

The minutes of the regular meeting of the North Plainfield Board of Education held on March 16, 2016 at 7:30 PM, Watchung School, 33 Mountain Avenue, North Plainfield, NJ. Mr. David Branan 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, Mr. David Branan requested the call of the roll:

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

A quorum was established

Also present were Dr. James V. McLaughlin, Superintendent of Schools; Michelle Vella, Assistant Superintendent; and Donald Sternberg, Board Secretary/School Business Administrator as well as Brenda Okereke and Yanqing Liang, Student Representatives, and approximately 14 members of the staff and public.

Introduction of New Staff

There was none.

Minutes Approval

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and approved by roll call vote with Mr. Fellin abstaining; to accept the public session minutes of March 2, 2016.

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and approved by roll call vote with Mr. Fellin abstaining; to accept the executive session minutes of March 2, 2016.

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and approved by roll call vote with Mr. Fellin abstaining; to accept the public session minutes of March 10 2016.

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and approved by roll call vote with Mr. Fellin abstaining; to accept the executive session minutes of March 10, 2016.

Financial Reports

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approve the list of bills and payrolls dated February 29, 2016, in the amount of \$5,851,473.02.

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education accept the monthly financial reports of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Funds, for the month of January 2016, and further recommends in compliance with NJAC 6:23-2.11(B), that the Board of Education certify that to the best of their knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended and that as of this report sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligation for the remainder of this fiscal year.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Comments from the Public

Mr. Hooker commented on his opposition to direct deposit of payroll checks.

Student Representative Report

Brenda Okereke reported that yesterday several students from Ms. Sloan's and Mrs. Defonseca class competed against each other in the Optimist Oratorical Contest. Students recited speeches on the topic "How My Best Brings out the Best in Others." Sydney Muhando was the overall 1st place winner will compete at the tristate level.

Club Update, the Canuck Mentors met with their mentees Tuesday to discuss Conflict Resolution. Mentors taught kids a new set of conflict resolution skills and gave examples on how to deal with conflict. Heroes and Cool Kids will attend their second trip to Somerset School to mentor the 6th graders on next Thursday, March 21st. The R&D Class competed at the North Jersey Regional Science Fair this past Friday and Saturday with several projects placing and receiving category and special awards.

This week's senior spotlight North Jersey Regional Science Fair: Kevin Blackwell received 3rd place out of over 130 projects for his project entitled: A Meta-Analysis on the Effectiveness of Platinum-Based Treatments on Triple-Negative Metastatic Breast Cancer. Brenda Okereke placed 3rd overall in the category of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology for her project titled: Firewall: Computational Drug Discovery through Repositioning and Optimization of Gleevec. She was also 1 of 3 out of over 130 projects to receive the Karen Kranz Memorial Award. This award is given in recognition of outstanding student effort without substantive or formal technical assistance from professional scientists or scientific organizations.

Yanqing Liang reported that the spring season, seniors are anticipating news of their acceptances to colleges. Students have been accepted into various colleges, including NYU and Rutgers. Last week, a meeting for the NJ Stars Program was held in the library, where the top 20% of the class of 2016 received information about tuition scholarships to RVCC.

The NPHS Science league teams had their second competition last Thursday, hosted in the cafeteria. The teams competed against Watchung Hills Regional High School and Scotch Plains High School. The second volley cheese tournament was hosted on Friday the 4th. The mentors met with their mentees yesterday (Tuesday) and discussed with them about conflict resolution and prevent escalations of problems they may come across. For the

current mentors who aren't seniors, reapplication papers have been sent out and the process for selecting new group leaders will occur.

The North Plainfield Public Library, in collaboration with all Somerset County Libraries is hosting a "Teen Tycoon", which is a program similar to "Shark Tank", where aspiring entrepreneurs pitch their ideas to industrial leaders. Students will be planning ideas of their inventions and preparing to present in front of a panel of judges at the Bridgewater Public Library.

Presentation

Mr. John Tarnofsky presented and discussed with the Board an overview of the Bridge Program including curriculum, staffing, and student makeup. Mr. Tranofsky answered several questions posed by the board.

Superintendent Report

Dr. McLaughlin introduced Dr. Szawan that will be replacing Ms. Delaney as the Interim Director of Special Services. Dr. Szawan thanked the board for the opportunity to work at North Plainfield.

On March 3rd, a five minute video was produced by a committed stakeholder group of district staff as part of our work as an innovateNJ school district. After review by the NJDOE, our video will be finalized and posted to the innovateNJ website. The idea of the video was to capture in a very short period of time, some of the innovative practices that have been and which continue to occur in our schools. I plan to invite the committee to share the video with the board at the April 20th board meeting. I think it will be a perfect compliment to the presentation that evening on School Performance Reports - demonstrating that we are committed not only to achievement but also to practices that motivate and engage students in a way that truly brings joy to learning.

A committed group of staff has engaged in a prolonged focus on school attendance with the goal of bolstering a consistent presence of our students in class. Research bears out both short and long term positive effects when students attend school more frequently. As part of that effort, our K-4 schools will be employing a proactive intervention approach and meeting with parents when patterns of absenteeism begin to emerge. Our letters to parents regarding cumulative absences have been revamped to include the basis for our concern and the disciplinary language regarding actions the district will consider has been reduced. This work is will be ongoing over a period of time and results from these efforts will be shared with the board as they emerge.

This month, our teachers have secured another two grants via DonorsChoose.org. Christina Moscatello was awarded nearly \$2,000 to purchase Chromebooks for her classroom at West End School. Jessica Perdomo O'Hara was allotted \$1,200 to create summer packets, including books, for our youngest ELL students. Earlier this year, Christopher Messina of West End School, and Ashley Gutowski and Allison Hessemer of East End School each received grants from DonorsChoose.org. (DonorsChoose.org connects teachers in high-need communities with donors who want to help.)

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The annual ROTC Area Managers Inspection is scheduled for March 22 at 9:30 am in the high school gymnasium. US Navy Commander Boyd Decker and his team will be there to inspect the cadets, as well as the administration and supply programs in the unit. Family, board of education members, Mayor Giordano, and staff will be present. I attended last year and was thoroughly impressed. The cadets prepare exhaustively for this inspection. Their pride of work, program, and school is clear to everyone present. I am looking forward to this event, and I encourage you to join me on Tuesday morning.

Last month we initiated what I hope will be a new tradition in our school community. At the time of their board resolution, I will plan to present a small token to those who have announced their pending retirement to show our appreciation for their efforts on behalf of our students and in recognition of the bond we have shared and will continue to share as part of the North Plainfield educational family. I am happy to present awards to the following individuals who were able to be on hand with us tonight.....

