

The minutes of the regular meeting of the North Plainfield Board of Education held on November 5, 2014 at 7:30 PM, Watchung School, 33 Mountain Avenue, North Plainfield, NJ. Mrs. Bond-Nelson 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, Mrs. Bond-Nelson requested the call of the roll:

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

A quorum was established

Also present were Dr. Carol Conger, Interim Superintendent of Schools; Donald Sternberg, Board Secretary/School Business Administrator; as well as, Mateo Gilsilvetti, Student Representative and approximately 16 members of the staff and public.

Introduction of New Staff

Minutes Approval

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved to accept the public session minutes of October 15, 2014.

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved to accept the executive session minutes of October 15, 2014.

Comments from the Public

Upon request of the chair for topics from the public, there were none.

Student Representative Report

The student report was presented by Mateo Gilsilvetti as follows:

During the month of October the Child Development Preschools are:

- Pumpkin picking
- Halloween party
- Pumpkin carving
- Halloween arts and crafts includes (My Thumbkin patch, Jack -O-Lantern, Spider webs, Little ghosts, Ghostly feet etc.)
- Trick or Treat

The High School students' achievements are:

- Took Multiple Intelligence tests
- Training as an Early childhood educator

The Interact Club In the month of September, we had our general meetings. We went over our major projects which include the food drive and the blood drive. The blood drive was originally

scheduled on October 31, however due to homecoming; it was rescheduled for December 15. We have 53 members; however this number is not certain because there were members who could not attend due to sports practices and games.

So far in October we have had three successful bake sales, where the money earned will be used for t-shirts (either green or purple, with white letters). Our annual food drive started on October 22 and will run throughout the month until November 21. The goods will be donated to the local food pantry. As an incentive to promote more food donations, we plan a breakfast for the homeroom with the most food donations. During our meeting on October 21, many members stayed longer to make posters for the food drive, which will be displayed throughout the high school to advertise our cause. Upcoming events include November 15 and December 6, where we will stand outside our local CVS to ask for donations. Money earned would be used to help a needy family during the winter holidays.

HOPE Club went on a wonderful field trip to the Pine Barrens on October 24th. There, we saw three different habitats: Pitch Pine Forest, White Cedar Swamp and a freshwater stream quite unlike Stony Brook. Students learned to identify the trees and understand their importance in a fire ecosystem. In the stream, student caught and observed a freshwater shrimp, two eels and a variety of other animals.

Rainbow trout eggs were delivered to North Plainfield High School on October 15th, following PSAT testing. Students have been caring for the eggs. About a week later, they hatched. The young fish are weighted down by their egg yolks, but are doing very well!

HOPE Club has been planting flower bulbs around the middle and high schools. Spring flowers will include tulips, daffodils, Dutch irises, etc. We are working to have a beautiful spring bloom!

The Canuckling Club met to discuss the results of the Silver award critique we received for Canuckling 2014 from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. We read the comments the judge made on the issue and discussed ways to improve this year's issue. We also spent time reviewing and voting on current submissions. We have continued to have a large turnout for the club, and we are excited to make this year's issue another award-winning edition.

Students were very excited about the publication of the first edition of *Tunlaw*. The newspaper was very well received and many students enthusiastically welcomed the new color printing. Students enjoyed seeing their writing in print and sharing their work with the community. A great deal of learning took place in the process of publishing the fall edition and students feel more confident about their role within the club. In addition, many new students have expressed interest in *Tunlaw* and look forward to joining the staff.

The Dance Team- Has been busy having rehearsals weekly since a mini 2 Day Dance Camp they attended in August where they worked on team building activities as well as strengthening their dance technique. Currently the Dance Team is learning jazzy/hip-hop choreography by Mrs. Schultz that they will perform in the schools Winter Pep Rally, Mid-Year Dance Performance, Talent Show and Teen Arts Festival at RVCC.

The Tap Dance Club- Dance Teacher, Dawn Schultz and Math Teacher, Michelle Cruz (who teaches Tap at a Dance Studio), started a Tap Dance Club with the involvement of 10 students

and 6 teachers attending. The club meets every Tuesday and both students and teachers are on a variety of levels. The goal for the students is to bring their tap dance skills to a level they will need to perform in a year-end performance.

