**RESOLUTION 4630A** 

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 May 31, 2024
- 2. Expense Account Adjustment Analysis dated May 31, 2024
- 3. Revenue Account Adjustment Analysis dated May 31, 2024
- 4. Check Register #421816-422543 in the amount of \$11,655,549.35
- 5. Check Register #422544 in the amount of \$31,500.00
- 6. Check Register #422545 in the amount of \$10,182.00
- 7. Check Register #200862-200863 in the amount of \$2,261,317.20
- 8. Check Register #200864 for May 2024 payroll in the amount of \$8,123,391.11
- 9. Treasurer's Reports of March and April 2024

**RESOLUTION 4630B** 

**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 May 31, 2024 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.

**RESOLUTION 4630C** 

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:

EMPLOYEE	WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE	DATE(S)	LOCATION	ESTIMATED COSTS
Julia Clinton		07/29/24-		
Columbia HS	AP Summer Institute	08/02/24	Manhattan, NY	\$1,433.28
Thomas Giglio Central Office	NJSBGA Facility Training	07/16/24	Flanders, NJ	\$0.00
John Ames Hodges	Advance Placement Summer	08/05/24-		
Columbia HS	Institute Online	08/09/24	Online	\$940.00
Katerina Karis		07/08/24	Point Pleasant Beach,	
Columbia HS	Rutgers APSI AP US History	07/11/24	NJ	\$1,114.48
James Manno		08/13/24-		
Columbia HS	CSI Northeast	08/15/24	Ithaca, NY	\$1,105.52
Pamela Noonan		07/22/24-		
Columbia HS	APSI Statistics	07/26/24	Online	\$645.00
Corrina Parsio		07/08/24-		\$3,703.25
Columbia HS	Innovative School Summit	07/13/24	Las Vegas, NV	increase
Ramon Robles		07/09/24-		
Columbia HS	Savvas SIOP Conference	07/11/24	Online	\$280.00

Donovan Smalls		03/22/24-		
South Orange MS	ASCD 2024 Annual Conference	03/25/24	Washington, DC	\$1,730.30
Donovan Smalls	United: The National Conference	07/14/24-		
South Orange MS	on School Leadership	07/17/24	Nashville, TN	\$2,317.81
Kendra Wolsky	Transportation Employee Training	07/02/24-		
Central Office	and Safety Education	08/13/24	Online	\$668.00
TOTAL				\$13,937.64

### **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.

**RESOLUTION 4630D** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE AND

RELATED TRAVEL AND/OR WORKSHOP EXPENSES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the following attendance and/or workshop related expenses:

BOARD	EVENT	DATE	Location	Estimated
MEMBER				Cost (\$'s)
		10/21/2024-		\$2,100
9 Board Members	NJSBA Workshop 2024	10/24/2024	Atlantic City, NJ	Group rate

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the above event to be work related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the of the attendee and promotes the delivery of instruction or furthering of efficient operation of the school district and is fiscally prudent, and in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24 and 24.1 of the School Ethics Act.

#### **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 a Board member.

**RESOLUTION 4630E** 

**FOR ACTION** 

**SUBJECT:** TRANSFER OF FUNDS AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education authorizes the Board Secretary to transfer at the close of the 2023-2024 school year the surplus in certain general fund accounts to meet deficiencies in other accounts of the budget. Said transfers will be reported to the Board and approved as part of the annual audit.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The dollar amounts of the transfers will be available upon completion of the audit.

**RESOLUTION 4630F** 

**FOR ACTION** 

**SUBJECT:** TRANSFER OF INTEREST EARNED FROM CAPITAL PROJECT

**FUNDS** 

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education authorizes the transfer of the interest earned on Capital Projects Funds to the General Fund.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The dollar amount will be determined as of June 30, 2024 and available as part of the audit.

