It is recommended that:

PERSONNEL (1.1-1.2)

1.1 The Board approve the following:
   a. Retirements, Resignations, Terminations, Leaves
      Absence, Employment, Transfers
   b. Students
   c. Substitutes
   d. Extracurricular Activities
   e. Volunteers

1.2 The Board approve the Memorandum for the Non-Union Administrative/Supervisory/Auxiliary Personnel whose names are on file with the Secretary of the Board from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018.

PROCEDURES & OPERATIONS (2.1-2.7)

2.1 The Board approve of field trips, district travel and Softball Spring Training Trip 2016.

2.2 The Board approve the Standard Operating Procedures for the 2015-2016 school year.
2.3 The Board approve the Letter of Agreement between the Vineland Board of Education and Atlantic Cape Community College allowing VHS students to apply for Dual Credit for the Geospatial Information Systems (GIS) course at a reduced fee.

2.4 The Board approve the submission of the NJ Department of Education “2015 School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act”. [This is required by the state (at a public meeting) prior to submission to NJDOE.]

2.5 The Board approve the bus evacuation drills completed in April, May and June as per the list provided and on file with the Board Secretary and in accordance with New Jersey Administrative Code 6A:27-11.2.

2.6 The Board approve the revised Fee Schedule for Use of School Facilities (to go along with Policy 7510 if approved.)

2.7 The Board approve the new and revised curriculum for the 2015-2016 school year:
   a. Language Arts – New Curriculum
      Kindergarten – Journeys Curriculum & Assessments
      First Grade – Journeys Curriculum & Assessments
      Poetry Slam 2
   b. Math – Revised Curriculum
      PARCC Algebra 1 (was HSPA 11 & 12)
      PARCC Geometry (was HSPA 11 & 12)
      Honors Precalculus

All Members voted “yes.”
(8-0-0)

All Members voted “yes.”
(8-0-0)

All Members voted “yes.”
(8-0-0)

All Members voted “yes” except Ms. Codispoti and Mr. Pagano who “abstained.”
(6-0-2)

All Members voted “yes.”
(8-0-0)
BUILDINGS & GOUNDS (3) none

FINANCE (4.1-4.28)

4.1 The Board approve the budgetary transfers
   a. General, School-Based and ECPA- May 2015

4.2 The Board approve the submission of the following
   grant applications:
   a. General Mills Foundations Grant
      Mennies Elementary School
      In the amount of ………………………….$5,000
   b. The Franklin Institute Field Trip Grant
      D’Ippolito Elementary School
      In the approximate amount of ……………$1,700
   c. NJEA Hipp Foundations Grant: Preschoolers
      Reading Around the World
      Dallago Impact Center
      In the amount of ………………………….$10,000
   d. Cumberland County New Jersey SNAP-Ed
      Program Supplemental Nutrition Assistant Program
      for nutrition education to SNAP eligible youth from
      October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2018.
   e. Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
      (IDEA) Grant FY 2016
      July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016
      Basic Allocation (3-21) ------------------------$2,854,978
      Preschool Allocation (3-5) ------------------ $ 92,153
4.3 The Board approve to accept the following funding:

   a. Kohl’s Foundation Library Science Grant
      Mennies Elementary School
      In the amount of $500

   b. New Jersey Youth Corps Program (2015-16)
      New Jersey Youth Corps/Department of Labor and Workforce Development through the
      Vineland Public Schools
      In the amount of $397,222

4.4 The Board approve a $500 donation from PG Super25 MidAtlantic LLC for the use of fields in accordance with Board Policy #7230, “Gifts, Grants and Donations.”

4.5 The Board approve a piano with a value of $500 donated by Alan Kay to Leuchter Elementary School in accordance with Board Policy #7230, “Gifts, Grants and Donations.”

4.6 The Board approve a donation of two laptop computers to The Grace Bible Church in accordance with Board Policy #7300, “Disposition of Property.”
4.7 The Board approve the paid lunch prices as required by the State Department of Agriculture and on file with Board Secretary for the 2015-2016 school year.

4.8 The Board approve a payment in the amount of $1,240 to an employee whose name is on file with the Board Secretary for legal fees that were provided in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:16-6.1.

4.9 The Board approve a resolution to authorize the Business Administrator to purchase in excess of the bid threshold of $40,000 (revised by the state on 7/1/15 increasing from $36,000) office supplies, school supplies, janitorial supplies, technology infrastructure and computers/computer accessories on state contract and/or Cumberland County and/or the Educational Services Commission of Morris and/or the Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission and/or Western States Contracting Alliance during fiscal year 2015-2016.

4.10 The Board approve a professional services contract between the Vineland Board of Education and Health Care Consultants, Inc., a New Jersey Corporation doing business as Newborn Nurses for nursing services at a rate of $40 per hour for a LPN and $50 per hour for a RN for the 2015-2016 school year.
4.11 The Board approve Change Order #3 in the amount of $2,302 to provide new domestic water piping due to asbestos which is within the contingency allowance of $10,000.
Change Order #3
Straga Brothers, Inc.
PO Box 216
Glassboro, NJ 08028

All Members voted “yes.”
(8-0-0)

4.12 The Board approve the tuition contract between the Atlantic County Institute of Technology and the Vineland Board of Education for two students in the amount of $18,080 per student.

