

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH ORANGE AND MAPLEWOOD NEW JERSEY  
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING  
October 19, 2020**

**RESOLUTION        4062A**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            FINANCIAL REPORTS**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education receives and accepts the following financial reports:

1. Board Secretary's Report dated September 30, 2020
2. Expense Account Adjustment Analysis dated September 30, 2020
3. Revenue Account Adjustment Analysis dated September 30, 2020
4. Check Register #406954-406957 in the amount of \$15,325.96
5. Check Register #406958-407166 in the amount of \$3,709,869.65
6. Check Register #200717-200718 in the amount of \$1,353,351.41
7. Check Register #200719 for September 2020 payroll in the amount of \$7,192,254.42
8. Treasurer's Report of August 2020

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**RESOLUTION      4062B**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:              BOARD OF EDUCATION'S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12(e), we certify that as of September 30, 2020 after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

_____ Elizabeth Baker	_____ Date
_____ Robin Baker	_____ Date
_____ Shannon Cuttle	_____ Date
_____ Thair Joshua	_____ Date
_____ Annemarie Maini	_____ Date
_____ Anthony Mazzocchi	_____ Date
_____ Erin Siders	_____ Date
_____ Johanna Wright	_____ Date
_____ Kamal Zubieta	_____ Date

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**RESOLUTION           4062C**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**               APPROVE ATTENDANCE AND WORK RELATED TRAVEL  
AND/OR WORKSHOP EXPENSES

WHEREAS, the following employees have requested approval for the indicated work-related travel and/or online workshop; and

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

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

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

<b>Employee</b>	<b>Workshop/Conference</b>	<b>Travel Date(s)</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Estimated Cost(s)</b>
Manjit Basra Central Office	Powerschool - PSU Remote Plus Winter	12/7/2020- 12/18/2020	Online	\$1,000.00
Andrea Del Guercio Central Office	Your Rights in the Workplace	10/29/2020	Online	\$50.00
Andrea Del Guercio Central Office	Dept. of Education OFDS & OFAC Update and Risk Assessment tool	11/10/2020	Online	\$25.00
Paul Roth Central Office	Your Rights in the Workplace	10/29/2020	Online	\$50.00
Paul Roth Central Office	Dept. of Education OFDS & OFAC Update and Risk Assessment tool	11/10/2020	Online	\$25.00
Andrea Del Guercio Central Office	NJSBA's Annual Workshop 2020	10/20/2020- 10/22/2020	Online	\$199.00
Dr. Melody Alegria Central Office	NJSBA's Annual Workshop 2020	10/20/2020- 10/22/2020	Online	\$199.00
Dr. Gretel Perez Central Office	NJSBA's Annual Workshop 2020	10/20/2020- 10/22/2020	Online	\$199.00
Dr. Matthew Friedman Central Office	NJSBA's Annual Workshop 2020	10/20/2020- 10/22/2020	Online	\$199.00
Stacey Robinson Central Office	NJSBA's Annual Workshop 2020	10/20/2020- 10/22/2020	Online	\$199.00
Ann Bodnar Central Office	NJSBA's Annual Workshop 2020	10/20/2020- 10/22/2020	Online	\$199.00

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

New Jersey travel regulations (NJAC 6A:23B), Board Policy 8880 – Reimbursement of Travel Related Expenses, and newly enacted legislation [18A:11-12] require prior approval by the Superintendent and by a majority of the full membership of the Board of Education for reimbursement of travel and related expenses of an employee.

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**RESOLUTION      4062D**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            APPROVE RELATED SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the following providers for 2020-2021 school year for the service indicated:

<b>Provider</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Creative Speech Solutions, LLC Summit, NJ	Speech Therapy	\$170/hour
Christina M. DiCosmo Millburn, NJ	Sign Language Interpreter for the Deaf	\$85/hour 2 hour minimum
Derrick T. McKie East Orange, NJ	Behavior Therapy	\$50/hour
Prime Healthcare – St. Clare’s Hospital Boonton, NJ	Bedside Instruction/Home Instruction	\$55/hour
Silvergate Prep Bridgewater, NJ	Home Instruction	\$55/hour
Speech and Hearing Associates Westfield, NJ	Central Auditory Processing Evaluation w/ report	\$585/eval
	Comprehensive Audiological Evaluation Report	\$280/eval
	Hearing Aid Evaluation with Report (Includes Comprehensive Peripheral Audiological Evaluation)	\$400/eval
	Speech-Language Evaluation with Report	\$600/eval
	Bilingual Speech-Language Evaluation with Report	\$775/eval
	Language Processing Evaluation with Report	\$775/eval
	Speech-Language Therapy/per session	\$85.00 (30 min) \$127.50 (45 min) \$160.00 (1 hr)

