

The minutes of the regular meeting of the North Plainfield Board of Education held on Tuesday, June 4, 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 Representatives Jasmine Muhando & Marta Hernandez and approximately 88 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 to accept the public session minutes of May 22, 2019.

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote to accept the executive session minutes of May 22, 2019.

#### **Financial Report**

None.

#### **Comments from the Public**

None.

#### **Student Representative Report**

##### **Student representative: Jasmine Muhando**

Good evening it is wonderful seeing you all here tonight.

Since the last time we met the days have been jam packed with many fun events.

Last Tuesday the seniors got to participate in teacher for a day. I got the opportunity to be Ms. Lechtanski and I really enjoyed the experience. After being in our teachers' shoes many of my peers including myself can honestly say that we have gained a new appreciation for teachers. It was very difficult to handle rowdy classes and so I definitely commend teachers for handling us for an entire year.

Last Wednesday seniors also went to the rescheduled senior service day. We received a delicious breakfast and nicely designed shirts. I got to go to west end where I got

to make the school look more like spring by placing mulch around the plants. Some of the other students went to other elementary schools to tackle similar task, or they went to the animal shelter, or even green arcs to help with Somerset school's field day.

Last Thursday the band held their annual spring concert. They did an amazing job and put on an outstanding performance. I especially enjoyed the solos that some of the band members played because they got to showcase their talents as individuals. Overall they did a fantastic job.

Last Friday was the spring into dance concert. It was a bittersweet moment for me and my fellow seniors because it was the last time we were performing on that stage. I was very proud of how the show went and from what I've heard it was the best dance concert we have performed so far. Also at the dance concert Olivia Dougherty, myself, Ashley Muhando, Laura Amancha, and Sydney Muhando were inducted into the national honors society for dance. It was a great honor to receive our chords and pins. Also last Friday was the middle school club fair. Many juniors and seniors spent the day encouraging the middle schoolers to join a sport or activity and I think it was a very successful event.

Yesterday the seniors attended senior picnic at Harbor Hills. We had endless amounts of fun swimming in the pool, jumping on the trampoline, playing volleyball, going go kart racing and doing so much more. From what I saw everyone really enjoyed themselves and it was a great way for us to bond. This was definitely a memorable day especially knowing that it was one of the last times we would be together as an entire grade. Before we went to senior picnic we also received the freshmen letters we wrote to ourselves and the amazing yearbooks from the yearbook students. The letters definitely brought laughter, tears, and joy to many of the seniors looking back their past selves. The yearbook was unbelievable beautiful and I am beyond grateful for Mrs. Kittle and the seniors that helped put it together. Also last night was the Optimist athlete awards dinner. It was great to see select athletes getting recognized for their optimism and accomplishments. The dinner was held at the Italian American Club and it was a delightful event.

Lastly, today the mentors attend field day at West end school. I am positive they had a fun time and left the kids wanting to play more.

Thank you.

### **Student Representative: Marta Hernandez**

Good evening everyone,

As we all know the school year is finally coming to an end. All the spring sports except track have finished and have done an excellent job all throughout the season. It was not an easy season for any of the athletes, however, it has taught them many valuable lessons that they can use it in the real world. From learning how to keep their heads up high when faced with adversity to learning how to give a hundred percent in everything they do. The new division has brought many obstacles, but our athletes have learned to work even harder. It has also made everyone grow not only as a person but as an athlete as well. Last Saturday, some of the track boys went to Groups 2 and 3 and NPA meet at Bayville, NJ and did an excellent job. Daniel Duncan was able to place 1st in the 100 and 200-meter dash finals. This has allowed him to qualify for the Meet of Champions. He broke his own school record running a 21.35 in the 200m dash. Leaundre Gadis placed 12th in the 400-meter dash and 7th place in the 400-meter hurdles. His 400m hurdle time allowed him

to qualify for meet of champions as well. Other boys who also did an excellent job were Ryan Smith who placed 11th in the 1600 Meter run and in 6th place for the 3200-meter run and for the girls, Sydney Muhando was able to qualify to the Meet of Champions by placing 5th in the 100-meter hurdles and running a time of 15.03. Best of luck to them and hopefully they will make our high school very proud. Last Thursday, our high hosted the very first student vs teachers and alumni soccer game. Everyone had a lot of fun and it was amazing to see so many students in our high school come not only to play but to also support their teachers and fellow classmates. In the end the teachers won 7-5, but everyone had tons of fun. I know that this is only the beginning of a new tradition in our high school. Thank you

### **Presentation**

Ms. Vella and Dr. Katz recognized those teachers awarded teacher of the year from each district school.