All Members voted “yes.”
(8-0-0)

4.13 The Board approve the resolution which awards contracts to the childcare providers in accordance with the list on file with the Board Secretary for the 2015-2016 school year in accordance with a form of contract approved by the Department of Education.

All Members voted “yes.”
(8-0-0)

4.14 The Board approve the submission of the PARCC Assessment Assistance for Secondary Education (PAASE) Cooperative Agreement FY 2015 between the NJ Department of Education and the Vineland Board of Education in the amount of $30,000.

All Members voted “yes.”
(8-0-0)
4.15 The Board approve the Achieve 3000 software for middle school Language Arts and Social Studies from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 in the amount of $61,160.

4.16 The Board approve the staffing professional services contract between The Wright Choice, LLC and the Vineland Board of Education to provide Licensed Practical Nurses @ $36 per hour and Registered Nurses @ $46 per hour on an as-needed basis.

4.17 The Board approve the renewal of a professional services contract with Inspira Medical Center, Inc. for IMPACT healthcare services for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 in a form acceptable by the Board Solicitor and the Superintendent of Schools.

4.18 The Board approve the renewal of the Public Donor Agreement between Vineland Board of Education and Inspira Medical Centers, Inc. for healthcare services for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 in a form acceptable by the Board Solicitor and the Superintendent.
4.19 The Board approve to submit the FY 2016 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Application to the State of New Jersey Department of Education in the amount of $3,688,874 for the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

All Members voted “yes.” (8-0-0)

4.20 The Board approve the Non-Public Textbook Aid in the amount of $31,576, Non-Public Technology Aid in the amount of $14,378 and Non-Public Nursing Aid in the amount of $49,770 for the 2015-2016 school year.

All Members voted “yes.” (8-0-0)

4.21 The Board approve the New Jersey Department of Education Office of Career and Technical Education preliminary FY16 Perkins Grant Allocations in the amount of $76,899.

All Members voted “yes.” (8-0-0)

4.22 The Board approve the recommended implementations from the New Jersey Department of Education Corrective Action Plan for the following Early Childhood Centers:
   a. DiBiase Infant Care Center, Inc.
   b. Golan Learning Center, Inc.

All Members voted “yes.” (8-0-0)
4.23 The Board approve a resolution appointing the firm of Daniel C. Hoffman, Esq. & Michael A. Hoffman, Esq. for collection of delinquent accounts receivable.

4.24 The Board approve the 2015-2016 Student Transportation Contract with Sheppard Bus Service for grades K-4 for 5 transportation to and from school routes, for the Vineland Public Charter School, in the amount of $1,150 per diem, from September 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. A detailed description of these routes are on file with the Business Administrator.

4.25 The Board approve 50 back packs containing pencils, erasers, rulers and note books to the students in our district from Fire Base Nam MC in accordance with Board Policy #7230, “Gifts, Grants and Donations.”

4.26 The Board approve the Board Secretary’s and Treasurer’s Reports for May 2015.
4.27 The Board approve the award of a contract to Arch Concept Construction, Inc. of Haledon, NJ. for the partial replacement of the roof at VHS North in the amount of $178,711. I further recommend waivers regarding certain minor deficiencies in the bid of Arch Concept Construction to be explained by the Board Solicitor on the record.

Mr. DeSanto said the Superintendent is recommending the approval of an award of a contract to Arch Concept Construction, Inc. in the amount of $178,711 for the partial replacement of the roof at Vineland High School North. He said at his recommendation Dr. Gruccio is requesting for the Board to waive two minor deficiencies in the of Arch Concept bid. Mr. DeSanto said under the School Public Contracts Law a Board of Education is permitted in the interest of the district, as long as competitive bidding is maintained, to waive minor irregularities in bids. It is within the discretion of the Board to do so. In the specifications for the roof at VHS North and in the advertisement that was published in the Daily Journal bidders were directed to forward their bid package to 1150 S. W. Boulevard at the warehouse where the purchasing office is located. Mr. DeSanto said Arch Concept Construction of Haledon, New Jersey sent in their bid by FedEx at 9:53 a.m. on the date of the bid prior to the 10:00 a.m. bid opening. He said Mrs. Haley, Mr. Green, Mr. Merighi, and Mr. Weaver were all at the purchasing office at that time preparing to open bids at 10:00 a.m. Mr. DeSanto said we have written confirmation from FedEx that the bid was received at 9:53 a.m. Therefore it was received by the district 7 minutes before the opening although it was not received at the assigned location. He said the package was given to Mrs. Haley’s secretarial assistant and then to Mrs. Haley.

