



BOARD BRIEFS

*PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
DR. CLARENCE ALSTON*

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At the Regular meeting of the Pleasantville Board of Education held on Tuesday, January 27, 2009, the Board of Education approved the following items:

FINANCE:

It is recommended, that the payments totaling **\$11,975,740.51** December 9, 2008 through January 27, 2009 be approved by the Board. The payments have been reviewed by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS/FINANCE:

It is recommended, that the Board of Education of the City of Pleasantville approve the following Finance Items:

1. Approval of 2008-2009 Purchase Orders in the amount of **\$7,750,703.42**.
2. Approval of 2008-2009 Transfers in the amount of **\$810,344.08**.
3. Approval of 21st Century payments in the amount of **\$288.24**.
4. Approval of the Facilities Usage Report dated January 13, 2009. (see attached).
5. Approval of the Renewal Agreement with Scientific Learning Corporation, Fast ForWord Reading Assistant for the Washington Avenue School, Leeds Avenue School, North Main Street School and South Main Street School from February 29, 2009 through June 30, 2009 in the amount of **\$3,133.33**. Account #20-238-100-600-0000-545.
6. Approval of one student W.R. to attend the Residential Program at the Newark Renaissance House, Inc. at a rate of **\$30.00** per hour of instruction to be billed monthly. Account #11-000-100-566-0000-400.
7. Approval of one student T.W. to attend the Atlantic City Board of Education, Auditory Program for the 2008-2009 school year in amount of **\$39,885.00**. Account #11-000-100-561-0000-400.
8. Approval of Ann Maselli, Sign Language Interpreter who is a member of the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc. She is to be utilized particularly for Individualized Educational Program (IEP's) meetings. The fee for this service is **\$50.00** per hour. Account #11-000-219-320-0000-400.
9. Resolution to review the Early Childhood Report for expansion aid review for 2007-2008, and intend to make an appeal of the potential reviewing of the expansion aid totaling **\$309,816.00**.

10. Resolution to approve the Establishment of Petty Cash funds: Self-Contained Life Skills, Business Office, Facilities, and Curriculum and Instruction in the amount of **\$200.00** each.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

1. SUBSTITUTES

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Timothy Morrison	Substitute Teachers	District	Jan 14, 2009- June 30, 2009	\$95.00 per day	11-120-100- 100-0000-236
Christina Salcedo					
Jenny Paulino					
Colin Willis					11-130-100- 100-0000-236
Robin Hendrickson					
Mary Butterhof					
Hillary Goldstein					11-140-100- 100-0000-236
Barbara Mason					
Michelle Begonia					
Ducan Lane					
Joseph Polizzi					
Ashley Parker					
Timothy Brunetti					
Margaret Gunter					

2. CERTIFIED STAFF

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Anais Mixon (Medical Leave)	Athletic Trainer	PHS	Jan 20, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	*\$105.00 per day, (substitute nurse's salary) \$46,185, BA, Step 1, pro-rated (licensed salary)	15-140-100- 101-0000-050

*Candidate will receive \$105.00 per day (a substitute nurse's salary) until New Jersey License is received.

3. CERTIFIED STAFF FOR EMERGENT HIRE

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Anais Mixon (Medical Leave)	Athletic Trainer	PHS	Jan 20, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	*\$105.00 per day, (substitute nurse's salary) \$46,185, BA, Step 1, pro-rated (licensed salary)	15-140-100- 101-0000-050

4. CLASSIFIED STAFF

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Havana Berry	Confidential Secretary	Admin Bldg- LA	Feb 2, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	\$35,558	11-000-251- 100-0000-236

5. RESIGNATION

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Christina Cigala	Speech- Language Specialist	District	Mar 17, 2009	\$49,837	11-000-216- 101-0000-400
Angela Betances	Psychologist	PHS	Mar 18, 2009	\$78,885	11-000-219- 104-0000-434

6. RETIREMENT

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Lincoln Green, Jr.	Custodian	LAS	Jan 14, 2009	\$40,619	11-000-262- 100-0000-080

7. MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITH BENEFITS

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Kaisha Medina	Teacher	LAS	Feb 26, 2009- May 14, 2009	\$0	N/A
Angela Betances	Psychologist	PHS	Dec 22, 2008- Mar 17, 2009	\$0	N/A

8. INTERMITTENT MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITH BENEFITS

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Artego McCants	Custodian	WAS	Dec 4, 2008- Jun 30, 2009	\$0	N/A

