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The minutes of the regular meeting of the North Plainfield Board of Education held on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 7:30 PM, East End School School, 170 Oneida Avenue, North Plainfield, NJ. Ms. Bond-Nelson, Board President called the meeting to order and made the following announcement: In accordance with NJSA 10:4-10, required advance notice of this meeting was filed with the Borough Clerk; submitted to the COURIER NEWS, STAR LEDGER, AND Comcast; posted at Watchung School, Borough Hall and the North Plainfield Public Library and the school district website. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Ms. Bond-Nelson requested the call of the roll:

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. - Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

A quorum was established

Also present were Michelle Vella, Superintendent of Schools; and Donald Sternberg, Board Secretary/School Business Administrator, Joanne Sung, Assistant Superintendent, Student Representative Jasmine Muhando and approximately 39 members of the staff and public.

Introduction of New Staff

None.

Minutes Approval

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote with Ms. Butler abstaining; to accept the public session minutes of March 20, 2019.

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote with Ms. Butler abstaining; to accept the executive session minutes of March 20, 2019.

Financial Report

None.

Comments from the Public

Anu Aeol expressed concerns regarding the softball program.

Several members of the staff expressed concerns regarding settlement of the negotiated contract.

Student Representative Report

Student representative: Jasmine Muhando

Jasmine, apologizes for not being here tonight.

Good evening everyone, it is nice to see you all tonight.

Since the last time we met a few exciting events have taken place at NPHS.

As you all know the musical, The Addams Family was performed in the auditorium on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night. Even though you got a preview of the show, I hope you all got a chance to watch it in its entirety because it was amazing. The actors, choreographer, and stage crew did a phenomenal job. On behalf of the student body I would like to thank Mr. Love, the drama teacher, for directing such a comical show.

Also, as we all know the year is nearly over, so while all the students scramble to maintain or raise their grades the seniors have also been focusing on touring or even committing to their college.

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Tomorrow the mentors will meeting with their mentees to discuss college and career awareness.

Aside from that, some students who will be traveling abroad during spring break have been anxiously awaiting their departure. I am excited to see what souvenirs and stories they will bring back. I wish them as well as you all a safe and fun spring break.

Student representative: Marta Hernandez

For the spring sports, many of the teams had been waiting anxiously for their official games and meets to begin. Yesterday the boys baseball team and the girls softball team had their first game of the season against Warren Hills Regional High School. The Girls softball team had an away game. The girls had an extremely close game, for 5 innings the score remained 0-0, until the sixth inning, where unfortunately the girls ended up losing 5-2. The boys played against the same school on our home turf, unfortunately the boys also lost 1-14. The score might not have been the best, however, they kept their heads up high throughout the entire game and proudly represented our school. Tomorrow both teams will be playing against Del Val and I am positive that they will bring a win for our school.

The boys tennis team also had an away match against Voorhees High. They had three double games and two single games, however they were unable to win, losing 6-0. Although they lost, the boys kept a positive attitude and hopefully they will be able to win their next match, which is this Friday against Gill Saint Bernards.

The boys and girls track and field teams have also been hard at work. Tomorrow the freshmen and Sophomores boys and girls will have their first meet at Metuchen. The first meet for the entire team for both the boys and girls will be this Saturday for relays at Metuchen. I know that they will do a great job and make our high school proud.

Thank you all for your time.

Presentation

Ms. Meyer presented the new math program being implemented titled 'Go Math!' and provided an overview of the program.

Mr. Scott Bills, district consultant, provided an overview of the current status of the fields and proposed rehabilitation projects planned to improve various conditions.

Superintendent's Report

Parent-Focused Forum: As part of the March 13th High School PTO meeting, Jerard Stephenson, Joanne Sung and I facilitated a parent-focused forum on college and career readiness. About 45 parents joined us in a dynamic discussion that focused on preparing our students for life beyond high school, specifically college and career. As we fielded questions, in both English and Spanish, I was heartened by our families and their forethought for their children's next steps.