All Members voted “yes” except Mr. DiGiorgio who “abstained.” (7-0-1)
Mr. DeSanto said the Arch Concept bid was maintained by Mrs. Haley unopened and untouched until the next day at 3:00 p.m. at which time the bid package was opened in the presence of Mrs. Haley, Mr. Green, Mr. Merighi and the owner of Wilhelm Roofing who at the bid opening was the lowest responsible bidder at about $198,000. All of the bidders were invited by Mrs. Haley to attend but only the representative from Wilhelm Roofing attended. The bid was opened and reviewed by Mr. Merighi and myself. Mr. DeSanto said the bid was found to be compliant in all of the requirements and was approximately $20,000 less than the bid submitted by Wilhelm Roofing. He said with these circumstances it is his recommendation and advice to the Board that the deficiency or irregularity in where the FedEx package was delivered is an immaterial deviation. It does not affect the bid process and no one was at the bid opening listening to the bids. Mr. DeSanto said he understands that people should follow directions but if the Board wanted to they can waive that irregularity and consider the award to Arch Concept. He said the second deviation that the Board is being asked to waive involves a sign sheet. The bidders were required to physically inspect the roof so they became familiar with what it looked like and what work needed to be done. Mr. DeSanto said a form had to be filled out by the bidder certifying that they inspected the roof and then signed by a district representative. He said Arch Concept did not have the form signed by an individual from the district but wrote that there was no one available to sign the form when they examined the roof. Mr. DeSanto said that is a deviation that you can consider immaterial. He said the inspection of the roof had nothing to do with the integrity of the process. Mr. DeSanto said the recommendation to the Board is to award to Arch Concept and waive the minor irregularities.
Mr. DiGiorgio asked if the instructions on the bid stated that the packet was to be delivered to the warehouse building. Mrs. Haley said the way the Request for Proposal (RFP) was written is that the advertisement had the actual address of the Boulevard but the RFP said to refer to the advertisement for the address. She said we are now going to open all bids at the 625 Plum Street address, which is our legal address. Mrs. Haley said this particular bidder made a phone call to the architect’s office and asked what the central office address was and 625 Plum Street was given.

Mr. DeSanto said a yes vote tonight would be a vote to award and to waive these two irregularities.

Mr. Jennings thanked Mr. DeSanto for explaining how the procedure took place.

Ms. Morello voted “yes” with reservations.

Mr. Pagano voted “yes” with concerns and hopes these problems do not happen in the future.

Mr. English voted “yes” with concerns.

4.28 The Board approve to award a contract to Insight Workforce Solutions, LLC for supplemental substitute staffing services on as needed basis.
4.29 The Board approve the Section 13B Local Share Agreement with the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) for $490,475.00 to share in the funding of the Geothermal HVAC System at the new middle school.

Mr. Weaver said this was discussed several times during the initial process with Middle School #2 and it was our desire to install a Geothermal System like what was done in the prior schools. He said the current performance specs for the School Development Authority (SDA) does not allow for geothermal. He said he had many meetings with SDA and demonstrated the operational savings on our side with the geothermal and the fact that the system is more reliable. Mr. Weaver said the SDA agreed to do a cost saving and we are going to split the initial cost of the project. He said the total cost is just under 1 million dollars. Mr. Weaver said we agreed to pay the $490,475, which was put in this year’s budget.

Mr. DeSanto said the contract that the Board is being asked to approve tonight has a revision. He said when he reviewed the original draft he noticed there was no mechanism in the agreement for the return of this money in the event that the school does not get built or the geothermal piece is not included. Mr. DeSanto said the attorney for the SDA agreed with him and the language is now in the contract that was distributed to the Board.

Mr. English asked if we over budgeted for this. Mrs. Haley said yes. Mr. English asked what fund does this come from. Mrs. Haley said fund 12 Capital Outlay. Mr. English asked out much excess money do we have. Mrs. Haley said about $150,000. Mr. English asked if we have to contact Mr. Knight the County Business Administrator to use the money for something else. Mrs. Haley said yes and sometimes we put excess funds in capital reserve.
Ms. Morello suggested finishing up some of the smaller projects with this money.

Mr. Weaver said when the educational specifications are signed this will go out to bid around the last week of August for Middle School 2.

Mr. English asked when we will see the shovel in the ground. Mr. Weaver said there will be a full evaluation process when the notice goes out to choose the design team.

Ms. Morello said we need to do whatever needs to be done in regards to the traffic concerns in that area. She said traffic flies along Lincoln Avenue. Dr. Gruccio said it is a definite concern and is the municipalities’ responsibility and they have worked with us where they could. Mr. Weaver said the SDA are restricted to just the frontage of the property. He said we will have sidewalks in the front and running from the front to the back of the school. Mr. Weaver said we need to have discussions with the county and work together to see what can be done. Mr. English said this is a legitimate concern that can be discussed at Mr. Jennings facility committee meeting.

Ms. Acosta asked if the Board can reach out to our legislators and the Cumberland County Improvement Authority about this. Mr. English said yes we can.
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