

**ESSEX COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 16, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Essex County Vocational-Technical Schools Board of Education will be called to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 16, 2015, by President, Rev. Edwin Leahy, OSB.

OPENING STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and published in the Star Ledger on November 6, 2015 and in El Coqui on November 6, 2015.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL – Board Secretary, Anthony Abbaleo

Present: Ms. Adrienne Davis, Ms. LeeSandra Medina, Dr. Chris T. Pernell, Fr. Edwin D. Leahy
Absent: Mr. Salvatore Carnovale, Mr. Luis Lopez, Mr. Kevin Ryan
Also Present: Dr. James. M. Pedersen, Superintendent
Dr. Frank A. Cocchiola, Interim Superintendent
Mr. Murphy Durkin, Board Attorney

COMMUNICATION

PUBLIC COMMENT WITH REGARD TO RESOLUTIONS

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

1. HIB Monthly Report (October)

<u>School</u>	<u>Oct.</u>	<u>Allegations</u> <u>15-16 cumulative</u>		<u>Oct.</u>	<u>Verified</u> <u>15-16 cumulative</u>
North 13 St.	1	2	-	0	0
West Caldwell	0	3	-	0	1
Bloomfield Tech	1	1	-	0	0
Newark Tech	2	2	-	0	0
Total	4	8	-	0	1

(Discussion of any HIB incident is restricted to closed session.)

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2. District Initiatives

Superintendent's meeting with Student Council officers from all four high schools.

3. POINTS OF PRIDE

- Bloomfield Tech

The boys' soccer team earned a spot in the New Jersey State Tournament and won its first game.

- North 13th St. Tech

Valerie De Torres, a biology teacher at No. 13 St., has been selected as one of PowTown's 2015 Most Creative teachers. <http://www.powtoon.com/blog/creative-teacher/>. She was one of three selectees from thousands of nominations. She was selected for her work with student centered learning centers, a Moodle page aligned to the NJ Core Curriculum Content Standards and other innovations that promote engagement between students and teacher.

The North 13 St. Girls' Volleyball team advanced to the first round of the N.J.S.I.A.A. State Tournament before losing to Harrison HS.

Five students, Mamragbe Diaby, Lateemah Griffin, Jasmine Metellus, Aaikah Muhammad and Taricha Polynice were interviewed and selected for a nine month program in the Young Entrepreneurs Academy of Rutgers Business School.

- West Caldwell Tech/CTE

Lee Denim Day on Oct. 9 earned \$600 for cancer research.

Mr. Beckett's Performing Arts students performed at the dedication of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. stature at the Essex County Courthouse.

- Newark Tech

The Newark Tech Robotics Team took 1st place in the Northern Nightmare Weekend Meet at Dwight-Englewood High School. The Robotics students built a Rubik's cube robot to solve the color Rubik's cube. Other competing schools included Livingston, Hackensack and Ridgewood High Schools

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Senior, Carlos Jose Cruz Garcia, was the honoree at the County Executive's November Teamwork Awards ceremony. Carlos immigrated from the Dominican Republic at the age of 12 and has exhibited high levels of maturity, confidence ambition and a passion for learning while at Newark Tech. He aspires to be an engineer like his mother and father.

The Newark Tech Boys' Varsity Soccer Team advanced to the semifinals of the NJ State Vocational Tournament.

4. SUSPENSIONS (enclosure)

As required, a confidential list of student suspensions for the month of September at each school is provided for board member review. Any discussion is restricted to closed session.

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

Resolution #16-219: Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes October 19, 2015 (enclosure)

On the motion of Ms. Davis, seconded by Dr. Pernell, BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board approves the Essex County Vocational-Technical Schools' Board of Education Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 19, 2015.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

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FINANCE

FINANCE RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #16-220: Approval of the Board Secretary and Treasurer's Reports for the Period Ending 8/31/15 (enclosure)

On the motion of Ms. Medina, seconded by Ms. Davis, the Board acknowledges receipt of the Certification from the Board Secretary that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C.:6A23-2.11(a) and (b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District Board of Education's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year and that therefore upon the recommendation of the Board Secretary, Treasurer and Superintendent of Schools it is recommended that the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for the period ending August 31, 2015, showing a cash balance of \$18,322,006.82 be approved, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as if fully set forth.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

