November 22, at 2:00 p.m. at the South Brunswick Public Library.

BOARD ACKNOWLEDGEMENT – *Read by Mr. Gleason*

The Board of Education acknowledges and extends its thanks and appreciation to The South Orange Maplewood Adult School for their very generous donation of a Konica-Minolta copier for use by the Athletic Department at Columbia High School. The equipment is valued at approximately $600.

The Board of Education acknowledges and extends its thanks and appreciation to Mr. Isaac Gainer of Maplewood, for his very generous donation of a Konica Auto Reflex camera, case and various lenses and cases for use by the Fine Arts Department at Columbia High School. The equipment is valued at approximately $100.

The Board of Education acknowledges and extends its thanks and appreciation to Ms. Susan Falk of South Orange, for her very generous donation of five bags of remnant fabric and silk for use by the Fine Arts Department at Columbia High School. The fabric is valued at approximately $100.

The Board of Education acknowledges and extends its thanks and appreciation to Mr. Steven Blumenau, formerly of Maplewood and CHS Alumni, for his very generous donation of a drum set and supplies, consisting of a bass drum, snare drum and stand, two tom-toms, a cymbal and stand, drum seat and various sticks for use by the Fine Arts Department at Columbia High School. The musical equipment is valued at approximately $100.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. OSBORNE – ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN

Mr. Osborne read the Annual Asbestos Management Statement as required by law [statement on file in Board Secretary's office].

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Gleason declared the minutes of the Executive and Public Sessions of October 20, 2008 and the minutes of the Executive Session of October 27, 2008 approved as presented.

PRESENTATION

Historic Organ Designation – Mr. Laurence Libin, President, Organ Historical Society

Mr. Libin presented the school district with a Citation from the Organ Historical Society for the organ at Columbia High School that was built by the Skinner Organ Company in 1927, and is recognized as an instrument of exceptional historic merit, worthy of preservation.

ITEM MOVED FORWARD FOR ACTION

MOTION made by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Ms. Crawford, that the Board of Education approves the following:

2445A. MEMORIALS – *Read by Ms. Crawford*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the following Memorial:

Paul Dormont former social studies teacher at Maplewood Junior High School passed away on October 31, 2008.

Joan Ann Kerrigan former science teacher at South Orange Junior High School passed away on October 17, 2008.

The Superintendent of Schools is asked to convey our condolences and remembrance to the family and friends of Paul Dormont and Joan Ann Kerrigan.

2445B. RESIGNATIONS

Name	ASSIGNMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE
Binnington, Sara	1st Grade Teacher TUS – 1.0 FTE	12/22/08
Fleetwood, Katie	T Language Arts MM – 1.0 FTE	11/12/08
Russo, Denise	T Special Education JEFF – 1.0 FTE	10/23/08

2445C. EMERGENT HIRE* APPOINTMENTS FOR THE 2008-09 SCHOOL YEAR

(*Pending Criminal History Clearance)

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE	ANNUAL SALARY	HIGHEST DEGREE/SCHOOL
Dickman, Lena	T Special Education JEFF – 1.0 FTE	11/13/08 6/30/09	$59,615	BA in Special Ed./Elementary Education – City University of NY
Rodriguez, L'Shawn	T Special Education SOM 1.0 FTE	12/8/09 6/30/09	$48,114	BA in Communication – William Paterson University

2445D. APPOINTMENTS

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE	ANNUAL SALARY	HIGHEST DEGREE/SCHOOL
Truppo, Jeffrey	Principal MM – 1.0 FTE	1/20/09 6/30/09	$138,964	MA in Educational Administration – Monmouth University
Rosenthal, Yma	Special Education Teacher MM 1.0 FTE	1/18/09 6/30/09	$84,169	MA in Therapeutic Recreation/Leisure Service & Resources Admin. – New York University

2445E. APPOINTMENT OF LEAVE REPLACEMENT STAFF FOR 2008-09

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE	ANNUAL SALARY	HIGHEST DEGREE/SCHOOL
Accurso, Lauren	2nd Grade CLIN – 1.0 FTE	11/15/08 12/5/08	$42,460	BA in Family Studies – Montclair State University