**RESOLUTION 4630G** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** CANCEL 2022-2023 OPEN PURCHASE ORDERS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education authorizes the cancellation of the 2022-2023 Open Purchase Orders and that said funds be returned to the General Fund Balance.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Board acts annually to cancel purchase orders from the previous school years in preparation for the audit. The dollar amount involved will be available upon the completion of the 2023-2024 audit.

**RESOLUTION** 4630H

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** CANCEL OUTSTANDING WARRANTS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education authorize the cancellation of outstanding warrants dated prior to June 30, 2024, and that said funds be returned to General Fund Free Balance.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The dollar amount for outstanding warrants dated prior to June 30, 2024 will be determined at time of audit.

**RESOLUTION 4630I** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT TO AUTHORIZE AND

APPROVE PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO NEWLY

HIRED STAFF

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent, when necessary, to authorize and approve the payment of compensation to newly hired staff to enable salary payment during the interim period between the date of hire and the date of authorization for payment by the Board at its next regular scheduled meeting. Any such approval for payment issued by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall be presented to the Board for ratification at its next regular scheduled meeting.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The purpose of this resolution is primarily to address vacancies that occur during the course of the year that require a permanent staff member so that the continuity of instruction is not interrupted for any prolonged period. This resolution enables the employee to be compensated for services rendered prior to the formal approval of the Board.

**RESOLUTION 4630J** 

**FOR ACTION** 

**SUBJECT:** SUSPEND BY-LAWS IN CONNECTION WITH PROCEDURE

FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education suspends the By-Laws of the Board of Education in connection with the procedure for the payment of bills from the date of the regular meeting in June until the regular meeting in September and authorize the payment of bills during such period upon the authorization and approval of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, subject to confirmation by the Board of Education at its next meeting.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

This resolution permits the Business Office to pay bills on a regular basis during the summer months with approval by the Board at a later date. A similar resolution has been passed in previous years.

**RESOLUTION 4630K** 

**FOR ACTION** 

SUBJECT: TRANSFER CURRENT YEAR SURPLUS TO CAPITAL

**RESERVE** 

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approve the transfer of current year surplus to capital reserve.

WHEREAS, NJSA 18A:21-2, NJSA 18A7G-31, and NJSA:7F-41 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit the Board of Education to transfer unanticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education wishes to transfer unanticipated excess current year revenue or unexpended appropriations from the general fund into a Capital Reserve Account at year end, and

WHEREAS, the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education has determined a maximum amount of \$4,000,000 for such purpose to transfer;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

This resolution authorizes the Business Administrator to transfer funds at the end of the fiscal year, if available. Further approval of the Board of Education would be required to transfer funds out of capital reserve for necessary capital projects.

**RESOLUTION 4630L** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** TRANSFER CURRENT YEAR SURPLUS TO MAINTENANCE

RESERVE ACCOUNT

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approve the transfer of current year surplus to maintenance reserve.

WHEREAS, NJSA 6A:23A-14.2 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit the Board of Education to transfer unanticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education wishes to transfer unanticipated excess current year revenue or unexpended appropriations from the general fund into a Maintenance Reserve Account at year end, and

WHEREAS, the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education has determined a maximum amount of \$4,000,000 for such purpose to transfer;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

This resolution authorizes the Business Administrator to transfer funds at the end of the fiscal year, if available. Further approval of the Board of Education would be required to transfer funds out of maintenance reserve for necessary required maintenance projects.

Superintendent and by a majority of the full membership of the Board of Education for reimbursement of travel and related expenses of a Board member.

**RESOLUTION** 4630M

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE OUT OF DISTRICT TUITION STUDENT

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the South Orange-Maplewood Board of Education hereby authorizes the enrollment of Student #3003163132 for the 2024-2025 school year through June 30, 2024, on the basis of tuition, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the tuition contract.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The tuition rate for student(s) was approved/established during the May 30, 2024 public meeting and has been determined by using the state formula as per N.J.A.C. 6:20-3.1.