Resolution #16-221: Authorize Payment of Bills – November 15, 2015 (enclosure)

WHEREAS, Anthony Abbaleo, Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the District, has reviewed bills presented to the District for payment in the amount of \$7,146,545.96 and has determined that the bills on the enclosed bills list are required to be paid by the District and that same are in accordance with contracts and/or agreements entered into by the District. Mr. Abbaleo hereby represents to the Board that there are sufficient funds within the District to make these payments and that said payments will not adversely affect the financial position of the District; now

On the motion of Ms. Davis, seconded by Dr. Pernell, BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board approves the payment of the November, 2015 bill's list in the sum of \$7,146,545.96, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as if fully set forth.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

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Resolution #16-222: Amend Resolution #13-007 to Accept Additional RTTT3 Funds

WHEREAS, on July 16, 2012 the Board passed resolution #13-007 which sets forth in part that the District is authorized to accept funds for the Race To The Top Phase III (RTTT3) Grant in the amount of \$142,300.00; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the passage of resolution #13-007 the Board was awarded additional funds in the amount of \$2,116.00; now

On the motion of Ms. Davis,, seconded by Dr. Pernell, BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board authorizes an amendment to resolution #13-007 to accept additional funds for the Race To The Top Phase III Grant in the amount of \$2,116.00, for a revised total of \$144,416.00.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

Resolution #16-223: Reimbursement for Newly Hired School Administrators Candidates in Residency Program

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2015 the Board passed resolution #16-168 which approved reimbursement for new administrators for the costs incurred to successfully complete a mandatory residency program for the acquisition of a standard certificate while employed within the District, upon providing verification of payment; now

On the motion of Ms. Davis, seconded by Dr. Pernell, BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board hereby authorizes payment to the following ECVTS District Administrators for reimbursement for the costs incurred to attain their certificate.

Ms. Carmen Morales, Vice-Principal at Newark Tech - \$1,200.00
Mr. Oge Denis, Principal at Newark Tech - \$600.00

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

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Resolution #16-224: Approve Professional Day Requests

On the motion of Ms. Medina, seconded by Dr. Pernell, BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board hereby approves the following Professional Day Requests. If the cost of a Professional Day is funded by a Grant the respective Grant Supervisor represents to the Board that these costs are an appropriate expenditure of Grant funds and that there are sufficient funds within the Grant to fully fund same. If the cost is from local funds Anthony Abbaleo, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, hereby represents to the Board that there are sufficient funds for the payment and that said payment will not adversely affect the financial stability of the District.

Date of Event	Workshop/Conference	Staff Member(s) Participating	Mileage Reimbursement if Applicable	Cost to Board/Registration Fee
11-19-2015	Mathematics Workshops for K-12 Teachers Rutgers University	Amisha Parikh	\$0.31/mi	\$199.00 Funded by NCLB
12-7 and 8, 2015	Co-Teaching Conference Cherry Hill, NJ	Kaitlyn Meyer Annora Poole Christina Timothy	\$0.31/mi	\$1,197.00 total Funded by IDEA
1-28 and 29, 2016	TechSpo 2016 Atlantic City, NJ	Dicxiana Carbonell Martin Wilson	\$0.31/mi	\$840.00 (total, registration) Funded by NCLB \$235.72 (total, hotel) Funded by Local Funds
2-9-2016	2016 Association of Math Teachers New Jersey (AMTNJ) Annual Winter Conference East Windsor, NJ	Lenoa Kumagai	\$0.31/mi	\$179.00 Funded by NCLB

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

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Resolution #16-225: Resolution for a Closed Session

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____ at _____ p.m., the Board approves the following resolution:

~~BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex County Vocational Schools' Board of Education shall at this time recess this meeting and conduct a closed meeting concerning personnel issues and other matters which involve exceptions set forth in the Open Public Meetings Act, and are matters which this Body hereby determines are of such a nature that they cannot be discussed at an open meeting. This Body is at this time unable to determine when the matters under discussion can be disclosed to the public. However, this Body will make such a disclosure when circumstances permit.~~

