Official Proceedings of the Reading School District Board of Directors

Regular Meeting January 27, 2010

Minutes of the Reading School District Board of Directors Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, January 27, 2010, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 800 Washington Street, Reading, PA.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Santoro, President.

ROLL CALL

Board Present:

Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree Mr. Stamm Mrs. Storch

Ms. Stroman Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz

Mr. Santoro, President

Administrators Present:

Mr. Frank Vecchio, Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Anthony Georeno, Director of Human Resources

Mrs. Linda A. Greth, Director of Community Relations/Secretary of the Board

Mr. John Steffy, Director of Business Affairs

Dr. Rose Merrell-James, Director of Student Services

Mr. Barry Suski, Director of Construction

Mr. Eric Turman, Director of Elementary Education

Mrs. Julie Vicente, Director of Secondary Education

Public Speakers

Joseph Eppihimer 537 North 14th Street Sinkhole Problem

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes from the November 24, 2009 Regular Meeting were approved unanimously. The Minutes from the December 7, 2009 Reading School Board Reorganization Meeting, the Museum Reorganization Meeting, and the December 14, 2009 Special Meeting were approved unanimously.

Presentation

Mr. Phil Santoro introduced the family of the late Jody Rex, a former educational assistant in the district, who painted portraits of two students in the district. One of the students was on hand to receive the portrait. It was mentioned that there is a Jody Rex Scholarship for interested students.

The board went into Executive Session at 7:15 p.m. The board reconvened at 7:29 p.m.

Human Resources - Educational Personnel

The Human Resources Committee presented the following resolutions for consideration:

EP-25 through EP-98

The resolutions voted on together were EP-25, EP-27-EP-82, EP-84-EP-94, and EP-97-EP-98. The motion was made by Mr. Breton, and this was seconded by Ms. Wertz.

Administrative Appointments

EP-25 That Elizabeth Paige Toner be promoted from school counselor at Reading High School (REA) to instructional supervisor, 206 days, at Southwest Middle School (RSAA), effective date pending board approval and the hiring of a replacement, at a salary of \$64,646.00, prorated, for the 2009-10 school year. **Promotion**

Administrative Support Appointments

EP-26 This resolution was voted on separately.

Instructional Appointments

- **EP-27** That Victoria A. Achenbach be appointed as a temporary professional employee, ELA teacher, grade 4 at Tyson Schoener Elementary School, effective January 11, 2010, at a salary of TB1 + 36 c.i. of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$41,950.00, prorated. **Ratification**
- **EP-28** That Lindsay L. Adam be appointed as a long-term substitute, art teacher at Reading High School, effective January 4, 2010 through the end of the day March 26, 2010, at a salary of TB1 + 12 c.i. of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$40,200.00, prorated. **Ratification**
- **EP-29** That Jose M. Borras-Osorio, Program Facilitator for Creating Lasting Family Connections Program at Millmont Elementary School Lighthouse, effective date pending paperwork, maximum 20 hours per week, at an hourly rate of \$25.00.
- **EP-30** That Katie E. Buchert be appointed as a long-term substitute, English teacher at Reading High School, effective date pending paperwork through the end of the day April 17, 2010, at a salary of TB1 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$38,000.00, prorated.

- **EP-31** That Maria D. Castillo be appointed as a part-time EAP tutor, after school, maximum 24 hours per week, at St. Luke's Migrant, effective date pending paperwork, at an hourly rate of \$21.00.
- EP-32 That John A. Eisenhower be appointed as a part-time EAP tutor, during school, maximum 24 hours per week, at Southern Middle School, effective date pending paperwork, at an hourly rate of \$21.00.
- **EP-33** That Mary-Elizabeth Guthier be appointed as a temporary professional employee, English teacher at Reading High School, effective date pending paperwork, at a salary of TM9 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$52,600.00, prorated.
- **EP-34** That Jason K. Henley be appointed as a temporary professional employee, elementary teacher, grade 2 at Northwest Elementary School, effective date pending paperwork, at a salary of TB1 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$38,000.00, prorated.
- **EP-35** That Courtney M. Hinkle be appointed as a temporary professional employee, ELA teacher, grade 3 at 13th and Green Elementary School, effective January 11. 2010, at a salary of TB1 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$38,000.00, prorated. **Ratification**
- **EP-36** That David J. Hohl be appointed as a part-time virtual program tutor, after school, maximum 24 hours per week at Reading High School, effective date pending paperwork, at an hourly rate of \$21.00.
- EP-37 That Julie B. Kehr be approved for a change of status from a long-term substitute, special education/gifted at Lauer's Park Elementary School to temporary professional employee, ELA teacher, grade 5 at Lauer's Park Elementary School, effective April 7, 2010, at a salary of TB1 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$38,000.00, prorated.
- **EP-38** That Mitizene D. Lindo-Blake be appointed as a long-term substitute, English teacher at Reading High School, effective date pending paperwork through the end of the day June 14, 2010, at a salary of TB 1 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$38,000.00, prorated.
- **EP-39** That Bridget M. Manbeck be appointed as a temporary professional employee, ELA teacher, grade 3 at 13th and Union Elementary School, effective date pending paperwork, at a salary of TB1 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$38,000.00, prorated.
- EP-40 That Shannon A. Pichler be appointed as a temporary professional employee, Art teacher at 10th and Green Elementary School, effective date pending paperwork, at a salary of TB1 + 12 c.i. of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$40,200.00, prorated.
- **EP-41** That Betty S. Reyes be appointed as a temporary professional employee, ELA teacher, English, grades 9/10 at Reading High School, effective date pending paperwork, at a salary of TB1 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$38,000.00, prorated.

- EP-42 That Nicole E. Robles be appointed as a part-time EAP tutor, after school, maximum 24 hours per week, at Glenside Elementary School, effective date pending paperwork, at an hourly rate of \$21.00.
- **EP-43** That Tyler D. Rutt be appointed as a temporary professional employee, special education/LS itinerant teacher at Reading High School, effective January 11, 2010, at a salary of TspB1 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$38,000.00 prorated + \$400.00 stipend. **Ratification**
- **EP-44** That Adrian C. Schaeffer be appointed as a temporary professional employee, math teacher at Northwest Middle School, effective date pending paperwork, at a salary of TB1 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$38,000.00 prorated.
- **EP-45** That Michelle R. Seiders be appointed as a temporary professional employee, secondary guidance counselor at the Reading Opportunity Center for Children, effective date pending paperwork, at a salary of TM5 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$47,800.00, prorated.
- **EP-46** That Jill M. Tobias be appointed as a temporary professional employee, elementary guidance counselor at the Reading Opportunity Center for Children, effective date pending paperwork, st a salary of TM1 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$43,000.00, prorated.
- **EP-47** That Jesse M. Weidler be appointed as a part-time EAP tutor, during school, maximum 24 hours per week, at the Gateway School for Agriculture, Science and Ecology, effective date pending paperwork, at an hourly rate of \$21.00.
- **EP-48** That Walter L. Winch be appointed as a temporary professional employee, special education/school psychologist at 10th and Penn Elementary School, effective January 11, 2010, at a salary of TspM7 + 48 c.i. of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$54,200.00, prorated + \$400.00 stipend. **Ratification**
- **EP-49** That the Board of Directors amends Resolution 23 of the August 26, 2009 Human Resources agenda to read as follows:

That the Board of Directors approves a change of status for Jessica L. Faulkner, from part-time EAP tutor, after school at Northwest Middle School to long-term substitute elementary teacher, grade 3 at Riverside Elementary School, effective August 25, 2009 **through the end of the day June 14, 2010**, at a salary of TB1 + 24 c.i. of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$41,950.00.

EP-50 That the Board of Directors amends Resolution 2 of the April 25, 2007 Human Resources agenda to read as follows:

That Maegen N. Palmieri be appointed as a <u>temporary professional employee</u>, ELA teacher, effective the first day of the 2007-08 school year, at an annual salary of TB15 of the 2007-08 salary scale, \$37,364.00.

EP-51 That the Board of Directors amends Resolution EP-1 of the December 14, 2009 HR agenda to read as follows:

That Jennifer Brotman be appointed as a long-term substitute ELA teacher - **Resource Room** at 13th and Green Elementary School, effective date pending paperwork through the end of the day June 10, 2010, at TB1 of the 2009-10 salary scale, \$38,000.00, prorated.

EP-52 That the Board of Directors amends Resolution 16 of the November 24, 2009 HR agenda to read as follows:

That Michele C. VanArsdale be appointed as a long-term substitute, special education/ES teacher at Millmont Elementary School, effective October 7, 2009 through the end of the day **February 12, 2010**, at a salary of TspB4 or the 2009-10 salary scale, \$41,275.00 + \$400.00 stipend.

Administrative Resignations/Terminations/Retirements

- **EP-53** That the retirement into PSERS of Dr. Anthony A. Georeno, Director of Human Resources be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day September 7, 2010.
- **EP-54** That the resignation of Paul H. Schmid, Director of Food Service at Reading High School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day January 15, 2010. **Ratification**

<u>Instructional Resignations/Terminations/Retirements</u>

- **EP-55** That the resignation of Anthony E. Bonitz, art teacher at 10th and Green Elementary School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day December 17, 2009, or until date of replacement, up to 60 days.
- **EP-56** That the retirement of Debra L. Cesare, instructional coach at Tyson Schoener Elementary School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day June 14, 2010.
- **EP-57** That the resignation of Joseph P. Dynan, English teacher at Reading High School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day December 11, 2009. **Ratification**
- **EP-58** That the resignation of Laurie L. Fennimore, long-term substitute, English teacher at Reading High School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day December 23, 2009. **Ratification**
- **EP-59** That the retirement of Vicky L. Garl, kindergarten teacher at 10th and Penn Elementary School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day August 27, 2010.
- **EP-60** That the resignation of Mary Rivera-Walker, PT EAP tutor at the Gateway School for Agriculture, Science and Ecology be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day January 22, 2010. **Ratification**
- **EP-61** That the resignation of Dhansukh Tailor, math teacher at EXCEL, be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day January 8, 2010. **Ratification**

EP-62 That the resignation of Rodney J. Winkelspecht, instructional coach at Tyson Schoener Elementary School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day January 11, 2010, or until date of replacement, up to 60 days.

Administrative Support Leaves of Absence Requests

EP-63 That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Nicole E. Vega, social worker at EXCEL, effective May 5, 2010 through the end of the day June 16, 2010.

