

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH ORANGE AND MAPLEWOOD NEW JERSEY  
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING  
October 18, 2023**

**RESOLUTION        4526A**

**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, 2023
2. Expense Account Adjustment Analysis dated September 30, 2023
3. Revenue Account Adjustment Analysis dated September 30, 2023
4. Check Register #419092 in the amount of \$760.00
5. Check Register #419093-419096 in the amount of \$13,674.72
6. Check Register #419097-419304 in the amount of \$5,739,766.84
7. Check Register #200838-200839 in the amount of \$1,515,507.82
8. Check Register #200840 for September 2023 payroll in the amount of \$7,855,517.36
9. Treasurer's Reports of August 2023

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**RESOLUTION      4526B**

**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, 2023 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.

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**RESOLUTION            4526C**

**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>DATE(S)</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>ESTIMATED COSTS</b>
Ann Bodnar Central Office	NJSBA Fall Workshop	10/23/23- 10/25/23	Atlantic City, NJ	\$592.57
Erin Bolstad Marshall School	NJIDA Fall Conference	12/01/23	Somerset, NJ	\$210.00
Eric Burnside Central Office	ASBO International Leadership Forum	02/07/24- 02/10/24	San Diego, CA	\$2,804.00
Lynn Irby South Orange Middle	Leveling Up and Leading the Way	11/29/23 12/3/23	New Orleans, LA	Increase \$3,933.00
Katerina Karis Columbia HS	NCSS Annual Conference	12/1/23- 12/3/23	Nashville, TN	\$475.00
Christina Luzzi Columbia HS	NCSS Annual Conference	12/1/23- 12/3/23	Nashville, TN	\$475.00
James Manno Columbia HS	NJALAS	10/23/23- 11/3/23	Union, NJ	\$1,799.00
Chris Preston Columbia HS	NCSS Annual Conference	11/29/23- 12/3/23	Nashville, TN	\$2,083.70

**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      4526D**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            APPROVE RELATED SERVICE PROVIDER(S)**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the following provider(s) for the service indicated for the 2023-2024 school year:

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Linda-Mood Bell San Luis Obispo, CA	1:1 Sensory -Cognitive Instruction	\$167.00/hour
SMPLY OT, LLC Bloomfield, NJ	Occupational Therapy Evaluation	\$375.00/eval
	Occupational Therapy (10 mile radius from 07003)	\$250.00/60min \$220.00/45min \$200.00/30 min
	Occupational Therapy (10 mile radius from 07003)	\$270.00/60min \$240.00/45min \$220.00/30 min

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

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

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**RESOLUTION      4526E**

**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 \$44,000 for the 2023-2024 school year:

<b>VENDOR NAME</b>	<b>PRODUCT</b>	<b>TYPE OF VENDOR</b>
American Paper Towel Co., LLC	Custodial Supplies	Co-op
Curriculum Associates, LLC	Classroom and Library Materials, Texts	Other
Daffodil Hill Press	Classroom Library Books (with Quotes)	Other
Direct Flooring	Floor Covering	Co-op
Mackin Library Media	Library Materials	Other
Metropolitan Telecommunication	Telephone Services	Other
Murray Contracting, LLC	Paving Repairs and Maintenance	co-op
Niram, Inc.	Asbestos Abatement	Co-op
Payschools	Food Service Student Account	Other
Public Service Electric & Gas	Utilities	Other
Renaissance Learning Inc.	Early Literacy, Math and Reading Subscription License	Other
Shi International Corp.	Licenses	Co-op
South Mountain YMCA	Beyond the Bell	Other
Staples Advantage	Office Supplies	Co-op
Troller Electric, LLC	Electrical Services	Co-op
White Rock Corp.	Roof Repairs	Co-op

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Board is required to approve spending authority above \$44,000 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        4526F**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            ACCEPT DONATION TO CLINTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
LIBRARY**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education accepts a donation to Clinton Elementary School Library in the amount of \$150.00.

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

20-057-200-890-CL-5900-	Clinton School	\$150.00
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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**

State Street Foundation, Inc. approved this grant on behalf of Antonio Avila as part of a Matching Gift Program to the Clinton Elementary School Librarian Jennifer Latimer.

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**RESOLUTION      4526G**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            ACCEPT FEDERAL FY2024 ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY  
EDUCATION ACT (ESEA)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education accepts the Federal FY2024 Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Consolidated Entitlement Funds in the amount of \$460,910.00 as follows:

Public School

Title I, Part A: Improving Basic Programs	\$282,865.00
Title II, Part A: Teacher/Principal Training/Recruiting	\$109,536.00
Title III, English Language Acquisition/Language Enhancement	\$ 20,585.00
Title III Immigrant Language Instruction for Immigrant Student	\$ 22,062.00
Title IV, Part A: Student Support and Academic Enrichment	<u>\$ 21,218.00</u>
<b>Total Public School Allocation</b>	<b>\$456,266.00</b>

Non-Public School	Title I	Title II-A	Title III	Title IV	
Total Non-Public Allocation	0	\$3,891	0	\$753	<u>\$4,644.00</u>

**TOTAL ESEA ALLOCATION** **\$460,910.00**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The public school district administers the funding for the ESEA entitlement funds. The amount of funds applied for is 100% of the entitlement allocated to the district.