9. CHILD REARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT BENEFITS

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
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Michele Ferretti	Teacher	MSP	May 13, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	N/A	N/A
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10. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEDICAL LEAVE WITH BENEFITS

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Rena Graves	Instructional Aide	WAS	Jan 5, 2009-Jun 30, 2009	\$0	N/A

11. TRANSFER

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Corine Peebles	Instructional Aide	From: LAS To: NMSS	Jan 5, 2009-Jun 30, 2009	\$28,359	15-213-100-106-0000-085

12. SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Timothy Newkirk	Teacher	MSP	Jan 19, 2009	From: B+30, \$48,373, Step 4 To: MA, \$49,145, Step 4	15-240-100-101-0000-055
Lisa Yaccarino	Teacher	MSP	Jan 19, 2009	From: MA, \$49,145, Step 4 To: MA+15, \$49,919, Step 4	15-213-100-101-0000-055

13. DECLINED A2 COACHING POSITION

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Jim Bucko	Head Co-ed Volleyball Coach	MSP	Oct 14, 2008- Jun 30, 2009	\$2,346	15-402-100-100-0000-055

14. A2 CONTRACTS CLUB ADVISORS

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Virginia Baralus Liza Levitt- Tighe	Protect the Environment Club Advisors	MSP	Dec 10, 2008- Jun 30, 2009	\$814 each	15-130-100-101-0000-055

15. SPANISH TEACHER FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Donald Barnes	Spanish Teacher	District	Jan 6, 2009- Apr 2, 2009	\$37.00 per hr (not to exceed 85 hrs)	20-270-100- 100-0000-545
Nancy Wiesenfeld	Spanish Instructor	District	Jan 14, 2009- Apr 8, 2009	\$37.00 per hr (not to exceed 25 hrs)	20-240-100- 100-0001-545

16. HOME INSTRUCTION 2008-2009

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Asha Reaves- Jackson Monique Johnson Kristen Zappelli	Home Instructors	District	Dec 12, 2008- Jun 30, 2009	\$37.00 per hr	11-150-100- 101-0000-400

17. TITLE I DISTRICT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Elva Thomas	Bookkeeper	Funded Programs- Decatur	Jan 14, 2009- May 31, 2009	\$22.00 per hr (not to exceed 10 hrs)	20-231-200- 100-0000-545

18. ATHLETIC CONTEST WORKERS

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Nikki Smith Latisha Cooper	Athletic Contest Workers	District	Dec 15, 2008- Jun 30, 2009	\$22.00 per game	15-402-100- 100-0000-050

19. SCHOOL LEADERSHIP COUNCIL 2008-2009

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Luis Enriquez	Parent Representative	MSP	Jan 5, 2009-Jun 30, 2009	N/A	N/A

20. 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Alexandra Ramirez	Site Coordinator Aide	Community Centers	Dec 15, 2008- Jun 30, 2009	\$13.00 per hr	20-290-200- 100-0000-545

21. STAR PORTAL TRAINING/WAS

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Carmen Torres	Parent Liaison	WAS	Jan 14, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	\$22.00 per hr (not to exceed	15-190-100- 106-0000-060

				12 hrs)	
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22. ACADEMIC ACADEMY

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Faith Penrose	Bilingual Tutor	WAS	Jan 14, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	\$37.00 per hr (not to exceed 2 hrs per wk)	15-120-100- 101-0000-060
Sydney Simpson	Science Teacher	MSP	Jan 15, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	\$37.00 per hr (not to exceed 84 hrs)	15-000-221- 104-0000-055
Patricia Davis Susan Chiginsky Nicola Tasoff	Special Ed Teachers	MSP	Jan 15, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	\$37.00 per hr (not to exceed 84 hrs)	15-000-221- 104-0000-055
Karla Carmichael Carla Block-Ropiecki Darlyne de Haan	Math Teachers	MSP	Jan 15, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	\$37.00 per hr (not to exceed 84 hrs)	15-000-221- 104-0000-055
Leni Benjamin	Lead Teacher	MSP	Jan 15, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	\$42.00 per hr (not to exceed 48 hrs)	15-000-221- 104-0000-055
Lois Saathoff	ESL	MSP	Jan 15, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	\$37.00 per hr (not to exceed 84 hrs)	15-000-221- 104-0000-055
Denita Bunch	Secretary	MSP	Jan 15, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	\$22.00 per hr (not to exceed 60 hrs)	15-000-221- 104-0000-055
Irene Cruz	Security Officer	MSP	Jan 15, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	\$22.00 per hr (not to exceed 60 hrs)	15-000-221- 104-0000-055
Jennifer Martinez Adrienne Wesley	Teachers	SMSS	Jun 14, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	\$37.00 per hr	15-120-100- 101-0000-095