Instructional Leaves of Absence Requests

- EP-64 That the request for a disability leave of absence be granted for Wayne R. Charles, I.A. Technology Teacher at Reading High School, effective March 5, 2010 through the end of the day June 14, 2010.
- **EP-65** That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Michelle L. Christie, special education/itinerant teacher, grade 9 at Reading High School, effective June 9, 2010 through the end of the day July 21, 2010.
- **EP-66** That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Adrienne M. Derrer, instructional coach at 10th and Green Elementary School, effective March 30, 2010 through the end of the day September 30, 2010.
- **EP-67** That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Katharine C. Dianna, elementary teacher, grade 2 at 13th and Union Elementary School, effective July 13, 2010 through the end of the day October 3, 2010.
- **EP-68** That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for June E. McCray, special education/ES teacher at 10th and Penn Elementary School, effective March 23, 2010 through the end of the day August 1, 2010.
- **EP-69** That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Allison S. McDevitt, elementary teacher, grade 4 at Riverside Elementary School, effective April 20, 2010 through the end of the day June 1, 2010.
- **EP-70** That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Kimberly A. Rankin, instructional coach at Amanda Stout Elementary School, effective May 24, 2010 through the end of the day July 4, 2010.
- **EP-71** That the request for a disability leave of absence be granted for Brandi L. Reid, special education/science teacher at EXCEL, effective February 2, 2010 through the end of the day March 12, 2010.
- **EP-72** That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Nicole B. Sherman, kindergarten teacher at 13th and Union Elementary School, effective July 15, 2010 through the end of the day October 4, 2010.

- **EP-73** That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Meghan B. Smith, kindergarten teacher at Tyson Schoener Elementary School, effective March 22, 2010 through the end of the day April 30, 2010.
- **EP-74** That the request for a general leave of absence for the purpose of travel be granted for Hulya D. Sowerwine, business education teacher at Reading High School, effective March 15, 2010 through the end of the day July 31, 2010.
- **EP-75** That the Board of Directors amends Resolution 33 of the May 20, 2009 Human Resources agenda to read as follows:

That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Keriellen H. Heydt, special education/LSS teacher at Amanda Stout Elementary School, <u>effective November 7, 2009 through the end of the day March 15, 2010.</u>

EP-76 That the Board of Directors amends Resolution 49 of the September 22, 2009 HR agenda to read as follows:

That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Kymberly S. Downer, science teacher at Southern Middle School, effective <u>January 6, 2010</u> through the end of the day February 22, 2010.

Instructional Returns from Leaves of Absence

- **EP-77** That Keriellen H. Heydt, special education/LSS teacher at Amanda Stout Elementary School, returns to duty from a child rearing leave of absence effective March 16, 2010.
- **EP-78** That Candice M. Kehres, special education/communication arts teacher at Southern Middle School, returns to duty from a child rearing leave of absence effective December 14, 2009. **Ratification**
- **EP-79** That Jocabed Ortiz-Robles, French teacher at Reading High School, returns to duty from a child rearing leave of absence effective January 11, 2010. **Ratification**
- **EP-80** That Hulya D. Sowerwine, business teacher at Reading High School, returns to duty from a general leave of absence for travel effective August 1, 2010.
- **EP-81** That Angela D. Yorgey, elementary teacher, grade 5 at Amanda Stout Elementary School, returns to duty from a child rearing leave of absence effective February 8, 2010.

Other Actions

EP-82 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the employment of the attached list of individuals under the ACT 143 Family Literacy Grant, in the positions listed, effective date pending paperwork, for the remainder of the 2009-10 school year.

- EP-83 This resolution was voted on separately.
- **EP-84** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors awards a Professional Employee Contract to Jessica J. Novak, employee number 6110, who was hired on December 13, 2006, tenured in January 2010, and has performed on a satisfactory basis for three years.
- **EP-85** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors awards a Professional Employee Contract to Amanda J. Natale, employee number 6077, who was hired on December 20, 2006, tenures in January 2010, and has performed on a satisfactory basis for three years.
- **EP-86** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors awards a Professional Employee Contract to Kristine A. Marino, employee number 5182, who was hired on October 11, 2004, tenured in January 2010, and has performed on a satisfactory basis for three years.
- **EP-87** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors awards a Professional Employee Contract to Danielle M. Goodman, employee number 6272, who was hired on January 18, 2007, tenured in January 2010, and has performed on a satisfactory basis for three years.
- EP-88 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the creation of one new RSSSA Level 3 Security Resource Leader position, 12-month, 260 days, for Reading Senior High School and the Reading Intermediate High School.

EP-88-A

EP-89 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the creation of one new RSSSA Level 2 Assistant Security Resource Leader position, 12-month, 260 days, for the four middle schools and the four gateway magnet schools.

EP-89-A

- **EP-90** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the creation of two Speech Language Pathology Associates, RSSA Level 2, at the salary of \$36,202.00 per person, to work under a certified speech pathologist, to be evaluated after two years of service in the Reading School District, to be funded through ACCESS funds.
- **EP-91** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the additional payment of \$50.00 per day to Theresa A. Wolf, Food Service Supervisor, RSSSA, 12-month employee, as Interim Food Service Director, effective January 19, 2010, while she serves in this position.
- **EP-92** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the additional payment of \$39.00 per day to Kurt D. Myers, Food Service Supervisor, RSSSA, 10-month employee, effective January 19, 2010, to assist with the additional food service department duties. This payment is for days worked in his normal 206-day year.
- **EP-93** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the settlement of REA grievance #0809.05 in the amount of \$2,100.00.

EP-94 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors exonerates the estate of Steven F. Kennedy of the salary overpayment in the amount of \$1,010.98.

EP-95 This resolution was voted on separately.

EP-96 This resolution was voted on separately.

EP-97 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the promotion of Ruth E. Errazuri from REA speech language pathologist, district wide, to RSSSA level 2 speech language pathology associate, district wide, effective date pending paperwork, at a salary of \$36,202.00 prorated.

EP-98 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the promotion of Maribel Rivera from AFSCME special education clerk 4 at the ROCC to RSSSA level 2 speech language pathology associate, district wide, effective date pending paperwork, at a salary of \$36,202.00 prorated.

VOTE ON THE HR EDUCATIONAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS AS LISTED: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree

Mr. Stamm Mr. Storch

Ms. Stroman Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz

Mr. Santoro, President

THE HR EDUCATIONAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS AS LISTED WERE APPROVED.

Ms. Wertz made a motion to consider Human Resources EP-26, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton. The resolution read as follows:

Administrative Support Appointments

EP-26 That Russell A. DelRosario be appointed as the Supervisor of Security, district wide, 12-month, 260 days, RSSSA Level 4, effective date pending board approval, at a salary of \$48,000.00 prorated, for the 2009-10 school year.

VOTE ON RESOLUTION EP-26: 8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS: Mrs. McCree Mr. Stamm

Mr. Storch Ms. Stroman Mrs. Torres-Figueroa Ms. Wertz

Mr. Breton Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mr. Washington

RESOLUTION EP-26 WAS APPROVED.

Ms. Wertz made a motion to consider Human Resources EP-83, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton. The resolution read as follows:

EP-83 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the retroactive salary increases for the seven employees as listed on the attachment, who worked during the 2009-10 school year and have since left district employment.

EP-83-A

VOTE ON RESOLUTION EP-83: 8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS: Mr. Stamm Mr. Storch

Ms. Stroman Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz

Mr. Breton Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mrs. McCree

HUMAN RESOURCES RESOLUTION EP-83 WAS APPROVED.

Mrs. McCree made a motion to consider Human Resources EP-95, and this was seconded by Ms. Wertz. The resolution read as follows:

EP-95 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approve the appointment of Scott J. Anuszewski as RSSSA Level 3 Security Resource Leader, 12-month, 260 days, for Reading Senior High School and the Reading Intermediate High School, effective date pending board approval, at a salary of \$45,000.00 prorated.

VOTE ON HUMAN RESOURCES RESOLUTION EP-95: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mr. Storch Ms. Stroman

Mrs. Torres-Figueroa Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree Mr. Stamm

Mr. Santoro, President

HUMAN RESOURCES RESOLUTION EP-95 WAS APPROVED.

Mrs. McCree made a motion to consider Human Resourced EP-96, and this was seconded by Ms. Wertz. The resolution read as follows:

EP-96 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the promotion of Juan A. Rondon from SPFPA FT 12-month Security Guard at the Administration Building to RSSSA Level 2 Assistant Security Resource Leader, 12-month, 260 days, at the four middle schools and the four gateway magnet school, effective date pending board approval, at a salary of \$36,202.00, prorated.

VOTE ON HUMAN RESOURCES RESOLUTION EP-96: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Ms. Stroman Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

Mr. WashingtonMs. WertzMr. BretonMrs. McCreeMr. StammMr. Storch

Mr. Santoro, President

HUMAN RESOURCES RESOLUTION EP-96 WAS APPROVED.

Curriculum and Technology

The Curriculum and Technology Committee presented the following resolutions for consideration:

CUR 10 - CUR 31

Mrs. McCree made a motion to consider CUR 10-29, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton. The resolutions were presented as follows:

CUR-10 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves a Supplemental Educational Services Agreement with Global Partnership Schools as a SES provider, at a cost not to exceed \$1,988.65 per child served, costs to be paid through Title I Funds.

CUR-10-A

- CUR-11 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors authorizes the Administration to submit an application to the United States Department of Education for the 2011 Impact Aid grant program for federally affected areas.
- **CUR-12** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors authorizes the Administration to submit an application to the United States Department of Education for the Teaching American History grant program.
- **CUR-13** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors authorizes the Administration to submit an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for continuation of the Dual Enrollment grant program.
- **CUR-14** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors authorizes the Administration to submit an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant program.

CUR-15 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors ratifies the submission of a Laura Bush Foundation grant application in the amount of \$6,000.00 for Northeast Middle School.

CUR-16 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves the Dual Enrollment Agreements with the following colleges and universities for the 2010-11 school year, **pending satisfactory review of district solicitor:**

Albright College Alvernia University

Clarion University Penn State University - Berks Campus

Reading Area Community College Harcum College

CUR-17 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors authorizes the Administration to submit applications for the following school-based grant programs:

Toyota Tapestry Grant
Disney Friends for Change Grant
Welch's Harvest Grant
Lowes Toolbox for Education Grant
Sprint Character Education Grant
PSEA Innovative Teaching Grant

CUR-18 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves a contract with Dr. Shula Nedley for consulting services to strengthen and understand the use of data to drive instructional decisions. The contract will run from February 2010 through August 2010, pending satisfactory review of the district solicitor. The cost will not exceed \$28,000.00, funded by Title I funds, **pending satisfactory review of district solicitor**.