Dr. Mary Louise Durkin
Kindergarten Teacher/ West End School
27 years
(Suzanne Parmelee (Spec Ed/ WE) is accepting on her behalf)

Joan Graham
School Counselor/ NPHS Bridge Program
36 years

Diane Forino
Kindergarten Teacher/ East End School
29 years

Total combined years of these three teachers = 92 years

This evening the board will consider the appointment of Ms. Kristin Szawan as Interim Director of Pupil Services. Ms. Szawan brings a wealth of experience as a principal, special education supervisor and NJDOE County Special Education Supervisor to her work in North Plainfield. We look forward to her work in the district and I will invite her at this time to greet the board and share some words of introduction.

**Recommendations from the Superintendent of Schools:
Personnel**

It is understood that the employment of all new personnel is pending completion of the employment process.

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that WHEREAS Mary Louise Durkin, kindergarten teacher in the North Plainfield School District, has indicated that she wishes to retire on July 1, 2016, and

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

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of North Plainfield extend to Dr. Durkin 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 March 16, 2016, 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 Dr. Durkin.

David Branan – Aye

Bianka Butler – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye

Thomas Kasper – Aye

Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that WHEREAS Joan Graham, school counselor in the North Plainfield School District, has indicated that she wishes to retire on May 1, 2016, and

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

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of North Plainfield extend to Ms. Graham 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 March 16, 2016, 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. Graham.

David Branan – Aye

Bianka Butler – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye

Thomas Kasper – Aye

Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education authorizes the adoption of the attached Preschool Master Teacher job description.

David Branan – Aye

Bianka Butler – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye

Thomas Kasper – Aye

Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Janice Hulik as an instructional paraprofessional at East End School for the 2015-2016 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective March 17, 2016, Janice Hulik shall be placed on Instructional Degree/Step 3 and will be paid the rate of \$18.06 per hour for 12.50 hours per week. (This position is new.)

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education approves the following staff members as a home instructors, at the rate of \$52.24 per hour.

Kimberly Nydick	Joan Gay
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David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education approves the following staff be reimbursed for graduate courses taken between September 2015 and January 2016.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Crds</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Reimb.</u>
Christopher Sepesi (Elementary/WE)	Administrative Internship II	Seton Hall University	3	\$1,923.00	\$ 961.50
Jamil Maroun (Supervisor of Science and Social Studies)	Educational Leadership	Seton Hall University	9		\$3,256.29

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education approves the Board member and/or staff conference and travel expenses as per the attached list.

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2016-2017 school year, the Board of Education grants Dina Glowacki, elementary teacher at West End School, an unpaid leave of absence for child care purposes, effective September 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

David Branan – Aye
 Bianka Butler – Aye
 Sandra Dodd – Aye
 Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
 Thomas Kasper – Aye
 Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education approves the following students for Junior Practicum/ Masters Internships:

Student Name	College Name/Program	Class/School	Dates	Cooperating Teacher
Carolyn Brobek (Teacher at Growing Tree)	Western Governors University/ Practicum	Spec. Ed. K-2/ Stony Brook & Resource Room/MS	Spring 2016	Regina Silverii Susan Pellegrino
Sreya Rao (Currently completing Practicum at SS)	Rutgers Graduate School/ Student Teaching	ELL Gr. 6/ Somerset	Fall 2016 Sept. – Dec.	Karen Moore
Nicole Rodriguez (Currently completing Practicum at MS/HS)	Rutgers Graduate School/ Student Teaching	Spanish (7-12) MS/HS ELL (7-12)	Fall 2016 Sept. – Dec.	Alexandra Pereira Stefanie Myers
Paul Roncagliolo	Mercy College/ Internship	Educational Leadership – ELL/Academic Support Preschool - 4	Summer 2016	Diana Sefchik

David Branan – Aye
 Bianka Butler – Aye
 Sandra Dodd – Aye
 Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
 Thomas Kasper – Aye
 Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education approves the following teachers to facilitate *Google After School Training* for in-district teachers, as needed, at the hourly rate of \$28.35:

Staff Member	School
Thomas Bailey	MS
Kelli Beard	HS
Heather Daley	MS
Kristen Didyoung	MS
Christina Moscatello	WE
Michael Mulry	HS
Charles Rowan	HS
Megan Schutz	SS

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education grants Beth Sobel, principal at West End School, a leave of absence effective March 17, 2016 through May 1, 2016, or until released by her physician. (Ms. Sobel will be using accrued sick days).

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Stephanie Cuomo, paraprofessional at Stony Brook School, effective March 11, 2016.

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education approves the following increase in paraprofessional hours, effective March 17, 2016:

Name	From	To
Gloria Garcia	8.75 hours/week	13.75 hours/week

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education rescinds the recommendation to appoint Christine Dellipaoli as the intramural volleyball advisor at NPMS.

Further, that the Board of Education approves the appointment of Malcolm Cumberbatch to serve as the intramural volleyball advisor at NPMS for the 2015-2016 school year at the stipend of \$1,360. (Mr. Cumberbatch will replace Christine Dellipaoli.)

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and approved by roll call vote with Mr. Fellin abstaining; BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Kristin Szawan as interim director of the Department of Pupil Services for the 2015-2016 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Kristin Szawan will be paid the annual salary of \$125,000 prorated, effective May 16, 2016 or upon earliest release. (Ms. Szawan will replace Jane Delaney.)

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Abstain
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Janine Duarte as a temporary English teacher at Somerset School for the 2015-2016 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective March 17, 2016, Janine Duarte shall be placed on BA/Step 1 and will be paid the salary of \$57,460 prorated. (Ms. Duarte will temporarily replace Chemagne Kania.)

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Lenore Fornabio as a special education teacher at Stony Brook School for the 2015-2016 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective April 4, 2016, Lenore Fornabio shall be placed on MA/Step 6-7 and will be paid the salary of \$61,070 prorated. (Ms. Fornabio will replace Sandra Deller.)

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education approves the employment of the following individual as a K-12 district substitute teacher/substitute paraprofessional.

Shadae Lynch

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education adjusts the guide and salary of Cynthia Crawford, elementary teacher at Stony Brook School, from the MA Guide to, effective March 1, 2016, MA+30 Guide/Step 15 at the salary rate of \$75,870 prorated, plus \$375 for longevity, for a total of \$76,245 prorated, to reflect her attainment of a Master's Degree plus 30 credit hours.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and approved by roll call vote with Mr. Fellin abstaining; BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Mary Ann Donahue as a per diem educational consultant to the district for the 2015-2016 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Mary Ann Donahue will be paid the rate of \$500 per day, on an as needed basis, effective March 17, 2016.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Abstain
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and approved by roll call vote that; BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Claudia Capodiferro as a non-instructional paraprofessional at Stony Brook School for the 2015-2016 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective March 17, 2016, Claudia Capodiferro shall be placed on Non-instructional Degree/Step 1 and will be paid the rate of \$15.02 per hour for 7.50 hours per week. (Ms. Capodiferro will replace Nicole Hubbard.)