**RESOLUTION 4630N** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE OUT OF DISTRICT TUITION STUDENT

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the South Orange-Maplewood Board of Education hereby authorizes the enrollment of Student #4475953762 for the 2024-2025 school year through June 30, 2025, on the basis of tuition, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the tuition contract.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The tuition rate for student(s) was approved/established during the May 30, 2024 public meeting and has been determined by using the state formula as per N.J.A.C. 6:20-3.1.

**RESOLUTION 46300** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH DELTA DENTAL FOR EMPLOYEE

**DENTAL BENEFITS** 

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education approves the renewal of the Delta Dental plan from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The South Orange Maplewood Board of Education currently provides dental benefits for all covered employees through participation in the Delta Dental Plan of New Jersey, Inc. pursuant to negotiated agreements with employee associations and Board of Education policy. The contract reflects a 0% increase from the 2020-2021 contract.

**RESOLUTION 4630P** 

**FOR ACTION** 

**SUBJECT:** RENEW AGREEMENT WITH THE CONCERN EMPLOYEE

ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education renews an agreement with Atlantic Behavioral Health Services Hospital Corporation, d.b.a. CONCERN Employee Assistance Program, of Morristown, New Jersey, to provide a program of assistance to district employees through early detection of personal problems at a fee of \$2.10 per employee per month for a total of \$19,152 for the period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

These services are provided to district employees as part of the Board/SOMEA contract.

**RESOLUTION** 4630Q

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** RENEW CONTRACT FOR PARAPROFESSIONAL SERVICES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education renews the contract with ESS Support Services, LLC for Paraprofessional Services for the 2024-2025 school year at the following hourly rates:

•	Hourly Permanent Paraprofessional I	\$31.24
•	Hourly Permanent Paraprofessional II	\$32.82
•	Diapering Stipend (per diem)	\$ 8.51

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This is the first renewal of the 2023-2024 contract per 18A:18A-42 and it reflects a 5.7% increase from last year. These services have been budgeted for the 2024-2025 school year.

**RESOLUTION** 4630R

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** RENEW CONTRACT FOR STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

CONSULTING SERVICES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education renews the contract for Student Transportation Consulting Services for the 2024-25 school year with School Transportation Solutions, LLC of Glen Gardner, NJ, in the amount of \$621.00 per day.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

This is the first renewal of the 2023-2024 contract per 18A:18A-42 and it reflects a 3.5% increase from last year. These services have been budgeted for the 2024-2025 school year.

**RESOLUTION 4630S** 

**FOR ACTION** 

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH FRONTLINE EDUCATION FOR

THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves an agreement with Frontline Education of Malvern, Pennsylvania, to provide the following services for the 2024-2025 school year:

Professional Growth Solution with Danielson 2011/2013	\$ 81	1,426.20
Absence & Substitute Management – unlimited usage	\$ 25	5,069.92
Applicant Tracking – unlimited usage	\$ 5	5,967.30
Frontline Central Solution	\$ 22	2,948.85
IEP – Direct, unlimited usage for internal employees	\$ 2	2,966.47
504 Program Management – unlimited usage	\$	741.61
Total	\$ 139	0,120.35

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**

Frontline Education is a professional growth software used to complete, track and manage teacher evaluations and professional learning, Absence & Substitute Management System, IEP and Special Education Management, and the 504 Plan module to help the district meet the requirements of section 504 and effective management of student information.

This agreement is to purchase necessary licensing and annual subscriptions for the 2024-2025 school year.

**RESOLUTION 4630T** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** RENEW CONTRACT FOR CANVAS LEARNING MANAGEMENT

SYSTEM FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education renews the contract with Instructure, Inc. of Salt Lake City, UT for the Canvas Learning Management System for the 2024-2025 school year in the amount of \$56,423.70.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

This renewal includes the cost for subscription, training and support services for the 2024-25 school year.