Community Day Event Planning Committee: On March 26th, I held the inaugural planning meeting for the Fall Community Day Event. About 30 members of the community have pledged to participate in planning this event, and 26 convened for our first meeting. We spent an hour productively agreeing on subcommittees, appointing chairs, and self-delegating to these subcommittees. We plan to meet again in approximately one month to update the planning committee as a whole on each subcommittee's progress. North Plainfield Pride Day will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2019 from 11:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Closing the Attitude Gap: Principal Kafele, who was the key presenter at a recent Rutgers University Graduate School of Education workshop that I attended with Joanne Sung and a

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cohort of our principals and assistant principals, agreed to assist us with our work to improve student attitude, as a precursor to increasing academic achievement, across the District. Our cohort will meet with Principal Kafele on April 8th at the Board office to begin our journey and partnership with him.

Senior Selected for NHS Scholarship: Jeiner Betancourt has been selected as a National Honor Society National Semi-Finalist and will be awarded a scholarship of \$3,200. Jeiner competed against tens of thousands of applicants from around the United States to become one of the 575 national semi-finalists awarded. Recipients of the National Honor Society Scholarship exhibit scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Please join me in congratulating Jeiner who is truly deserving of this highly competitive, prestigious scholarship.

NJSBA Unsung Heroes: Throughout the year, NJSBA has been honoring high school student “heroes” by county. These are students who make unique impacts on their schools, families, and communities. North Plainfield High School’s unsung hero is Jeiner Betancourt. Jeiner entered our District in first grade speaking no English. He will graduate with the rank of fifth out 225 students in the Class of 2019. In addition to Jeiner’s academic achievements, he is active in extracurricular activities including yearbook editor in chief, president of the French honor society, vice president of the Interact club, a Canuck mentor, and Mr. Canuck, the school mascot. Outside of school, Jeiner volunteers with our rescue squad and works with NJ Share Network to educate the community on the importance of organ donation. He is the epitome of an unsung hero. The Somerset County NJSBA recognition ceremony took place on April 3rd at 6:30 pm at Watchung Hills Regional High School.

Jersey Tastes: Maschio’s will be hosting a series of “Jersey Tastes” events during school lunch periods across the district this spring.

4/3 - West End

4/10 - Somerset

5/15 - High School/ Middle School

5/21 - East End

6/12 - Stony Brook

During these events, Maschio’s Farm to School Coordinator, Lyn Mahony, will be visiting district cafeterias to promote New Jersey’s local fruit or vegetable of the month with free samples, student giveaways, and flyers. The fruits/vegetables of the month are: April - spinach; May - asparagus; June - strawberries.

Police Unity Tour: The Police Unity Tour is a 3-day 300+ mile bicycle ride to Washington, DC to raise awareness about law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice, and to raise funds for the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial and Museum. In an effort to support our North Plainfield police officers who are participating in the Unity Tour, all schools will be selling “Police Badges” for \$1 each from April 8th - April 29th. These “badges” will list the student’s name and be displayed at their school.

Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum and Instruction Report

Business Technology 4 Girls (BT4G):

On March 21st, a group of 9th and 10th grade technology and engineering students attended Pfizer's Business Technology 4 Girls (BT4G) event. Our students were joined by other female students from around New Jersey to learn about Pfizer's use of technology in a biomedical and pharmaceutical company. The day included panel discussions with emerging leaders, from within the organization. During their presentation, they shared how they arrived at their current positions.

Students were also given an opportunity to tour the campus and experience the array of divisions and departments that make up this diverse organization. The students finished the day by learning about reverse engineering and cybersecurity with fun, hands on activities. This event was created to raise awareness about the opportunities for women in information technology in an effort to close the gender gap in STEM careers.