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Curriculum, Instruction & Pupil Services

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper 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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2016_35	2016_36	2016_37	

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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David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to submit the proposed Comprehensive Equity Plan 2016-2019 and Statement of Assurance for the 2016-2017 school year to the County Office of Education.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education approves the funds necessary to allow FFFF-15-16, classified student at Piscataway Regional Day School, to receive additional occupational therapy services two times per week, at a cost of \$52.00 per half hour session.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Board of Education approves the out-of-district placement of the following student as indicated, effective March 17, 2016 through June 30, 2016. Transportation will be required.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Monthly Tuition</u>
ATS-02-15-16	12/19/99	Somerset County Alternative Academic High School	\$4,597.00

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Finance, Purchasing & Agreements

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approve line item transfers in accordance with the attached list dated February 29, 2016.

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approve payments from the Cafeteria Account in accordance with the attached list dated March 16, 2016.

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Borough of North Plainfield hereby adopt the following preliminary school district budget for the 2016-2017 school year:

General Fund	\$ 57,013,961.00
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 2,562,644.00
Debt Service Fund	\$ <u>1,250,644.00</u>
Total Base Budget	\$ 60,827,249.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following amounts be raised from taxes:

General Fund	\$29,641,483.00
Debt Service	\$ 1,245,711.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education direct the Superintendent and Board Secretary to complete all required forms and submit this

budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for review and approval for advertising as required by law, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby establish May 4, 2016 as the date for the public hearing on this preliminary budget and authorize the Superintendent and Board Secretary, upon approval from the Executive County Superintendent of Schools, to advertise this budget on or about April 27, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education now adopt this budget as presented and that this resolution take effect immediately.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approve change order number SBSC-001, for the Security Camera Project – Stony Brook School, in the net amount of \$65.00 (Sixty Five Dollars) based on an additional amount of \$9,935.00 (Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Five Dollars) and the project allowance of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be deducted from the contract sum. The cost of the project will now be as follows:

Original Installation cost.....	\$ 28,800.00
Change Order.....	\$ 9,935.00
Project Allowance.....	- \$ 10,000.00
Adjusted Total Installation Cost.....	\$ 28,735.00

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

That the Board of Education approve the administration of Nonpublic Funds designated for Technology as follows:

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that **WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program has been authorized in the Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2016-2017; and

WHEREAS, Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Aid shall be paid to school districts and allocated for nonpublic school pupils in a manner that is consistent with the provisions of the federal and state constitutions; and

WHEREAS, said program requires the Board of Education in each public school district in New Jersey to provide technology to all students attending a nonpublic school located in the public school district; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the chief school administrator of the public school district or designee to confer with the administrator of each participating nonpublic school within the district to advise the nonpublic school of the limit of funds available and to agree upon the technology to be provided to the nonpublic school within the limits of the funds that are available for the nonpublic school; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the public school district to send written verification that conferences were held with each nonpublic school administrator to the County Superintendent, along with a copy of each agreement, prior to the State's deadline; and

WHEREAS, it shall be the responsibility of each public school district to provide the agreed upon technology which may include equipment, software, professional development and/or maintenance of equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Educational Services Commission (SCESC) has agreed to administer the responsibilities associated with this program for the purpose of greater cost effectiveness through joint purchasing and centralized administration,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the North Plainfield Borough School District (District) enter into an agreement with the SCESC, whereby the SCESC will administer the Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program for nonpublic schools located within the boundaries for the 2016-2017 school year, and are awarded funding and as authorized by the District, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCESC will coordinate the Annual Consultation Meeting between the District and its nonpublic schools, according to the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District pay the State-approved administrative percentage (5% in 2016-2017) of the allocation for the Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program to cover the SCESC's cost for administering the program. The SCESC will invoice the District for technology items as expended in accordance with the Guidelines for Administering the New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program and State-approved administrative percentage of the total amount spent as reimbursement for administrative expenses associated with the Nonpublic Technology Initiative Program. No other funding is due the Commission in order to operate this program.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Directors of the SCESC and the North Plainfield Borough School District has by Resolution directed their respective Presidents and Secretaries to set their signatures and affix their seals.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that **WHEREAS**, 18A:58-37-1 et seq., as amended by Chapter 121, Laws of 1984, requires

that the state and local community purchase and loan textbooks upon individual request to all students enrolled in grades kindergarten through 12 in nonpublic schools located within the local school district; and,

WHEREAS, no Board of Education is required to expend funds for the purchase and loan of textbooks in excess of the amounts provided in state aid; and,

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Educational Services Commission (SCESC) has local public school districts for the purpose of greater cost effectiveness through joint purchasing and centralized administration;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the North Plainfield Borough School District enters into an agreement with SCESC whereby the SCESC will administer a nonpublic textbook program for those eligible students attending nonpublic schools located within the county for the 2016-2017 school year, in accordance with 18A:58-37-1 et seq., and as authorized by the District. The SCESC will coordinate the Annual Consultation Meeting between the District and its nonpublic schools, according to the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the North Plainfield Borough School District agrees to pay the total amount allocated by the State of New Jersey Nonpublic Textbook Program and a 6% administrative fee not to be paid through State program funds to the SCESC by August 31, 2016 or 30 days after State funding is announced, whichever is first. The 6% administrative fee will be waived if all other nonpublic program services for the District are provided by the SCESC. Any unexpended funds will be refunded to the local district.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Directors of the SCESC and the North Plainfield Borough School District has by Resolution directed their respective Presidents and Secretaries to set their signatures and affix their seals.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

That the Board of Education approve the administration of Nonpublic Funds designated for Nursing Services as follows:

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that **THIS AGREEMENT** is made the 1st day of July, 2016, between the Somerset County Education Services Commission, hereinafter referred to as SCESC and the Board of Education of North Plainfield Borough School District, County of Somerset and State of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the Public School District.

WHEREAS, the SCESC, by authority of its Board of Directors, acting on approval of the State Board of Education, is capable of providing auxiliary services and any other service or supply provided under grant guidelines to eligible students attending nonpublic schools; and

WHEREAS, the SCESC services are in accordance with Chapter 226, Laws of 1991, and the Rules and Regulations governing nursing services to nonpublic schools; and

WHEREAS, the Public School District is under obligation to provide said services to all eligible nonpublic schools within its district to assure equal access to specified nursing services; and

WHEREAS, the Public School District has by Resolution of its Board, agreed to contract with the SCESC to provide said services pursuant to said legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. The terms of this Agreement shall be in effect from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2017.
2. The SCESC will provide services for pupils in grades K-12 who are enrolled full time in the nonpublic school within the limitations of State funds and according to State guidelines:
 - a. Nursing services for pupils in grades K-12 who are enrolled full time in the nonpublic school. The services shall include:
 - 1) Assistance with medical examinations, including dental screening
 - 2) Screening of hearing
 - 3) The maintenance of student health records and notification of local or county health officials of any student who has not been properly immunized
 - 4) Scoliosis examinations of students between the ages of 10 and 18
 - 5) The extension of emergency care provided to public school students to full time nonpublic school students who are injured or become ill at school or during participation on a school team or squad pursuant to NJAC 6A:16-1.4 and 2.1(a)4. These health services include:

The emergency administration of epinephrine via epipen pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40 12.5;
The care of any student who becomes injured or ill while at school or during participation in school-sponsored functions;
The transportation and supervision of any student determined to be in need of immediate care; and
The notification to parents of any student determined to be in need of immediate medical care.
The nursing services provided to nonpublic schools shall not include instructional services.
3. The SCESC shall purchase nursing supplies for nonpublic schools, if requested, with remaining funds after required nursing services are provided

as per the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education and with authorization by the Public School District.