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**RESOLUTION        4526H**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            ACCEPT FY2024 CARL D. PERKINS VOCATIONAL AND  
TECHNICAL PROGRAM ENTITLEMENT FUNDS**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education Accepts federal fiscal year 2024 Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Program Entitlement Funds in the amount of \$34,376.00 to provide supplementary services to vocational students during the 2023-2024 school year.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998 provides funds to states for distribution to local education agencies with approved programs in vocational education. The amount of the allocation is determined using a formula derived from federal census data and local district vocational education enrollments. The funds are planned to be used by the Business Technology program at Columbia High School.

The STEM Supervisor will administer the program.

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**RESOLUTION      4526I**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            APPROVE CHANGE ORDER FOR RENOVATIONS AND  
                                 ADDITIONS TO CLINTON AND DELIA BOLDEN SCHOOL  
                                 PROJECTS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the following change orders to the contract with DMD Contracting, Inc. for Renovations and Additions to Clinton and Delia Bolden School Projects.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Change Order#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DMD Contracting	#9	\$6,708.12 (reduce allowance)

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Change order # 9 includes the following:

- Additional beam at Delia Bolden
- Auditorium openings
- Switch gear slab
- Plaster Wall Openings in Auditorium
- CMU chase in Room SGI 230
- Cutting doors
- VCT flooring credit
- HOT box relocation credit
- Knee wall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

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**RESOLUTION        4526J**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            AWARD BID FOR LITERACY SERVICES FOR K-12 TENURED  
FACULTY & 6-12 NON-TENURED FACULTY**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education awards the bid for Literacy Services for K-12 Tenured Faculty and 6-12 Non-Tenured Faculty to Literacy Strategies Consulting, LLC of South Orange, NJ in the amount of \$65,800.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Solicitation for bids was issued on September 22, 2023 and returned on October 12, 2023. Bid packets were requested by 20 companies and returned by three. The bid packet was reviewed by the Assistant Business Administrator.

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**RESOLUTION      4526K**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            AWARD BID FOR MAPLEWOOD SHOP CURRICULUM &  
EQUIPMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education, based on the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, hereby awards a contract for the proprietary Maplewoodshop Curriculum and Equipment to Maplewoodshop, LLC of Maplewood, New Jersey.

The contract is awarded based on the vendor's response to Bid #2023-12, a proprietary bid issued in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-15 (d) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-9.1 et seq. The total cost of the contract is \$89,556.96.

The Board certifies that the proprietary products are "necessary for the conduct of its affairs," pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-9.1 (b) as follows:

Participating in Maplewoodshop offers numerous benefits to middle schoolers. Firstly, it provides them with valuable hands-on woodworking skills that go beyond traditional academic subjects. Engaging in woodworking fosters creativity, problem-solving abilities, and a sense of accomplishment as students design and build their own projects. This practical experience can boost their confidence and resilience, teaching them that mistakes are opportunities for learning and improvement. Additionally, woodworking instills a strong sense of craftsmanship and attention to detail, which can translate into improved focus and diligence in other areas of their academic and personal lives.

Moreover, Maplewoodshop encourages teamwork and collaboration as students work together on projects, sharing ideas and responsibilities. It also promotes a sense of responsibility and safety as students learn to handle tools and materials with care, reinforcing important life skills.

Furthermore, woodworking allows for a break from screen time and fosters a greater appreciation for the tangible world, enhancing their understanding of math, measurements, and spatial reasoning in a practical context. Overall, participating in Maplewoodshop can empower middle schoolers with valuable skills, character development, and a love for craftsmanship that will benefit them throughout their lives.

The project is funded through Federal ESSER ARP funds.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Solicitation for bids was issued on October 4, 2023 and returned on October 17, 2023. Bid packets were requested by 18 companies and returned by one. The bid packet was reviewed by the Assistant Business Administrator.

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**RESOLUTION        4526L**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            APPROVE AFFILIATION AGREEMENT WITH COLUMBIA  
UNIVERSITY (TEACHERS COLLEGE)**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves an Affiliation Agreement between South Orange Maplewood School District (Marshall Elementary School) and Columbia University, Teachers College to provide clinical training experiences for certain students in the University Program for Art Education, effective October 10, 2023.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The purpose of this agreement is to establish the terms and conditions between Columbia University students and SOMSD. This agreement shall remain in effect for one year.

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**RESOLUTION        4526M**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            APPROVE CONTRACT WITH READING AND WRITING  
PROJECT NETWORK, LLC.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the final year of a 3-year contract with the Reading and Writing Project Network of Middlebury, Connecticut to provide professional development for non-tenured district staff throughout the 2023-2024 school year at a cost of \$61,200.

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**

The specific arrangements outlined in the contract, were developed through conversations between Reading and Writing Project Network staff and district personnel.