“ We are passionate about building a foundation of young leaders in the community and are striving to assist in closing the gender gap currently seen in technology related careers. ”

Math Pilot Program Proposal:

Following a year-long pilot of Big Ideas and Go Math!, Ms. Meyer presented feedback on the work during the March 27, 2019 Curriculum Committee meeting. Ms. Meyer provided the committee members with the benefits of both programs, as well as reflection and insight shared by district teachers currently participating in the pilot effort.

Based upon the collaborative input of the pilot participants, along with on-going research regarding the effectiveness of each product, Ms. Meyer presented a recommendation in favor of Go Math! as the best mathematics program for our students.

Go Math! is a comprehensive Grade K-5 mathematics program that incorporates the latest thinking in its approach by engaging digital natives with cross-platform technology. The program promotes engagement in learning math concepts and skills that are key to student academic success.

Additionally, Go Math! addresses the needs of our ESL students by offering all materials and resources in both English and Spanish. The program offers tiered intervention kits for our struggling learners, as well as enrichment activities and lessons for our gifted students, helping teachers to differentiate instruction while building and reinforcing foundational math skills that translate from the classroom to real life.

Social Studies Pilot

For the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year (April-June) the Social Studies department will be piloting the use of *Social Studies Alive! America's Past*, a TCI product, as an additional instructional resource for Grade 5 Social Studies. Teachers Curriculum Institute

(TCD) offers interactive K-12 science and social studies curriculum to enable educators to improve student engagement. The program offers intense interaction with the personalities, places and events that structured our nation, and will lead students to be both keen observers and informed participants in US history. Use of this enhanced educational technology is consistent with the district goal of transitioning to a 21st-century classroom.

NJSLA Assessment Change:

Recent updates have been made by the NJDOE regarding the spring state assessments for high school. As of March 18, 2019, end-of-course statewide assessments in ELA and mathematics for students in Grade 11 are no longer required to be administered. In addition, any high school student who entered the United States for the first time on, or after, June 1, 2018 is exempt from taking the NJSLA-ELA.

With regard to New Jersey's graduation assessment requirements, students graduating as members of the Class of 2020 can meet graduation assessments in ELA and mathematics through any of the three following pathways:

- (1) Achieve passing scores on high school level NJSLA/PARCC assessments; or
- (2) Achieve scores defined in the graduation assessment requirements chart (linked above) on
alternative assessments such as the SAT, ACT, or ACCUPLACER; or
- (3) Submit, through the district, a student portfolio appeal to the NJDOE.

Grade 11 students who have already met graduation requirements in ELA and/or mathematics through a previously taken PARCC assessment will not be required to take an ELA and/or mathematics NJSLA assessment this year. Grade 11 students who have not yet met graduation requirements in ELA and/or mathematics through a previously taken PARCC assessment will be required to take an ELA and/or mathematics NJSLA assessment this year. Parent letters are being sent out by the HS office regarding the updates and notifying parents whether or not their child must take an assessment.

Double Period Algebra 2

Algebra 2 will be run as a high school double period course starting in the 2019-2020 school year. This change will better address the needs of our most at-risk students in danger of not graduating due to testing and credit requirements.

Recommendations from Superintendent of Schools Personnel

It is understood that the employment of all new personnel is pending completion of the employment process including S-414/3381 documentation.

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that BE IT RESOLVED, that Board of Education authorizes revisions to the attached job descriptions as indicated.

Cafeteria Paraprofessional
Instructional Paraprofessional – Kindergarten
Office Paraprofessional
Special Education Paraprofessional

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education adjusts the assignment of the listed paraprofessional as indicated.

Name	From (hours per day)	To (hours per day)	Effective
Mary Solis	MS – 4.00	MS – 4.25	3/25/19

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education approves the transfer of Ana Paucar **from** instructional paraprofessional at West End School **to** non-instructional paraprofessional at Somerset School, at the Non-Instructional/Step 3 rate of \$16.43 per hour, for 4.50 hours per day, effective April 4, 2019. (Ms. Paucar will replace Piedad Escamilla.)