### **Superintendent's Report**

**North Plainfield Career Day:** The High School held its annual Career Fair for sophomores and juniors on May 20, 2019. Over 35 career professionals were in attendance. Representatives from industries such as architecture, nursing, real estate, civil engineering, law, social work, interior design, therapy dog training, military, and first responders provided our students with career insight and advice. Next year, career day will expand to include workshops on resume writing and interviewing skills that will take place throughout the school year and be facilitated by experts from the North Plainfield community.

**Construction Industry Career Day:** On May 29th, High School counselors accompanied 20 students to the Construction Industry Career Day held at the New Jersey Expo and Convention Center in Edison. While there, our students received information regarding construction career options, educational requirements, apprenticeships, stackable and transferable credentials, wage progressions, and the ability to earn college credits. Students who attended were able to participate in hands on activities like building toolboxes, laying bricks, and using a crane simulator. In addition to exposing our students to the construction industry, representatives from several trade unions agreed to visit the High School in the upcoming school year to speak to a larger group of our students about careers in the construction industry.



**NJASECD Recognition Ceremony:** The annual Character Education recognition ceremony took place at Rider University on Friday, May 31st. Of special note was Stony Brook School being recognized as both a State and National School of Character. Additionally, Jerard Stephenson had the honor of serving on a discussion panel focused on school mentoring.

**Track & Field Meet of Champions:** Daniel Duncan, a junior at NPHS, is the overall Group 2 champion in the 100 and 200 -meter dash. This coming weekend, he will compete in the Meet of Champions where New Jersey's best track and field athletes from all groups meet and compete.

**QSAC Training:** I was joined by Don Sternberg and Joanne Sung on May 29th, as we attended the most recent installment of QSAC training: Operations & Governance. Once again, this seminar was graciously hosted by the Executive County Superintendent's Office. Their commitment to QSAC training will continue throughout the year via seminars and personalized tutorials.

**Sports Awards Nights:** Beginning next school year, Mr. Gordon will host a Sports Awards Night after each completed high school sports season to recognize our student athletes for their participation and accomplishments in their respective sports. Coaches will speak briefly about their seasons and hand out individual awards of achievement. Students and parents will be invited to attend.

**Alyssa's Law:** Alyssa's Law, signed into law by Governor Murphy on February 6, 2019, requires that all New Jersey public schools be equipped with a silent panic alarm, that can be activated in an active-shooter situation or other similar emergency, by September 1, 2019.

Jeff Gale, Director of the Office of School Preparedness and Emergency Planning for the State of New Jersey, addressed compliance with Alyssa's Law in a recent email that Roger Jinks, Somerset County Executive Superintendent, shared with our County Superintendents' Group. To summarize, Mr. Gale states that he has formed a working group to explore compliance with the law and advises that school districts not commit to any vendors, adapt any systems, or spend any money on silent panic alarm systems until his working group provides advice and determines funding sources. Further, Mr. Gale is pushing to have the implementation date extended beyond September 1st to compensate for the delay in identifying acceptable panic button options.

I will keep you apprised of developments as they occur.

### **Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum and Instruction Report**

#### **DEAC Update:**

On May 22, 2019, a DEAC meeting took place, with the goal of identifying professional development needs per grade level and department. Participants of the committee reviewed responses from a recent professional development needs assessment survey. The survey was shared with district staff to garner input on future training needs. For each department, a series of content-specific options were presented to identify possible future training opportunities. Staff were also asked to recommend additional areas of focus if the options offered did not present as priority. The PD survey and committee feedback will serve as the foundation of the district wide professional development plan for next school year.

**NJTESOL/Executive Board:**

Three North Plainfield teachers, Annette Bicklser, Gabriela Colon and Jessica Perdomo-O'Hara, presented at the 2019 *New Jersey Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages/New Jersey Bilingual Education (NJTESOL/NJBE)* Spring Conference held on May 31, 2019.