CUR-18-A

CUR-19 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves Jennifer MacWilliam as a substitute for the Virtual High School Program for the 2010-2011 school year, at the contracted rate of \$25.00 per hour, funded by the General Fund.

CUR-20 BE IT RESOLVED, That the following named personnel be granted permission to be absent from duty, with no deduction in salary, to attend the 41st PAFPC Pennsylvania Association of Federal Program Coordinators Annual Conference in Hershey, PA, from March 22-24, 2010. The cost will not exceed \$1,347.06, funded through Title I 08-09 reserved funds.

Cheryl McCann Darrah Schlegel

CUR-20-A

CUR-21 BE IT RESOLVED, That the following named personnel be granted permission to be absent from duty, with no deduction in salary, to attend the Pennsylvania Education and Technology Conference and Expo in Hershey, PA, from February 21-24, 2010. The cost will not exceed \$821.19, funded through Title 2, Part D funds.

CUR-22 BE IT RESOLVED, That the following named personnel be granted permission to be absent from duty, with no deduction in salary, to attend the Extra Learning Opportunities Conference in Hershey, PA, from March 9-10, 2010. The cost will not exceed \$655.28, funded through 21st Century Grant.

Darrah Schlegel

Laura Kruse

CUR-22-A

CUR-23 BE IT RESOLVED, That the following named personnel be granted permission to be absent from duty, with no deduction in salary, to attend the Pennsylvania Association of School Personnel Administrators Conference in Hershey, PA, from February 24-26, 2010. The cost will not exceed \$906.08, funded by the General Fund.

Diane Gibson

Christine Pena

CUR-23-A

CUR-24 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves a Category 2 field trip to Washington, DC, from June 16-17, 2010, for educational purposes. Thirty-five Reading High School students and three chaperones under the direction of Ms. Bittner will attend. There is no cost to the district.

CUR-24-A

CUR-25 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves a Category 3 field trip to Hershey, PA, from April 12-14, 2010, for educational purposes. Four Reading High School students and one chaperone under the direction of Mr. Simchena will attend the PA FBLA Leadership Conference Competition. The cost will not exceed \$1,800.00, funded by the General Fund.

CUR-25-A

CUR-26 BE IT RESOLVED, That the following named personnel be granted permission to be absent from duty, with no deduction in salary, to attend the Learning Focused National Conference in Atlanta, GA, from February 1-3, 2010. The cost will not exceed \$3,100.00, funded through Title I.

Heidi Pierce

Paul Droms

CUR-26-A

CUR-27 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves a school counselor for the Virtual School Program. The school counselor will provide counseling intervention and support, assessment of behavior and academics, and act as a liaison between the virtual and day school program for credit and transcript review, at a cost not to exceed \$12,500.00 (\$25.00 per hour; 4 hours per night; twenty-five weeks), to be paid from PA PACT.

CUR-28 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves MAW Communications as the provider of wide area network services, internet services and firewall services effective July 1, 2010 through the end of the day June 30, 2015, for a total 5-year cost of \$1,821,840.00, plus the submission of E-Rate form 471 to the Schools and Library Services Division of the FCC, to be paid from the General Fund. **Pending satisfactory review of district solicitor.**

CUR-28-A

CUR-29 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves the Voice-over IP (VoIP) solution from STC Services, in the amount of \$749,000.00, and the total VoIP budget of \$1,435,000.00, plus the submission of E-Rate form 471 to the Schools and Library Services Division of the FCC, to be paid through PA-PACT. **Pending satisfactory review of district solicitor.**

CUR-29-A

VOTE ON CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY RESOLUTIONS 10-29: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mrs. Torres-Figueroa Mr. Washington

Ms. WertzMr. BretonMrs. McCreeMr. StammMr. StorchMs. Stroman

Mr. Santoro, President

CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY RESOLUTIONS 10-29 WERE APPROVED.

Ms. Wertz made a motion to consider CUR-30 - CUR-31, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton. The resolutions were presented as follows:

CUR-30 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the Reading High School Course of Studies for the 2010-11 school year.

CUR-31 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the Reading Intermediate High School Course of Studies of the 2010-11 school year.

VOTE ON CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY RESOLUTIONS CUR-30 - CUR-31: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz

Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree Mr. Stamm Mrs. Storch

Ms. Stroman Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

Mr. Santoro, President

RESOLUTIONS CUR-30 AND CUR-31

WERE APPROVED.

Human Resources - Support Staff

The Human Resources committee presented the following resolutions for consideration:

SSP-24 - SSP-66

Appointments

- SSP-24 That Maite M. Acosta be appointed as a part-time (720 hours) lunch aide at Riverside Elementary School, effective January 26, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$8.00. Ratification.
- SSP-25 That Erika Brown be appointed as a part-time (720 hours) lunch aide at Riverside Elementary School, effective January 25, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$8.00.
- SSP-26 That Ashlee E. Capellupo be appointed as a full-time AS assistant, one-on-one, at 13th and Union Elementary School, effective January 11, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$9.30. **Ratification**
- SSP-27 That Angela M. Detwiler be appointed as a full-time (1950 hours) clerk 4, federal grants, effective January 4, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$18.19. Ratification
- SSP-28 That Brenda Eck be promoted from full-time custodian at the Gateway School for International Business and World Languages to full-time head custodian at the Gateway School for Performing Arts, effective December 28, 2009, at an hourly rate of \$19.16. Ratification Promotion
- SSP-29 That the Board of Directors approves the transfer of Tina M. Grimes, from (RESPA) full-time special education AS assistant, one-on-one at Southwest Middle School to (Local 155) full-time (1183 hours) cafeteria worker at the Gateway School for Performing Arts, effective January 19, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$9.00. **Ratification**
- SSP-30 That Linda J. Hetrick be promoted from full-time 2nd shift custodian at Southwest Middle School to full-time head custodian at the Reading Opportunity Center for Children, effective December 28, 2009, at an hourly rate of \$19.16. **Ratification Promotion**
- **SSP-31** That Vicky L. Hoffman be appointed as a part-time (20 hours) evening program clerk, district wide, effective February 1, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$17.66.
- SSP-32 That Madeline Humes be appointed as a full-time (1950 hours) clerk 4, curriculum department, effective January 4, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$18.19. Ratification
- SSP-33 That Margaret A. Joyce be appointed as a full-time (1183 hours) cafeteria worker at Reading High School, effective January 25, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$9.00. Ratification E. Rivera transfer

- SSP-34 That Charlene M. Lozada be appointed as a full-time (1241.50 hours) ELA assistant at 13th & Green Elementary School, effective January 25, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$9.30.
- SSP-35 That Guido Marte be appointed as a full-time (1241.50 hours) ELA assistant at Reading High School, effective January 4, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$9.30. **Ratification**
- **SSP-36** That Nelson L. Otero be appointed as a part-time cafeteria security guard at Reading High School, effective December 21, 2009, at an hourly rate of \$11.00. **Ratification**
- SSP-37 That Wanda I. Perez be appointed as a part-time lunch aide at Amanda Stout Elementary School, effective January 25, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$8.00.
- SSP-38 That Ana Rivera be appointed as a part-time (810 hours) lunch aide at 10th and Penn Elementary School, effective January 11, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$8.00. **Ratification**
- SSP-39 That Barbara Santana be appointed as a full-time (1241.50 hours) ELA assistant at Reading High School, effective January 4, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$9.30. **Ratification**
- SSP-40 That Lourdes Torres be appointed as a part-time (675 hours) lunch aide at Amanda Stout Elementary School, effective January 5, 2010, at an hourly rate of \$8.00. Ratification
- **SSP-41** That the Board of Directors rescinds Resolution SSP-4 of the December 14, 2009 Human Resources Support Staff Personnel agenda which read:
- SSP-42 That Edilberto Hernandez be appointed as a part-time lunch aide at 10th and Green Elementary School, effective December 9, 2009, at an hourly rate of \$8.00. Ratification

Resignations/Terminations/Retirements

- SSP-43 That the resignation of Marisol Cepeda, part-time lunch aide at Tyson Schoener Elementary School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day January 13, 2010. **Ratification**
- SSP-44 That the resignation of Kelley Coates, full-time LSS assistant, one-on-one at Reading High School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day January 22, 2010. Ratification
- SSP-45 That the resignation of Judith Colon, part-time lunch aide at 13th and Green Elementary School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day January 20, 2010. **Ratification**
- SSP-46 That the resignation of Joan Hauck, part-time lunch aide at 10th and Green Elementary School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day December 23, 2009. **Ratification**

- **SSP-47** That the resignation of Guido Marte, full-time ELA assistant at Reading High School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day January 4, 2010. **Ratification**
- SSP-48 That the resignation of Kelly A. Martin, part-time lunch aide at 13th and Green Elementary School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day November 13, 2009. **Ratification**
- **SSP-49** That the resignation of Ireberto Morales, full-time crew, district wide be accepted effective at the end of the day January 14. 2010. **Ratification**
- SSP-50 That the resignation of Adonis Roman, full-time LS assistant at the Gateway School for International Business and World Language be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day December 31, 2009. **Ratification**
- SSP-51 That the resignation of Barbara Santana, full-time ELA assistant at Reading High School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day January 4, 2010. **Ratification**
- **SSP-52** That the resignation of Barbara Vind, part-time reading assistant at Thomas Ford Elementary School be accepted with regrets effective at the end of the day February 5, 2010.

Leaves of Absence

- SSP-53 That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Lorna Bailey-Cabot, full-time LSS assistant at Southwest Middle School, effective January 4, 2010 through the end of the day February 7, 2010. **Ratification**
- SSP-54 That the request for a family medical leave of absence be granted for Chavonna Cooper, full-time 10-month security guard at Northeast Middle School, effective November 24, 2009 through the end of the day February 24, 2010. **Ratification**
- SSP-55 That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Shana Kelly, full-time AS assistant, one-on-one at Reading High School, effective January 28, 2010 through the end of the day March 14, 2010.
- SSP-56 That the request for a family medical leave of absence on an as-needed basis be granted for Amanda Kurowski, full-time LS assistant at Millmont Elementary School, effective December 1, 2009. **Ratification**
- SSP-57 That the request for a family medical leave of absence be granted for Vilma Martinez, full-time cafeteria worker at Northeast Middle School, effective December 24, 2009 through the end of the day February 5, 2010. **Ratification**
- SSP-58 That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Tania Nguyen, full-time HR floater clerk 1, effective June 2, 2010 through the end of the day July 28, 2010.