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education approves the transfer of Christopher Davis **from** grounds custodian for the District **to** custodian at NPHS, effective March 25, 2019. There is no change in annual salary, however Mr. Davis will receive a prorated third shift differential of \$2,537.40.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accepts the resignations of the listed employees as indicated.

Name	Position	School	Effective
Al-Nisa Blount	School Psychologist	EE	5/22/19
Christopher Tyler	Teacher	NPHS	7/1/19
Ayana Lawrence	Paraprofessional	NPHS Bridge Prg.	4/9/19

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Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that the Board of Education grants the employees listed leaves of absence as indicated.

Employee	Position	School	Effective	# Sick Days Used	FMLA
#4947	School Counselor	EE	1/11/19-1/31/20	49	3/23/19 – 6/21/19
#5263	Teacher	NPMS	2/7/19 – 5/3/19	2	2/11/19 – 5/3/19

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the individuals indicated to the positions specified, at the stipends/rates and account noted.

Name	Position	School	Effective	Stipend/Rate	Not to Exceed	Account #
Patricia Glen	Registration Nurse	District	4/4/19	\$41.00/hour	\$2,870.00	11-000-221-104-14-02-300
Deysi Aldas	Registration Clerk	District	4/4/19	\$12.86/hour	\$900.20	11-000-221-104-14-02-300

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the individual indicated to the position specified, at the stipend/rate noted.

Name	Position	School	Effective	Stipend/Rate
Gordon Cain	Field Maintenance	District	2/1/19	\$675.00 prorated

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education approves the teachers indicated to teach a sixth period class, at the rates noted.

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Name	Class	School	Prorated Additional Annual Salary	Not to Exceed	Effective
Joseph Protomastro	Grade 7 English LA	NPMS	\$10,505.00	\$1,155.55	4/1/19 – 5/3/19
Jennifer Mariani	Grade 7 English LA	NPMS	\$9,971.00	\$1,096.81	4/1/19 – 5/3/19
Sabina Astafovic	Grade 7 English LA	NPMS	\$10,438.00	\$1,148.18	4/1/19 – 5/3/19
Kate Friedman	Grade 7 English LA	NPMS	\$10,455.00	\$1,150.05	4/1/19 – 5/3/19
John DeLaurentis	Grade 7 English LA	NPMS	\$12,490.00	\$1,373.90	4/1/19 – 5/3/19

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education approves the employment of the individual indicated as K-12 district substitute teacher/substitute paraprofessional.

Nicholas Zebrowski

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education approves the individual indicated for clinical experience in the district.

Student Name	College	School/Class	Assignment	Dates	Coop. Teacher
Tara Prunty	Drexel University	EE/ Grade 3	Active Observation (40 Hours) ELL/Early Literacy	4/4/19 – 6/14/19	Jill Fogarty
Tara Prunty	Drexel University	EE/ Grade 1	Active Observation (30 Hours) Elementary Math	4/4/19 – 6/14/19	Stefanie Martin

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education approves the Board member and/or staff conference and travel expenses as per the attached list.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education amends the previously approved stipend allocations as indicated.

Name	Position	School	From	To	Effective
Melissa Hunton	Literary Magazine Advisor	SS	\$1,173.00	\$1,759.50	9/1/18 – 6/30/19
Chemagne Kania	Literary Magazine Advisor	SS	\$1,173.00	\$586.50	9/1/18 – 6/30/19
Danielle Fauci	Team Leader	NPMS	\$550.00	\$385.00	9/1/18 – 3/31/19
Laurel Hanns	Team Leader	NPMS	\$0.00	\$165.00	4/1/19 – 6/30/19

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote to remove the following recommendation:

That BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Kelly Mullery Lafemina as a preschool ESL teacher for the 2018-2019 school year. **BE IT RESOLVED**, effective April 8, 2019, Kelly Mullery Lafemina shall be paid the rate of \$312.00 per day, for up to five days per week. This position is paid through the PEEA grant (This position is new.)

