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The minutes of the regular meeting of the North Plainfield Board of Education held on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 7:30 PM, Watchung School, 33 Mountain 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
Kathleen Mullen – 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 Representatives Jasmine Muhando and Marta Hernandez Mejia and approximately 5 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. Mullen abstaining; to accept the public session minutes of November 20, 2018.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Abstain
Willie Vick Jr. - Aye

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

Financial Report

None.

Comments from the Public

None.

Student Representative Report

Student Representative: Jasmine Muhando

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

A lot has happened since the last time we met. Last Tuesday several students involved in band or chorus went on a trip to Disney World. Even though the bus ride was long and stressful they enjoyed the time spent together. They represented our school proudly by playing beautiful tunes and singing their hearts out. They were sad to have returned Sunday afternoon, but they will fortunately carry these memories with them forever.

Last Thursday, some students who take dance went to Somerset County Vo Tech where they got to take a variety of different classes from yoga to tap. They got to interact

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with students from different schools and mimic the life of a professional dancer. They all really enjoyed themselves and found it to be an eye opening experience.

Last Friday, the Heroes and Cool Kids members went to Somerset School to introduce themselves and to get to know their peers. They discussed the wellness of the body as well as shared life lessons with their peers. They are excited to mentor these peers because they are very free spirited and conversational. Also, on Friday Interact assisted the Red Cross with running the winter Blood drive. They gave out shirts and stickers to all those that participated. It was a huge success and it was great to see a large amount of my peers willing to help save others' lives.

Lastly, a few senior mentors went on the annual Mentor Trip to the Poconos. They left this morning and are prepared to bond with each other and play many fun games.

Thank you.

Student Representative: Marta Hernandez

Good evening everyone, it is a pleasure being here with you today

Since the last time we met, the winter sports all began their practices. The Boys basketball team has been practicing and so far everything is going very well. So far there are around 25 boys involved in total for Varsity and JV. On Thursday they will have their first scrimmage against Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield. The boys from both teams have been practicing very hard and passionately, working together not only to improve their physical strength but to also bond as a team. With their new coaches, the boys are being pushed past their limits to be more successful. The girls varsity and jv basketball team have also began their practices. Their first scrimmage is tomorrow at home against Linden and their first game is away, next Friday, against Voorhees. They have been working extremely hard in order to make this season a success and hopefully it will all be worth it in the end. The step team has also been hard at work, preparing before the season begins. Their first performance is scheduled for December 18 at 7pm and we know it will be a total success. They are a hard working group, who put 110 percent into everything thing they do in order for their performances to be successful. The indoor track and field have also begun their practices last week. There has been a handful of students who have come out of their comfort zone to try winter track. All the members have been working hard and practicing past their limits to be the best they could be. Hopefully this hard work pays off at their first meet, which is December 15.

Thank you all for your time.

Presentation

Mr. Miller of Suplee Clooney & Co., district audit firm presented the 2018 annual financial audit to the Board and public. There are no recommendations and the district is in good financial condition.

Ms. Armento presented to the Board the 2016-2017 School Performance Reports and reviewed report changes and report structure.

Superintendent's Report

Newsletter: A team (Ms. Gregory, Ms. Kobylarz, and Ms. Lake) met with me this week to discuss our winter community newsletter. We will be naming it, "*Why North Plainfield, By North Plainfield*" and will be filming a brief video to recruit staff and high school students to participate in authoring the newsletter. Once submissions are complete, a committee will select pieces for the newsletter. Stay tuned for more details as the process unfolds.

Somerset School Assistant Principal Search: Dr. Katz and I met with Mr. Sainte-Rose this week to discuss the search for a new assistant principal. Ms. Harrington has sent a

correspondence to the Somerset community announcing her departure, and Mr. Sainte-Rose will be sharing the search details with staff and families this week.

Audit Report: Mr. Sternberg and I met with the auditors to review their findings last week. As you heard tonight, our report contained no recommendations and our district is in a financially sound space. This is a tribute to the work of Mr. Sternberg and his vision and sound accounting.

Demographer: Mr. Sternberg and I have met with demographers in an effort to secure a firm to work with our district. We will be working with Ross Haber and Associates on enrollment projections, district demographics and mapping for our elementary schools. A meeting is scheduled this month to plan the work, so we can study our size and population and make predictions for years to come. This will enable us in our staffing and planning more effectively.