Two of the three district representatives have been recently elected to join the NJTESOL/NJBE Executive Board. Gabriela Colon was elected as the 2019-2021 Parent Involvement/Community Action SIG (Special Interest Group) representative, and Jessica Perdomo-O'Hara was re-elected as the Early Childhood ESL/Bilingual Interest Group representative. In their roles, they will represent constituents at Executive Board meetings, present on behalf of NJTESOL/NJBE, author articles for the organization's newsletter, and participate in a variety of professional associations and networking opportunities to promote the goals and advocacy efforts of NJTESOL/NJBE.

**Go Math Update:**

Having completed a year-long pilot and evaluation of available products, Ms. Lauren Meyer, and her Mathematics Department staff have begun the work of implementing GoMath! Materials are arriving in the coming days and those who piloted the program throughout the school year will begin turn keying program guidelines to their colleagues. Additionally, to prepare teachers for the 2019-2020 school year, all kindergarten through fifth grade teachers will attend a half day training between June 10th and June 13th. The training will include a program overview, lesson format, and walk through of resources, presented by GoMath! representatives. To extend the communication about the programmatic implementation, Ms. Lauren Meyer and Mr. Darrell Taylor recorded Ms. Lysicatos' second grade class at West End to create a video. Once edited, the video will be shared out to all community members.

**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 WHEREAS Joanne Wendt, teacher in the North Plainfield School District, notified the Board of Education on March 6, 2019 and was accepted as retiring effective July 1, 2019, and

WHEREAS she has served the District and children of North Plainfield for approximately nineteen years with dedication to the highest standards, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of North Plainfield extends to Ms. Wendt its thanks for the service she has given and best wishes for her future; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the public meeting of the North Plainfield Board of Education on June 4, 2019, and be it further

RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, signed by the President of the Board of Education and Board Secretary/School Business Administrator, be sent to Ms. Wendt.

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 WHEREAS John Thompson, teacher in the North Plainfield School District, notified the Board of Education on March 20, 2019 and was accepted as retiring effective July 1, 2019, and

WHEREAS he has served the District and children of North Plainfield for approximately twenty-one years with dedication to the highest standards, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of North Plainfield extends to Mr. Thompson its thanks for the service he has given and best wishes for his future; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the public meeting of the North Plainfield Board of Education on June 4, 2019, and be it further

RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, signed by the President of the Board of Education and Board Secretary/School Business Administrator, be sent to Mr. Thompson.

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 WHEREAS Virginia Feola, secretary in the North Plainfield School District, notified the Board of Education on April 25, 2019 and was accepted as retiring effective September 1, 2019, and

WHEREAS she has served the District and children of North Plainfield for approximately thirty-nine years with dedication to the highest standards, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of North Plainfield extends to Ms. Feola its thanks for the service she has given and best wishes for her future; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the public meeting of the North Plainfield Board of Education on June 4, 2019, and be it further

RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, signed by the President of the Board of Education and Board Secretary/School Business Administrator, be sent to Ms. Feola.

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 resignation of Annette Wells, treasurer of school funds for the District, for reasons of retirement, effective July 1, 2019.

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
#5716	Teacher	WE	4/8/19 – 10/27/19	48	9/1/19 – 10/27/19
#5514	Paraprofessional	EE	5/15/19 – 6/30/19	15 (remainder unpaid)	None
#6035	Paraprofessional	SS	5/29/19 – 6/11/19	Unpaid	None
#6269	Teacher	WE	6/4/19 – 6/30/19	15	None

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 That for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the individuals indicated to the positions specified at the Special Education Summer Extended School Year Program at West End School, effective June 24, 2019 through July 31, 2019, at the rates noted, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement.

These positions are divided equally among Accounts #11-422-100-101-14-03-060, #11-422-100-101-14-05-090, #11-422-100-101-14-06-110, and #11-422-100-101-14-04-080.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Marilyn La Marca	ESY Substitute Teacher	\$52.24/hour
Andrea Legiadre	ESY Substitute Teacher	\$52.24/hour
Melissa Rofrano	ESY Substitute Teacher	\$52.24/hour
Geneva Sibauste-Lopez	ESY Substitute Teacher	\$52.24/hour
Colleen Brown	ESY Substitute Teacher	\$52.24/hour
Stephanie Martin	ESY Substitute Teacher	\$52.24/hour
Jacqueline Petras	ESY Substitute Teacher	\$52.24/hour
Wendy McClellan	ESY Substitute Teacher	\$52.24/hour
Geneva Sibauste - Lopez	ESY Substitute Paraprofessional	Current Rate
Ian Erhard	ESY Substitute Paraprofessional	Current Rate
Nydiadra Rivers	ESY Substitute Paraprofessional	Current Rate
Janet Quinteros	ESY Substitute Paraprofessional	Current Rate
Edith Cuevas	ESY Substitute Paraprofessional	Current Rate
Maria Banos	ESY Substitute Paraprofessional	Current Rate
Vivian Rivera	ESY Substitute Paraprofessional	Current Rate
Antonina Chwickowski	ESY Substitute Paraprofessional	Current Rate
Marilyn La Marca	ESY Substitute Paraprofessional	Current Rate
Pat Chwialkowski	ESY Bus Paraprofessional	Current Rate