2445F. APPOINTMENT OF LEAVE REPLACEMENT STAFF FOR 2008-09

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE	ANNUAL SALARY	HIGHEST DEGREE/SCHOOL
Lazzari, Bridget	3rd Grade Jefferson – 1.0 FTE	11/19/08 5/4/09	$42,260	BS in Elementary & Kindergarten Education – Pennsylvania State University

2445G. TRANSFER/REASSIGNMENTS

NAME	OLD ASSIGNMENT	NEW ASSIGNMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE
Campbell, Carolyn	T Special Education MM– 1.0 FTE	T Special Education CHS – 1.0 FTE	11/10/08
Intile, April	T Special Education MAR – 1.0 FTE	T Kindergarten MAR – 1.0 FTE	11/14/08

2445H. CHANGE IN RESIGNATION DATE

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	OLD RESIGNATION DATE	NEW RESIGNATION DATE
Brenner, Jacob	T Special Education SOM – 1.0 FTE	11/21/08	12/05/08

2445I. LEAVES OF ABSENCE

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE
Herstatt, Anna	T Language Arts MM – 1.0 FTE	10/3/08-11/7/08 (Unpaid Family Leave)
Ribardo-Nester, Carolyn	T Special Education SB 1.0 FTE	9/1/08 – 11/21/08 (Unpaid Family Leave) 11/24/08 – 12/22/08 (Unpaid Childcare Leave)

2445J. SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE	ADJUSTMENT	ACTUAL SALARY
Arguelles, Emmanuel	T Math CHS – 1.08 FTE	11/4/08 6/30/09	+$4,354	$58,782
Brown, Louis	Interim Principal MM – 1.0 FTE	11/18/08 1/20/09	+$3,431	+$3,431
Farrell, Christa	T Kindergarten MAR– 1.0 FTE	9/1/08 6/30/09	-$200	$42,260
Gaskins, Lena	School Bus Aide DIST - .5 FTE	9/1-30/08 (12 hours)	$4.47 (per hour)	$53.64
Gregory, Marilu	Crisis Counselor CHS - .6 FTE	10/20-31/08 (2 days)	$196.54 (per day)	$393.07
Robertson, Erica	School Bus Aide DIST - .5 FTE	9/1-30/08 (44 hours)	$4.31 (per hour)	$189.64
Simpson, Mary Katherine	T ESL SOM/CHS – 1.12 FTE	9/1/08 6/30/09	+$8,084	$75,449
Stornetta, W. Scott	T Math CHS – 1.08 FTE	11/4/08 6/30/09	+$5,241	$70,752
Van Kline, Mark	School Bus Aide DIST - .5 FTE	9/1-30/08 (46 hours)	$4.56 (per hour)	$209.76

2445K. STIPENDS

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE	SALARY

Bustrin, Janet	Production - HS CHS – 1.0 FTE	9/1/08 6/30/09	$4,711
Herstatt, Anna	Team Leader (8A) MM – 1.0 FTE	11/10/08 6/30/09	$5,944
Platt, Mari	Aide Personal Hygiene JEFF – .5 FTE	11/12/08 6/30/09	-$470.50
Quinn, Loren	Team Leader (8A) MM – 1.0 FTE	11/10/08 6/30/09	-$5,944
Reznikoff, Natasha	Aides Personal Hygiene MAR - .5 FTE	9/1/08 6/30/09	$470.50
Zelenka, Barbara	Aide Personal Hygiene MAR - .5 FTE	9/1/08 6/30/09	$470.50

Superintendent Osborne described the process for selecting the Maplewood Middle School principal and introduced Mr. Truppo. Mr. Truppo thanked the Board and Superintendent and said he is looking forward to assuming the role in January 2009. Mr. Osborne explained that Mr. Louis Brown, Assistant Principal, would serve as Interim Principal until that time, and Mr. Richard Konet will serve as Interim Assistant Principal.

2453X. Appoints Richard Konet as Interim Assistant Principal at Maplewood Middle School from November 18, 2008 through January 20, 2009 at a rate of $525 per day.