23. STOCKTON FIELD PLACEMENTS/PRACTICUM INTERNSHIPS

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Lori Lenzi	11 th Grade English Placement with Freda Riblet	PHS	Jan 26, 2009- May 5, 2009	N/A	N/A
Mike LaTorre	9-12 th Grade Biological Science Placement with Richard Poole	PHS	Jan 26, 2009- May 5, 2009	N/A	N/A
Johanna Builes	Speech Therapist Intern with Christina Cigalia	District	Jan 14, 2009- May 4, 2009	N/A	N/A
Sarah Toomey	Speech Therapist Intern with Ann Campbell	District	Jan 14, 2009- May 4, 2009	N/A	N/A

24. ROWAN UNIVERSITY CLINICAL PRACTICUM

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Alicia Brown	H.S Math Placement with Kelly Morgan	PHS	Jan 20, 2009- May 8, 2009	N/A	N/A

25. DECLINED ROWAN UNIVERSITY CLINICAL PRACTICUM

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Alicia Brown	H.S Math placement with Bonnie Warwick	PHS	Jan 20, 2009- May 8, 2009	N/A	N/A

26. VOLUNTEERS

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
Rosemarie Saponaro Elsa Schuster	Volunteer Aides	SMSS	Jan 14, 2009- Jun 30, 2009	N/A	N/A

27. NUTRI SERV FOOD SERVICE WORKER

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Salary	Funding Source
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Nichole Hill	Food Service Worker	PHS	Dec 15, 2008- Jun 30, 2009	N/A	N/A
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It is recommended that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent and hereby approves the:

27. Contract with Atlantic/Cape Community College for Office Internship Placements

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following Curriculum and Instruction Items:

1. Approval of Employee Conference/Workshop Requests (Form Attached)
2. Approval of Fund Raiser Requests (Form Attached)
3. Approval of Activity Requests (Form Attached)
4. Approval of Student Field Trips

SCHOOL	DATE	EVENT/LOCATION	COST	ACCT#
MSP	1/22/09	Annual Dr. MLK, Jr. Breakfast Atlantic City Country Club	\$150.00	15-000-270-512-0000-055
MSP	3/7/09	Stockton College STEM Program Pomona, NJ	\$912.50	15-000-270-512-0000-055 15-000-240-500-0000-055
MSP	6/3/09	Young's Skating Center	\$1,640.00	15-190-100-890--0000-055 15-000-240 -500-0000-055
MSP	6/3/09	Liberty Science Center Jersey City, NJ	\$2,485.00	15-000-270-512-0000-055
MSP	5/28/09	Morey's Pier Educational Extravaganza 8 th Grade Class – Wildwood, NJ	\$7,470.00	15-190-100-890--0000-055 15-000-240 -500-0000-055
MSP (6-8 BAND)	5/15/09	High Note Musical Performance & Training Festival @ Six Flags - Jackson, NJ	\$3,027.00	15-190-100-890--0000-055 15-000-240 -500-0000-055
MSP	6/9/09	Franklin Institute Philadelphia, PA	\$.250.00	15-190-100-890--0000-055 15-000-240 -500-0000-055
MSP	4/2/09	Noyes Museum & National Wildlife Refuge Oceanville, NJ	\$	15-000-270-512-0000-055 0837 (Art Club) 0836 (Birding Club)
MSP	5/20/09	Longwood Gardens Kennett Square, PA	\$443.00	0817 (Book/Garden Clubs)
MSP	6/12/09	King Pin Bowling Lanes	\$580.00	15-190-100-800-0000-