SSP-59 That the request for a disability leave of absence be granted for David Soja, full-time 2nd shift custodian at 13th and Union Elementary School, effective December 14, 2009 through the end of the day June 14, 2010. **Ratification**

SSP-60 That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Maria Toro, full-time ES assistant at EXCEL, effective December 16, 2009 through the end of the day February 15, 2010. **Ratification**

SSP-61 That the Board of Directors amends Resolution 55 of the April 22, 2009 HR agenda to read as follows:

That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Quetcy Leon, full-time ELA assistant at Southwest Middle School, effective August 21, 2009 through the end of the day February 19. 2010.

SSP-62 That the Board of Directors amends Resolution 47 of the November 24, 2009 HR agenda to read as follows:

That the request for a child rearing leave of absence be granted for Iris Rios Perez, full-time ES assistant at Northeast Middle School, effective January 8, 2010 through the end of the day July 8, 2010.

Returns from Leaves of Absence

SSP-63 That Lisa Candelaria, full-time clerk 2 at Reading High School, returns to duty from a child rearing leave of absence effective December 7, 2009. **Ratification**

SSP-64 That Kaeylin Templin, full-time clerk 3 in the Accounts Payable Department, returns to duty from a child rearing leave of absence effective January 19, 2010. **Ratification**

Other Actions

SSP-65 That the Board of School Directors approves a one-on-one paraprofessional at a salary of \$11,990.03, at 16th and Haak Elementary School, for an autistic support elementary student, #308484, based on the student's Individual Education Plan (IEP), to be funded through ACCESS funds.

SSP-66 That the Board of School Directors approves a one-on-one paraprofessional at a salary of \$11,990.03, at 10th and Penn Elementary School for an Other Health Impaired elementary student, #307051, based on the student's Individual Education Plan (IEP), to be funded through ACCESS funds.

VOTE ON HUMAN RESOURCES RESOLUTIONS SSP-24 TO SSP-66: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Ms. Wertz Mr. Breton

Mrs. McCree Mr. Storch Mrs. Torres-Figueroa Mr. Santoro, President Mr. Stamm Ms. Stroman Mr. Washington

HUMAN RESOURCES RESOLUTIONS SSP-24 TO SSP-66 WERE APPROVED.

Finance and Legal

The Finance and Legal Committee presented the following resolutions for consideration:

FIN-12 to FIN-64

Ms. Stroman made a motion to consider resolutions FIN-12-43, 45-51, 53, 54, 56-58, 61 and 64, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton. The resolutions were presented as follows:

FIN-12 That the Board of Directors ratifies the bill list for the General Fund for the month of November 2009, in the amount of \$11,069,136.59, as attached.

FIN-12-A

FIN-13 That the Board of Directors ratifies the bill list for the General Fund for the month of December 2009, in the amount of \$4,706,373.79, at attached.

FIN-13-A

FIN-14 That the Board of Directors ratifies the bill list for the Trust and Agency for the month of November 2009, in the amount of \$58,089.96, as attached.

FIN-14-A

FIN-15 That the Board of Directors ratifies the bill list for the Trust and Agency for the month of December 2009 in the amount of \$30,403.35, as attached.

FIN-15-A

FIN-16 That the Board of Directors ratifies the bill list for the 2003 G.O. Bond Fund for the month of January 2010 in the amount of \$4,619.46, as attached.

FIN-16-A

FIN-17 That the Board of Directors approves the 2003 Bond Fund Financial Report as of November 2009.

FIN-17-A

FIN-18 That the Board of Directors approves the 2003 Bond Fund Financial Report as of December 2009.

FIN-18-A

FIN-19 That the Board of Directors ratifies the bill list for the 2005 G.O. Bond Fund for the month of January 2010 in the amount of \$2,122,375.97, as attached.

FIN-19-A

FIN-20 That the Board of Directors approves the 2005 Bond Fund Financial Report as of November 2009.

FIN-20-A

FIN-21 That the Board of Directors approves the 2005 Bond Fund Financial Report as of December 2009.

FIN-21-A

FIN-22 That the Board of Directors ratifies the bill list for the 2008 G.O. Bond Fund for the month of January 2010, in the amount of \$164,023.88, as attached.

FIN-22-A

FIN-23 That the Board of Directors ratifies the 2008 Bond Fund Financial Report as of November 2009.

FIN-23-A

FIN-24 That the Board of Directors ratifies the 2008 Bond Fund Financial Report as of December 2009.

FIN-24-A

FIN-25 That the Board of Directors ratifies the Treasurer's Report for the period ending November 30, 2009, as attached.

FIN-25-A

FIN-26 That the Board of Directors ratifies the Treasurer's Report for the period ending December 31, 2009, as attached.

FIN-26-A

FIN-27 That the Board of Directors accepts the Investment Report as of November 30, 2009, as attached.

FIN-27-A

FIN-28 That the Board of Directors accepts the Investment Report as of December 31, 2009, as attached.

FIN-28-A

FIN-29 That the Board of Directors accepts the Revenues and Expenditures Status Reports for all District Funds for the month ending November 2009.

FIN-29-A

FIN-30 That the Board of Directors accepts the Revenues and Expenditures Status Reports for all District Funds for the month ending December 2009.

FIN-30-A

FIN-31 That the Board of Directors approves budget transfers in the amount of \$168,832.31, as attached.

FIN-31-A

FIN-32 That the Board of Directors accepts the Athletic Budget Reports for the month of November 2009, as attached. FIN-32-A

FIN-33 That the Board of Directors accepts the Athletic Budget Reports for the month of December 2009, as attached.

FIN-33-A

FIN-34 That the Board of Directors ratifies the November 2009 check register in the amount of \$501,116.08, as attached.

FIN-34-A

FIN-35 That the Board of Directors ratifies the December 2009 check register in the amount of \$776, 137.21, as attached.

FIN-35-A

FIN-36 That the Board of Directors ratifies the Food Services Incomes/Expenditures Report for the month ending November 30, 2009, as attached.

FIN-36-A

FIN-37 That the Board of Directors ratifies the Food Services Incomes/Expenditures Report for the month ending December 31, 2009, as attached.

FIN-37-A

FIN-38 That the Board of Directors ratifies the Food Services Financial Reports for November 30, 2009, as attached.

FIN-38-A

FIN-39 That the Board of Directors ratifies the Food Services Financial Reports for December 31, 2009, as attached.

FIN-39-A

FIN-40 BE IT RESOLVED, That the actions of John C. Bradley, Jr., Esquire and Richard L. Guida, Esquire, counsel for Reading School District in filing a Notice of Intervention regarding the appeal of Four Square Group, indexed to No. 09-15519 for the premises known as 755 Hiesters Lane, Reading, Pennsylvania, being Parcel No. 17-5308-20-91-3132-001, is hereby ratified.

FIN-41 BE IT RESOLVED, That the actions of John C. Bradley, Jr., Esquire and Richard L. Guida, Esquire, counsel for Reading School District in filing a Notice of Intervention regarding the appeal of Baldwin Hardware Mfg. Co., indexed to No. 09-15740 for the premises known as 841 East Wyomissing Boulevard, Reading, Pennsylvania, being Parcel No. 18-5306-10-45-3607, is hereby ratified.

FIN-42 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the President and Secretary of the Board of School Directors are hereby authorized to execute the Petition to the Council of the City of Reading requesting the vacation of Benner's Court between Maple Street and a ten foot (10') wide alley as shown on the attached plan.

FIN-42-A

FIN-43 That the Board of Directors approves the employee mileage reimbursement rate change to \$.50 per mile in accordance with the Internal Revenue Service guidelines as of January 1, 2010.

FIN-44 This resolution was voted on separately.

FIN-45 That the Board of Directors acknowledges approval from PDE of PlanCon Part G, Project Accounting Based on Bids, for the 6th Grade Performing Arts School as attached.

FIN-45-A

FIN-46 That the Board of Directors authorizes the Administration to close the existing Morgan Stanley/Smith Barney Account. This account has a balance of \$5,615.63 as of December 31, 2009. Funds will be transferred to the Berks County Community Foundation Linda L. Schrufer – Whitey Miller Scholarship Fund.

FIN-46-A

FIN-47 That the Board of Directors authorizes the change of signers for M&T Commodity Account. Dr. Chapman, Linda Greth, John Santoro, John Steffy and Paul Schmid are the current signers. The new signers will be Dr. Chapman, Linda Greth, John Santoro and John Steffy.

FIN-48 That the Board of Directors approves payment of Rieck's Printing Invoices in the amount of \$53,704.00.

FIN-48-A

FIN-49 BE IT RESOLVED, That the law firm of Masano Bradley is hereby authorized to file a civil action before District Justice Wally Scott against Stuart G. Eberly, a former employee of the Reading School District, for excess wages, paid in error at the time of termination of employment, in the amount of Three Thousand Fifty-Eight Dollars and Fifteen Cents (\$3,058.15)

FIN-50 BE IT RESOLVED, That the law firm of Masano Bradley is hereby authorized to file a civil action before District Justice Wally Scott against Gregory Walker, a former employee of the Reading School District, for excess wages, paid in error at the time of termination of employment, in the amount of Six Thousand Five Hundred Twelve Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$6,512.90)

FIN-51 That the Board of Directors awards the following service supply bids for the Food Services Department for the 2009-2010 school year as attached.

FIN-51-A

FIN-52 This resolution was voted on separately.

FIN-53 That the Board of Directors approves discarding of 3 copier machines in the basement of the Administration Building. These machines cannot be repaired.

1. Canon IR550, ID#E1327, serial #NNT11749

- 2. Canon IR8500, ID#D6974, serial #MPB08752
- 3. Canon IR8500, ID#1330, serial #MNE09962

FIN-54 That the Board of Directors ratifies the purchase of a food service truck from Geoff Penske GMC in the amount of \$62,578.00. Purchased with funds from Food Service Grant.

FIN-55 This resolution was pulled from the agenda at the Committee-of-the-Whole. (Bid for security uniforms)

FIN-56 That the Board of Directors awards the copy paper bid to RIS Paper, in the amount of \$255,729.60.

FIN-57 That the Board of Directors awards the bid for demolition of Maintenance Building at 717 Tulpehocken Street to Brice Excavating in the amount of \$22,500.00, to be reimbursed by insurance company.