	AAC Evaluation	\$775/eval
	In-School Consultation (2 hr. Minimum)/per hr	\$150/eval
	Unlimited communication with school staff	NC

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The providers will perform services and/or evaluations for students as needed.

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**RESOLUTION      4062E**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            APPROVES USE OF VENDORS**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the use of the following vendors in excess of the \$40,000 for the 2020-2021 school year:

<b>VENDOR NAME</b>	<b>PRODUCT</b>	<b>TYPE OF VENDOR</b>
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	Textbooks	Other
Instructure, Inc.	Canvas Learning Management System	Co-op

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Board is required to approve spending authority above \$40,000 for items not awarded by public bidding. Copyrighted materials and vendors on co-op and state contract are exempt from public bidding.

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**RESOLUTION        4062F**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            APPROVE TUITION AGREEMENT WITH ESSEX COUNTY  
                         VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves a tuition agreement with Essex County Vocational Schools for the 2020-2021 school year.

Full Time:

Regular Education	\$5,911 per student
Special Education	\$9,104 per student

Shared Time:

Regular Education	\$2,955.50 per student
Special Education	\$4,552.00 per student

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Currently the district estimates the enrollment of 5 full time regular education students and 1 full time special education student totaling \$38,659.00. Tuition paid will be adjusted according to actual enrollment.

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**RESOLUTION        4062G**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            ACCEPT FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS RELIEF GRANT FUNDS**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education accepts Federal Coronavirus Relief Grant funds in the amount of \$328,214.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following budgets are increased and the Superintendent or his designee is authorized to administer them.

20-479-100-340	Services for Virtual Learning	\$ 15,120
20-479-100-600	Student Technology for Virtual Learning	<u>\$313,094</u>
		<b>\$328,214</b>

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The CRF grant funds must be used to address health and safety measures necessary to support reopening for in person instruction and to support students during periods of remote learning. Allowable expenses include: Purchasing additional shared objects to reduce sharing among students, such as textbooks, laboratory supplies, educational technology, or automatic water fountains/no-touch water dispensers.



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**RESOLUTION        4062H**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            APPROVE PARTNERSHIP WITH KEAN UNIVERSITY  
                         EDUCATIONAL AFFILIATION NETWORK**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves a partnership with Kean University Educational Affiliation Network for the 2020-2021 school year that will allow SOMSD staff to develop a leadership opportunity for aspiring Administrators.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Kean will provide a liaison to work with the District to promote educational opportunities to staff.

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**RESOLUTION        4062I**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN BATHROOM WAIVER FOR  
MONTROSE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER, CLINTON, MARSHALL,  
SETH BOYDEN AND SOUTH MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education elects to use the alternate method of compliance in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:26-6.3(h)4(3)ii, by providing toilet rooms adjacent to or outside the classroom in lieu of individual toilet rooms for use by preschool and kindergarten classrooms at Montrose, Clinton, Marshall, Seth Boyden and South Mountain Elementary Schools. The school children shall be supervised in the following manner:

The classroom teacher or paraprofessional will escort students or monitor student use of the lavatory facilities, which are immediately adjacent to and within the line of sight of the kindergarten classroom.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Preschool and kindergarten classrooms at Montrose Early Childhood Center, Clinton, Marshall, Seth Boyden and South Mountain Elementary Schools have bathrooms adjacent to or within the line of sight of the classrooms as allowed by NJAC 6A:2.6-6.3(h)4ii. The Board of Education must approve this alternate method of compliance.

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**RESOLUTION        4062J**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            ACCEPT STATE EXTRAORDINARY AID**

Whereas the District received notice that State aid was increased to \$2,052, 808; and

Whereas this an increase of \$186,896; and

Whereas the District will post the difference of \$186,896 in the 2020-2021 budget;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education accepts Extraordinary Aid in the amount of \$186,896.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the following budgets are increased and the Superintendent or his designee is authorized to administer them.