The Cooking for Today classes went to Shop Rite in Garwood where they had a tour of the supermarket given by a Registered Dietitian. She explained how to select healthier choices by reading labels and how to save money by using the unit pricing. They sampled as they went along.

Congratulations to the Marching Canucks on winning 2nd place in competition at Robbinsville as well as the award for best overall effect on Saturday, November 1st. The Marching Canucks will compete this coming Saturday in the US Bands National Championships.

Tri M National Music Honor Society has begun its initial induction period for the NPHS Chapter. The first service project was to assist with the District Men's Night of Singing. This week, the chapter's prospective members will begin an historical project that will help maintain documentation of High School Music Award recipients over the past 30 years. Other projects are slated for later this year and will have to do with community outreach and spreading music awareness in our town.

The High School Music Department is currently selling Gertrude Hawk candy as a holiday fundraiser. Anyone interested in placing an order may reach out to Mrs. Six at NPHS.

The 2nd Annual Men's Night of Singing was held on Wednesday, October 29th and featured 90 male singers from all of the district's schools. All performances were well received by the audience and the men seemed to enjoy themselves. It was a great night for North Plainfield Music!

The North Plainfield Choral Music Department will be presenting its 2nd Annual Cabaret Dinner and Show on Friday, November 21st at 7 PM in the HS Cafeteria. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased through the HS Music Office.

The Boys' Varsity Soccer Team will be playing in the 2nd round of the NJSIAA tournament on Thursday, November 6, at 10:00 AM at Point Pleasant Borough High School
808 Laura Herbert Drive
Point Pleasant, NJ

Presentation

Dr. Blecher and Ms. Marseglia presented to the Board the Annual Testing report reviewing results district wide from the 2013-2014 school year in the areas of English, Language Arts and Mathematics.

Superintendent's Report

Personnel

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education accept with regret, the resignation of Queenie Newson, paraprofessional at Stony Brook School, effective December 1, 2014.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the following NPHS teachers to perform their field study practicum at NPHS, with Dr. Jerard Stephenson serving as their on-site supervisor.

Michele Armento

Mario Della Fortuna

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve Sonya Larado, art teacher in the district, to teach a sixth class of photography at NPHS, at the MA/Step 10 annual salary of \$61,760 plus \$10,293 for the sixth class for a total of \$72,054, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve an increase in hours for Kelley Albanese, paraprofessional currently working with a classified student at NPMS for 4.0 hours per day. The increase is for up to an additional 3.0 hours per week to assist the student in the P.A.S.S. program on an as-needed basis, effective October 16, 2014.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the employment of Kristin Washington as a substitute nurse in the district, effective October 20, 2014.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the employment of the following individual(s) as district substitute paraprofessionals:

Piedad Escamilla Josefa Salvatore Kaushal Shrivastava

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve an increase in hours for the following paraprofessionals working with classified students, effective November 10, 2014:

<u>Paraprofessional</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>School</u>
Brian Greves	3.75	4.00	Harrison/NPHS
Victoria Tarquino	3.75	4.00	Harrison/NPHS
Meghan Pitttenger	3.25	3.50	Stony Brook School

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following individuals to the co-curricular positions and stipends indicated after their names, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement:

John Vogel	Assistant Wrestling Coach	NPHS	\$6,689
Eugene Donofrio	Co-Asst. Marching Band Director	NPHS	\$2,319

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote of 5 to 1, with Mr. Fellin abstaining, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the following student teacher from Fairleigh Dickinson University for the spring of 2015:

<u>Student Teacher</u>	<u>Class/School</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>
Jennifer Dejeso	Elementary/East End	Kitty Jedra

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education grant Sara Gagliano, academic support teacher at West End School, an unpaid leave of absence under the Federal Family Leave Act, effective April 12, 2015 through June 30, 2015. (Ms. Gagliano plans to be absent during her disability period using accrued sick days from February 23, 2015 through April 11, 2015.)