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 appointment of the individuals indicated to the positions specified, at the stipends/rates noted.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Effective</b>	<b>Stipend/Rate</b>	<b>Account</b>
Maddie Gill	School Test Facilitator	NPHS	9/1/19	\$500.00	11-000-221-104-14-01-050
Leslie Castillo	School Test Facilitator	SB	9/1/19	\$500.00	11-000-221-104-14-05-090
Lynnelle Thomas	School Test Facilitator	EE	9/1/19	\$500.00	11-000-221-104-14-03-060
Julie Lafferty	School Test Facilitator	WE	9/1/19	\$500.00	11-000-221-104-14-06-110
Zoraida Otero	School Test Facilitator	SS	9/1/19	\$500.00	11-000-221-104-14-04-080
Kari Jelliffe	School Test Facilitator	NPMS	9/1/19	\$500.00	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 following staff be reimbursed for graduate courses taken between September 2018 and May 2019.

Name	Course	School	Crds	Paid	Reimb.
Michael Mulry (Social Studies/HS)	Political Science Capstone	American Public University	3	\$1,100.00	\$ 550.00
Sarah Van Vliet (Art/HS)	Printmaking	William Paterson University	3	\$2,142.00	\$1,071.00
	Tracking the Artist		3	\$2,142.00	\$1,071.00
Tammy Mackiewicz (Art/MS)	Brain Based Teach & Lrn	LaSalle University	3	\$1,425.00	\$712.50

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 employees listed as indicated.

Name	Position	School	Effective
Paige Howe	Teacher	WE	7/1/19
Tatiana Neri	School Nurse	WE	7/1/19

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 and 2019-2020 school years, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the individuals indicated to the positions specified at the Summer School at NPHS, effective June 26, 2019 through July 31, 2019, at the rate of \$52.24 per hour, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement. The final confirmation of these positions will be based upon the number of students who enroll in this program. These positions are paid through Account #11-422-100-101-14-01-050.

Name	Position
Debbie Ledger	Summer School Mathematics Teacher
Diego Calle	Summer School Mathematics Teacher
Therese Boulanger	Summer School Mathematics Teacher
Mary Krause	Summer School Mathematics Teacher

Tracee Cobbs	Summer School ESL Teacher
Nicole Hawker-Daniel	Summer School ESL Teacher
Suzanne Noriega	Summer School English Teacher
John Delaurentis	Summer School English Teacher
Brian Bigden	Summer School Social Studies Teacher
Rebecca Dix	Summer School Science Teacher
Thomas Bannon	Summer School PE/Health/Drivers Education Teacher

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 individuals indicated for field experience in the district.

Student Name	College	School/Class	Assignment	Dates	Coop. Teacher
Tara Prunty	Drexel University	EE/ Grades 1 & 3	Residency Student Teaching (24 weeks)	Fall 2019 – Spring 2020	Stefanie Martin/ Jill Fogarty
Claudio Soga	Rutgers University	NPHS/ Dance Education	Clinical Experience (40 Hours)	Fall 2019	Rebecca Visintainer

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 transfer of the staff as indicated.

Name	From	To
Gabriela Colon	SB/WE – ESL Teacher	SB – ESL Teacher
Erika Gambuti	WE – ESL Teacher	NPMS – ESL Teacher
Matthew Lane	EE – Elementary Teacher	WE – Elementary Teacher

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 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 approves the appointment of the individuals indicated to the positions specified, at the stipends/rates noted.