~~Grievance matter scheduled to be discussed during this closed session~~

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Carnovale	_____	_____	Ms. Medina	_____
	Mr. Lopez	_____	_____	Ms. Davis	_____
	Mr. Ryan	_____	_____	Fr. Leahy	_____
	Dr. Pernell	_____	_____		_____

Motion Carries: Yes/ No

Resolution #16-226: Return to a Regular Session

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____ at _____ p.m., the Board returned to the regular session meeting.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Carnovale	_____	_____	Ms. Medina	_____
	Mr. Lopez	_____	_____	Ms. Davis	_____
	Mr. Ryan	_____	_____	Fr. Leahy	_____
	Dr. Pernell	_____	_____		_____

Motion Carries: Yes/ No

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PERSONNEL

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #16-227: Approve Family Leave of Absence, Howard Weshnak, Teacher of Computer Infrastructure at Newark Tech

WHEREAS, Howard Weshnak, Teacher of Computer Infrastructure at Newark Tech, has requested a leave of absence in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act of 1993 and the New Jersey Family Leave Act of 1989, and qualifies in accordance with both statutes.

On the motion of Dr. Pernell, seconded by Ms. Davis, BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board hereby approves the Family Leave of Absence for Howard Weshnak commencing December 7, 2015 through December 23, 2015, with benefits in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act. Mr. Weshnak will use his accrued sick leave during this absence.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
 Nays: None
 Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

Resolution #16-228: Appoint New Employee

On the motion of Dr. Pernell, seconded by Ms. Davis, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board hereby appoints the following individual for the noted timeframe in the 2015-2016 school year contingent upon the submission of all appropriate paperwork, New Jersey certification in the instructional area (if applicable), a successful criminal history check and passing the medical physical examination. Employment shall be governed by the respective Collective Bargaining Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Administrator hereby represents to the Board that there are sufficient funds within the District's local funds to fully fund all payments and that said payments will not adversely affect the financial position of the District.

<u>Name/Position</u>	<u>Type of Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Level/Step</u>	<u>Base Salary*</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Paul Inman Utility Repair/Maintenance	12-mo	Districtwide	Step 7	\$43,800	12/1/15- 6/30/16

*Salary will be prorated from start date

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Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

Resolution #16-229: Rescind Appointment of Instructor

On the motion of Dr. Pernell, seconded by Ms. Davis, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board hereby rescinds its action of the November 2, 2015 appointment, Resolution #16-209A, of Pascale Bernard as the Teacher of Mathematics/SWD at the North 13th Tech Campus.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

Resolution #16-230: Appoint New Instructor

On the motion of Dr. Pernell, seconded by Ms. Davis, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board hereby appoints Peter Gambino as a Teacher of Mathematics at the North 13th Tech Campus who will be replacing an instructor who has previously resigned. Mr. Gambino's start date is anticipated to be January 19, 2016 as per the requirement to provide a 60-day notice of termination to his current district, or sooner if he is released prior to that date, until the end of the 2015-2016 school year. He will be placed on Level 1, Step 3 at the annual salary of \$51,600, which will be prorated over his anticipated five and one-half month of service (\$28,380).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, employment is contingent upon the submission of all appropriate paperwork, New Jersey certification in the instructional area (if applicable), a successful criminal history check and passing the medical physical examination. Employment shall be governed by the respective Collective Bargaining Agreement, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Administrator hereby represents to the Board that there are sufficient funds within the District's local funds to fully fund all payments and that said payments will not adversely affect the financial position of the District.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

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Resolution #16-231: Approve “Coach” for New Instructor

On the motion of Dr. Pernell, seconded by Ms. Davis, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board hereby approves assigning Amisha Parikh as the “Coach” for novice teacher Peter Gambino. Compensation for this service will be \$165 for three months.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Administrator hereby represents to the Board that there are sufficient funds within the District’s local funds to fully fund all payments and that said payments will not adversely affect the financial position of the District.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
 Nays: None
 Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

Resolution #16-232: Appoint Co-Curricular Assignment of Athletic Advisor, North 13th Tech Campus