North Plainfield Memorial Library: Beginning this past September, Christal Blue, director of the North Plainfield Memorial Library, has observed a notable increase in the number of unattended children frequenting the library after school and on weekends. Unfortunately, some of these students have exhibited unsafe and disruptive behavior inside and outside the building, causing other patrons to complain, and in some instances, to experience difficulty entering the library. Ms. Blue contacted me last week and asked that we join forces in an effort to curb this issue through the issuance of a letter to all District families regarding the matter. I drafted a letter on November 27th that went home with students and appears on our website. I plan to follow up with Ms. Blue presently to monitor this issue.

Prudential Actuary Presentation: On November 29th, Prudential visited North



Plainfield High School to meet with students interested in exploring a career in the Actuarial Sciences. The Prudential team created an engaging mini-lesson where students learned about pensions and financial risk. Then, students worked together on a case study to experience the real world math that is used by an actuary. Prudential offers several internship programs offered to college students interested in pursuing a career in the Actuarial Sciences. Students were exposed to the necessary steps to pursue a

career in the field.

Interact Blood Drive a Success: The Interact Club, advised by Alexandra Pereira, held their bi-annual blood drive on Friday, November 30th. It was an overwhelming success. The club collected 60 pints of blood which equates to 180 saved lives. The Interact Club will hold their next blood drive this spring.

ASVAB Results for Seniors: To date, 15 of our high school seniors have passed ASVAB and met their graduation requirement. We have a total of 65 remaining students who are in need of a testing requirement: 10 for English language arts; 21 for mathematics; 34 for both ELA and math. These students will have an additional opportunity to retake the ASVAB on December 10th.

Instant Decision Day College Acceptances: Please join me in congratulating our seniors who have received college acceptances during our recent Instant Decision Days sponsored by the High School Counseling Office.

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Leanna Billups	Christian Guzman	Josue Orozco
Wilder Calhueque	Danielle Havrilla	Jason Rodriguez
Joseph Cobo	Jennifer Hernandez Castaneda	Jamie Stacey
Hazel Cruz Henriquez	Jenifer Hidalgo	Sebastian Villacis
Marilyn DelaCruz	Rana Hosny	Alveiry Zarate
Sydney Dixon	Joshua Josias	
Kayla Endara	Joseph Leon Penagos	
Troi Ford	Laura Martinez	
Michael Garcia	Katherine Motta-Romero	
Ny'Asia Gardiner	Ashley Muhando	

New Jersey Institute of Technology

Jarett Rodriguez
Sheyla Casco

Ramapo College

Jeiner Bentancourt
Hazel Cruz
Alveiry Zarate
Danisha Tiban

Bloomfield College

Nathaly Barrera
Troi Ford
Ny'Asia Gardiner
Maeva Guevara
Andy Osegueda

Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum and Instruction Report

Reschedule of the November 15th Parent-Teacher Conferences: Following an extensive discussion with NPEA leadership and district PreK-6 principals, the cancellation of the planned 4-hour session and evening conference schedules, will be recommended for reschedule to Monday, December 17, 2018. The collective goal of the reschedule was to identify a date, in advance of the December break, that would not conflict with other district events already on the calendar while also providing staff and district families adequate planning time.

Distribution is prepared to begin immediately with letters sent home via student backpack, posted on district websites, and communicated through a Honeywell alert and follow-up Honeywell reminder on Sunday, December 16th. District principals and teachers will follow up with impacted families regarding specific time and location of rescheduled conferences.

Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee: The North Plainfield School District will host a Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee, BPAC, that will meet a minimum of four (4) times a year. Formation of this advisory committee is a requirement of the Bilingual Waiver and will consist of preschool to Grade 12 parents of district English Language Learners. This committee will support the development and review of program objectives and dissemination of information to, and from, the school and borough community.

The first meeting took place on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 with 10 parents in attendance and 7 more expressing interest in committee participation. The agenda for the

evening was focused on building relationships and communication, with the most prominent part of the conversation led by Spanish speaking parents. Of many discussion points, one suggestion that was made was to create a menu of classroom-related topics such as sight words, reading codification, and supporting their children at home. All members agreed to the next meeting to be held at the end of January.

Sheltered Instruction Saturday Certification Program: The final day of the three-day, fifteen-hour Saturday Sheltered Instruction Training was completed on Saturday, December 1, 2018. Conclusion of the program brings the district team to 40 staff members that have earned their Sheltered Instruction Certification and hold a myriad of tools to meet the needs of our district's growing ELL population.