4. The SCESC shall contact the nonpublic schools within the district and determine the services they will require within the parameters of the law and limitations of funds.
5. The SCESC will coordinate the Annual Consultation Meeting between the Public School District and its nonpublic schools, according to the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education.
6. The Public School District agrees to pay to the SCESC a sum equal to the full funding that is allocated by the State Department of Education for nursing services to nonpublic schools within its district pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 226 Laws of 1991. Payment shall be made monthly during the school year and forwarded to SCESC within sixty (60) days after district's receipt of the SCESC's monthly invoice of services provided and supplies purchased. See Attachment A for rate charged for nursing services. The SCESC, as per New Jersey Department of Education guidelines effective October 7, 2003, will retain 6% of the payment as reimbursement for programming, supervision and administrative expenses associated with the Nonpublic Nursing Services Program implementation. In the event a Public School District fails to remit the funds to the SCESC, the SCESC shall have the right to give notice of discontinued services.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Directors of the SCESC and the North Plainfield Board of Education of North Plainfield Borough School District has by Resolution directed their respective Presidents and Secretaries to set their signatures and affix their seals. A certified copy of the Public School Resolution is annexed hereto.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

That the Board of Education approve the administration of Nonpublic Funds designated for Nonpublic Instructional Services – Chapters 192/193 as follows:

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that **THIS AGREEMENT** is made the 1st day of July, 2016, between the Somerset County Education Services Commission, County of Somerset, hereinafter referred to as SCESC and the Board of Education of North Plainfield Borough School District, County of Somerset and State of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the Public School District.

WHEREAS, the SCESC, by authority of its Board of Directors acting on approval of the State Board of Education, is capable of providing New Jersey's Chapter 192 and Chapter 193 programs to eligible students enrolled full time in nonpublic elementary

and secondary schools in New Jersey. Chapter 192 programs provide nonpublic school students with auxiliary services such as compensatory education, English as a second language, and home instruction. Chapter 193 programs provide nonpublic school students with remedial services such as evaluation and determination of eligibility for special education and related services, supplementary instruction, and speech-language services.

WHEREAS, the SCESC services are in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:46-6, 8, 19.1 et seq. (Laws of 1977, Chapter 193), N.J.S.A. 18A:46-1 et seq. (Laws of 1977, Chapter 192), and the Rules and Regulations governing auxiliary services to nonpublic schools; and,

WHEREAS, the Public School District is under obligation to provide said services to all eligible students attending nonpublic schools/facilities within its district; and

WHEREAS, the Public School District has by Resolution of its Board, agreed with the SCESC to provide said services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:46-19.7 and N.J.S.A. 18A:46A-7; as authorized by the Public School District;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be in effect for one (1) year from July 1, 2016 through and including June 30, 2017.
2. All services will be provided based on available state funding and the economical allocation of staffing resources available.
3. SCESC will provide the Auxiliary Services in Compensatory Education, English as a Second Language, Supplemental Instruction, Corrective Speech and/or Home Instruction for eligible students at nonpublic schools/facilities.
 - a. **COMPENSATORY EDUCATION** will be provided to students who meet the established State requirements. Every eligible student will be assessed, and an Individual Student Improvement Plan (I.S.I.P.) will be developed, instruction will be based on the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards/Common Core, provided per session as applicable to the student, and as long as the funding is available, based on the Commission's calendar. Progress reports will be distributed twice per year. Student instructional services shall be scheduled for a minimum of thirty (30) minutes per week, based on the Commission's nonpublic services calendar.
 - b. **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE** will be provided to students who meet the established State requirements. Every eligible student will be tested and assessed with a state approved Language Assessment Battery, an Individual Student Improvement Plan (I.S.I.P.) will be developed, and instruction will be based on the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards/Common Core, provided per session as applicable to the student, and as long as the funding is available, based on the Commission's calendar. Progress reports will be distributed twice per year. Student instructional services shall be scheduled for a

minimum of thirty (30) minutes per week, based on the Commission's nonpublic services calendar.

- c. SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION will be provided to students examined and classified by a Child Study Team under N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.5. Every eligible student will receive instruction based on the Individual Student Plan (I.S.P.), provided per session as applicable to the student, and as long as the funding is available, based on the Commission's calendar. Progress reports will be distributed as per State guidelines during the year. Student instructional services shall be scheduled for a minimum of thirty (30) minutes per week, based on the Commission's nonpublic services calendar.
 - d. CORRECTIVE SPEECH will be provided to students who meet established requirements under N.J.A.C. 6A:14-3.6. Every eligible student will receive instruction based on the Individual Student Plan (I.S.P.), provided per session as applicable to the student, and as long as the funding is available, based on the Commission's calendar. Student instructional services shall be scheduled for a minimum of thirty (30) minutes per week, based on the Commission's nonpublic services calendar.
 - e. HOME INSTRUCTION will be given in lieu of regular classroom instruction to an eligible student who is enrolled full-time in a nonpublic school and is unable to attend school for 10 consecutive days or 15 cumulative school days or more during the school year due to temporary or chronic health condition or need for treatment which precludes participation in their usual educational setting. The teacher providing the instruction will be appropriately certified for the subject and grade level in which instruction is given pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:16-10.1(b).
4. SCESC will provide the auxiliary services in examination and classification to nonpublic school students who are identified by a nonpublic school as having potential learning problems. Examinations and/or classifications will be conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:14-3.3(c) by appropriate certified personnel.
 5. Nothing contained herein shall prevent a Public School District from electing to provide all of the above services for any individual nonpublic school student within its District boundaries.
 6. All nonpublic transportation funding will be allocated according to State guidelines.
 7. For the Auxiliary services of Compensatory Education, English as a Second Language, Supplemental Instruction and Corrective Speech services described in this Agreement, the Public School District agrees to pay to SCESC a sum equal to 10% of the funding that is allocated for the contract year by the State Department of Education for Auxiliary Services to Nonpublic Schools pursuant

to the provisions of the Laws of 1977, Chapter 192 and 193, based on the active roster of students, which will be considered the official enrollment, and provided to the Public School District through monthly invoices of services rendered.