FIN-58 WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District has determined that there will be no increase in the rate of any tax for the support of its public schools for the 2010-2011 fiscal year by more than the Index established by the Department of Education (Department) for the district;

WHEREAS, the Index for the District is 4.7%;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Reading School District does hereby certify that the District will comply with the procedures as forth in Section 687 of the Public School Code as it relates to the annual budget for the adoption of its proposed and final budgets;

WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors certifies that increasing any tax at a rate less than or equal to the established index will be sufficient to balance its final budget;

WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors certify that the District will submit information on a proposed increase in the rate of a tax levied for the support of the public schools to the Department on a uniform form prepared by the Department no later than five (5) days after the adoption of this resolution;

WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors certify that a copy of this resolution adopted pursuant to Section 311 of the Taxpayer Relief Act of Special Session No. 1 of 2005 will be sent to the Department no later than five (5) days after the adoption of this resolution; WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors recognize that the District shall not be eligible to seek referendum exceptions under Section 333 (f) of the Taxpayer Relief Act; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors recognize that the Department shall compare the proposed percentage increase in the rate of the tax with the index; within ten (10) days of the receipt of the information as required, the Department shall inform the District whether the proposed tax rate increase is less than or equal to the index. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District, as follows:

The Board of School Directors adopts this RESOLUTION on the 27th day of January 2009 indicating that it will not raise the rate of any tax for the support of its public schools for the 2010-2011 fiscal year by more than the index established by the Department of Education for the district of 4.7%.

DULY ADOPTED, by the Board of School Directors of this School District, this 27th day of January 2010.

FIN-59 This resolution was voted on separately.

FIN-60 This resolution was voted on separately.

FIN-61 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Barry Suski, Director of Construction, is hereby authorized to execute an Appeal from the Denial issued by Jennifer Oehler of the Zoning Office of the City of Reading denying the expansion of a non-conforming use and requesting a dimensional variance for the Amanda Stoudt Elementary School.

FIN-62 This resolution was voted on separately.

FIN-63 This resolution was voted on separately.

FIN-64 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors authorizes the Administration to solicit RFP's for Insurance Brokerage Services for the 2010-2011 school year.

VOTE ON FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTIONS AS LISTED: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree

Mr. Stamm Mr. Storch

Ms. Stroman Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz

Mr. Santoro, President

THE FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTIONS AS LISTED WERE APPROVED.

Mrs. Stroman made a motion to consider FIN-44 and FIN-52, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton. The resolutions were presented as follows:

FIN-44 That the Board of Directors acknowledges approval from PDE of PlanCon Part I, Interim Reporting, for the Citadel Intermediate High School dated December 21, 2009 reflecting change orders as listed.

FIN-44-A

FIN-52 That the Board of Directors approves payment of the Wagner, Hohns, Inglis (Citadel Project Special Construction Counsel) in the amount of \$4,425.00. This is for additional services for the Notice of Claim Review/Analysis and for the written Preliminary Delay Analysis Report that will exceed the September 22, 2009 Board approved amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

FIN-52-A

VOTE ON FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTIONS FIN-44 AND FIN-52: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mrs. McCree Mr. Stamm

Mr. Storch
Mrs. Torres-Figueroa
Mr. Washington
Mr. Wertz
Mr. Breton

Mr. Santoro, President

FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTIONS FIN-44 AND FIN-52 WERE APPROVED.

Mrs. McCree made a motion to consider FIN-59, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton. The resolution was presented as follows:

FIN-59 REGARDING THE SEPTEMBER, 2008 CONTRACT BETWEEN THE READING SCHOOL DISTRICT AND PERROTTO BUILDERS, LTD. FOR "12TH STREET PARKING GARAGE STRUCTURAL REMEDIATION WORK"

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS THAT:

Having entered into a Contract for Construction with Perrotto Builders, Ltd. in September, 2008 entitled "12th Street Parking Garage Structural Remediation Work" ("the Perrotto Garage Contract"); and

Having resolved on September 22, 2009 to suspend work under the Perrotto Garage Contract except for debris removal, pending the outcome of an evaluation of the Parking Garage conducted by O&S Associates, Inc.; and

Having received a proposal from Perrotto Builders, Ltd., dated January 13, 2010, to substantially demolish and rebuild the existing garage ("the Perrotto Proposal");

Having determined that the Perrotto Proposal was to substantially demolish and rebuild the parking garage, instead of restore it as provided in the Perrotto Garage Contract; that such proposal was based on an uncertain scope of work, an uncertain total cost to the Reading School District and an unexplained schedule; and that supplementary information submitted by Perrotto on January 20, 2010 did not resolve such uncertainties; and

Having determined that, even had all such questions been resolved to the District's satisfaction, the substantial differences between the work contemplated by the Perrotto Garage Contract and the work contemplated by the Perrotto Proposal, would, in the judgment of the Board, be more appropriately addressed by a publicly bid supplemental contract rather than by a change order under the Perrotto Garage Contract; and

Having determined that, for all of these reasons, the Perrotto Proposal did not merit further consideration, especially in light of the fact that further delay in the restoration of the parking garage might jeopardize the ability of the Reading School District to complete the same in time for the opening of school in September, 2010; and;

Having determined that it is in the best interests of the Reading School District to adopt the recommendations of O&S Associates, Inc. for the restoration of the Parking Garage and to take action upon the bids received for such recommended restoration work on January 13, 2010, rather than to substantially demolish and rebuild the garage; and

Having determined that, in light of the foregoing, it is in the best interests of the Reading School District to terminate the Perrotto Garage Contract for the convenience of the Reading School District as further specified herein.

Now therefore, the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District hereby resolves as follows:

- 1. The Perrotto Garage Contract shall be, and hereby is, terminated for the convenience of the District in accordance with the provisions of the Contract for Construction and the General Conditions thereto, including, without limitation, Articles 23.7 and 23.9 of the General Conditions, with the understanding that:
- (a) all warranty and indemnity obligations of Perrotto and its surety under the Parking Garage Contract shall survive and continue in accordance with such provisions;
- (b) the District does not intend to waive or relinquish, and expressly reserves, all rights, claims (including claims for indemnity), remedies and defenses it may have against Perrotto, its surety and any other responsible party, under the Contract for Construction, the General Conditions, or applicable law, for loss or damage arising from Perrotto's submission of applications for payment under the Parking Garage Contract that failed to value properly the amount of work completed; and
- (c) this action is not intended to, and shall not, affect the two (2) existing contracts between the District and Perrotto for general construction work on the Citadel High School Project, being Contract for Construction dated November 28, 2007 entitled "General #1, Area A/B Construction Work" and Contract for

Construction dated November 28, 2007 entitled "General #2, Area C/D/E Construction Work," which shall continue in accordance with their provisions.

- 2. The Administration is authorized and directed to provide such notice as may be appropriate of the Board's actions as set forth in Paragraph 1 hereof to Perrotto and any other interested parties.
- 3. The Board of School Directors authorizes O&S Associates, Inc., Special Construction Counsel and the Administration to take all other actions that they may deem necessary and proper to execute the foregoing resolutions of the Board.

VOTE ON FINANACE AND LEGAL RESOLUTION FIN-59: 8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS: Mr. Stamm Ms. Stroman

Mrs. Torres-Figueroa Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz Mr. Breton

Mrs. McCree Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mr. Storch

FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTION FIN-59 WAS APPROVED.

Ms. Stroman made a motion to consider FIN-60, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton. The resolution was presented as follows:

FIN-60 RESOLUTION REGARDING BIDS RECEIVED FOR RESTORATION OF THE PARKING GARAGE PER RECOMMENDATIONS OF O&S ASSOCIATES, INC.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS THAT:

Having resolved on November 24, 2009, to solicit bids for construction work to restore the Reading Citadel Parking Garage in accordance with the recommendations of O&S Associates, Inc.; and

Having advertised for the receipt of bids on such proposed Project, known as "Citadel Garage Repairs - Structural Repairs and Preventive Maintenance ("the Project"); and

Being advised that bids for work on the Project, including structural repairs and waterproofing, electrical / lighting and fire protection / plumbing work, were received on January 13, 2010;

Now therefore, the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District hereby resolves as follows:

- 1. Subject to: (i) the satisfactory execution and submission of written Contracts for Construction, surety bonds and insurance certificates, all as required by the contract documents for the Project and in such form as may be approved by Special Construction Counsel, and (ii) the approval of the Project by all authorities having jurisdiction thereof, the Board intends to accept the following bid proposals received on January 13, 2010 totaling \$2,537,672.00 and award:
 - (a) Structural Repairs and Waterproofing Work to **Restoration East, LLC**, at a price of \$2,322,980.00;
 - (b) Electrical / Lighting Work to **Pagoda Electrical, Inc.**, at a price of \$136,740.00; and
 - (c) Fire Protection/Plumbing Work to **Rogers Mechanical Company**, at a price of \$77,952.00.
- 2. The Board further authorizes and directs the Administration, O&S Associates, Inc. and Special Construction Counsel to take all such actions as may be necessary to give notice of its actions, as set forth in Paragraph 1 hereof, to all parties in interest in such form and manner as they may deem appropriate.
- 3. The Board of School Directors authorizes O&S Associates, Inc., Special Construction Counsel and the Administration to take all other actions that they may deem necessary and proper to execute the foregoing resolutions of the Board.

VOTE ON FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTION FIN-60: 8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS: Ms. Stroman Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree

Mr. Stamm Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mr. Storch

FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTION FIN-60 WAS APPROVED.

Ms. Wertz made a motion to consider FIN-62 and FIN-63, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton. The resolutions were presented as follows:

FIN-62 BE IT RESOLVED: That the tax collector for the Reading School District is hereby exonerated from collecting the 2009 School Taxes for the property owned by Berks

Counseling Center located at 524 Franklin Street, PIN No. 04-5306-27-89-1554 in the amount of \$1,426.76.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the tax collector for the Reading School District is hereby exonerated from collecting the 2009 School Taxes for the property owned by Berks Counseling Center located at 13 S. 10th Street, PIN No. 03-5317-77-00-6051 in the amount of \$883.58.

FIN-63 BE IT RESOLVED: That the tax collector for the Reading School District is hereby exonerated from collecting the 2009 School Taxes for the property owned by Wesley United Methodist Church situated at 822 North Front Street, PIN No. 15-5307-57-54-5977 in the amount of \$756.83.

VOTE ON FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTIONS FIN-62 AND FIN-63: 6 YEAS; 3 NAYS

YEAS: Mr. Washington Mr. Breton

Mrs. McCree Mr. Storch

Ms. Stroman Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

NAYS: Ms. Wertz Mr. Stamm

Mr. Santoro, President

FINANCE AND LEGAL RESOLUTIONS FIN-62 AND FIN-63 WERE APPROVED.