The Sheltered Instruction sessions were facilitated by consultants from the Language & Literacy Associates for Multilingual and Multicultural Education (LLAMAME, LLC) with participants receiving expert research and theory as well as hands-on experiences that will be immediately applicable to the ELL's classroom success.

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, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Nicholas Russo as an Italian teacher at NPHS for the 2018-2019 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective January 3, 2019, Nicholas Russo shall be placed on BA/Step 1 and will be paid the prorated annual salary of \$59,430, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement. (Mr. Russo will replace Mariastella Leandri Marrapodi.)

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 Virinder Aiello as an instructional paraprofessional at Stony Brook School for the 2018-2019 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective December 6, 2018, Virinder Aiello shall be placed on Instructional Degree/Step 2 and will be paid the rate of \$17.89 per hour, for 3.50 hours per day. (Ms. Aiello will replace Theresa Shillingford.)

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

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

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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 resignation of Piedad Escamilla, non-instructional paraprofessional at Somerset School, effective November 30, 2018.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 resignation of Maura Harrington, assistant principal at Somerset School, effective January 25, 2019.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 places employee #5997 on an administrative leave, without pay, effective November 21, 2018 through November 26, 2018.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 Vivianette Rivera **from** instructional paraprofessional at West End School **to** non-instructional paraprofessional at West End School. Effective December 6, 2018, Vivianette Rivera shall be placed on Non-Instructional/Step 9 and will be paid the rate of \$20.00 per hour, for 4.50 hours per day. (Ms. Rivera will replace Cecilia Griffiths.)

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 previously approved recommendation to appoint Francesca Cardona as an ELL Facilitator at East End School, effective December 1, 2018.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 noted.

Name	Position	School	Effective	Stipend/Rate
Susan Shapteban	Winter Guard Instructor	NPHS	12/15/18	\$2,065.00
Nicole Talerico	Winter Guard Asst. Instructor	NPHS	12/15/18	\$1,563.00
Joseph Protomastro	Athletics Chaperone	NPHS/M S	12/6/18	\$28.35/hour
Andrea Rodgers	Athletics Chaperone	NPHS/M S	12/6/18	\$28.35/hour
Molly Gasior	Extended Day Substitute	Somerset	12/10/18	\$28.35/hour
Ryan Dunhamm	Assistant Wrestling Coach	NPHS	12/6/18	\$6,892.00

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
 Bianka Butler – Aye
 Kathleen Mullen – 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 RESOLVED, that for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education appoints the individuals indicated to the Law Enforcement Unit for the District.

Robert Lake

Stuart Buckman

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
 Bianka Butler – Aye
 Kathleen Mullen – 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 Brian Bigden for Psychology curriculum revisions, at the rate of \$49.74 per hour, not to exceed 10 hours.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
 Bianka Butler – Aye
 Kathleen Mullen – 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
 Kathleen Mullen – 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 Al-Nisa Blount as a school psychologist at East End School for the 2018-2019 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective December 6, 2018, Al-Nisa Blount shall be placed on MA+30/Step 1 and will be paid the prorated annual salary of \$65,430, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement. (Ms. Blount will replace Catherine Pate.)

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 Alexandria Hill as a social studies teacher at NPHS for the 2018-2019 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective January 2, 2019, Alexandria Hill shall be placed on BA/Step 2-3 (2) and will be paid the prorated annual salary of \$59,630, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement. (Ms. Hill will replace Alexandra Katz.)

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 grants employee #6026, teacher at Somerset School, a leave of absence effective March 3, 2019, using 20 sick days and thereafter an unpaid leave of absence under the Family Medical Leave Act, through June 30, 2019.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 Caitlin Tyrrell as a behaviorist for the District for the 2018-2019 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective January 7, 2019, Caitlin Tyrrell shall be placed on MA/Step 2-3 (3) and will be paid the prorated annual salary of \$62,630, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement. (Ms. Tyrrell will replace Maureen Mintzer who transferred to another position.)

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

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

Willie Vick Jr. – 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 leave of absence for employee #5277, teacher at Somerset School, **from** November 17, 2017 through February 28, 2019 **to** November 17, 2017 through June 30, 2019.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
 Bianka Butler – Aye
 Kathleen Mullen – 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 individuals indicated as substitutes for the District.