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the employment of the following individuals as paraprofessionals in the district as indicated after their names, at the rate of \$21.14 per hour, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement, effective November 10, 2014:

<u>Paraprofessional</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Hrs Per Day</u>
Christopher Laguna	Classified Student	NPMS	3.50
Ryan Lubreski	Hall Duty/Lunch	Somerset	3.75

Further, that the Board of Education approve Ryan Lubreski as a substitute paraprofessional in the district for the 2014-2015 school year.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education grant Nina Pleasant, paraprofessional, an unpaid leave of absence effective October 29, 2014 through December 1, 2014.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve that Evelyn Pereira, confidential secretary, update System 3000 for NJSmart for up to 35 hours at the rate of \$34.90 per hour.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Alma Lopez, temporary teacher of Spanish at Somerset School, effective November 1, 2014.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve Debate Club as a co-curricular activity at NPHS.

Further, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the following teacher as co-advisor to the Debate Club at the stipend of \$1548.50, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement:

Kelli Beard

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the temporary employment of Diana Palomo as a temporary academic support teacher at West End School at the BA/Step 1 annual salary rate of \$55,490, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement, effective November 10, 2014 through June 30, 2015. (Ms. Palomo will temporarily replace Michele Dos Santos from November 10, 2014 through March 18, 2015 and Sara Gagliano from March 19, 2015 through June 30, 2015.)

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the following individuals as K-12 substitute teachers in the district:

Robin Dupiche
Mary Leonard

Marcia Perez
Zeenat Shahid

Eugene Donofrio

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote of 5 to 1, with Mr. Fellin abstaining that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve Anne Fellin, paraprofessional working with a classified student, receive up to two hours of training to be provided by school psychologist Meghan Drewes, at the rate of \$21.14 per hour, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Abstain
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the appointment of the staff members indicated on the attached list to teach in the extended day mentoring program at the rate of \$40 per hour, to be funded with NCLB, Title I, FY'15 monies.

David Branan-Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye

John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve Charles Rowan, teacher of social studies at NPHS, to present a series of professional development courses for K-12 staff for up to six hours at the rate of \$30 per hour as follows:

iPads and Apple TV: November 13 & 18/December 3 & 4
(3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following staff members to chaperone Somerset School concerts at the rate of \$28.35 per hour, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement:

Sabrina Cruz
Eleftheria Fiotakis
Susan Kagan
Jennifer Mariani

Mayra Martinez
Kate Moore
Andrew Preble
Hakeem Williams

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following staff members to tutor students before and/or after school for up to 1.5 hours on a weekday and for up to 3 hours on Saturday mornings in the P.A.S.S./Extended Day Program, at the rate of \$35 per hour:

Kelli Beard
Heather Hattenrath
Yuri Urrutia

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Marisa Zervopoulos, payroll bookkeeper, effective January 1, 2015.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the Board member and/or staff conference and travel expenses as per the attached list.

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the following certificated staff member be reimbursed for courses taken between May and June 2014:

Name	Course	Crd	\$ Paid	\$ Reimb
Michelle Armento (Academic Supt/HS)	Practicum in Supv & Curr	3	\$2284.00	\$1142.00

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the temporary employment of Diana Fiore as a temporary teacher of Spanish at Somerset School at the MA + 30/Step 10 (10-11/10) annual salary of \$64,760, to be adjusted pending settlement of the negotiated Agreement, effective November 10, 2014 through January 9, 2015. (Ms. Fiore will temporary replace Martha Tejada-Schultz.)

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education accept with regret the resignation of R. Craig Kammerer, Ph.D., for reasons of retirement, effective March 1, 2015.

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Christopher Werner, special education teacher at NPHS, effective December 12, 2014.

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

Curriculum, Instruction and Pupil Services

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve home instruction for the following non-classified student for up to ten hours per week to be provided by Educere, effective dates as indicated:

HI-13-14-15 October 22 - October 29, 2014

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve classified student OT/PT-78-14-15 receive occupational therapy services to be provided by NuView Academy for one 30-minute session per week at the cost of \$60 per session, effective July 1, 2014 through June 21, 2015.