11-000-216-320-	Related Services	\$ 25,000
11-000-262-340-	Contracted Services - Custodial	<u>\$161,896</u>
		\$186,896

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The New Jersey Department of Education notified the District on 10/7/2020 that extraordinary aid was increased to \$2,052, 808. This is an increase of \$186,896. The additional funds are permitted to be appropriated to the 2020-2021 budget.

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**RESOLUTION            4062K**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            AUTHORIZE THE SOUTH ORANGE AND MAPLEWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY, TECHNOLOGY, WORK, MATERIALS, AND SUPPLIES

WHEREAS, "The Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act," P.L. 1999, c. 23 authorizes the New Jersey School Boards' Association (hereinafter NJSBA) to obtain electricity and other energy-related services for individual local boards of education on an aggregated basis; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 and 40A:11-10 authorizes local district boards of education to enter into cooperative pricing agreements with local government units, i.e. municipalities and counties, (hereinafter local units"); and

WHEREAS, NJSBA has offered voluntary participation in a cooperative pricing system for the group purchase of electrical generation and/or natural gas for consumption by the local units; any ancillary or administrative services related to the purchase of electrical generation and/or natural gas; and related energy services; and digital and electronic products and services and other technology products and programs to be purchased by local units; and services and such other items or services as two or more participating local units in the system agree can be purchased on a cooperative basis; and

WHEREAS, the South Orange Maplewood School District in the county of Essex, State of New Jersey, desires to participate in NJSBA's Cooperative Pricing System;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on the October 19, 2020 by the South Orange Maplewood School District, county of Essex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

TITLE

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the "ACES Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the South Orange Maplewood School District

AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 and 40A:11-10, the Superintendent is hereby authorized to enter into NJSBA's ACES Cooperative Pricing System Agreement.

CONTRACTING UNIT

The New Jersey School Boards Association shall be responsible for complying with the "Public School Contracts Law," N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *etseq.* all other applicable laws in connection with the preparation, bidding, negotiation and execution of contracts in connection with NJSBA's ACES Cooperative Pricing System.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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**RESOLUTION        4062L**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            APPROVE CONTRACT WITH INSTRUCTURE, INC.**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education approves a contract with Instructure, Inc. of Salt Lake City, UT for Studio Cloud Software, Studio Implementation and additional training for Canvas Learning Management System in the amount of \$35,875.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Instructure, Inc. is covered under NJSBA's ACES Cooperative Pricing System. Resolution 4062k is to renew the District's membership with ACES.

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**RESOLUTION        4062M**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF BID SPECIFICATIONS  
FOR REVIEW**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education authorize Administration to submit the following bid specifications to the Office of the State Comptroller for review:

<b>School / Bid Specification</b>	<b>State Project Numbers</b>
Clinton	4900-060-19-2000, 4900-060-19-5000, 4900-060-19-1000
Jefferson	4900-090-19-2000, 4900-090-19-5000, 4900-090-19-1000
Marshall	4900-100-19-2000, 4900-100-19-5000, 4900-100-19-1000
Montrose	4900-300-19-1000
Seth Boyden	4900-130-19-2000, 4900-130-19-5000, 4900-130-19-1000
South Mountain Annex	4900-301-19-2000, 4900-301-19-5000, 4900-301-19-1000
South Mountain	4900-140-19-2000, 4900-140-19-5000, 4900-140-19-1000
Tuscan	4900-150-19-2000, 4900-150-19-5000, 4900-150-19-1000

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The District is required to have bid specifications for construction projects reviewed by the Office of State the Comptroller.

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**RESOLUTION        4062N**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            ACCEPT DONATION FROM ACHIEVE FOUNDATION**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education accepts a donation from the Achieve Foundation in the amount of \$5,220.50.

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

20-006-100-610	Education Foundation	\$5,220.50
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board President, Superintendent and Board Secretary are authorized to execute and deliver any necessary contracts and reports on behalf of the Board.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

This donation is to support the Achieve Foundation Technology Grants awarded to Maplewood Middle School Evyn Degan to purchase Soundtrap digital audio workstation for browsers that allows users to create music or podcasts and WeVideo an online, cloud-based video editing platform that works in web browsers and on mobile devices.