Facilities and Security

The Facilities and Security Committee presented the following resolutions for consideration:

FIN-13 to FIN-60

Ms. Stroman made a motion to consider FIN-13 to FIN-20, and this was seconded by Mr. Storch. The resolutions were presented as follows:

- FAC-13 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District approves Intervid Incorporated to install an additional camera to the video systems at Amanda Stout for viewing site of future construction on Benner's Court in amount of \$4,575.00, monies to be taken from the 2008 Bond Fund.
- FAC-14 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District approves Intervid Incorporated to install an additional camera to the video systems at the Performing Arts Gateway School Natatorium in amount of \$2,020.00, monies to be taken from the 2008 Bond Fund.
- **FAC-15** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District approves Spotts/Stevens/McCoy Proposal POP183.2010 for hazardous environmental

engineering services required prior to the upcoming demolition of five residential properties on Benner's Court. Scope of work includes asbestos investigation, lead-based paint, PCB and Mercury investigation amount of \$3,935.00, additional PLM's above the 30 quoted in the fee will be invoices at \$15.00/analysis. Monies to be taken from the 2008 Bond Fund.

- FAC-16 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District authorizes Administration to solicit bids for the demolition of 5 building at Benners Court. Monies to be taken from the 2008 Bond Fund. (AES/Benners Court Project)
- FAC-17 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District authorizes Administration to solicit bids for asbestos abatement at Amanda Stout Elementary School. Monies to be taken from the 2008 Bond Fund. (AES/Benners Court Project)
- FAC-18 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District authorizes Administration to solicit bids for the installation of water meters for 22 Reading School District Buildings. Monies to be taken from the 2008 Bond Fund. (Water Meter Project)
- **FAC-19** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District authorizes the submission of PlanCon Part A Project Justification, to the Pennsylvania Department of Education, for the Amanda Stout/Benners Court Elementary School Project.

FAC-19-A

FAC-20 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District approves the modified contract for Michael Kostival Architects for the Windsor and Ritter Project, Option 2, which consists of one new building, estimated student population 600.

FAC-20-A

VOTE ON FACILITIES AND SECURITY RESOLUTIONS FAC-13-FAC-20: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mrs. Torres-Figueroa Mr. Washington

Ms. Wertz Mr. Breton
Mrs. McCree Mr. Stamm
Mr. Storch Ms. Stroman

Mr. Santoro, President

FACILITIES AND SECURITY RESOLUTIONS FAC-13-FAC-20 WERE APPROVED.

Ms. Wertz made a motion to consider FAC-21 - FAC-60, and this was seconded by Mr. Washington. The resolutions were presented as follows:

FAC-21 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Order #486 to Drum Construction, for winter cure for sidewalk pour at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$6,940.00. FAC-21-A

- FAC-22 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Order #506 to Drum Construction, for temporary erosion control through the winter at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$11,507.00. FAC-22-A
- FAC-23 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #472 to Drum Construction, to supply and monitor four dehumidifiers in Building B at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$5,170.00. FAC-23-A
- FAC-24 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #487 to Drum Construction, to add one walk gate with deadlock and ground mounted holdback latch at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$989.00.

 FAC-24-A
- FAC-25 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #493 to Drum Construction, to furnish and install manhole frame and cover-12th Street, at the Reading Intermediate High School in the amount of \$1,079.00.

FAC-25-A

- FAC-26 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #507 to Drum Construction, to relocate sidewalk at loading dock area at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$4,122.00. FAC-26-A
- FAC-27 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #518 to Drum Construction, to supply #4 stone for tire cleaner at Walnut Street, at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$1,423.00.

FAC-27-A

FAC-28 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #519 to Drum Construction, to inspect temporary pump installed in Building B at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$5,200.00.

FAC-28-A

FAC-29 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #489 to Drum Construction, to remove debris at historical retaining wall at the Reading Intermediate High School, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00.

FAC-29-A

- FAC-30 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Directive #449 to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., to cut slab in elevator pit, Building B, to install pump at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$2,862.00.

 FAC-30-A
- FAC-31 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #458 to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., to install CMU wall, Building B at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$2,317.00. FAC-31-A

- FAC-32 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #482 to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., to add framed partition, Room 1019 at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$1,790.00. FAC-32-A
- FAC-33 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #511 to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., to replace damaged window, Building B at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$1,225.00. FAC-33-A
- FAC-34 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #498 to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., to demo rooms 1024 and 1025C, Building B per WCPR, at the Reading Intermediate High School, in an amount not to exceed \$5,500.00.

 FAC-34-A
- FAC-35 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Directive #520 to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., to revise detail at gym entrance at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$7,921.00. FAC-35-A
- **FAC-36** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Directive #476 to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., for metal panel for infill north veneer, Building C at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$9,772.00.

FAC-36-A

- FAC-37 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Directive #515B to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., for revision to conference room at Brick Tower per Bulletins #94 and \$104 at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$47,330.00.

 FAC-37-A
- FAC-38 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Directive #497 to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., for exterior wall repair/replacement SH1A Building C, per Bulletin #97, at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$4,332.00.
- FAC-39 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #500 to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., for new bent plate and handrail materials Stair K at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$4,695.00.

FAC-39-A

FAC-40 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #462B to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., for additional painting and logo for new gym at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$6,466.00.

FAC-40-A

FAC-41 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #462A to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., for overtime for painting in gym to meet schedule at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$1,722.00.

FAC-41-A

- FAC-42 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #502C to Perrotto Builders, Ltd., for steel braces and installation for truss support mods at Walnut Street tower at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$2,876.00.

 FAC-42-A
- FAC-43 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Directive #528 to Warko Group, to furnish and install wood blocking, plywood and EPDM waterproofing at historic wall at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$11,136.00. FAC-43-A
- FAC-44

 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Order #494 to Stong Fire Protection, to add one sprinkler head in IDF room Building B and one sprinkler head in bathroom at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$1,956.00.

 FAC-44-A
- FAC-45 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #459 to Stong Fire Protection, to perform two shutdowns and drainage of C-3 at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$850.00.

FAC-45-A

- FAC-46 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #488 to Stong Fire Protection, to perform flow test of City water at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$2,400.00. FAC-46-A
- FAC-47 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #492 to Stong Fire Protection, to add new sprinkler line 3rd floor Chapel at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$1,842.00. FAC-47-A
- FAC-48

 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #505 to Stong Fire Protection, to replace existing flanged tee Building B with cement lined flanged 90 degree elbow at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$1,126.00.

 FAC-48-A
- **FAC-49** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Order #512 to Stong Fire Protection, to convert 7th & 8th floors of Chapel from wet to dry system at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$5,400.00.

FAC-49-A

- FAC-50 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District Ratifies Change Order to Stong Fire Protection, to add new dry valve and air compressor Stairwell #4 Building C at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$4,880.00.

 FAC-50-A
- FAC-51 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #463 to J. R. Reynolds, for excavation, capping and cleaning out blockage at existing sanitary line at the Reading Intermediate High School, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

 FAC-51-A

- FAC-52 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #485C to J. R. Reynolds, for additional work for relocation of sewer lines at handicap ramps at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$9,800.00.

 FAC-52-A
- FAC-53 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #463B to J. R. Reynolds, to video tape and potential repair at sanitary sewer line Building B at the Reading Intermediate High School, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00. FAC-53-A
- FAC-54 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District ratifies Change Directive #485A to J. R. Reynolds, to relocate sewer lines at handicap ramps at the Reading Intermediate High School, in an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00.

FAC-54-A

FAC-55 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Order #515A to Farfield Company for electrical tower changes per Bulletin #104 at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$2,997.00.

FAC-55-A

FAC-56 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Order #514 to Farfield Company for installation of card reader per Bulletin #101 at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$6,526.00.

FAC-56-A

- FAC-57 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Order #527 to Farfield Company for lighting changes per Bulletin #94 at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$2,533.00. FAC-57-A
- FAC-58 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Order #529 to Farfield Company for dry system for Walnut Street tower at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$4,862.00.

FAC-58-A

FAC-59 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Order #523 to Singer Food Service Equipment Inc., to add custom stainless steel column cover at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$989.00.

FAC-59-A

FAC-60 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors of the Reading School District approves Change Order #235B to Worth and Company Inc., for two fire dampers installed east wall and two fire dampers on south wall at the Reading Intermediate High School, in the amount of \$6,763.00.

FAC-60-A

VOTE ON FACILITIES AND SECURITY RESOLUTIONS FAC-21-FAC-60: 7 YEAS; 2 NAYS YEAS: Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz
Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree

Mr. Stamm Ms. Stroman

Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mr. Storch Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

FACILITIES AND SECURITY RESOLUTIONS FAC-21-FAC-60 WERE APPROVED.

Student Services

The Student Services Committee presented the following resolutions:

SS-5 TO SS-17

Ms. Wertz made a motion to consider SS-5 - SS-17, and this was seconded by Mr. Storch. The resolutions were presented as follows:

SS-5 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors ratifies the continuation of an Agreement between the Reading School District and the KidsPeace Children's Hospital, Inc., located in the County of Lehigh, Pennsylvania to provide tutorial education services for the following students placed in the Acute Partial Hospital Program. Total cost not to exceed \$23,520.00.

<u>ID</u> #	Duration	Cost
119828	December 09, 2009 - June 30, 2010	\$3,120.00
111663	December 16, 2009 - June 30, 2010	\$3,120.00
309086	December 17, 2009 - June 30, 2010	\$3,000.00
117589	December 21, 2009 - June 30, 2010	\$3,000.00
120628	January 14, 2010 - June 30, 2010	\$2,640.00
117986	December 13, 2009 - June 30, 2010	\$3,120.00
308636	January 14, 2010 - June 30, 2010	\$2,640.00

Services will be provided by KidsPeace National Centers, Inc. Students are referred to Acute Partial Hospital by a parent or guardian. The tutorial rate is \$24.00 per hour for five (5) hours per week commencing. The cost to the District will not exceed \$20,640.00. (IDEA Fund)

ID#	Duration	Cost
115124	January 6, 2010 – June 30, 2010	\$2,880.00

Services will be provided by KidsPeace National Centers, Inc. Students are referred to Acute Partial Hospital by a parent or guardian. The tutorial rate is \$24.00 per hour for five (5) hours per week commencing. The cost to the District will not exceed \$2,880.00 (General Fund)

SS-5-A

SS-6 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors ratifies the continuation of an Agreement between the Reading School District and Opportunities School to provide educational services to three students, at the Opportunities School, based on the student's Individual Education Plan (IEP), at a tuition rate of \$142.86 per student per day for a cost not to exceed \$61,572.14. (IDEA Fund)

<u>ID #</u>	<u>Duration</u>	Cost
104604	November 2, 2009 - June 30, 2010	\$22,000.44
101439	August 27, 2009 - June 30, 2010	\$26,000.00
125869	January 19, 2010 – June 30, 2010	\$13,571.70