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve classified student ITIN-03-14-15 receive itinerant services to be provided by Summit Speech School at the cost of \$150 per hour, as follows:

Direct services - two 45-minute sessions per week
Consultative services- one 15-minute session per week

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve classified student NURS-02-14-15 receive nursing services provided by Delta-T Behavioral Healthcare Referral Agency on September 3 and September 4, 2014, for a total of eleven hours, at the cost of \$41.75 per hour.

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve classified student NEU-03-14-15 undergo a neurological evaluation to be provided by Dr. Kavita Sinha at the cost of \$375.

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve home instruction for the following classified student for up to ten hours per week to be provided by Educere, effective dates as indicated:

HI-14-14-15

October 19, 2014 for approx. 4-6 weeks

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve home instruction for identified student HI-15-14-15 for up to ten hours per week to be provided by district staff, effective October 20, 2014.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve classified student PSY-08-14-15 undergo a psychiatric evaluation to be provided by Dr. Elisa Dulay at the cost of \$875.00.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve classified student ATE-02-14-15 undergo an assistive technology evaluation to be provided by Bergen County Special Services at the cost of \$835.00 for two sessions.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the out-of-district placement and one paraprofessional be provided for classified student MMMMMM-14-15 at Westlake School in Westfield, at the cost of \$62,880.00 per year for school and \$36,261.00 per year for a paraprofessional, to be prorated effective November 10, 2014. Transportation is required.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve home instruction non-classified student

HI-16-14-15 for up to ten hours per week to be provided by Education, Inc. at the rate of \$45.50 per hour, effective November 1, 2014.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Finance, Purchasing & Agreements

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper that the following recommendation be tabled:

RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT TO TERMINATE PNC BANK'S ADMINISTRATION OF THE FRESCOLIN TRUST

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Frescolin died on February 22, 1967, a resident of Somerset County, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the decedent left a Last Will and Testament dated July 26, 1965, which the Somerset County Surrogate's Court duly probated on March 6, 1967; and

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Surrogate's Court appointed Plainfield Trust State National Bank as Trustee; and

WHEREAS, the Plainfield Trust State National Bank through changes in ownership has become PNC Bank; and

WHEREAS, a trust was established under the will of Thomas J. Frescolin, known as the Thomas J. Frescolin College Fund under the Last Will and Testament; and

WHEREAS, the Trust is purely a charitable trust for the benefit of select students of the High School of the Borough of North Plainfield, and

WHEREAS, maintenance of the trust requires on-going administrative expenses, and

WHEREAS, PNC Bank has reported that the balance of the Trust as of December 29, 2013, has diminished to \$207,321.06, and

WHEREAS, PNC Bank desires to terminate the Trust due to its value in relation to the benefit it provides to students receiving scholarships, and

WHEREAS, PNC Bank has proposed that the North Plainfield Board of Education enter into an agreement titled "Waiver of Accounting, Release, Indemnification and Agreement to Terminate Trust" under the Will of Thomas J. Frescolin; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of the agreement proposed by PNC Bank, the remaining balance of the Trust assets will be distributed to the Community Foundation of New Jersey for the ongoing administration of the scholarship in accordance with the terms of the Will, and

WHEREAS, it is the objective of the North Plainfield Board of Education to maximize the benefits of the scholarship fund to the high school students of the Borough of North Plainfield; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board hereby approve the Waiver of Accounting, Release, Indemnification and Agreement to Terminate Trust Under the Will of Thomas J. Frescolin, proposed by PNC Bank, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board shall post the above resolution on the District website and in common areas of the District for a period of thirty (30) days, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the within resolution be filed with the Commissioner of Education in accordance with law.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board appoint the firm of Jackson Lewis P.C., to represent the district at a hearing of the NJSIAA, including all documentation and advisement necessary to prepare for and conclude the issue, regarding an incident involving an away football game against Summit High School, total amount not to exceed \$18,000.00.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that *Doctrine of Necessity -VOTE FOR AN INTERIM ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT* BE IT RESOLVED, all members of the North Plainfield Board of Education are subject to the Code of Ethics for School Board members as codified at N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24(c); and