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**RESOLUTION        40620**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH MORRIS-UNION JOINTURE  
COMMISSION FOR 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR TRANSPORTATION  
SERVICES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education enters into an agreement with Morris-Union Jointure Commission to provide transportation services as per the attached list for the 2020-2021 school year.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Morris-Union Jointure commission provides student transportation services for its member districts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:46-27 and N.J.A.C. 6A:27-10-1 through 3. Route costs will be adjusted according to actual student attendance.



2020-2021 School Year  
Morris Union Jointure Commission

<b>ROUTE</b>	<b>DESTINATION</b>	<b>ROUTE COST</b>	<b>AIDE PER DIEM</b>
907	ECLC	\$97,528.10	\$182.88
915	Banyan Lower School	\$112,957.16	\$198.12
925	DLC	\$97,590.20	\$182.88
932	Academy 360	\$71,033.82	\$148.59
968	Chapel Hill	\$122,884.16	\$213.36
982	DLC -Warren	\$98,668.33	\$182.88
991	Academy 360	\$45,433.23	\$102.87
	<b>TOTAL ROUTE COSTS</b>	\$646,095.00	

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**RESOLUTION      4062P**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            APPROVE ORGANIZATIONAL APPOINTMENT FOR THE  
2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education appoints Dr. Gretel Perez, Assistant Superintendent for Access and Equity as the Affirmative Action Officer for the school district.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

These appointments replace the previous appointment of Dr. Gayle Carrick.

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**RESOLUTION        4062Q**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            AMEND RESOLUTION 4003Q APPROVE ADDENDUM TO THE  
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
SOUTH ORANGE - MAPLEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AND ESSEX REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES  
COMMISSION**

**WHEREAS** ERESC and Board are parties to a transportation contract (“the Contract”) for the provision of student transportation services to the Board for the 2019-2020 school year or a portion of the 2019-2020 school year; and

**WHEREAS** on or about March 17, 2020, all New Jersey schools were closed because of the coronavirus; and

**WHEREAS** P.L. 2020, c. 27 (“the Law”), signed into law on April 14, 2020, requires payment of benefits, compensation, and emoluments pursuant to the terms of a contract with a contract service provider in effect on the date of the closure and that payments be used to meet the payroll and fixed costs obligations including but now limited to employee salaries and benefits of the contract service provider; and

**WHEREAS** the Law requires that a school district shall make reasonable efforts to renegotiate a contract in good faith with negotiations to not include indirect costs such as fuel and tolls; now therefore with an intention to be bound ERESC and Board agree as follows:

1. Contract Discount

ERESC and Board agree to amend the Contract to reflect a discount of 15% in the total contract amount due from Board for the period March 18, 2020, through June 30, 2020 and as set forth in the attached Schedule A.

2. Statement of Assurance

ERESC, prior to any payments to a transportation contractor, agrees to have the Transportation Contractor execute a Statement of Assurance certifying the following.

- a. Payments received pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-9e (3)* will be used to meet payroll and fixed costs obligations.
- b. Transportation Contractor shall remain available for good-faith negotiations for the provision of additional services as required by the contracting school district. 4839-7213-9469, v. 1. Transportation Contractor did not have insurance coverage for business interruption covering work stoppages for the period March 18, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

3. Terms and Conditions of the Contract

All other terms and conditions of the Contract not changed or amended herein shall remain unchanged.

4. Executive County Superintendent

This Addendum to the Contract is conditioned upon submission of the signed Addendum to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools.

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**RESOLUTION        4062R**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            ACCEPT COMPREHENSIVE MAINTENANCE PLAN**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education accepts the district's Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for the 2020-21 school year and the Annual Maintenance Reserve Deposit Worksheet per N.J.A.C. 6:24 (form M-1) as submitted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education states that the district's required maintenance activities are reasonable to keep the schools' facilities open and safe for use or in its original condition and maintain the validity of their warranties.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

As per 6A:26A-3.1, the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and the Annual Maintenance Reserve Deposit Worksheet (form M-1) is required to be submitted to NJDOE in November of each year, accompanied by a Board resolution approving the submission of the plan.