On the motion of Dr. Pernell, seconded by Ms. Davis, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board hereby appoints Christine Cassano as the Athletic Advisor at the North 13th Tech Campus effective November 16, 2015 through the end of the 2015-2016 school year. The annual compensation for this assignment is \$14,280 prorated over the time of service. Based on the seven and one-half months remaining on this contract, Ms. Cassano’s prorated compensation is \$10,710, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby rescinds its action of Ms. Cassano’s prior appointment at the regular meeting of Board of Education held on July 13, 2015, Resolution #16-027, as the Girl’s Jr. Varsity Basketball Coach at the North 13th Tech Campus due to an ECVEA contractual provision that prohibits Athletic Advisors from coaching. All other provisions of Resolution #16-027 are unaffected by this resolution and shall remain in full force and effect.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
 Nays: None
 Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

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Resolution #16-233: Authorization for the District to Settle the Grievance filed by Employee #4849 Seeking a Move on the Salary Guide

WHEREAS, Essex County Vocational Technical Education Association ("ECVTEA"), on behalf of employee ID #4849 filed a Grievance with the State of New Jersey Public Employment Relations Commissions ("PERC") on or about February 25, 2015 under docket no. AR-2015-470 alleging that the District violated the Collective Bargaining Agreement ("CBA") in that the District did not honor employee ID #4849's request to move horizontally to a new guide after she presented proof that her credits were approved by an accredited college.

WHEREAS, subsequent to the filing of the above referenced Grievance, the District denied that they violated the CBA which thereafter resulted in an Arbitrator being appointed to hear this Grievance. Subsequent to a hearing, the District and the ECVTEA had numerous discussions and meetings in the hopes of resolving the involved Grievance. These meetings and discussions resulted in a settlement offer wherein employee ID #4849 would be moved on the salary guides effective retroactively to September 1, 2015, in accordance with Article 30A paragraph 3 of the CBA.

WHEREAS, M. Murphy Durkin, Esq., Board Counsel and James Pedersen, Superintendent, believe that it would be in the best interest of the District to settle the above referenced Grievance pursuant to the terms set forth above and to be memorialized in a formal settlement agreement.

On the motion of Dr. Pernell, seconded by Ms. Davis, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby authorizes the District to settle the Grievance filed by the ECVTEA under Docket No. AR-2015-470 wherein employee ID #4849 shall move on the salary guide, effective as of September 1, 2015, in accordance with Article 30A paragraph 3 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement. A copy of the proposed Stipulation of Settlement is attached hereto and incorporated herein as if fully set forth.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that M. Murphy Durkin, Esq., Board Counsel, is hereby authorized to executed the Stipulation of Settlement on behalf of the District.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
 Nays: None
 Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

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CURRICULUM

CURRICULUM RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #16-234: Field Trips

On the motion of Ms. Medina, seconded by Ms. Davis, BE IT RESOLVED that upon the review and approval of Dixiana Carbonell, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the following Field Trips. If the cost of a Field Trip is funded by a Grant, the respective Grant Supervisor represents to the Board that these costs are an appropriate expenditure of Grant funds and that there are sufficient funds within the Grant to fully fund same. If the cost is from local funds Anthony Abbaleo, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, hereby represents to the Board that there are sufficient funds for the payment and that said payment will not adversely affect the financial stability of the District:

Person in Charge	Anticipated Date	Trip	Cohort/ Campus	# of Students	Cost to Board
GUIDANCE SERVICES (ACADEMIC PROGRAM)					
•Mary Crincoli (8 Chaperones) •Auria Torres (5 Chaperones)	11/16/2015 •(8:00 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.) •(8:00 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.)	Essex County College – Newark, NJ ♦ College Fair	Senior Class – •North 13 th Street Tech Campus – •West Caldwell Tech Campus	•180 Students • 50 Students	No Cost
Jennifer Williams (2 Chaperones)	11/17/- 11/30/2015 (Time is according to the scheduled appointment)	Interviews for Possible Jobs – Essex County, NJ ♦ Job Readiness	Transition Center – West Caldwell Tech Campus	3 Students	No Cost
Marianne Cavallo (2 Chaperones)	December 2015 – January 2016 (Time is according to the scheduled appointment)	Interview Site for Access Link – Pathways to Independence – ♦Job Readiness	Transition Center – West Caldwell Tech Campus	2 Students	No Cost