SS-6-A

SS-7 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors ratifies the continuation of an Agreement between the Reading School District and Northwestern Human Services of Pennsylvania (NHS) Autism School to provide educational services based on the student's, Individual Education Plan (IEP), at the following cost; not to exceed \$17,161.44. (IDEA and ACCESS Fund)

<u>ID #</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Cost</u>
107409	2/14/2009-06/11/2010 (\$145.92 /day)	\$16,197.12
Speech Therapy	2 hrs/mth for 6 mths (\$80.36 /hr)	\$964.32

SS-7-A

SS-8 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors ratifies the continuation of an Agreement between the Reading School District and Children's Home of Reading (CHOR) Day Academy to provide three students with special needs, based on the student's Individual Education Plan (IEP), at a tuition rate of \$140.00 per day, not to exceed \$75,600.00. (IDEA Fund)

<u>ID #</u>	<u>Duration</u>	Cost
111007	2009 - 2010 school year	\$25,200.00
026747	2009 - 2010 school year	\$25,200.00
303361	2009 – 2010 school year	\$25,200.00

SS-8-A

SS-9 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves an agreement between 'A Total Approach' and the Reading School District to do an independent Occupational Therapy Evaluation, for two students, as per due process proceedings, at a cost not to exceed \$3,900.00. (IDEA Fund)

1) <u>Student ID#</u>	<u>Cost</u>	2) <u>Student ID#</u>	<u>Cost</u>
119836	\$1,500.00	301535	\$2,400.00

SS-9-A

SS-10 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves a 2009-2010 Client Services Agreement between the Reading School District and Sunbelt Staffing, LLC,

pending review by the Reading School District Solicitor, for the purpose of referring and placing Healthcare Professionals' (HCP) for assignment with client. The Reading School District will be using Healthcare Professionals' Speech Language Pathologist services at a cost not to exceed \$69.00 per hour. (ACCESS Fund)

SS-10-A

SS-11 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves the attendance of two school nurses, (Deborah S. Foley and Christine M. Wendt), to attend the Pennsylvania Association of School Nurses and Practitioners Annual Education Conference (PASNAP) in Station Square, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on April 9, 10, 11, 2010. The nurses will gain information and knowledge related to school nursing practices through various information sessions; updates on new information from the state; networking with other school nurses. Information and materials gained from their attendance will be shared with other nurses in the Reading School District. Cost not to exceed \$786.50. (General Fund)

SS-11-A

SS-12 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves applications for HIV/STD/Pregnancy Prevention mini-grants for up to \$5,000.00 currently available from the Pennsylvania Department of Education's Bureau of Teaching and Learning Support. These federal funds are provided through a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and are to be used to improve the quality of HIV/STD/Pregnancy prevention education programs; develop a standards-based health/HIV prevention education curriculum; purchase prevention or risk-reduction curricula, such as Making Proud choices; purchase resource materials providing for professional development and providing for parental programs or support student-based prevention activities such as peer educators. The grant will be implemented with 9th and 10th grade students. Grant deadline is January 29, 2010.

SS-12-A

- SS-13 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves payment of eighty (80) hours of direct supervision by a Board Certified Behavioral Analyst (BCBA) at a rate of \$75.00 per hour, not to exceed \$6,000.00. The cost will enable a Reading School District's Behavior Specialist to receive certification. This certification will decrease the outside evaluations for behavior by a certified specialist. (Special Education Stimulus)
- **SS-14** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors rescinds Resolution 13 of the October 28, 2009 Board Agenda which read:

"Approves the reorganization and implementation of a Reading School District evening Alternative Education Program for Disruptive Youth at two locations: Southwest Middle School (grades 9-10) and EXCEL (grades 11-12). Each program will provide students with direct and indirect instruction, counseling intervention and support, and periodic evaluation and monitoring to assess behavior, academics, and attendance for placement of students back into the day school program, at a cost not to excel \$331,739.00. (PA PACT Fund)"

SS-14-A

SS-15 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves the reorganization and implementation of the Reading School District Evening Alternative Education Program for Disruptive Youth at Southwest Middle School (grades 11-12); henceforth, referred to as the Lighthouse Program for grades 11-12 at Southwest Middle School (SWMS), with additional hours for a school counselor at a rate of \$25.00 per hour; 4 hours per night; five nights per week; twenty-five weeks to reflect the hours needed for alternative education students (2.5 hours per week). The school counselor will provide counseling intervention and support, assessment of behavior and academics, and review the attendance of students for placement back into the day school program. Students in grades 9-10 will continue their program at the Evening Alternative Education site (Light House Program) located at Reading High School for the remainder of the academic year. The EXCEL Program cannot be used in the evening for night school due to religious classes scheduled at the site. Total cost of the program is \$167,247.50. (PA PACT Fund)

SS-15-A

SS-16 Authorizes the Reading School District to establish an Educational Trust in the amount of Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00 – IDEA Fund) for Student # 303431, in a restricted educational trust fund with ARC Community Trust of Pennsylvania until the student's age of 21 or time of graduation; in addition, up to \$14,419.38 (General Fund) to McAndrews Law Offices for reimbursement of documented attorney's fees. (General Fund)

SS-17 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors approves the attendance of one special education administrator, Erin Jacobs, to attend the PASA Education Conference with Dr. Robert Marzano in Harrisburg – Sheraton Four Points on March 17 - 18, 2010, at a cost not to exceed \$572.20. (IDEA Fund)

SS-17-A

VOTE ON STUDENT SERVICES RESOLUTIONS SS-5-SS-17: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Ms. Wertz Mr. Breton

Mrs. McCreeMr. StammMr. StorchMs. StromanMrs. Torres-FigueroaMr. Washington

Mr. Santoro, President

STUDENT SERVICES RESOLUTIONS SS-5 - SS-17 WERE APPROVED.

Community Relations and Policy

The Community Relations and Policy Committee presented the following resolutions:

CRP-1 - CRP-3

Mr. Washington made a motion to consider resolutions CRP-1 - CRP-3, and this was seconded by Mrs. Torres-Figueroa. The resolutions were presented as follows:

- CRP-1 That the Board of Directors authorizes the donation of the cross that was removed from the Reading Intermediate High School to St. Joseph's Medical Center.
- CRP-2 In recognition of School Director Recognition Month, the Reading School District Board of Directors accepts the PSBA resolution, as follows:

WHEREAS, the role of locally elected school officials has served the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and local communities in meeting the needs of public education since the passage of the Free School Act in 1834; and

WHEREAS, these local boards have discharged their responsibilities to public education in a manner which has placed public education in the forefront of our educational systems; and

WHEREAS, locally elected officials have distinguished themselves and their communities in this nonpaid, volunteer public service commitment; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of these men and women should be recognized and appreciated by those who benefit from the workings of our public school system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association hereby proclaims this month of January as School Director Recognition Month in this commonwealth; and

FURTHER RESOLVE that this proclamation be communicated to all school district, school officials and local communities in a planned program which brings visibility and awareness of the role of locally elected school officials to the citizenry of this commonwealth.

CP-3 That the Board of Directors graciously accepts the donation of 3,500 books, *Making New Friends*, from Mr. David C. Pool, at a value of \$5.00 per book, for a total of \$17,500.00.

VOTE ON COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND POLICY RESOLUTIONS CRP-1 - CRP-3: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree

Mr. Stamm

Ms. Stroman Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

Mr. Storch

Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz

Mr. Santoro, President

COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND POLICY RESOLUTIONS CRP-1 - CRP-3 WERE APPROVED.

Extracurricular Activities

The Extracurricular Activities Committee presented the following resolutions for consideration:

EX-2 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District approves the payment of the fall concession profit. Fund raising groups get 65% of the profit, Athletic Department 35% of the profit. Net Profit = \$10,417.53 Split.

Softball	\$1	,088.26
Band	\$	967.34
Baseball	\$	846.42
Golf	\$	725.51
Field Hockey	\$	483.67
Water Polo	\$	846.42
Cross Country	\$	846.42
Volleyball	\$	967.34
Athletics	\$3	,646.14

- **EX-3** BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Reading School District authorizes the use of Reservoir Stadium, 2 classrooms, TV/VCR and Gym (only if it rains) to the Philadelphia Eagle Youth Football Camp from June 28, 2010 through July 2, 2010. The Eagles will provide the Reading School District with five scholarships to our students and pay a \$2,800.00 rental fee.
- EX-4 This resolution is being pulled from the agenda for consideration after a policy is created regarding funds derived from vending machines.
- EX-5 BE IT RESOLVED, That the following named personnel be granted permission to be absent from duty, with no deduction in salary, to attend the Pennsylvania State Athletic Directors Association Conference at Hershey, PA, from March 24-26, 2010, at a cost not to exceed \$1,970.00, funded by the Athletic Fund.

Allen McCloud Daniel Scott

EX-5-A

EX-6 BE IT RESOLVED, That the following named personnel be granted permission to be absent from duty, with no deduction in salary, to attend the National Athletic Trainers

Association Clinical Symposium (NATA) 2010 Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA, FROM June 22-25, 2010, at a cost not to exceed \$980.00, funded by the Athletic Fund.

Daniel Meyers EX-6-A

EX-7 That Resolution 4 adopted by the Board of School Directors on November 24, 2009, listing game workers for the 2009-10 school year be amended as per the attached list (the additions are in bold).