ROLL CALL: Motion 2445A-B, H-K, 2453X passed. YES: Mr. Bennett, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Daugherty, Mr. Eastman, Mr. Gleason, Ms. Karriem, Mr. Laine, Dr. Payne-Parrish, Mrs. Wren-Hardin.
NO: none.
Motion 2445C-G, passed; 9 yes, 0 no.

PRESENTATION

2007-08 Audit Report – *Mrs. Milanette introduced Charles Heard of Noke & Heard*

Mr. Heard, auditor from the accounting firm Noke & Heard, presented his review of the district's financial reports. Findings were reviewed. A limited number of findings speak well of the staff. Mr. Heard thanked Mr. Osborne and Mrs. Milanette and their staff for their efforts.

Members asked questions for clarification about the findings.

Board recessed at 8:30 p.m.
Board reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

LEVELING WORKSHOP

The purpose of this workshop is to hear from the public on the subject of leveling. Two opposing groups made presentations of fifteen minutes each.

Audrey Rowe and Sheila Belt represented the "South Orange Maplewood United for Academic Excellence" group whose ultimate goal is to close the achievement gap and whose recommendation is the dismantling of the existing leveling system as one of the first steps towards that goal. The results of their research and survey were reviewed and recommendations were made for steps to be taken [power point presentation on file in Board Secretary's office].

Donna Smith represented the "Levels Can Work!" group that would like to hear from the Board and Administration about what has been done and what plans are in place for the future. Ms. Smith suggested that effective communication is needed for two-way dialogue. She agrees that the current leveling system is flawed and changes are needed to help all students excel. Suggested issues to be addressed are:

- assess the success of the current 6th grade deleveling
- ongoing training be made available to teachers to ensure successful differentiated instruction in the classroom
- Adjust 7th and 8th grade leveling

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS AND DELEGATIONS

Name	Topic
Tina Squyres Resident	Favors leveling and spoke of positive experiences. Suggests keeping entire spectrum of learners in mind with equality for upper and lower learners.
John DeVita District Teacher	Disagrees with leveling because he believes that it shortchanges higher level students. Spoke of success in private school without leveling.
Audrey Rowe District Parent	Does not recommend dismantling levels and leaving a void; there must be a universal acceleration towards excellence for all students, and closing the curriculum gap to close the achievement gap.
Dorene Derricote District Parent	Described the Rockville Center model and the reform movement success.
Sheila Belt District Parent	She is proud of her children's successes, and believes that changes have not benefitted students.
Dr. Linda Cameron District Resident	Believes the district is in a state of denial, a psychological defense used to avoid looking at selves honestly.
Troy Mason District Parent	Spoke from personal experience about levels, and maintains that this is a problem throughout America. Suggested reading The World is Flat. Working in a global economy, America's schools must stay competitive in order to keep jobs in America.
Dr. Dione Williams Past Tuscan School PTA President	Considers this report a statement from the community. She is disappointed at how uninformed many parents are. The Board should inform the community how the gap has decreased because performance of high achievers is going

down. Parental involvement is central to the success of the Rockville Center model.

Andrew Milne, District Parent: Favors leveling because it gives the best educational opportunities to everyone. He has some concerns about how it is implemented. We all have the common goal of giving our children the best possible education within the wide range of cultural backgrounds. He believes that big changes to dismantle the system would result in big victims and losers.

Sue Ellen Leys, Jefferson PTA Co-president: Suggests rather than focusing on what to take away, the focus be on what can be added to the existing program to meet the needs of children in levels that are not meeting their needs now. Introduce the same challenge for every student. The current program doesn't allow children who change their speed of learning to move.

Sharon Roerty, District Parent: Spoke about an open process and commitment to the process. Sees a need for smaller class size and transparent, honest assessment and data.

Board recessed at 10:00 p.m.
Board reconvened at 10:15 p.m.

DISCUSSION

Second Reading: Board Policy 1570 – Internal Controls and Board Policy 6320 – Purchases Subject to Bid

Ms. Bass reviewed the second reading of Board Policies 1570 and 6320.

Governance Section(s) of Policy Manual

Mr. Eastman introduced a discussion on reviewing the Governance sections of the Policy Manual and producing a reworded, shortened version of the policies. The goal would not be to eliminate the Policy book, but to adopt distilled core policies that can be referred to in a more user-friendly way. Governance policies can include substantive changes regarding flexibility, agenda, public speaks, and telephonic participation.