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Jennifer Williams (2 Chaperones)	12/1 - 12/23/2015 (Time is according to scheduled interviews)	Interviews for Possible Jobs – Essex County, NJ ♦ Job Readiness	Transition Center – West Caldwell Tech Campus	3 Students	No Cost
Ayisha Ingram- Robinson (4 Chaperones)	12/3/2015 (8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.)	New York University – New York, NY ♦ Tour	Seniors – West Caldwell Tech Campus	40 Students	No Cost
Marianne Cavallo (5 Chaperones)	12/4/2015 (8:30 a.m. - 12:40 p.m.)	Railmen for Children Holiday Train Ride – Hoboken, NJ ♦ Holiday Train Ride	Transition Center – West Caldwell Tech Campus	28 Students	No Cost
Auria Torres – (1 Chaperones)	12/4/2015 (7:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.)	New Jersey Institute of Technology – Newark, NJ ♦ Annual Engineering Career Day	Guidance – West Caldwell Tech Campus	20 Students	No Cost
Jennifer Williams (8 Chaperones)	12/15/2015 (8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.)	The Original Pancake House – West Caldwell, NJ ♦ Basic Skills	Transition Center – West Caldwell Tech Campus	28 Students	No Cost
Sherri Axelrod (2 Chaperones)	12/18/2015 (8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)	Vaughn College – East Elmhurst, NJ ♦ Tour	Selected Juniors and Seniors – Newark Tech Campus	30 Students	No Cost
CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION (STRUCTURED LEARNING EXPERIENCES)					
Michael Cerisano (3 Chaperones)	11/10 & 11/17/2015 (8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)	Essex County Veterans Courthouse – Newark, NJ ♦ Tour	Introduction to the Criminal Justice System - North 13 th Street Tech Campus	15 Students	No Cost

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Robert Funesti (1 Chaperone)	11/20/2015 (9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)	Panasonic Corporation – Newark, NJ ♦ Internship Program	Web Design – North 13 th Street Tech Campus	11 Students	No Cost
Eddie Encarnacion	11/20/2015 (8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.)	Somerset County Vocational Technical Schools- Bridgewater, NJ ♦ Teaching with Culinary Institute of America Event	Culinary Arts – North 13 th Street Tech Campus	10 Students	No Cost
Bryan Raiford (2 Chaperones)	11/21/2015 (6:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.)	Cherokee High School – Marlton, NJ ♦ Competition	Robotics – Newark Tech Campus	18 Students	No Cost
Bryan Raiford (2 Chaperones)	12/3/2015 (9:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.)	Hudson Robotics Inc. – Springfield, NJ ♦ Tour	Robotics – Newark Tech Campus	18 Students	No Cost
Brett Boon	12/10/2015 (8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)	Jewish Vocational Services – East Orange, NJ ♦ Catering an Event	Culinary Arts – North 13 th Street Tech Campus	12 Students	No Cost
Lisa Ackershoek (1 Chaperone)	12/11/2015 (7:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.)	AT&T Corporate Headquarters – Bedminster, NJ ♦ Junior Achievement Program	Business Students – Bloomfield Tech Campus	15 Students	No Cost
Mark Beckett (2 Chaperones)	12/15/2015 (1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.)	Turtle Back Zoo West Orange, NJ ♦ Annual Holiday Lights Celebration	Performing Arts Class – West Caldwell Tech Campus	31 Students	No Cost
Mark Beckett (2 Chaperones)	12/16/2015 (1:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.)	West Caldwell Care Center – West Caldwell, NJ ♦ Community Service	Performing Arts Class – West Caldwell Tech Campus	28 Students	No Cost