**RESOLUTION** 4630U

**FOR ACTION** 

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH ATLANTIC TOMORROW'S OFFICE

FOR LEASE OF PHOTOCOPY EQUIPMENT, MAINTENANCE AND

**SUPPLIES** 

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves an agreement with Atlantic Tomorrow's Office of Bloomfield, New Jersey for a 60-month lease for the following Digital Imaging System copy machines:

(2) Savin IM 5000

(5) Savin IM 8000

(2) Savin IM 6000

(2) Savin IM 9000

The total combined monthly lease cost of \$4,995.00 for an annual combined cost of \$59,940.00 plus the cost of \$.0053 per page for maintenance and supplies (excludes paper and staples).

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- Atlantic Tomorrow's Office will deliver and install the machines and train our personnel at no charge.
- The new machines will replace machines at the Marshall Elementary School, South Mountain Elementary School, South Orange Middle School, Tuscan Elementary School Columbia High School and the Administration Building.
- Atlantic Tomorrow's Office will cancel and relinquish the District from any current lease obligations on the machines, whose lease expires in 2024.
- Atlantic Tomorrow's Office has a State contract.

**RESOLUTION** 4630V

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** RENEW CONTRACT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education renews the contract with Ahera Consultants, of Oceanville, NJ for environmental testing during the 2024-2025 school at the rate of \$93.00 per hour plus the cost of parts and materials.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

This is the first renewal of the 2023-2024 contract per 18A:18A-42 and it reflects a 5.7% increase from last year. These services have been budgeted for the 2024-2025 school year.

**RESOLUTION 4630W** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** RENEW CONTRACT FOR HVAC AND REFRIGERATION

**REPAIR SERVICES** 

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education renews the contract with Kelin Heating and Air Conditioning of Colonia, NJ for HVAC and refrigeration Repair services for the 2024-2025 at following rates plus the cost of materials:

Mechanic: \$77.09 per hour Mechanic Helper: \$30.83 per hour

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This is the first renewal of the 2023-2024 contract per 18A:18A-42 and it reflects a 5.81% increase from last year. These services have been budgeted for the 2024-2025 school year.

**RESOLUTION** 4630X

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** RENEW CONTRACT FOR SECURITY SERVICES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education renews the contract with Simaren Corp. dba Wisdom Protective Services of Westbury, New York for Security Services for the 2024-2025 school year at the following rates:

Security Guard Hourly Rate
 Lead Guard Hourly Rate
 \$23.16/hour
 \$30.57/hour

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

This is the first renewal of the 2023-2024 contract per 18A:18A-42 and it reflects a 5.81% increase from last year. These services have been budgeted for the 2024-2025 school year.

**RESOLUTION** 4630Y

**FOR ACTION** 

**SUBJECT:** RENEW CONTRACT FOR REFUSE DISPOSAL SERVICES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education renews the contract with South Orange Disposal of South Orange, New Jersey for Refuse Disposal Services for the 2024-2025 school year at the following rates:

Refuse Disposal	\$113,005.08

Alternate 1: Recycling \$ 26,492.52

Total \$141,497.60

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This is the first renewal of the 2023-2024 contract per 18A:18A-42 and it reflects a 5.81% increase from last year. These services have been budgeted for the 2024-2025 school year.

**RESOLUTION 4630Z** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** RENEW CONTRACT FOR PLUMBING REPAIR SERVICES FOR

THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education renews the contract with United Welding of Caldwell, New Jersey for Plumbing Repair Services for the 2024-2025 school year at a rate of \$104.23 per hour for Mechanic and \$36.44 per hour for Mechanic's Helper, plus the cost of parts and materials.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

This is the first renewal of the 2023-2024 contract per 18A:18A-42 and it reflects a 5.8% increase from last year. These services have been budgeted for the 2024-25 school year.