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Kelly Mullery Lafemina as a preschool ESL teacher for the 2018-2019 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective April 8, 2019, Kelly Mullery Lafemina shall be placed on MA/Step 2-3 (2) and will be paid the prorated annual salary of \$62,630, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement. This position is paid through the PEEA grant. (This position is new.)

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Curriculum, Instruction and Pupil Services

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools has provided the Board of Education with reports regarding HIB incidents #

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and the investigations which were conducted following these complaints; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education was advised of any consequences and/or remedial measures related to these matters as well as the Superintendent’s recommendations regarding the results of the investigations; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education votes to affirm the Superintendent’s recommendations on HIB cases #

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Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2019-2020 school year, the Board of Education approves the curricula indicated.

AP Calculus
Consumer Mathematics 1 & 2 (High School General Mathematics)
Consumer Mathematics 3 & 4 (High School General Mathematics)

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education approves the out-of-district placement of the classified student as indicated, effective March 26, 2019. Transportation will be required.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
VVVVV-18-19	05/07/11	OHI	Westbridge Academy	\$410.84/day

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education rescinds the out-of-district placement of the classified student as indicated, effective April 4, 2019.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
RRRRR-18-19	03/30/07MD		YCS George Washington School	\$55,989.00/yr. prorated

Further, that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education approves the out-of-district placement of the classified student as indicated, effective April 4, 2019. Transportation will be required.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
RRRRR-18-19	03/30/07	MD	NuView Academy	\$303.00/day
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye		Sandra Dodd – Aye		
Bianka Butler – Aye		John Fellin, Jr. – Aye		
Michelle Robertson - Aye		Thomas Allen – Aye		
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye				

Finance, Purchasing & Agreements

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote RESOLUTION/AGREEMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

WHEREAS, the North Plainfield Board of Education desires to transport special education, non-public, public and vocational school students to specific destinations; and

WHEREAS, the UNION COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION, hereinafter referred to as the CTSA, offers coordinated transportation services; and

WHEREAS, the CTSA will organize and schedule routes to achieve the maximum cost effectiveness;

NOW THEREFORE, it is agreed that in consideration of prorated contract costs, plus an administration fee of 4%, as presented to the North Plainfield Board of Education as calculated by the billing formula adopted by the CTSA, payment will be made according to the billing schedule attached hereto. Said formula shall be based on the route cost(s) divided by the number of students allocated to each participating district. The total amount to be charged to districts will be adjusted based on the actual cost. Any balance due back to the district will be made by June.

1. The CTSA will provide the following services:
 - a. transportation each day while school or classes attended are in session;
 - b. monthly billing and invoices;
 - c. computer print-outs of student lists for all routes coordinated by the CTSA;
 - d. all information necessary for the accurate submission of the District Report of Transported Resident Students;
 - e. all necessary interaction and communication between the sending district, receiving school, and the respective transportation contractors;
 - f. constant/timely review and revision of routes;
 - g. transportation as soon as possible after receipt of the formal written request;
 - h. a bid analysis to participating district boards of education upon their request; and
 - i. timely submission of contracts, contract renewals or contract addenda to the county office for approval.