8. For the Auxiliary services of Examination and Classification, and Home Instruction described in this Agreement, the Public School District agrees to pay to SCESC a sum equal to 100% of the funding that is allocated for the contract year per pupil by the State Department of Education for Auxiliary Services to Nonpublic Schools pursuant to the provisions of the Laws of 1977, Chapter 192 and 193 when services are rendered. The SCESC will submit monthly billing of services rendered.
9. The SCESC, as per New Jersey Department of Education guidelines effective October 7, 2003, will retain 6% of the total monthly invoice as reimbursement for programming, supervision and administrative expenses associated with the Chapter 192/193 program implementation. The SCESC shall be required to provide service only to the extent of the amount of state aid received.
10. It is the responsibility of the nonpublic school to notify the SCESC in writing when a student has exited and is no longer on the active roster within ten (10) business days.
11. The Public School District agrees to pay SCESC within sixty (60) days following receipt of invoices for such services.
12. The Project Completion Report for Chapters 192/193 services shall be prepared by SCESC and submitted to the Public School District by July 30.
13. In the event a Public School District fails to remit funds to the SCESC within the time schedule set forth above, SCESC shall have the right to discontinue services without further notice.
14. The SCESC shall act as agent for the Public School District in the distribution, collection, processing and preparation of the Request for Additional Funding Under the Provisions of Chapters 192/193 required by the State Department of Education for the implementation of said services pursuant to the Laws of 1977, Chapters 192/193. The SCESC Business Administrator may act as the local district's agent by filing for Additional Funding Under Provisions of Chapters 192/193. The Public School District will provide the SCESC access to the website for submission of the requests.
15. Due to the wide variation in district calendars, the SCESC will develop and adhere to their master calendar for teacher scheduling.
16. The SCESC will coordinate the Annual Consultation Meeting between the Public School District and its nonpublic schools, according to the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education.

17. During the performance of this contract, SCESC and the Public School District agree to the following affirmative action:

The SCESC and the Public School District, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, or sexual orientation. The SCESC and the Public School District will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, or sexual orientation. Such action shall include, but not limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The SCESC and the Public School District agree to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

18. The SCESC will act as the signer of all 407 forms for Chapters 192/193 student services on the behalf of the North Plainfield School District as permitted by the New Jersey Department of Education guidelines, for the July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017 school year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Directors of the SCESC and the North Plainfield Borough School District has by Resolution directed their respective Presidents and Secretaries to set their signatures and affix their seals.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

That the Board of Education approve the administration of Nonpublic Funds designated for Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act as follows:

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that Pursuant to the official action taken at the meeting of the Board of Education of North Plainfield Borough School District (hereinafter referred to as the “District”), held on March 16, 2016, the Board agrees that the Somerset County Educational Services Commission (hereinafter referred to as the “Commission”), administer the district’s Nonpublic School Individuals With Disabilities Education Improvement Act funds, pursuant to the requirements of the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act and Grant Application, on behalf of the District. The Services shall be limited to those permitted under the grant application and pertinent regulations.

The terms of this Agreement shall be in effect from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2017.

March 16, 2016

The District agrees to pay the Commission the monthly amount of the Nonpublic School IDEA proportionate share grant funding in support of the Nonpublic School Individuals With Disabilities Education Act. The following payment schedule is hereby agreed to: 100% of the monthly services as defined in Attachment A plus any other fees for services allowable by law with prior District approval. No other funding is due the Commission in order to operate this program.

In the event the District fails to remit the funds according to the schedule indicated above, the Commission retains the right to postpone service under this contract until funds are released.

The parties agree that if the District shall no longer be eligible for funding pursuant to the Nonpublic School Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, or if such funding shall terminate, either party may terminate this agreement.

It is understood that the Commission will provide services to all of the eligible Somerset County nonpublic schools identified by the District's grant application and as authorized by the District. Also, the SCESC will coordinate the Annual Consultation Meeting between the District and its nonpublic schools, according to the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education.

The Commission will provide an annual report of I.D.E.A. funded services, equipment and/or technology and provide input into the grant process for each school served.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Board of Education of North Plainfield Borough School District and the Board of Directors of the Somerset County Educational Services Commission have by Resolution directed their respective Presidents and Secretaries to set their signatures and affix their seals.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

That the Board of Education approve the following special education transportation jointure with the Somerset County Educational Services Commission for the 2016-2017 school year:

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that **WHEREAS**, the North Plainfield School District desires to transport special education, non-public, and public school students for the 2016-2017 school year to specific destinations; and

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Educational Services Commission, hereinafter referred to as the SCESC, offers coordinated transportation services; and

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

NOW THEREFORE, it is agreed that in consideration of 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 SCESC, payment will be made according to the billing schedule to be provided. Said formula shall be based on the route costs(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.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby approved to enter into a service agreement with the SCESC for said service.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education authorize Mashio's Food Service Company, in cooperation with Middlesex County College Dietetic Technology Program, to provide on-site school food service experience for a dietetic intern, Mr. Jonatan Jimenez during the month of March and April 2016.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that **REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF ALL OR A PORTION OF THE OUTSTANDING CALLABLE REFUNDING SCHOOL BONDS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, DATED APRIL 13, 2006, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$9,375,000, APPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED \$9,300,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$9,300,000 REFUNDING BONDS TO PROVIDE FOR SUCH REFUNDING.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Board of Education of the Borough of North Plainfield in the County of Somerset, New Jersey (the "School District") is hereby authorized to refund all or a portion of the outstanding callable refunding school bonds of the School District issued in the original principal amount of \$9,375,000 and dated April 13, 2006 (the "2006 Bonds"). The 2006 Bonds maturing on or after August 15, 2017 may be redeemed at the option of the School District in whole or in part on any date on or after August 15, 2016 (the "Redemption Date") at a redemption price equal to the par amount of the 2006 Bonds to be redeemed plus accrued interest, if any, to the Redemption Date.

- Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the purpose described in Section 1 hereof, negotiable refunding bonds (the "Refunding Bonds") are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$9,300,000 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:24-61 et seq.
- Section 3. An aggregate amount not exceeding \$150,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 18A:24-61.4 has been included in the aggregate principal amount of Refunding Bonds authorized herein.
- Section 4. The purpose of the refunding is to incur an interest cost savings for the School District.
- Section 5. A supplemental debt statement has been prepared and filed in the offices of the Borough Clerk and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey as required by law. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law and the school debt of the School District is increased by the amount the Refunding Bond authorization exceeds the amount of the proposed refunded bonds.
- Section 6. No Local Finance Board approval is required as the issuance of the Refunding Bonds will comply with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:30-2.5.
- Section 7. The Board President, the Superintendent, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and other appropriate representatives of the School District are hereby authorized to prepare such documents, to publish such notices and to take such other actions as are necessary or desirable to enable the School District to prepare for the sale and the issuance of the Refunding Bonds authorized herein and to provide for the redemption of the 2006 Bonds referred to in Section 1 hereof.
- Section 8. This bond ordinance shall take effect immediately after final adoption.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that **RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF NOT TO EXCEED \$9,300,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF REFUNDING SCHOOL BONDS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY AND PROVIDING FOR THE SALE AND THE DELIVERY OF SUCH BONDS**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The Board of Education of the Borough of North Plainfield in the County of Somerset, New Jersey (referred herein as the "Board of Education" or "Board") hereby authorizes the sale, in one or more series, of an amount not to exceed \$9,300,000 Refunding School Bonds (the "Bonds") by virtue of its final adoption by a two-thirds majority of its

full membership on March 16, 2016 of a bond ordinance entitled, "Refunding Bond Ordinance of The Board of Education of the Borough of North Plainfield in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, Providing for the Refunding of All or a Portion of the Outstanding Callable Refunding School Bonds of the School District, Dated April 13, 2006, Issued in the Original Principal Amount of \$9,375,000, Appropriating Not to Exceed \$9,300,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$9,300,000 Refunding Bonds to Provide for Such Refunding" (the "Bond Ordinance").