**RESOLUTION 4630AA** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** AWARD CONTRACT FOR THERAPEUTIC MENTAL HEALTH

WRAP AROUND PROGRAM

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education awards the contract for Therapeutic Mental Health Wrap Around Program to Effective School Solutions, LLC of Summit, New Jersey in the following amounts:

Daily Rate per Professional \$688.50/diem
 Training Session \$800.00/Session
 All Day Workshop \$2,400.00/Workshop

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Request for Proposals was issued on May 17, 2024 and returned on May 31, 2024. Packages were requested by 13 companies and received from two companies. Submitted packages were reviewed by the Assistant Business Administrator.

The estimated annual cost is \$515,500.00

**RESOLUTION** 4630AB

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** AWARD CONTRACT FOR RENOVATIONS TO SOUTH ORANGE

MIDDLE SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of awards the contract for renovations to South Orange Middle School to Paul Otto Building Company of Clark, New Jersey in the amount of \$15,687,000.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Solicitation for bids was issued on May 17, 2024 and received on June 12, 2024. Bid packages were requested by 21 companies and returned by 3.

Contractor	Base Bid
Paul Otto Building Company	\$15,687,000
G & P Parlamas	\$15,843,000
The Bennett Company	16,280,000

**RESOLUTION 4630AC** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE RESOLUTION TO AWARD LEASE PURCHASE

FINANCING BID TO WEBSTER BANK N.A.

WHEREAS on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission and the School Business Administrator conducted an opening for sealed bids for the South Orange Maplewood Board of Education for the lease purchase financing to pay for the acquisition of certain equipment (see attached list) throughout the district and;

WHERAS, the best interest rate on the \$2,740,000 approximate lease purchase amount was 4.18% for the equipment being offered by Webster Bank, N.A. Formal Board action is required to award the contract for the financing;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the resolution to award the contract to Webster Bank, N.A. for Lease Purchase Financing to purchase certain equipment for an approximate total amount of \$2,740,000 and authorizing the School Business Administrator to execute all related documents to close on this financing.

**RESOLUTION 4630AD** 

**FOR ACTION** 

**SUBJECT:** RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE

SOUTH ORANGE -MAPLEWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE

COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE PURCHASE

AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO THE ACQUISITION, PURCHASE,

FINANCING AND LEASING OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SOUTH ORANGE- MAPLEWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, a body politic and corporate duly organized and existing as a political subdivision of the State of New Jersey ("Lessee"), is authorized by the laws of the State of New Jersey to purchase, acquire and lease personal property for the benefit of Lessee and to enter into contracts with respect thereto; and

WHEREAS Lessee desires to purchase, acquire, finance and lease certain equipment with a cost not to exceed \$2,740,000 constituting personal property necessary for Lessee to perform essential governmental functions (the "Equipment"); and

WHEREAS Lessee proposes to enter into that certain Lease Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement"), with Webster Bank N.A. ("Lessor"), the form of which has been available for review by the governing body of Lessee prior to this meeting; and

WHEREAS the funds made available by Lessor under the Agreement will be deposited pursuant to the terms of that certain Escrow Agreement, among Lessee, the Lessor and Webster Bank N.A. (the "Escrow Agreement"; and together with the Agreement, the "Financing Documents") and will be applied to the acquisition of the Equipment in accordance with said Escrow Agreement; and

WHEREAS the Equipment is essential for Lessee to perform its governmental functions; and

WHEREAS, Lessee has taken the necessary steps, including those relating to any applicable legal bidding requirements, to arrange for the acquisition of the Equipment; and