		Egg Harbor Township, NJ		055 15-000-270-512-0000-055
SCHOOL BASE SER.	1/15/09	REBEL State Training @ Rowan University Glassboro, NJ	N/C	REBEL will pay all cost associated with trip
WAS	5/29/09	Adventure Aquarium Camden, NJ	\$1,390.00	15-190-100-890--0000-060 15-000-270-512-0000-060
WAS	2/2/09	Atlantic City Art Center-Atlantic City, NJ	\$250.00	15-000-270-512-0000-060
PHS (KEY CLUB)	3/22/09	Student Mentoring Students (Elem Schools) Pleasantville	\$50.00	#2045
CARE 21 ST CENT	2/10/09	African-American Museum, Constitution Center Philadelphia, PA	\$2,130.00	20-290-100-800-0000-545 20-290-200-500-0000-545
PHS (SENIOR CLASS)	5/21- 22/09	Indian Echo Caverns & Hershey Park Hershey, PA	N/C	Students will pay their own expenses
WAS/SMSS (BAND)	1/23/09	3 rd Annual MLK Celebration/Dante Hall Atlantic City, NJ	\$250.00	15-000-270-512-0000-060
MSP/PHS (COLLEGE PROG)	1/19/09	Seton Hall University Campus Tour South Orange, NJ	\$600.00	15-000-270-512-0000-055
MSP/PHS (COLLEGE PROG)	2/16/09	ACCC Campus Tour Mays Landing, NJ	\$300.00	15-000-270-512-0000-055
MSP (STU. COUNCIL)	1/22/09	Annual Dr. MLK Brotherhood/Sisterhood Conf. Northfield, NJ	\$250.00	15-000-270-512-0000-055
SMSS (KDG)	5/14 &15/09	Pleasantville Fire Dept – Pleasantville, NJ	N/C	Walking Trip
SMSS (KDG)	3/19 & 20/09	Mino's Bakery – Pleasantville, NJ	N/C	Walking Trip
SMSS (KDG)	6/4/09	Camden Aquarium – Camden, NJ	\$800.00	15-000-270-512-0000-095
SMSS (KDG)	2/18/09	Garden State Discovery Museum Cherry Hill, NJ	\$800.00	15-000-270-512-0000-095
SMSS BOYS ONLY/ JUST US GIRLS	4/28/09	ACCC Campus Tour – Mays Landing, NJ	\$300.00	15-000-270-512-0000-095
SMSS BOYS ONLY/ JUST US GIRLS	5/7/09	Pleasantville City Hall – Pleasantville, NJ	N/C	Walking Trip
SMSS (1 ST GR.)	5/22/09	Tuckerton Seaport – Tuckerton, NJ	\$500.00	15-000-270-512-0000-095
SMSS (1 ST GR.)	6/6/09	Cape May Zoo – Cape May, NJ	\$750.00	15-000-270-512-0000-095
SMSS (2 ND GR.)	3/16/09	Academy of Natural Science – Philadelphia, PA	\$800.00	15-000-270-512-0000-095

SMSS (G&T)	2/10/09	NJ State Bar Association – New Brunswick, NJ	\$600.00	15-000-270-512-0000-095
SMSS (3 RD GR.)	5/28/09	Washington, DC Tour	\$2,400.00	#37
SMSS (3 RD)	5/1/09	Batsto Village – New Gretna, NJ	\$650.00	15-000-270-512-0000-095
SMSS (4 TH)	5/22/09	Academy of Natural Science – Phila. PA	\$800.00	15-000-270-512-0000-095
SMSS (4 TH)	5/28/09	Cold Springs Village – Cape May, NJ	\$750.00	15-000-270-512-0000-095
SMSS (5 TH)	3/20/09	Liberty Science Center – Jersey City, NJ	\$1,200.00	15-000-270-512-0000-095

5. Approval of Home Instruction

ID#	# Hrs Per Week	# of Weeks	# of Days	Hourly Rate	Total Cost	Account #
3032743	5	16	1 hr per day	\$37.00	\$2,960.00	11-150-100-101-0000-400
1295171	5	16	1 hr per day	\$37.00	\$2,960.00	11-150-100-101-0000-400
1055231	5	3	1 hr per day	\$37.00	\$555.00	11-150-100-101-0000-400