Section 2. The Bonds are hereby authorized to be sold to Raymond James & Associates, Inc. (the "Underwriter") in accordance with the purchase contract to be entered into by and between the Underwriter and the Board (the "Purchase Contract") pursuant to this resolution. The purchase price for the Bonds shall be as set forth in the Purchase Contract, plus unpaid accrued interest, if any, from the dated date of the Bonds to, but not including, the delivery date of the Bonds. The Board President, Superintendent and/or Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to enter into the Purchase Contract on behalf of the Board with the Underwriter in a form satisfactory to McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, Bond Counsel for the Board ("Bond Counsel") for the sale of the Bonds to the Underwriter in accordance with the provisions of this resolution. The signature of the Board President, Superintendent or Business Administrator/Board Secretary on the Purchase Contract shall be conclusively presumed to evidence any necessary approvals.

Section 3. The Bonds are being issued to incur interest cost savings by redeeming all or a portion of the callable outstanding refunding school bonds of the Board originally issued in the principal amount of \$9,375,000 dated April 13, 2006, which bonds maturing on or after August 15, 2017 (the "Refunded Bonds") are redeemable at the option of the Board in whole or in part on any date on or after August 15, 2016 (the "Redemption Date") at par (the "Redemption Price"), plus in each case accrued interest, if any, to the Redemption Date.

Section 4. The Bonds shall be issued in accordance with the terms and the conditions set forth in the Purchase Contract within the parameters set forth herein:

- (A) The Bonds shall be issued in a par amount determined to be necessary to pay costs of issuance and to provide for payment of the Redemption Price of the Refunded Bonds on the Redemption Date, and the interest due on the Refunded Bonds through the Redemption Date;
- (B) The Bonds shall be dated such date as established in the Purchase Contract;
- (C) The Bonds shall mature in the principal amounts on or about August 15 of each year, commencing on or about August 15, 2016 and thereafter or as otherwise set forth in the Purchase Contract and shall bear interest at interest rates per annum on the unpaid principal balance on each February 15 and August 15 until maturity or earlier redemption, commencing on or about

August 15, 2016 or as otherwise set forth in the Purchase Contract;

- (D) The Bonds shall be issued in the form of one bond for each maturity except if all or any portion of the Bonds are issued as term bonds;
- (E) The Bonds shall be numbered consecutively from R-1 upward and shall mature in such principal amounts with such mandatory call features and with such mandatory sinking fund payments as set forth below and as determined in the Purchase Contract;
- (F) The Bonds may be subject to optional redemption or not as set forth in the Purchase Contract;
- (G) Depending on market conditions at the time of the sale, the Bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with Bond Counsel and with Phoenix Advisors, LLC, financial advisors for the Board (the "Financial Advisor").

Section 5. The Bonds shall be substantially in the following form with such additions, deletions and omissions as may be necessary for the Board to conform the Bonds to the requirements of the Purchase Contract:

SAMPLE BOND FORM FOR INFORMATION ONLY – DO NOT COMPLETE

REGISTERED REGISTERED
NUMBER R- ____ \$ _____

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET

REFUNDING SCHOOL BOND

DATED DATE:	MATURITY	RATE	OF	CUSIP:
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		ANNUM:		
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THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, New Jersey (the "Board of Education") hereby acknowledges itself indebted and for value received promises to pay to CEDE & CO., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, which will act as Securities Depository, on the Maturity Date specified above, the principal sum of _____ DOLLARS (\$_____) and to pay interest on such sum from the Dated Date set forth above at the Rate of Interest Per Annum specified above semiannually on the

fifteenth days of February and August in each year until maturity [or earlier redemption] commencing on August 15, 2016. Interest on this bond will be paid to the Securities Depository by the Board of Education and will be credited to the participants of The Depository Trust Company as listed on the records of The Depository Trust Company as of the February 1 and August 1 next preceding the date of such payments (the "Record Dates" for such payments). Principal of this bond, upon presentation and surrender to the Board of Education, will be paid to the Securities Depository by the Board of Education and will be credited to the participants of The Depository Trust Company.

This bond is not transferable as to principal or interest except to an authorized nominee of The Depository Trust Company. The Depository Trust Company shall be responsible for maintaining the book-entry system for recording the interests of its participants or the transfers of the interests among its participants. The participants are responsible for maintaining records regarding the beneficial ownership interests in the bonds on behalf of individual purchasers.

[The bonds of this issue maturing prior to August 15, 20__ are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities. The bonds of this issue maturing on or after August 15, 20__ are redeemable at the option of the Board of Education in whole or in part on any date on or after August 15, 20__ upon notice as required herein at par, plus in each case unpaid accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

Notice of redemption shall be given by mailing by first class mail in a sealed envelope with postage prepaid to the registered owners of the bonds not less than thirty (30) days, nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for redemption. Such mailing shall be to the owners of such bonds at their respective addresses as they last appear on the registration books kept for that purpose by the Board of Education or a duly appointed Bond Registrar. Any failure of the Securities Depository to advise any of its participants or any failure of any participant to notify any beneficial owner of any notice of redemption shall not affect the validity of the redemption proceedings. If the Board of Education determines to redeem a portion of the bonds prior to maturity, the bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the Board of Education. The bonds to be redeemed having the same maturity shall be selected by the Securities Depository in accordance with its regulations.

If notice of redemption has been given as provided herein, the bonds or the portion thereof called for redemption shall be due and payable on the date fixed for redemption at the redemption price, together with unpaid accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. Interest shall cease to accrue on the bonds after the date fixed for redemption. Payment shall be made upon surrender of the bonds redeemed.]

This bond is one of an authorized issue of bonds and is issued pursuant to Title 18A, Education, Chapter 24, of the New Jersey Statutes and the refunding bond ordinance finally adopted by the Board of Education on March 16, 2016, in all respects duly approved. Payment of this obligation is secured under the provisions of the New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act, P.L. 1980, c. 72, approved July 16, 1980, as amended by P.L. 2003, c.118, approved July 1, 2003, in accordance with which an amount equal to 1% of the aggregate outstanding bonded indebtedness (but not to exceed the moneys available in the fund) of New Jersey counties, municipalities and school districts for

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school purposes as of September 15 of each year, is held within the State Fund for the Support of Free Public Schools as a school bond reserve pledged by law to secure payments of principal and interest due on such bonds in the event of the inability of the issuer to make payment.