2009-10 Budget – Baseline Data and Calendar

Ms. Milanette reviewed the Baseline Data and 2009-10 budget development process.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

MOTION made by Dr. Payne-Parrish, seconded by Ms. Crawford, that the Board of Education approves the following fiscal resolutions:

2446A. APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR
STATE CERTIFIED TEACHER

NAME	INSTITUTION	DATE	DEGREE

Briggs, Karrie	Rider University	5/2003	BA
Fleetwood, Katherine	Tufts University University of Texas School of Law	5/1992 5/1995	BA JD
Grant, Selma	Kean University	2/1973	BA
Simmons-Roslak, Deborah	St. John's University Wagner College	5/1998 12/2000	BA MS
White, Julie	University of Maine	5/1994	BS

COLLEGE GRADUATE AND COUNTY SUBSTITUTE CERTIFICATE

NAME	INSTITUTION	DATE	DEGREE
Hayes-DiQuinzio, Mary	University of Detroit New York University	5/1976 6/1979	BFA MFA
Jarrell, Mark	Fordham University	5/2004	BS
Muhammad, Ibtihaj	Duke University	9/2007	BA
Paczek-Barrasso, Beatta	Hunter College	6/1994	BA
Ruggiero, Lisa	University of Maryland	5/2005	BS

NON-DEGREE SUBSTITUTE CERTIFICATE

Aytch, Tracy
Randall, Kenrick

2446B. APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE SECRETARY FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

NAME	HOURLY RATE
Bramhan, Josephine	$10.00

2446C. APPOINTMENT OF HOME INSTRUCTOR FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

NAME	CERTIFICATION	HOURLY RATE
Watson, Antoinette	Teacher of the Handicapped	$35.00

2446D. APPOINTMENT OF LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

NAME	DAILY RATE
White, Julie	$160.00

2447A. Approves the attached list of students who are scheduled to attend Out-of-District tuition supported programs for the 2008-

2009 extended school year [on file in Board Secretary's office].

2447B. Approves the attached list of students who are scheduled to attend Out-of-District tuition supported programs for the 2008-2009 school year [on file in Board Secretary's office].

2448. WHEREAS, in accordance with law hearings were afforded with regard to the children identified by student number below; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that, as to the students identified below, the parents or guardians are not domiciled within the District or the children are not kept in the home of another person domiciled within the school district pursuant to the affidavit pupils statute; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby orders the transfer or removal of the students identified below.

STUDENT #	SCHOOL	GRADE
05QX	CHS	12th
08J9	CHS	11th
0G4W	CLIN	2nd
0FDO	CHS	11th
0G6S	CHS	11th
0G6T	MMS	8th
0TSC	SOMS	6th
0TP1	SB	3rd
03V9	MONT	12th
0CUC	SOMS	8th
0PFP	MAR	KF
0T7S	CHS	9th
0HPC	CHS	10th
0G36	CHS	11th
0G37	SB	3rd

2449. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education adopts the following Board Policies, as presented [on file in Superintendent's office]:
1570 Internal Controls
6320 Purchases Subject to Bid

2450. Approves the school calendar for the 2009-2010 school year as attached [on file in Board Secretary's office].

2451. Whereas, the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education in the County of Essex is undergoing evaluation under NJ QSAC for the 2008-2009 school year, and

Whereas, N.J.A.C 6A:30-3.2 (f) requires participating school Districts to hold a public meeting to approve the submission of the district's DPR responses and the Statement of Assurance with respect to this process, and

Whereas, the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education in the County of Essex has reviewed the districts DPR responses and Statement of Assurance and hereby approves these documents.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education does hereby authorize the Superintendent of Schools to submit the attached DPR and Statement of Assurances to the Commissioner of Educations in compliance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:30-3.2 (f)

2452. Adopts the following books:

SUBJECT	GRADE(S)	TITLE/AUTHOR	PUBLISHER
Language Arts	6	The Silent Boy Lois Lowry	Random House 2003
Poetry Reading and Writing	11-12	Poetry in Six Dimensions: 20th Century Voices Carol Clark and Norma Fifer	Perfection Learning Corp. 2005