WHEREAS the governing body of Lessee deems it for the benefit of Lessee and for the efficient and effective administration thereof to enter into the Financing Documents and any other documentation necessary, convenient or appropriate for the purpose of the financing the Equipment on the terms and conditions described therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF LESSEE, that Lessee is hereby authorized to execute and deliver the Agreement with principal components of rental payments in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$2,740,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Financing Documents and the acquisition and financing of the Equipment under the terms and conditions as described in the Financing Documents are hereby approved. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary of Lessee and any other officer of Lessee with the power to execute contracts on behalf of Lessee be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to execute, acknowledge and deliver the Financing Documents and any and all instruments, documents and certificates which may be required by or provided for in the Financing Documents or as may otherwise be required for or necessary, convenient or appropriate to the financing described in this resolution together with any changes, insertions and omissions therein as may be approved by the officer(s) who execute the Financing Documents, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by such execution and delivery of the Financing Documents. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary of Lessee and any other officer of Lessee with the power to do so be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to affix the official seal of Lessee to the Financing Documents and attest the same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officers of Lessee be, and each of them hereby is, authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all papers, instruments, opinions, certificates, affidavits and other documents and to do or cause to be done any and all other acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out this resolution and the Financing Documents.

Bank Qualified only BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), Lessee hereby specifically designates the Agreement as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing contained in this resolution, the Agreement nor any other instrument shall be construed with respect to Lessee as incurring a pecuniary liability or charge upon the general credit of Lessee or against its taxing power, nor shall the breach of any agreement contained in this resolution, the Agreement or any other instrument or document executed in connection therewith impose any pecuniary liability upon Lessee or any charge upon its general credit or against its taxing power, except to the extent that the rental payments payable under the Agreement are special limited obligations of Lessee as provided in the Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

**RESOLUTION** 4630AE

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE CHANGE ORDER FOR RENOVATIONS AND

ADDITIONS TO COLUMBIA HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the following change orders to the contract with G&P Parlamas, Inc. for Renovations and Additions to Columbia High School Project.

Contractor	Change Order #	Amount	
	-		
G&P Parlamas, Inc.	9	\$1,425,224.00	

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Change order #9 will address the following:

- Commons kitchenette modifications,
- Steep slope concrete deck,
- Guidance asbestos abatement,
- ASI 8 floor modifications and substrate repair,
- Deteriorated roof drain replacement,
- Asbestos abatement phase six
- Roofing wet insulation replacement.

**RESOLUTION 4630AF** 

**FOR ACTION** 

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE CHANGE ORDER FOR RENOVATIONS TO MAPLEWOOD

MIDDLE SCHOOL AND SOUTH ORANGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the following change order to the contract with The Bennett Company, Inc. for Renovations to Maplewood Middle School and South Orange Middle School.

Contractor	Change Order #	Amount
The Bennett Company	2	\$29,525.00 (Piping Contract Allowance) \$312,222.00 (Hazardous Material Allowance)

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION** 

Change order #2 will address the following:

- Partial sidewalk replacement
- Wet roof insulation replacement
- Abatement from April 30, 2024 through May 31, 2024
- Abatement Non-friable flooring removal
- Abatement Subchapter 8 flooring removal

**RESOLUTION 4630AG** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE TUITION FOR REGULAR AND SPECIAL EDUCATION

STUDENTS ATTENDING UNION COUNTY VOCATIONAL

SCHOOLS FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approve a tuition agreement with Union County Vocational-Technical Schools for each district resident student referred to them for the 2024-2025 school year at the following annual tuition rates:

PROGRAM	STATUS	<u>TUITION</u>
Union County Academy for Allied Health Sciences	Full-time	\$9,000.00*
Union County Academy for Information Technology	Full-time	\$9,000.00*
Union County Magnet High School for Science, Mathematics, & Technology	Full-time	\$9,000.00*
Union County Vocational-Technical HS	Full-time	\$9,000.00*
Union County Academy for the Performing Arts	Full-time	\$9,000.00*
Union County Vocational-Technical HS	Shared-time	\$3,750.00*
All Self-Contained Special Needs Vocational-Technical Programs	Shared-time	\$6,000.00*
Transition Program (attends AM & PM Class) * reflects out of county tuition rates	Full-time	\$15,000.00*

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Board of Education of the Vocational Schools in the County of Union provides educational programs for students that are unavailable within district. This agreement covers any students attending one or more Union County vocational schools during the 2024-2025 school year.