Name	Position
Kathleen Maurice	Substitute Nurse
Josephine Osafo-Darko	Substitute Nurse
Hipolito Lujan-Flores	K-12 Substitute Teacher/Substitute Paraprofessional
Shaquille Henderson	Substitute Custodian
Keith Little	Substitute Custodian

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
 Bianka Butler – Aye
 Kathleen Mullen – 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
Jessica Giron	SB – 3.50	SB – 4.50	12/6/18

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
 Bianka Butler – Aye
 Kathleen Mullen – 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 #

required.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
UUUUU-18-19	10/11/01	ED	The Academy at Daytop	\$306.45/day

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
 Bianka Butler – Aye
 Kathleen Mullen – 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 modification of the 2018-2019 school District calendar to add a conference day/4-hour session for grades K-6 on December 17, 2018.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
 Bianka Butler – Aye
 Kathleen Mullen – Aye
 Willie Vick Jr. – Aye

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

Finance, Purchasing & Agreements

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that The Board of Education is authorizing the Business Administrator to proceed with obtaining approvals for restoration and repair of water damage at North Plainfield High School:

WHEREAS, the North Plainfield Board of Education (“Board”) has determined that, damage caused by water infiltration has caused significant damage rendering seven classrooms unusable and the building unsafe to be occupied.

WHEREAS, the district intends to award this project as an emergency project due to the timing of the occurrence and the severity; and

WHEREAS, the Board must now take all actions as directed by the Department of Education, Executive County Superintendent, and any other authority in order to receive a determination and approval to proceed; and

WHEREAS; that the business administrator is hereby authorized to seek Executive County Superintendent approval to proceed with repairs pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-7 et. seq. in order to award the project; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Donald Sternberg the Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, is hereby authorized to submit and take all necessary action to provide specification and receive proposals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the business administrator is hereby authorized to solicit proposals pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-7 et. seq. in order to award the project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this resolution shall be effective immediately.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye

Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Willie Vick Jr. – 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 is awarding the following contract for the purpose of emergency demolition, reconstruction, repair and replacement at North Plainfield High School:

WHEREAS, on or about August 29, 2018, the North Plainfield High School experienced a flood of a large section of the building due to a pipe connection breaking over the weekend, and subsequently causing severe damage to hallways, seven classrooms, ceilings, walls, insulation, and electronics. As such, the district requested emergency approval to award a contract for cleanup and recovery to the following company; and

WHEREAS, on or about August 29, 2018, the Business Administrator notified the County Executive Superintendent of Schools of the extent of the damage and requested permission to execute necessary contracts to immediately begin restoration; and

WHEREAS, The District has also notified the district's insurance carrier, The Diploma Joint Insurance Fund of the loss and opened a case for damages and full restitution of all funds expended.

WHEREAS, two companies capable of doing the necessary work were contacted and only one having the available staff to do the work necessary in the time required; and

WHEREAS, the Board was required to open school on September 4th; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-7 et seq., the Board has determined that Rapid Recovery, Inc., having offices at *375 North St. Unit Q, Teterboro, NJ 07608*, is the immediate responsible and responsive contractor for the Project, with a price of \$259,845.89 (Two Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-Six Dollars).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board make the following award of contract:

Rapid Recovery, Inc. is hereby awarded the contract for the Project, for the total base sum of \$259,846.00 (Two Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-Six Dollars).

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 acknowledges the results of the annual school election held on

November 6, 2018 as outlined on the Certificate of Election, provided by the Board of County Canvassers of Somerset County.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 approves and accepts the donation of an outdoor *Little Free Library* at East End School at a value of \$250.00.

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 approves the following field trip:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Transportation</u>
12/5/18	YMCA Newton	High School	360.00	Contracted Bus

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – 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 – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Curriculum – Next meeting scheduled for January 8, 2019 at 4:45 PM

Finance & Facilities – Ms. Bond-Nelson reviewed items discussed at the last meeting including the 2019-2020 school budget and the 2018 audit.

Policy Meeting – Next meeting scheduled for December 12, 2018 at 6:30 PM.

Negotiations(NPEA) – Next meeting scheduled for January 28, 2019.

Negotiations(NPAEAS) – Nothing.

NJSBA – Mr. Fellin updated the Board on recent legislation.

SCSBA – Next meeting scheduled for January 4, 2019 at Somerset County Vocational Technical High School.

SCESC – Ms. Mullen updated the Board on issues discussed at the most recent meeting, and mentioned it was her last meeting as Board member.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Comments from the Public

None.

Future Agenda Items

Per the presentation calendar (www.nplainfield.org)

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 Wednesday, December 19, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at Watchung 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 to adjourn at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:

Donald Sternberg