2453A. Receives and accepts the following financial reports:

1. Board Secretary's Report dated October 31, 2008.
2. Expense Account Adjustment Analysis dated October 31, 2008.
3. Revenue Account Adjustment Analysis dated October 31, 2008.
4. Check Register #355751-356145 in the amount of $3,710,718.07
5. Check Register #200309 in the amount of $631,580.97
6. Check Register #200310 for October payroll in the amount of $5,637,482.31
7. Treasurer's Report dated September 30, 2008

2453B. Certify the Board Secretary's Monthly Finance Report [signed certification on file in Board Secretary's office].

2453C. Accepts the district's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008.

2453D. Accepts the Auditor's Management Report on Administrative Findings – Financial, Compliance and Performance for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 as prepared by Noke and Heard, Certified Public Accountants.

2453E. Accepts and approves the Audit Recommendations and Corrective Action Plan as follows. [Corrective Action Plan on file in Board Secretary's office]:

SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

08-01 TREASURER OF SCHOOL MONIES:

The Treasurer of School Monies bond was less than the $393,000 required by N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.5.

The Treasurer's bond should be increased to the statutory requirement.

SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FINDINGS

FEDERAL AWARDS

08-02 PERKINS GRANT:

The final report for the year ended 2007 was not filed on a timely basis.

The final grant report should be filed on a timely basis.

08-03 PERKINS GRANT:

Unexpended Funds for the year 2006-07 in the amount of $3,959.14 were not returned to the State of New Jersey.

Unexpended Funds should be returned to the State of New Jersey.

2453F. Establishes a reserve for encumbrances for purchase orders remaining open on June 30, 2008 in the amount of $1,953,858.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following budget accounts are increased and the Superintendent or his designee is authorized to administer them:

Reserved for open purchase orders:

11	000	100	Instruction - Tuition	5,719
11	000	21X	Pur Svcs-OT/PT	3,922
11	000	221	Imp Instructional Services	29,738
11	000	222	Ed Media Services - Library	309,761
11	000	223	Staff Training Services	225
11	000	230	Support Services - Central & legal judgments	277,154
11	000	240	Support Services - School	5,132
11	000	251	Support Services - Central/IT	2,808
11	000	252	Staff Comp/Wireless Equip	102,992
11	000	261	Required Maintenance	193,613
11	000	262	Operation/Maintenance Facilities	688,784
11	000	270	Transportation Services	150,792
11	190	100	Instructional Supplies/Texts	129,671
11	212	100	MD Supplies	749
11	213	100	RC Texts	267
11	214	100	Autistic Supplies	18,076
11	40X	100	Cocurricular Activities/Athletics	12,234

12	000	400	Construction	22,221	
Reserve for Encumbrances, June 30, 2008					1,953,858

2453G. Authorizes the transfer of funds available from completed capital projects to alternate capital projects as indicated on the attached list [on file in Board Secretary's office].

2453H. Approves the refund of $124,179 special revenue funds to the Treasurer of the State of New Jersey as listed below:

Nonpublic State Aid
2007-08 Nonpublic Compensatory Aid $ 39,193
2007-08 Nonpublic ESL $ 1,015
2007-08 Nonpublic Transportation $ 10,817
2007-08 Nonpublic Exam & Classification Aid $ 28,625
2007-08 Nonpublic Corrective Speech Aid $ 10,788
2007-08 Nonpublic Supplementary Instruction Aid $ 26,762
2007-08 Nonpublic Textbook Aid $ 458
2007-08 NonpublicTechnology Initiative Program $ 2,552
2007-08 Nonpublic Nursing $ 10

Vocational
2007-08 Perkins Grant $ 3,959

Total Refund Due $ 124,179

2453I. WHEREAS, the following employees have requested approval for the indicated work-related travel; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at stated function was previously approved by the employees' supervisor and superintendent as work-related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the attendee; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the function was approved as promoting delivery of instruction or furthering efficient operation of the school district; and fiscally prudent;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the attendance and related travel expenses for the following work-related events:

EMPLOYEE	WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE	DATE	Location	Estimated Cost ($'s)
Jaime Falkin – Tuscan	Creating & Managing Writing	2/18/09	Fairfield, NJ	207
Suzanne Cicolello - Tuscan	Creating & Managing Writing	2/18/09	Fairfield, NJ	207
Tracy Cuvin - Tuscan	Creating & Managing Writing	2/18/09	Fairfield, NJ	207
Susan Ferrara – SpEd	In Class Support	12/17/08	New Providence, NJ	116

Chris Preston - District	NJCHE History Conference	12/5/08	Princeton, NJ	90
Marci Gordon – Tuscan	NJAsk Science Workshop	12/5/08	Jersey City, NJ	139
Shirley Deeds – MMS	Fighting Back Against Childhood Obesity	12/12/08	Toms River, NJ	40
Janice Pazmino – Transpor-tation	STS General Meeting	12/5/08	Columbus, NJ	55
Ann Crowther-CHS	Differentiated Instruction	2/26/09	Newark, NJ	160
Pat Barker – SpEd	Understanding Due Process, Complaint Investigation, etc.	12/5/08	Long Branch, NJ	195
Janet Bustrin – CHS	Theatre Day for Teachers	1/9/09	Montclair, NJ	138
Toni Martinez – CHS	Hands on Health	12/8/08	Jamesburg, NJ	87
Lisa DelliSanti-CHS	Hands on Health	12/8/08	Jamesburg, NJ	87
Jennifer Giordano– CHS	Skills First Conference	12/11/08	Jamesburg, NJ	208
Victoria Schodowski-Marshall *	Special Education & Mathematics	12/3/08	Jamesburg, NJ	150
Lyndsay Byron-Marshall *	Special Education & Mathematics	12/3/08	Jamesburg, NJ	150
Erin Bolstad-Marshall *	Special Education & Mathematics	12/3/08	Jamesburg, NJ	150
Donna Grohman-Marshall *	Special Education & Mathematics	12/3/08	Jamesburg, NJ	150
Yalonda Kirkland-Clinton *	Special Education & Mathematics	12/3/08	Jamesburg, NJ	150
Matthew Endlich-CHS	Skills First Conference	12/11/08	Jamesburg, NJ	172
Pat Barker – Sp Ed	Special Education Update	11/20/08	Monroe Township, NJ	145
Heather Merrigan – Marshall	Attention, Language Processing & Sensorimotor Disorders in Children	1/23/09	Saddlebrook, NJ	188
Ann Korczynski – Marshall	New Integrative Approach to Assessment & Intervention	1/23/09	Saddlebrook, NJ	188
Terry Kohn – CHS	Supporting Adolescent Readers	12/5/08	Piscataway, NJ	110

* Pending approval of waiver request from County Superintendent to allow more than three employees to attend same workshop.

2453J. Approves the following attendance and related travel expenses:

BOARD MEMBER	EVENT	DATE	Location	Estimated Cost ($'s)
Mark Gleason	NJQSAC Training – Gov II	12/4/08	West Orange,	37

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Rowland Bennett	NJSBA Delegate Assembly	11/20/08	Plainsboro, NJ	46

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approve the above event to be work related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the of the attendee and promotes the delivery of instruction or furthering of efficient operation of the school district and is fiscally prudent, and in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24 and 24.1 of the School Ethics Act.

2453K. Approves the following attendance and related travel expenses:

BOARD MEMBER	EVENT	DATE	Location	Estimated Cost ($'s)
Rowland Bennett	ERESC Meetings	11/20, 12/18/08 1/22, 2/26, 3/26, 4/23, 5/21, 6/4/09	Fairfield, NJ	$375

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approve the above event to be work related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the of the attendee and promotes the delivery of instruction or furthering of efficient operation of the school district and is fiscally prudent, and in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24 and 24.1 of the School Ethics Act.

2453L. Rescinds Resolution 2433V of September 15, 2008 and enters into an agreement with Essex Regional Educational Services Commission for IDEA-B Services for the 2008-09 school year for the proportionate share of non-public IDEA-B funds equaling $53,627.00.

2453M. Awards a contract to Schoolwires, Inc. of State College, Pennsylvania in the amount of $24,835 for website hosting service, licensed software and professional services for the eight month period of November 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009.