**RESOLUTION 4630AH** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** ACCEPT DONATION TO COLUMBIA HIGH SCHOOL INFINITE

STEP TEAM

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education accepts a donation to the Columbia High School Infinite Step Team in the amount of \$250.00.

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

20-048-200-890-CH-5900-

Columbia High School

\$250.00

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 generous donation as made by NJPAC to support the Columbia High School Infinite Step Team.

**RESOLUTION 4630AI** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** ACCEPT DONATION TO PARENTING CENTER

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education accepts a donation to the Parenting Center in the amount of \$1,352.51.

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

20-019-200-890

Parenting Center

\$2,102.51

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

These generous donations were made by Marshall PTA, Girls Scouts Heart of NJ 20443 and the Allen/Chew Family fund to support the Parenting Center.

**RESOLUTION 4630AJ** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN BATHROOM WAIVER FOR

MONTROSE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER, CLINTON, DELIA BOLDEN, 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, Delia Bolden, 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, Delia Bolden, 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.

**RESOLUTION 4630AK** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** RENEW CONTRACT FOR TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education renews the contract for telecommunication services with MetTel of New York, New York for a term of 24 months. IP PRI Service includes 5,000 minutes local and regional calling minutes for each line per month. Long distance calls and local and regional calls exceeding 5,000 minutes per line will be billed at 1.9 cents per minute. Additionally, Centrex service will be provided at the rate of \$31.88 per line per month and POTS services will be provided at the rate of \$25.07 per month. eFax lines will be provided at \$4.99 per month with a cost of \$0.06 per page.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Carrier services provided to the district for voice and fax lines. Additionally, carrier provides PRI circuits for the district VOIP system. PRI lines may be removed and dedicated internet circuits for VOIP added without penalty. Digital voice lines will be used for backup telephone service, fire alarms, security systems, elevators, and other ancillary equipment.

The contracts are being renewed for the 2024 - 2025 and 2025 - 2026 school years. There is approximately a total savings of \$200.00 savings per month.

**RESOLUTION 4630AL** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL OF DISTRICT PROPERTY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the disposal of the following items:

- Everett blonde upright piano.
- Story and Clark Everett console piano

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

These items are deemed unusable by the district based on an assessment conducted by the Fine Arts Department.

**RESOLUTION 4630AM** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** APPLY AND ACCEPT FY24 EMERGENT CAPITAL MAINTENANCE

**NEEDS GRANT** 

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the submission of an application for the FY 2024 Emergent Capital Maintenance Needs Grant and accepts these funds in the amount of \$164,568.00.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The New Jersey State FY2024 budget includes a direct appropriation to the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) to provide funding for projects related to emergent and capital maintenance needs. This funding is available to the New Jersey Schools Development Authority Districts and Regular Operating Districts to address emergent projects as well as capital maintenance projects. The funding is available to offset district costs associated with taking those important measures and ensuring students have safe and healthy learning environments. Districts can use these funds for emergent or capital maintenance projects or to offset appropriate project costs incurred this fiscal year.

**RESOLUTION 4630AN** 

**FOR ACTION** 

**SUBJECT:** REJECT FY2025 CARL D. PERKINS VOCATIONAL AND

TECHNICAL PROGRAM ENTITLEMENT FUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education rejects federal fiscal year 2025 Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Program Entitlement Funds in the amount of \$40,528.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The district will continue to run the TV Production program at Columbia High School using alternative funding.

**RESOLUTION 4630AO** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** EMERGENCY EVACUATION AGREEMENT

Whereas, the Board of Education and the Temple Sharey Tefilo-Israel share concerns about student safety and security and recognize the need to respond to such concerns on an expedited basis; and

**Whereas**, the parties recognize that there may be some instances when, in case of an emergency, the Montrose Early Childhood Center students require evacuation to off-site facilities; and

Whereas, the Temple Sharey Tefilo-Israel has offered to provide such facilities in case of emergency evacuation and the Board of Education has determined that the facilities are adequate and beneficial to the Montrose Early Childhood Center students for such use.