EX-7-A

EX-8 That Resolution 3 adopted by the Board of School Directors on August 26, 2009 listing individuals and compensation for winter coaching positions extracurricular assignments for the 2009-10 school year be amended as follows:

Auxiliary (Volunteer) coaches:

Add the following assignment, individuals and/or compensation:

High School Cheerleading Add Devin Keel

High School Football Add Charles McKnight

EX-9 That Resolution 1 adopted by the Board of School Directors on September 22, 2009 listing individuals and compensation for non-athletic extracurricular assignments for the 2009-10 school year be amended as follows:

Middle School Co-Curricular Liaison 09-10

Change and Add the following assignment, individuals and/or compensation:

SWMS	Change	Maria Wengyn	\$600.00
	To	Maria Wengyn	\$200.00 (FALL)
	Add	Jamie Naftzinger	\$400.00

Millmont Elementary School

Add the following assignment, individuals and/or compensation:

Bus Duty	Add	Kim Durham	\$125.00
	Remove	Crista Klinger	\$200.00

Reading High School Activities

Change and Add the following assignment, individuals and/or compensation:

Book Club	Change	Debra George	\$500.00
	To	Debra George	\$250.00
Debate Club	Change	Phillip Bower	\$960.00
	To	Phillip Bower	\$600.00

Future Teachers Of America	Remove	Russel Diessinger	\$670.00
Rooks	Change	Charles Dicarni	\$800.00
	To	Brian Simpson	\$800.00
Castleaires	Change	Brian Simpson	\$1,300.00
	То	Charles Dicarni	\$1,300.00
French Club	Add	K. Riegel-Martinez	\$485.00
French Club	Add	Millyann Bittner	\$485.00
French Club	Remove	Jocabed Robles	\$970.00
Latin Club	Change	Tsehay Jackson	\$950.00
Latin Club	To	Tsehay Jackson	\$770.00
Red Pen	Remove	Shannon Spohn	\$500.00
Spanish Club	Remove	Nayda Alvarez	\$510.00
Spanish Club	Remove	Michelle Munteanu	\$510.00
Spanish Club	Add	Carolina Perez-Ram	os \$700.00

Remove the following assignments, individuals, and/or compensation:

<u>Intramurals</u>			
Super Fit	Remove	Nancy Marquez	\$150.00
Soccer	Remove	Ben Raifsnyder	\$150.00
Basketball	Remove	Ben Raifsnyder	\$150.00
Cheerleader	Remove	Kelly Bucca	\$150.00
Dance Team	Remove	Stacey Moyer	\$150.00
Track & Field	Remove	Kathleen Palette	\$150.00
Basketball	Remove	Mitch Hettinger	\$150.00
Wiffleball	Remove	Mitch Hettinger	\$150.00
Golf	Remove	Duane Kring	\$150.00
Tennis	Remove	Jennifer MacWilliam	\$150.00
Tennis	Remove	Vernon Burkhart	\$150.00
Basketball	Remove	Julia Tramontana	\$150.00
Field Hockey	Remove	Nicole Wojton	\$150.00
Wrestling SWMS	Remove	Joseph Ferrari	\$150.00
Basketball	Remove	Scott Key	\$150.00
Wrestling RHS	Remove	Joseph Ferrari	\$150.00

EX-10 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of School Directors adjusts the base salary of Linda A. Greth in the amount of \$12,000.00 annually (\$1,000.00 per month) for additional duties as Secretary of the Board for the term beginning July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013, which represents the term of office.

VOTE ON EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES RESOLUTIONS EX-2 - EX-10:

9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mrs. McCree Mr. Stamm

Mr. Storch Ms. Stroman
Mrs. Torres-Figueroa Mr. Washington
Ms. Wertz Mr. Breton

Mr. Santoro, President

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES RESOLUTIONS EX-2 - EX-10 WERE APPROVED.

General Resolutions

The following General Resolutions were presented for consideration:

GEN-1 - GEN-8

Mrs. McCree made a motion to consider GEN-1, and this was seconded by Ms. Stroman.

GEN-1 WHEREAS, a Committee of the Board of Directors of the Reading School District held a hearing on Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 4:05 P.M. at the recommendation of the school administration for the expulsion of a high school student.

WHEREAS, after hearing thereon, the Committee has reached a decision and recommendation on the requested expulsion.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved that Student No. 101778 is expelled from the Reading School District for the entire 2009-2010 school year.

A copy of the findings of fact and conclusions are adopted by the Board of Directors but shall be confidential unless the student appeals this expulsion at which time the findings and conclusions shall be filed with the Court.

GEN-1-A

VOTE ON GEN-1: 9 YEAS; 0 NAYS

YEAS: Mr. Stamm Mr. Storch

Ms. Stroman Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

Mr. Washington
Ms. Wertz
Mr. Breton
Mrs. McCree

Mr. Santoro, President

GEN-1 WAS APPROVED

Mrs. McCree made a motion to consider GEN-2, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton.

GEN-2 WHEREAS, a Committee of the Board of Directors of the Reading School District held a hearing on Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 3:25 P.M. at the recommendation of the school administration for the expulsion of a high school student; and

WHEREAS, after hearing thereon, the Committee has reached a decision and recommendation on the requested expulsion.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved that Student No. 027996 is expelled for the first semester of the 2009-10 school year.

A copy of the findings of fact and conclusions are adopted by the Board of Directors but shall be confidential unless the student appeals this expulsion at which time the findings and conclusions shall be filed with the Court.

GEN-2-A

VOTE ON GEN-2: 8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS: Mr. Storch Ms. Stroman

Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz
Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree

Mr. Stamm Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

GEN-2 WAS APPROVED.

Mrs. McCree made a motion to consider GEN-3, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton.

GEN-3 WHEREAS, a Committee of the Board of Directors of the Reading School District held a hearing on Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 2:50 P.M. at the recommendation of the school administration for the expulsion of a high school student; and

WHEREAS, after hearing thereon, the Committee has reached a decision and recommendation on the requested expulsion.

NOW THEREFORE, Be It Resolved that Student No. 120984 is expelled from the Reading School District for the second semester of the 2008-09 school year and the first semester of the 2009-10 school year subject to Student No. 120984 complying with the Alternative Education Program exit requirements having no disciplinary issues at the Alternative Education Program, and participating in peer mediation. Failure to meet these requirements will extend the expulsion until the end of the 2009-10 school year.

A copy of the findings of fact and conclusions are adopted by the Board of Directors but shall be confidential unless the student appeals this expulsion at which time the findings and conclusions shall be filed with the Court.

GEN-3-A

VOTE ON GEN-3: 8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS: Ms. Stroman Mr. Washington

Ms. Wertz Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree Mr. Stamm

Mr. Storch Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

GEN-3 WAS APPROVED.

Mr. Storch made a motion to consider GEN-4, and this was seconded by Ms. Stroman.

GEN-4 WHEREAS, a Committee of the Board of Directors of the Reading School District held a hearing on Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 2:15 P.M. at the recommendation of the school administration for the expulsion of a senior high school student.

WHEREAS, after hearing thereon, the Committee has reached a decision and recommendation on the requested expulsion.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Resolved that Student No. 029259 is expelled from the Reading School District for the entire 2009-2010 school year with a recommendation of alternative education placement at the Alsace School.

A copy of the findings of fact and conclusions are adopted by the Board of Directors but shall be confidential unless the student appeals this expulsion at which time the findings and conclusions shall be filed with the Court.

GEN-4-A

VOTE ON GEN-4: 8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS: Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz

Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree
Mr. Stamm Mrs. Storch

Ms. Stroman Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

GEN-4 WAS APPROVED.

Mr. Storch made a motion to consider GEN-5, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton.

GEN-5 WHEREAS, a Committee of the Board of Directors of the Reading School District held a hearing on Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 12:50 P.M. at the recommendation of the school administration for the expulsion of a senior high school student; and

WHEREAS, after hearing thereon, the Committee has reached a decision and recommendation on the requested expulsion.

NOW THEREFORE, be it Resolved that Student No. 025392 is expelled from the Reading School District from the date of the incident (May 22, 2009) to the end of the first semester of the 2009-10 school year subject to the following:

- 1. Student shall have no disciplinary problems at the alternative education program.
- 2. Student will cooperate with the Administration in addressing (speaking to) "at risk" students as to his experience and lessons learned.
- 3. Administration and student shall make every effort to have student graduate at end of the 2009-10 school year.
- 4. Student's behavior intervention plan shall continue after his reenrollment at Reading Senior High School.

A copy of the findings of fact and conclusions are adopted by the Board of Directors but shall be confidential unless the student appeals this expulsion at which time the findings and conclusions shall be filed with the Court.

GEN-5-A

VOTE ON GEN-5: 8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS: Ms. Wertz Mr. Breton

Mrs. McCree Mr. Stamm Mr. Storch Ms. Stroman

Mr. Washington Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

GEN-5 WAS APPROVED.

Mr. Storch made a motion to consider GEN-6, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton.

GEN-6 WHEREAS, a Committee of the Board of Directors of the Reading School District held a hearing on Wednesday, December 16, 2009 at 11:15 A.M. at the recommendation of the School Administration for the expulsion of a high school student.

WHEREAS, after hearing thereon, the Committee has reached a decision and recommendation on the requested expulsion.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Resolved that Student no. 103217 is expelled from the Reading School District from September 17, 2009 until January 4, 2010.

A copy of the findings of fact and conclusions are adopted by the Board of Directors but shall be confidential unless the student appeals this expulsion at which time the findings and conclusions shall be filed with the Court.

GEN-6-A

VOTE ON GEN-6: 8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS: Mr. Breton Mrs. McCree

Mr. Stamm Mr. Storch Ms. Stroman Mr. Washington

Ms. Wertz Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

GEN-6 WAS APPROVED.

Mr. Storch made a motion to consider GEN-7, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton.

GEN-7 WHEREAS, a Committee of the Board of Directors of the Reading School District held a hearing on Wednesday, December 16, 2009 at 9:45 A.M. at the recommendation of the School Administration for the expulsion of a Gateway School student; and

WHEREAS, after hearing thereon, the Committee has reached a decision and recommendation on the requested expulsion.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Resolved that Student No. 111911 is expelled from the Reading School District for the 2009-10 school year.

A copy of the findings of fact and conclusions are adopted by the Board of Directors but shall be confidential unless the student appeals this expulsion at which time the findings and conclusions shall be filed with the Court.

GEN-7-A

VOTE ON GEN-7: 8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS: Mrs. McCree Mr. Stamm

Mr. Storch Ms. Stroman Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz

Mr. Breton Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

GEN-7 WAS APPROVED.

Mr. Storch made a motion to consider GEN-8, and this was seconded by Mr. Breton.

GEN-8 WHEREAS, a Committee of the Board of Directors of the Reading School District held a hearing on Wednesday, December 16, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. at the recommendation of the School Administration for the expulsion of a high school student; and

WHEREAS, after hearing thereon, the Committee has reached a decision and recommendation on the requested expulsion.

NOW THEREFORE, be it Resolved that Student No. 026108 is expelled from the Reading School District for the 2009-10 school year.

A copy of the findings of fact and conclusions are adopted by the Board of Directors but shall be confidential unless the student appeals this expulsion at which time the findings and conclusions shall be filed with the Court.

GEN-8-A

VOTE ON GEN-8: 8 YEAS; 1 NAY

YEAS: Mr. Stamm Mr. Storch

Ms. Stroman Mr. Washington Ms. Wertz Mr. Breton

Mrs. McCree Mr. Santoro, President

NAYS: Mrs. Torres-Figueroa

GEN-8 WAS APPROVED.

At this time, Mr. Breton made a motion to adjourn, and this was seconded by Mr. Storch. The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

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Secretary of the Board	Date	