2453N. Accepts a donation for the Parenting Center in the amount of $2,072.15

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following budget is increased and the Superintendent or his designee is authorized to administer it:

20-002-100-101-DD-5900 Parenting Center $2,072.15
Municipal Alliance Fund

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board President, Superintendent and Board Secretary are authorized to execute and deliver any necessary contracts and reports on behalf of the Board.

2453O. Accepts a donation for the Parenting Center raised by the President's Harvest Ball Fundraiser in the amount of $16,120.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following budget is increased and the Superintendent or his designee is authorized to administer it:

20 - 019-200-890 Parenting Center $16,120

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board President, Superintendent and Board Secretary are authorized to execute and deliver any necessary contracts and reports on behalf of the Board.

2453P. Accepts a donation from the Marshall School PTA in the amount of $24,086.29 to be used towards the purchase and installation of new playground equipment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following budget is increased and the Superintendent or his designee is authorized to administer it:

20-086-200-890 MAR PTA $24,086.29

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board President, Superintendent and Board Secretary be authorized to execute and deliver any necessary contracts and reports on behalf of the Board.

2453Q. Accepts a donation from Prudential Foundation Matching Gifts Program in the amount of $100 to be used by the South Orange Middle School.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following budget is increased and the Superintendent or his designee is authorized to administer it:

20-066-200-890 SOMS $100.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board President, Superintendent and Board Secretary be authorized to execute and deliver any necessary contracts and reports on behalf of the Board.

2453R. Accepts a donation from the Clinton School PTA in the amount of $2,304.27 to be used towards the installation of new lighting, sound and video systems in the Clinton School auditorium.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following budget is increased and the Superintendent or his designee is authorized to administer it:

20-057-200-320 CL $2,304.27

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board President, Superintendent and Board Secretary be authorized to execute and deliver any necessary contracts and reports on behalf of the Board.

2453S. Approves the following providers for the 2008-09 school year for

the service indicated:

Provider	Service	Rate
Helping Hands Therapeutic Svcs. West Orange, NJ	OT	$110/hour
Pediatric & Adult Rehabilitation Center, LLC (P.A.R.C.) Somerset, NJ	OT/PT, Speech Therapy	$125/hour
Progressive Steps, LLC Hackensack, NJ	ABA Program, Floor Play/DI Nursing OT/PT	$68/hour $98/hour $98/hour $110/hour
Innovative Therapeutic Services Hillsborough, NJ	PT, Speech	$125/hour
Carly Susser Westfield, NJ	Shadow	$100/sess

2453T. Authorizes the withdrawal of $13,777 from the Ted Low Music Fund for the purchase of musical instruments to enhance the instrumental music program at Maplewood Middle School.

2453U. Enters into an agreement with A+ Tutoring Services of New Milford, New Jersey, to provide supplemental educational services to eligible students, pursuant to Section 1116(e) of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, at a cost of up to $1,166.00 in Title I funds for each eligible student.

453V. Enters into an agreement with Club Z! In Home Tutoring of New Jersey of Sparta, New Jersey, to provide supplemental educational services to eligible students, pursuant to Section 1116(e) of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, at a cost of up to $1,166.00 in Title I funds for each eligible student.

2453W. Enters into an agreement with Essex County College of Newark, New Jersey, to provide supplemental educational services to eligible students, pursuant to Section 1116(e) of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, at a cost of up to $1,166.00 in Title I funds for each eligible student.

2453X. (Approved earlier)

2453Y. Approves a contract with Mark Tabakin, Esq. of the firm of Weiner Lesniak, LLP, in Parsippany, New Jersey to provide labor relation and negotiation services at a rate of $160 per hour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board President, Superintendent and Board Secretary are authorized to execute and deliver any necessary contracts and reports on behalf of the Board.