Name	Position	School	Effective	Stipend/Rate
Kyle Skrivanek	Spring Musical Pit Musician	HS	3/23/19	\$450.00
Christopher Messina	Spring Musical Pit Musician	HS	3/23/19	\$450.00
Erin Kreeger	Spring Musical Pit Musician	HS	3/23/19	\$450.00
Jill Fogarty	Communications & Outreach Facilitator	EE	1/19/19	\$1,200.00 (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 BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of the certificated salaried staff indicated, to the positions specified for the 2019-2020 school year, at the salaries noted, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement.

Name	Position	School	Guide/Step	Salary	Effective	Replacing
Michael Chuntz	Teacher	SS	BA/Step 1	\$59,430.00	9/1/19	Eileen DeMeo (transferred)
Jennifer Cavadas	Occupational Therapist	District	MA/Step 1	\$62,430.00	9/1/19	New Position

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 continued employment of all **tenured and non-tenured secretaries** indicated on the attached list at the salary rates indicated, and that contracts to employ be issued.

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 continued employment of the van drivers indicated at the rate of \$31.51‡ per hour, and that contracts to employ be issued.

Frank Berardi  
Patricia Dunhamm

Cindy Dilts  
Melissa Oliver

Substitute Van Drivers

Stephen Masterson

William Palatan

Richard Ryllun

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 continued employment of all Operations Department employees indicated on the attached list at the salary‡ rates indicated, and that contracts to employ be issued.

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 Roland Parla, paraprofessional, from East End School to Stony Brook School, effective May 30, 2019.

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 a report regarding HIB incident #

and the investigation which was conducted following this complaint; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education was advised of any consequences and/or remedial measures related to this matter as well as the Superintendent's recommendation regarding the result of the investigation; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education votes to affirm the Superintendent's recommendation on HIB case #

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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.

US History I Honors (new)  
World History Honors (new)  
YES You Can! Health and Character Education (revised)

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 funds necessary to allow HHH-18-19, classified student at Watchung Hills Regional High School, to receive occupational therapy services, effective June 5, 2019 through June 30, 2019, at a cost of \$43.00 per 30-minute session, not to exceed \$645.00.

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 for the 2018-2019 school year, the Board of Education approves the out-of-district placement of the classified student as indicated, effective June 5, 2019 through June 21, 2019. Transportation will be required.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
WWWWW-18-19	2/19/05	ED	Somerset Academy	\$5,950.00/month 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

**Finance, Purchasing & Agreements**

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote Board of Education is awarding the following for the purpose of converting offices to classrooms at the Harrison School:

**WHEREAS**, on May 21, 2019, the North Plainfield Board of Education (“Board”) accepted a proposal for converting to office areas on the first floor to classrooms and refurbishing the basement office at the Harrison School; and

**WHEREAS**, the approved Educational Data Services vendor for construction has submitted a proposal based on the district specifications for consideration; and

**WHEREAS**, the approved Educational Data Services vendor for construction is the awarded contractor for Educational Data Services, Inc. bid number #8543; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board and the Board’s Architect, Parette Somjen Architects, has evaluated the proposal received and the Board has determined to award the contract for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the provisions of the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq., the Board has determined that **RIS Construction, Inc.**, having offices at **143 North Fullerton Avenue, Montclair, NJ 07042**, is the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder for the Project, with a Lump Sum Base Bid of \$142,112.50 (One Hundred Forty-Two Thousand One Hundred and Twelve Dollars and 50 cents), including an allowance of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars).

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

**RIS Construction Corp.** is hereby awarded the contract for the Project, for the total Sum Base Bid of \$142,112.50 (One Hundred Forty-Two Thousand One Hundred and Twelve Dollars and 50 cents), including an allowance of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this award is subject to RIS Construction, Inc. executing the Owner/Contractor Agreement for the Project, Insurance Certificate(s) evidencing coverages in accordance with the Project Specifications (“Contract Documents”); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board’s Counsel is authorized to prepare and transmit for signature the Owner/Contractor Agreement applicable to this

award, as well as to secure from RIS Construction Corp. such other documentation as required by the Project Specifications and this Resolution.

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

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 accepts and approves the School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report of Completion for May 2019, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:27-11.2.