The full faith and credit of the Board of Education are hereby irrevocably pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on this bond according to its terms.

It is hereby certified and recited that all conditions, acts and things required by the constitution or the statutes of the State of New Jersey to exist, to have happened or to have been performed precedent to or in the issuance of this bond exist, have happened and have been performed and that the issue of bonds of which this is one, together with all other indebtedness of the Board of Education, is within every debt and other limit prescribed by such constitution or statutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY has caused this bond to be executed in its name by the manual or facsimile signature of its President, its corporate seal to be hereunto imprinted or affixed, this bond and the seal to be attested by the manual signature of its Secretary, and this bond to be dated the Dated Date as specified above.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY
[SEAL]

ATTEST:

By: _____ (Facsimile)
President

By: _____
Secretary

[END OF SAMPLE BOND FORM]

Section 6. The Bonds shall have printed thereon a copy of the written opinion with respect to the Bonds that is to be rendered by Bond Counsel, complete except for omission of its date. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to file a signed duplicate of such written opinion in the Business Administrator/Board Secretary's office. Alternatively, each Bond may be accompanied by the signed legal opinion or copy thereof.

Section 7. Bond Counsel is authorized to arrange for the printing of the Bonds. The proper officials of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Bonds and to deliver them to the Purchaser in exchange for payment, including accrued interest from their date to the date of delivery, if any.

Section 8. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to make representations and warranties, to enter into agreements and to make all arrangements with The Depository Trust Company, New

York, New York as may be necessary in order to provide that the Bonds will be eligible for deposit with The Depository Trust Company and to satisfy any obligation undertaken in connection therewith.

Section 9. In the event that The Depository Trust Company may determine to discontinue providing its service with respect to the Bonds or is removed by the Board of Education and if no successor Securities Depository is appointed, the Bonds which were previously issued in book-entry form shall be converted to Registered Bonds (the "Registered Bonds") in denominations of \$5,000, or any integral multiple thereof, except that an amount maturing in any one year in excess of the largest principal amount thereof equaling a multiple of \$5,000 will be in denominations of \$1,000, or any integral multiple thereof. The beneficial owner under the book-entry system, upon registration of the Bonds held in the beneficial owner's name, will become the registered owner of such Registered Bonds. The Board shall be obligated to provide for the execution and delivery of the Registered Bonds in certificate form.

Section 10. The Board hereby covenants that it will comply with any conditions subsequent imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code") in order to preserve the exemption from taxation of interest on the Bonds, including the requirement to rebate all net investment earnings on the gross proceeds above the yield on the Bonds, and that it will refrain from taking any action that would adversely affect the tax exemption of the Bonds under the Code. The Board authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to act and determine on behalf of the Board whether the Bonds will be designated as "bank qualified" within the meaning of Section 265 of the Code.

Section 11. Solely for purposes of complying with Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, as amended and interpreted from time to time (the "Rule"), and provided that the Bonds are not exempt from the Rule and provided that the Bonds are not exempt from the following requirements in accordance with paragraph (d) of the Rule, for so long as the Bonds remain outstanding (unless the Bonds have been wholly defeased), the Board of Education shall provide for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds and the beneficial owners thereof:

(a) On or prior to February 1 of each year, beginning February 1, 2017, electronically to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system or such other repository designated by the SEC to be an authorized repository for filing secondary market disclosure information, if any, annual financial information with respect to the Board of Education consisting of the audited financial statements (or unaudited financial statements if audited financial statements are not then available, which audited financial statements will be delivered when and if available) of the Board of Education and certain financial information and operating data consisting of (1) Board of Education indebtedness; (2) property valuation information; and (3) tax rate, levy and collection data. The audited financial statements will be prepared in accordance with generally accepted

- accounting principles as modified by governmental accounting standards as may be required by New Jersey law;
- (b) If any of the following material events occur regarding the Bonds, a timely notice not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event sent to EMMA:
- (1) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
 - (2) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
 - (3) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
 - (4) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
 - (5) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
 - (6) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the security, or other material events affecting the tax status of the security;
 - (7) Modifications to rights of security holders, if material;
 - (8) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
 - (9) Defeasances;
 - (10) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the securities, if material;
 - (11) Rating changes;
 - (12) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the obligated person;
 - (13) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving an obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligated person, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
 - (14) Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.

For the purposes of the event identified in subparagraph (12) above, the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for an obligated person in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the obligated person, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the obligated person.

Notice of failure of the Board of Education to provide required annual financial information on or before the date specified in this resolution shall be sent in a timely manner to EMMA.

If all or any part of the Rule ceases to be in effect for any reason, then the information required to be provided under this resolution, insofar as the provision of the Rule no longer in effect required the provision of such information, shall no longer be required to be provided.

The Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall determine, in consultation with Bond Counsel, the application of the Rule or the exemption from the Rule for each issue of obligations of the Board of Education prior to their offering. Such officer is hereby authorized to enter into additional written contracts or undertakings to implement the Rule and is further authorized to amend such contracts or undertakings or the undertakings set forth in this resolution, provided such amendment is, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, in compliance with the Rule.

In the event that the Board of Education fails to comply with the Rule requirements or the written contracts or undertakings specified in this resolution, the Board of Education shall not be liable for monetary damages, remedy being hereby specifically limited to specific performance of the Rule requirements or the written contracts or undertakings therefor.

Section 12. The Board hereby approves the preparation and the distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement in the form to be approved by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary. Such Official Statement may be distributed in preliminary form and deemed final for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission on behalf of the Board by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary. The Preliminary Official Statement shall be prepared in final form in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is authorized to execute any certificates necessary in connection with the distribution of the Official Statement. Final Official Statements shall be delivered to the Purchaser within the earliest of seven business days following the sale of the Bonds or to accompany the Purchaser's confirmations that request payment for the Bonds. Bond Counsel, the Board's auditor, Suplee, Clooney & Company, and/or the Financial Advisor are further authorized to arrange on behalf of the Board of Education for a rating for the Bonds from Standard & Poor's and/or Moody's Investors Service, and all such actions taken to date are hereby ratified.

Section 13. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary, with the advice of the Financial Advisor, is authorized to arrange for bond insurance if advantageous based on the advice of the Underwriter to be provided at a premium not to exceed 75 basis points of the amount of principal and interest payable in order to obtain the best possible rates and the most cost effective financing and is authorized to take all steps on behalf of the Board necessary to do so.