6. Date Change of Prior Approved BOE Item(s) - N/A
7. Approval of the Middle School of Pleasantville's 8th Grade Graduation Ceremony to be held on June 22, 2008, from 10:00am – 11:45am. Cost for ceremony not to exceed \$9,000.00. Account #s 15-000-240-600-0000-055/15-000-240-500-0000-055.
8. Approval for Pleasantville High School's Prom Club Advisors to put a \$1,000.00 room deposit to reserve the Crystal Ballroom at Flander's Hotel Banquet and Conference Center in Ocean City, NJ, for the Senior Prom scheduled for April 24, 2009. Cost for activity will be paid entirely from fundraisers and ticket sales. Total cost not to exceed \$15,000.00. Activity Account # 2010.
9. Approval of the Pleasantville High School After Prom to reserve the dates of April 24-25, 2009, beginning at 11:00 PM.
10. Approval for the Middle School of Pleasantville to host Build to Be, LLC's "Live From Buford High" assemblies for students on May 28, 2009. Build to Be, LLC, will provide three (3) assemblies by grade level. Focus of presentation is to promote a positive school climate and to promote literacy and summer reading. Cost for presentations \$1,890.00. Account # 20-231-100-300-0000-545
11. Approval for the Middle School of Pleasantville to host "Gang Awareness Lecture Demonstration", by Face Less, Inc. Faceless will perform two (2) assemblies. Students will experience a dynamic educational presentation about Gang Awareness through lecture and dance. Total cost \$2,500.00. Account # 15-190-100-320-0000-055
12. Approval for the Middle School of Pleasantville to host Key Arts Productions' "King's Dream". The purpose of the presentation is to advance the ideals of peace, tolerance, and civil justice that Martin Luther King, Jr. lived for. Key Arts Production will provide two (2) 45-minute school assemblies beginning at 9:00a.m. Cost for production not to exceed \$1,450.00. Account# 15-190-100-320-0000-055.
13. Approval for the Middle School of Pleasantville to Winceyco's musical production "Neighborhood". Winceyco will perform two (2) 45-minute live musical stage plays that will take students through a tour of key points in our nation's African-American history. Cost for production \$2,350.00. Account # 15-190-100-320-0000-055
14. Approval for Washington Avenue School to host "Slim Goodbody" musical health show on February 18, 2009. The musical health show will help students develop proficiencies established by Joint Committee on National Health Education Standards. Total cost \$1,150.00. Account# 15-190-100-320-0000-060

15. Approval to write SAT Math Curriculum. 1 staff x 5 hrs x \$37.00 per hr = \$185.00. Account# 20-438-100-100-0000-545
16. Approval of District-wide Elementary/Middle School Math and Language Arts Literacy Competitions. Both the Math Bowl and Spelling Bee will be held at the Middle School of Pleasantville on the following dates:

Language Arts Literacy- Spelling Bee- May 27, 2009

Cost to transport students from all four elementary schools to MSP	- \$150
Cost for participants' Trophies	- \$200
Cost for participants' T-shirts	- \$175
Cost for participants' Lunch	- \$300
Total:	\$825

Mathematics- Math Bowls- April 8, 2009 (Elem) & April 29, 2009 (MSP)

Cost to transport students from all four elementary schools to MSP	- \$150
Cost for participants' Trophies	- \$250
Cost for participants' Lunch (Elem & MSP Students)	\$1,400
Total	\$1,800

Account #s Food #20-231-200-600-0000-545/Trophies- #20-231-100-600-0000-545/Trans- #20-231-200-500-0000-545

17. Approval of a Financial Literacy Mathematics course for September 2009. The Financial Literacy course will give the students the ability to use mathematical knowledge and skills to manage one's financial resources effectively for lifetime financial security. It will help students become financially literate by managing money & expenses and making sound financial & business decisions. The students will learn about gross and net income, preparing a monthly budget, managing checking & savings accounts, credit card use, loans, housing costs, insurance and investments. Financial Literacy will be a 5-credit, 2.0 weighted course.
18. Approval of 4Mat for Learning Training at the High School on February 10, 2009, during district In-Service Day. The 4MAT for Learning is a state recommended program focusing on the need to reach all learners, as mentioned in the CAPA report. Mr. Schmitt, 4MAT Trainer, will present instructional techniques designed so that teachers may address all styles in the classroom in all subject areas. Each teacher will take the 'Learning Type Measure' test that will enable teachers to understand and identify the differences in the ways people learn and teachers teach. The workshop will address informal observations & formal evaluations in the high school classrooms indicate that the teachers need to learn and practice methods to differentiate instruction in order to reach all learners including special education students. Total \$3,374.00.
Account# 20-438-100-100-0000-545
19. Approval of a new Mythology course at the High School for the 2009-2010 school year. 1 staff x 15 hrs. @\$37.00 = \$555.00. Account # 20-438-100-100-0000-545.
20. Approval to update the Multicultural Literature course at the HS. 1 staff x 5 hours @\$37.00 per hour = \$185.00. Account # 20-438-100-100-0000-545
21. Approval to update the following Business Education courses
Computer Applications
Hospitality & Tourism
MOS Certification
Sports Entertainment & Marketing
5 hrs per course x 5 courses x \$37.00 = \$925.00. Account# 20-438-100-100-0000-545