2453Z. Accepts additional State Nonpublic Auxiliary Services (Chapter 192) and Handicapped Services (Chapter 193) Aid Entitlement Funds for 2008-2009 in the amount of $228,285.00 allocated as follows:

NP Auxiliary Services	Rate/Pupil	Pupils	State Aid	Allocation
Compensatory Education	$ 995.33	105	$104,510.00	
E.S.L.	$1,015.00	3	$ 3,045.00	
Transportation	N/A	N/A	$ 7,168.00	
Additional Compensatory Ed	$895.80	5	$ 4,479.00	
Total Auxiliary Services			$119,202.00	

NP Handicapped Services	Rate/Pupil	Pupils	State Aid
Initial Exam & Class.	$1,326.17	32	$42,437.00
Annual Exam & Class.	$380.00	24	$ 9,120.00
Corrective Speech	$930.00	21	$19,530.00
Supplemental Instruction	$826.00	46	$37,996.00
Total Handicapped Services			109,083.00
TOTAL 192/193 Allocation			$228,285.00

2453AA. Awards the contract for Elementary (K-5) Math Consultant to Kelly Slye, for the period of December 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, at a rate of $34.00 an hour with a maximum of forty hours per week.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board President, Superintendent and Board Secretary are authorized to execute and deliver any necessary contracts and reports on behalf of the Board.

ROLL CALL: Motion 2446A-D, 2447A-B, 2448, 2449, 2450, 2451, 2452, 2453A-W, Y-AA passed; 9 yes, 0 no.

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS AND DELEGATIONS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Future Meetings - *Read by Mr. Gleason*

The Educational Liaison Committee of the South Orange-Maplewood Board of Education, the Township of Maplewood and the Township of South Orange Village will meet on Friday, November 21, 2008, at 7:30 a.m. in the Superintendent's Office at 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, NJ, to discuss issues pertinent to the school district and to the two municipalities of South Orange and Maplewood. No action will be taken.

The Education Liaison Committee of the South Orange–Maplewood Board of Education, the Township of Maplewood and the Township of South Orange Village will meet on Wednesday, December 10, 2008, at 7:30 a.m. in the Superintendent's Office at 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, NJ, to discuss issues pertinent to the school district and to the two municipalities of South Orange and Maplewood. No action will be taken.

The Board of Education will meet in Closed Session on Monday, December 15, 2008, at 7:00 pm, in the Superintendent's Office to discuss personnel and legal issues, negotiations and other matters to be announced at a

later date. Immediately following the Closed Session, the Board of Education will meet in Public Session at 7:30 pm in the District Meeting Room, 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, NJ. Action will be taken.

The Board of Education will meet in a Special Public Session in the Library at Columbia High School on Wednesday, January 7, 2009, at 7:00 pm to present the State of the District address by the Superintendent.

The Board of Education will meet in Closed Session on Monday, January 12, 2009, at 7:00 pm, in the Superintendent's Office to discuss personnel and legal issues, negotiations and other matters to be announced at a later date. Immediately following the Closed Session, the Board of Education will meet in Public Session at 7:30 pm in the District Meeting Room, 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, NJ. Action will be taken.

The Education Liaison Committee of the South Orange–Maplewood Board of Education, the Township of Maplewood and the Township of South Orange Village will meet on Friday, January 16, 2009, at 7:30 a.m. in the Superintendent's Office at 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, NJ, to discuss issues pertinent to the school district and to the two municipalities of South Orange and Maplewood. No action will be taken.

The Board of Education will meet in Closed Session on Monday, February 9, 2009, at 7:00 pm, in the Superintendent's Office to discuss personnel and legal issues, negotiations and other matters to be announced at a later date. Immediately following the Closed Session, the Board of Education will meet in Public Session at 7:30 pm in the District Meeting Room, 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, NJ. Action will be taken.

The Education Liaison Committee of the South Orange–Maplewood Board of Education, the Township of Maplewood and the Township of South Orange Village will meet on Friday, February 13, 2009, at 7:30 a.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room at 525 Academy Street, Maplewood, NJ, to discuss issues pertinent to the school district and to the two municipalities of South Orange and Maplewood. No action will be taken.

MOTION made by Ms. Karriem, seconded by Mrs. Wren-Hardin, that the Board of Education meet in Executive Session prior to the December 15, 2008 Public Meeting to discuss personnel and legal matters. Motion unanimously approved.

MOTION made by Dr. Payne-Parrish, seconded by Ms. Crawford, that the Board of Education adjourn. Motion unanimously approved at 11:10 p.m.

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Karla Milanette, Board Secretary