- Section 14. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary, with the advice of Bond Counsel, shall arrange for paying agent services or redemption agent services with a banking institution if any portion of the Bonds are term bonds requiring a sinking fund.
- Section 15. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is also authorized and directed to pay the costs of issuance in connection with the sale of the Bonds pursuant to a certificate of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to be executed upon delivery of the Bonds in an aggregate amount not to exceed the amount outlined in the Bond Ordinance.
- Section 16. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall take all steps necessary to call the Refunded Bonds on the Redemption Date, at par, plus any unpaid accrued interest thereon and to take all steps necessary for the investment of the proceeds of the Refunded Bonds necessary to arrange for such redemption. The Financial Advisor and/or the Underwriter, on behalf of the Board of Education, are authorized to reserve and purchase open market treasury securities and/or United State Treasury—State and Local Government Series (SLGs) for deposit with the escrow agent if required. All of the principal amount and interest earnings on the open market treasury securities and/or SLGs, as well as cash, if necessary, will be used to pay the interest due on the Refunded Bonds through the Redemption Date and pay the Redemption Price on the Refunded Bonds on the Redemption Date. The Board hereby authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to select a bank to serve as escrow agent based upon the recommendation of the Financial Advisor and authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and/or Board President to enter into an Escrow Deposit Agreement with such escrow agent in order to provide instructions regarding the deposit of the open market treasury securities and/or SLGs and cash, if any.
- Section 17. The Board hereby authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to select a firm to serve as verification agent, if necessary, based upon the recommendation of the Financial Advisor to confirm the accuracy of the arithmetical and mathematical computations supporting (i) the accuracy of the interest cost savings and the sufficiency of the amount in the escrow account to pay the interest due on the Refunded Bonds through the Redemption Date and pay the Redemption Prices on the Redemption Date; and (ii) the calculations of yield supporting the conclusion of Bond Counsel that the Bonds are not “arbitrage bonds” as such meaning is set forth in the Code.
- Section 18. The Board President, Superintendent, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and other appropriate representatives of the Board are hereby authorized to take all steps necessary to provide for the issuance of the Bonds and the redemption of the Refunded Bonds, including preparing and executing such agreements and documents on behalf of the Board and taking all steps necessary or desirable to implement the requirements of this resolution, such agreements, and documents as may be necessary and appropriate and the transactions contemplated thereby.

Section 19. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board approve and accept the donation of free weights, chrome bars, clips, 2- XR-37 benches valued in total at approximately \$500.00 from Ms. Anita Titus to be used in the NPHS weight room.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that **WHEREAS**, the Board of Education processes nearly 1,500 pay checks per month for its employees; and **WHEREAS**, approximately 20% of pay checks are paper checks; and

WHEREAS, direct deposit provides a safer and more convenient method of distributing pay checks, as well as being environmentally friendlier; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 52:14-15h authorizes local boards of education to mandate direct deposit for all employees;

NOW THEREFORE, the district does hereby mandate the elimination the of paper pay checks, and the use of direct deposit of payroll checks for all employees;

FUTHERMORE, this resolution shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper 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 a dollhouse, furniture, and a set of multicultural families for East End School at a total value of \$469.50.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education authorizes Christina Moscatello to apply for a grant through DonorsChoose.Org, for the purpose of purchasing Chromebooks for West End School at a total value of \$1,931.45.

David Branan – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Thomas Kasper – Aye
Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Curriculum Updates/Current Events in Education

Ms. Vella stated that three high school teachers started a student group, Students for Social Change, which seeks to raise social awareness and promote a culture of social justice, tolerance, peace, respect, and individual rights at NPHS. Their goal is to help students alike strive for excellence in their own lives both educationally and personally.

Mr. Buckman worked with the NPPD, Somerset County Sheriff to prompt this program. Chief William Parenti is partnering with Somerset County Sheriff Frank Provenzano and the North Plainfield Board of Education. During the month of April they will be conducting a voluntary fingerprinting identification program for our students. Information on the program will be sent home through the schools.

Donorschoose.org has become a resource for many of our teachers. Ms. Perdomo-O’Hara was recently awarded funding for an opportunity titled Promoting English Acquisition Skills and Math Skills in the summer. Christina Moscatello received donations to fund the purchase of additional ChromeBooks in her classroom. Ashley Gutowski has completed and received a donors choose for the purpose of purchasing building blocks and hands on manipulatives.

Technology Planning Team had their second meeting on Monday, March 14th. The goals are centered upon district infrastructure/environment, teaching and learning, professional learning, and curriculum.

District coaches created and facilitated training for 24 supervisor and building level support staff members to provide hands-on experience with Gmail, Google Calendar, Google Docs, Google Forms and Google Sheets.

On Tuesday, March 15th, the Lesson Plan Committee will meet for the first time. Ms. Armento and Mr. Maroun are facilitating the committee, with the purpose of examining current lesson planning practices as related to the impact on time, usage, and relationship to curriculum work.

Correspondence

There was none.

Committee and Delegate Report

Board Staff – Meeting scheduled for March 17th.

Communications – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Curriculum – Meeting scheduled for March 23rd.
Finance & Facilities – No meeting scheduled at this time.
Policy Meeting – Meeting scheduled for April 28th.
Negotiations – No meeting scheduled at this time.
NJSBA – Board of Director meeting scheduled for March 18th.
SCSBA – Joint meeting scheduled for April 13th.
SCESC – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Old Business

2016-2017 School Budget: Public Presentation will be held at East End School on May 4th at 7:30 pm.

New Business

Dr. McLaughlin discussed with the Board his interest in providing the District Administration with a summarized overview of Board meetings prior to the minutes being approved. The Board posed various questions and determined that within the legal guidelines provided, this would be allowable.

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Ms. Bond-Nelson and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that; the Board of Education approve for second reading the following new policy:

5142.1 Gang and Gang-Related Activity

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Ms. Bond-Nelson and unanimously approved that the following recommendation be tabled:

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that; the Board of Education approve the following policies as revised:

5131	Conduct/Discipline (Code of Conduct)
5131.4	Campus Disturbances
5131.5	Vandalism/Violence
5131.7	Weapons and Dangerous Instruments
5141.3	Health Examinations and Immunizations

David Branan – Aye	John Fellin, Jr. – Aye
Bianka Butler – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
Sandra Dodd – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye	

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Comments from the Public

Mr. Goldings expressed his appreciation for providing further information and the level of transparency.

Ms. Zimmerman-Fuller expressed appreciation for level of transparency and communication.

Ms. Harlin expressed concerns with the lack of parent teacher conferences scheduled for the second marking period.

Future Agenda Items

Per the presentation calendar (www.nplainfield.org)

SCESC – Mr. Hal Dunsavage, Superintendent 4/6

Social Media – Mr. Charles Rowan 4/6

School Performance Reports (tent.) – Michele Armento 4/20

Adjournment

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved that be it resolved that the Board of Education will hold an Executive Session on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 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 the session will last approximately one half hour.

Adjournment

Ms. Bond-Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved to adjourn at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:

Donald Sternberg