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Howard Weshnak (1 Chaperone)	1/20/2016 (9:30 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.)	Bell Labs Technology Showcase – Murray Hill, NJ ♦Tour	Intro to CISCO – Newark Tech Campus	23 Students	No Cost
CO-CURRICULAR (NON-ATHLETIC)					
Dr. Nasser Masri (1 Chaperone)	11/19/2015 (6:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.)	Rutgers Busch Student Center– Piscataway, NJ ♦HOSA Fall Leadership Conference	11 th and 12 th Grade HOSA Officers – Newark Tech Campus	15 Students	\$540.00 Funded by Local Funds
Howard Weshnak (1 Chaperone)	12/2, 12/9, & 12/16/2015 1/6, 1/13, 1/20, & 1/27/2016 2/3, 2/10, 2/17 & 2/24/2016	Brunswick Zone – Belleville, NJ ♦ Bowling	Bowling Club – Newark Tech Campus	18 Students	\$1584.00 Funded by Local Funds
Mary Stratton	12/12/2015 (8:15 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)	West Caldwell Police Station – West Caldwell, NJ ♦Community Service (Coat Drive)	Book Club – North 13 th Street Tech Campus	10 Students	No Cost

Additional Information: The District may incur costs associated with transportation (vehicle, driver, fuel, etc.) for the above trips.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

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Resolution #16-235: Fire Drill Reports, October 2015 (enclosure)

On the motion of Ms. Medina, seconded by Dr. Pernell, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board accepts the attached Fire Drill Reports submitted by the Principals of each school within the District for the month of October 2015.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

Resolution #16-236: Security Drill Reports, October 2015 (enclosure)

On the motion of Dr. Pernell, seconded by Ms. Davis, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board accepts the attached Security Drill Reports submitted by the Principals of each school within the District for the month of October 2015.

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

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Resolution #16-237: Board Policy, Second Reading

On the motion of Ms. Medina, seconded by Dr. Pernell, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the second reading of the following Board Policies.

<u>POLICY NAME</u>	<u>FILE CODE</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Staff Member's Use of Personal Cellular Telephones/Other Communication Devices (Revised)	3322	Final
Staff Member's Use of Personal Cellular Telephones/Other Communication Devices (Revised)	4322	Final
Administration of Medication (M) (Revised)	5330	Final
Screening for Dyslexia (M) (Revised)	5339	Final
Early Graduation (M) (Revised)	5465	Final
Suspected Gang Activity (Revised)	5615	Final
Wellness Policy/Nutrient Standards for Meals and Other Foods	8505	Final
Offer Verses Serve (OVS) Breakfast	8507	Final
Offer Verses Serve (OVS) Lunch	8508	Final
School Nutrition Programs (Revised)	8540	Final
Outstanding Food Services Charges (New)	8550	Final
Opening Exercises/Ceremonies	8820	Final

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Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
 Nays: None
 Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

Resolution #16-238: Approval of Fundraisers

On the motion of Ms. Davis, seconded by Ms. Medina, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board hereby approves the following fundraisers for the 2015-2016 school year.

Person in Charge	Anticipated Date(s)	Fundraiser	Organization/ School	Funds to be Used Towards
Joseph DiVincenzo	Fall 2015 – Spring 2016	Raise Yearbook funds via local businesses & Leaders	Yearbook Committee	Yearbook Committee
Beverly Morales	November 24, 2015	Bake Sale	Yearbook Committee Bloomfield Tech	Yearbook Committee
Beverly Morales	Ongoing	Item Sale (key chains dog tags)	Yearbook Committee Bloomfield Tech	Yearbook Committee
Turrell Jones	November – December 2015	Sale of “Popcorn Turkeys” and Apple Cider	National Honor Society Bloomfield Tech	NHS
Turrell Jones	December, 2015	Candy Cane Sale	National Honor Society Bloomfield Tech	NHS
Parent Teacher Student Association Officers	December 12, 2015	Spartan Spaghetti Luncheon	PTSA Bloomfield Tech	PTSA

Roll Call: Yeas: Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
 Nays: None
 Absent: Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan

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OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled to be held in the Board Room, Administrative Offices, LeRoy Smith, Jr. Public Safety Building, 60 Nelson Place, Sheila Y. Oliver Conference Center, 14th Floor, Newark, New Jersey, at 6:00 p.m., on Monday, December 14, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #16-239: Adjournment

On the motion of Dr. Pernell, seconded by Ms. Medina, the Board adjourns the meeting at 6:19 p.m.

Roll Call: Yeas:	Ms. Davis, Ms. Medina, Dr. Pernell, Fr. Leahy
Nays:	None
Absent:	Mr. Carnovale, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Ryan