2. It is further agreed that the North Plainfield Board of Education will provide the CTSA with the following:
 - a. copies of district policies as they relate to ride time or other specific transportation parameters;
 - b. requests for transportation on forms to be provided by the CTSA, completed in full and signed by authorized district personnel;
 - c. forms will contain all necessary and relevant information, medical or otherwise, regarding individual student's condition and transportation needs;
 - d. withdrawal from any transportation in writing, signed by authorized district personnel; and
 - e. strict adherence to the established payment schedule.
3. Additional Cost - all additional costs generated by unique requests, including but not limited to mid-day runs and early dismissals, will be borne by the district making such request.
4. It is understood that any change in the number of students being transported on each route, or changes in mileage during the course of the year will necessitate a reapportionment and adjustment of costs.
5. The CTSA accepts no responsibility for assuring a pupil's use of arranged transportation or attendance on an established route. Once assigned to a route, the monthly billings for the pupil's reserved seat will continue until the CTSA is otherwise notified, in writing, to delete the pupil from the assigned route.
6. Length of Agreement - this agreement and obligations and requirements therein shall be in effect between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.
7. Entire Agreement - this agreement constitutes the entire and only agreement between the parties and may be amended by an instrument in writing over authorized signature.
8. It is understood and agreed by the parties hereto that this agreement shall be without force and effect until it shall have been approved by the County Superintendent of the County of Union and any additional County Superintendent, where applicable.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that the Board of Education authorizes Lauren Bamber to apply for a grant through DonorsChoose.Org for the purpose of purchasing puzzles and related materials for her classroom at East End School at a total value of \$289.00.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that the Board of Education authorizes Allison Hessemer to apply for a grant through DonorsChoose.Org for the purpose of purchasing puzzles and related materials for her classroom at East End School at a total value of \$426.64.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that the Board of Education authorizes Lauren Bamber to apply for a grant through DonorsChoose.Org for the purpose of purchasing cars, trucks, and play people for her classroom at East End School at a total value of \$363.00.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that the Board of Education authorizes Allison Hessemer to apply for a grant through DonorsChoose.Org for the purpose of purchasing visual and audio timers, and a storage unit for her classroom at East End School at a total value of \$560.59.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that the Board of Education authorizes Kyle Skrivanek to apply for a grant through DonorsChoose.Org for the purpose of purchasing medium-heavy crash cymbals for the concert band at NPHS at a total value of \$570.00.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that the Board of Education authorizes Karen Lewis to apply for a grant through DonorsChoose.Org for the purpose of purchasing a shelving unit and storage boxes for her classroom at Somerset School at a total value of \$201.01.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that the Board of Education authorizes Luis Jaime to apply for a PSE&G Grant to provide funding for two water bottle stations and reusable sports bottles for all students and staff at NPMS at a total value of \$10,000.00.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Correspondence

None.

Committee and Delegate Report

Board Staff – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Communications – Next meeting scheduled for May 15, 2019 at 5:30 PM.

Curriculum – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Finance & Facilities – 2019-2020 Budget Presentation-April 25, 2019 at East End School 7:30 PM

Policy Meeting – Next meeting scheduled for May 16, 2019 at 6:30 PM.

Negotiations(NPEA) – Next meeting scheduled for April 24, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

NJSBA – Mr. Fellin provided an update on recent legislation.

SCSBA – Next meeting is scheduled for May 21, 2019 at 6:00 PM.

SCESC – Ms. Robertson reported on issues discussed at the most recent meeting. Next meeting to be held in June 2019.

Ad Hoc Personnel Committee will be established.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Mr. Vick moved, seconded by Ms. Butler and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approves for a second reading the following new policies:

1315	Distribution of Materials, Solicitation and Advertising on School Property
1400	Job Descriptions
5142.11	Safety Patrols

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Comments from the Public

None.

Future Agenda Items

Per the presentation calendar [2018-2019 Special Presentations Calendar](#)

Adjournment

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education will hold an Executive Session on Thursday, April 25, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. at East End School for confidential matters relating to students, personnel, contract negotiations, litigation, and/or any other matter considered confidential by federal or state law. It is anticipated that Executive Session will last approximately one half an hour.

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; to adjourn to Executive Session at 9:10 PM for confidential matters relating to students, personnel, contract negotiations, litigation, and/or any other matter considered confidential by federal or state law. No action will be taken upon return to Public Session.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Michelle Robertson - Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Allen – Aye

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved to adjourn at 9:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:

Donald Sternberg