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 is renewing the following Second renewal (Third Year) for the purpose of providing district wide landscaping services throughout the district:

**WHEREAS**, on May 11, 2017, the North Plainfield Board of Education (“Board”) conducted a public bid opening for the award of the district wide landscaping services; and

**WHEREAS**, two vendors submitted a bid for consideration at the bid opening; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board and the Board’s Business Administrator, has evaluated the bids received and the Board has determined to award the contract for the services; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the provisions of the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq., the Board has determined that ***D’Onofrio & Son, Inc., having offices at 47 Van Ness Terrris, Maplewood, NJ 07040***, is the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder for the Project, with a Lump Sum Base Bid of \$57,600 (Fifty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Dollars), plus two annual renewals for the 2018-19 and the 2019-20 school years both at \$57,600 (Fifty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Dollars) each year; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board make the following Third renewal (Third year) of contract to **D’Onofrio & Son, Inc.**, who is hereby awarded the contract for the service, for the total base bid sum of \$57,600 (Fifty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Dollars).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this award is subject to D’Onofrio & Son, Inc. executing the Owner/Contractor Agreement for the service, and providing

Performance/Payment Bonds and an Insurance Certificate(s) evidencing coverages in accordance with the service specifications (“Contract Documents”); and

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

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 Tara Venturino-Scott to apply for a grant through DonorsChoose.Org for the purpose of purchasing flexible seating options for her classroom at West End School at a total value of \$1,093.60.

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 is awarding the bid for food service management company for the 2019-2020 school year.

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2019 the North Plainfield Board of Education (“Board”) conducted a public bid opening for the award of food management services for the district; and

WHEREAS, one (1) vendor submitted a bid for consideration at the bid opening; and

WHEREAS, the School Business Administrator has evaluated the bid received and the Board has determined to award the contract for the services; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the public school contracts law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq., the Board has determined that Maschio’s Food Service, Inc., having offices at 525 E. Main Street, Chester, NJ 07930, is the lowest responsible and responsive bidder for the services, based on the following;

**Management Fee-** the Local Education Agency shall pay Maschio’s an annual management fee in the amount of \$35,000.00 (Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars). The management fee shall be payable in 10 monthly installments of \$3,500.00 (Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) per month commencing on September 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020.

**Guarantee Return-** Maschio’s guarantees a return to North Plainfield Board of Education (LEA) in the amount of \$125,000.00 (One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars). In the event the actual bottom line of the operational report (total revenue from all sources less program costs, including the management fee) is

below this amount, Maschio's shall be responsible for any shortfall with the following conditions as outlined in the contract.

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

Maschio's Food Services, Inc. is hereby awarded the contract for food services management for the total management fee of \$35,000.00 (Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars) and a guarantee of \$125,000.00 (One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is authorized to prepare and transmit for signature the agreement applicable to this award, as well as to secure from Maschio's Inc., such other documentation as required by the request for proposal specifications and this resolution.

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

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 is authorizing the expenditure of Non-Public Funds for the use of Technology as follows:

WHEREAS, the North Plainfield Board of Education received nonpublic technology aid in the amount of \$4,329.00 from the State of New Jersey in FY 2019; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey directed the North Plainfield Board of Education having nonpublic schools within its boundaries, the responsibility for providing security services, equipment, or technology to help ensure a safe and secure environment for students attending nonpublic schools and for providing nonpublic students technology within the limits of the funds provided by this program in the FY 2019 school year; and

WHEREAS, a Yeshiva Tiferes Boruch representative along with the SCESC consultant reviewed the proposed technology expenditures with the Business Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey requires that the local Board of Education authorize the specific nonpublic expenditures for each of these grant awards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the North Plainfield Board of Education authorize the following nonpublic expenditures:

**Nonpublic Technology  
Yeshiva Tiferes Boruch**

Server and academic licenses	\$1745.00
Total	\$1745.00
<b>FUNDING ALLOCATION</b>	<b>\$1836.00</b>

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 – Next meeting scheduled for June 11, 2019 at 4:30 PM.

Communications – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Curriculum – Ms. Sung reviewed items discussed at the most recent meeting.

Finance & Facilities – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Policy Meeting – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Negotiations(NPEA) – Ms. Bond-Nelson reported on both the Board and the NPEA signing the Memorandum of Agreement.

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

SCSBA – Mr. Fellin discussed recent meeting topics.

SCESC – Next meeting scheduled for June 5, 2019.

Personnel – Ms. Butler reviewed various topics discussed at the most recent meeting.

**Old Business**

The dated of the Board retreat is still to be determined.

**New Business**

None.

**Comments from the Public**

Ms. Fuller mentioned attendance at the union rally in Trenton, NJ.

**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 Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 6:30 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.

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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 to adjourn at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:

Donald Sternberg