**Now, therefore**, in consideration of the conditions and agreements contained herein and other valuable consideration which has been deemed by each party to be acceptable, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Board of Education and the Temple Sharey Tefilo-Israel agree to the following:

The Temple Sharey Tefilo-Israel will provide, and the Montrose Early Childhood Center will utilize, adequate and safe facility space which shall be located in a designated part of the Temple Sharey Tefilo-Israel, located at 432 Scotland Road, South Orange, New Jersey, for the receipt and placement of Montrose Early Childhood Center students during an emergency event which jeopardizes the safety of the students or Montrose Early Childhood Center facilities and/or which necessitates the evacuation of Montrose Early Childhood Center students from the building to an off-site location, as may be ordered or determined by law enforcement and/or Montrose Early Childhood Center Administration. Such events include but are not limited to, bomb threats, school security and intruder threats and warnings, and facility breakdowns, among other things.

The term of this agreement shall be from the date of execution through June 30, 2025.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Temple Sharey Tefilo-Israel is in close proximity and will serve as an evacuation location in the event of an emergency.

**RESOLUTION 4630AP** 

**FOR ACTION** 

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE PURCHASE OF IXL LEARNING

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the purchase of IXL Learning Professional Development Software in the amount of \$555,000 over three years.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Request for Proposals was issued on May 31, 2024 and returned on June 14, 2024. Packages were requested by 56 companies and received from two companies. Submitted packages were reviewed by the Assistant Business Administrator.

**RESOLUTION 4630AQ** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves an agreement with Curriculum Associates to purchase the Iready Program at cost of \$236,496.60.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Request for Proposals was issued on May 17, 2024 and returned on May 31, 2024. Packages were requested by 24 companies and received from one company. Submitted packages were reviewed by the Assistant Business Administrator.

**RESOLUTION 4630AR** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** AWARD BID FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education awards the bid for Occupational Therapy Services for the 2024-2025 school year to the following vendors:

• Kaleidoscope \$95.00/hour

• United Therapy Solutions \$90.00/hour

\$375.00/evaluation Fee \$180.00/homebased services

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Solicitation for bids was issued on May 17, 2024 and received on May 31, 2024. Bid packages were requested by twelve companies and returned by nine.

The bids were reviewed by the Assistant Business Administrator. These services have been budgeted for the 2024-25 school year.

**RESOLUTION 4630AS** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** AWARD BID FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education awards the bid for Physical Therapy Services for the 2024-2025 school year to the following vendors:

• Kaleidoscope \$95.00/hour

• United Therapy Solutions \$90.00/hour

\$375.00/evaluation fee

\$180.00/homebased services

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Solicitation for bids was issued on May 17, 2024 and received on May 31, 2024. Bid packages were requested by twelve companies and returned by seven.

The bids were reviewed by the Assistant Business Administrator. These services have been budgeted for the 2024-25 school year.

**RESOLUTION 4630AT** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** AWARD BID FOR SPEECH LANGUAGE SERVICES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education awards the bid for Speech Language Services for the 2024-2025 school year to the following vendors:

• Kaleidoscope \$92.00/hour

• United Therapy Solutions \$90.00/hour

\$450.00/Evaluation Fee \$180.00/Homebased services

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Solicitation for bids was issued on May 17, 2024 and received on May 31, 2024. Bid packages were requested by fifteen companies and returned by eight.

The bids were reviewed by the Assistant Business Administrator. These services have been budgeted for the 2024-25 school year.

**RESOLUTION 4630AU** 

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE PURCHASE OF LINKIT!

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the purchase of Linkit! Assessment Content and Professional Development software in the amount of \$179,825.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Request for Proposals was issued on June 14, 2024 and returned on June 25, 2024. Packages were requested by 28 companies and received from one company. The proposal was reviewed by the Assistant Business Administrator.