WHEREAS, the Code of Ethics requires Board members to alert the Board in the event they feel they have a conflict that would prohibit them from voting and/or participating in discussions regarding a certain matter, and

WHEREAS, the Doctrine of Necessity may be invoked by a Board of Education under certain circumstances which, when properly invoked, permits conflicted Board members to vote on specific items, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is currently undergoing a search for an Interim Assistant Superintendent of Schools, and

WHEREAS, the Doctrine of Necessity will need to be invoked for purposes of voting on the selection for an Interim Assistant Superintendent as recommended by the non-conflicted members of the Board, and

WHEREAS, Board Member John Fellin's wife, who resides in the same household as Board Member Fellin, is employed by the District at East End School and is a member of the North Plainfield Education Association ("Association"), and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the holding in Martinez v. Albolino et al., Hackensack Board of Education, Bergen County SEC Dkt. NO. C45-11 (June 26, 2012) (hereafter referred to as the "Martinez Holding"), Board Member Fellin is precluded from participating in the Interim Assistant Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for an Interim Assistant Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, Board Member David Branan's wife, who resides in the same household as Board Member Branan, is employed by the District at West End School and is a member of the Association, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Martinez Holding, Board Member Branan is precluded from participating in the Interim Assistant Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for Interim Assistant Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Thomas Kasper currently resides in North Plainfield with his father-in-law; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Kasper's father-in-law is employed by the District and is a member of the North Plainfield Education Association; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Martinez Holding, Advisory Opinion A22-13 and upon advice of counsel, Board Member Kasper is precluded in participating in the Interim Assistant Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for an Interim Assistant Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, the School Ethics Commission issued Advisory Opinion A22-13 which precludes Board Member Kasper from participating in the Interim Assistant Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for Interim Assistant Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, the North Plainfield Board of Education is a seven (7) member Board that requires a majority vote with respect to the appointment of an Interim Assistant Superintendent of Schools; and

WHEREAS, North Plainfield currently has a vacancy for a Board members and this has six (6) voting members of the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, due to the conflicts identified herein, the Board cannot vote to pass a resolution appointing an Interim Assistant Superintendent of Schools, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board hereby invokes the Doctrine of Necessity for the purpose of voting on the selection for the Interim Assistant Superintendent, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board shall post the above resolution on the District website and in common areas of the District for a period of thirty (30) days, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the within resolution be filed with the Commissioner of Education in accordance with law.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, *That the Board of Education approve the district's Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for the 2014-2015 school year:*

WHEREAS, the Department of Education requires New Jersey School Districts to submit three-year maintenance plans documenting "required" maintenance activities for each of its public school facilities, and

WHEREAS, the required maintenance activities as listed in the attached document for the various school facilities of North Plainfield School District are consistent with these requirements, and

WHEREAS, all past and planned activities are reasonable to keep school facilities open and safe for use or in their original condition and to keep their system warranties valid,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the North Plainfield School District hereby authorize the School Business Administrator to submit the attached Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for the North Plainfield School District in compliance with Department of Education requirements.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board approve the revised job description for the Assistant Superintendent of Schools.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board authorize Karl Gordon, supervisor of health and physical education and athletic director, to apply for a grant from 7-11 Stores "Project A-Game" in the amount of \$711.00 to be used for the purchase of athletic equipment throughout the district.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education authorize Nancy Rodino, educational media specialist at Somerset School, to apply for a grant from the New Jersey Writers' Project, to provide four writing classes and an assembly, valued at \$2,350, for students in grades five and six at Somerset School ELL programs.

David Branan-Aye
John Fellin, Jr.-Aye
Kathleen Mullen -Aye

Sandra Dodd -Aye
Thomas Kasper-Aye
Linda Bond-Nelson-Aye

Correspondence

Letters were received as follows from: there were none.

Committee and Delegate Report

Board Staff – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Communications – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Curriculum – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Finance & Facilities – Next meeting at this time.

Policy Meeting – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Negotiations – Next meeting scheduled at this time.

NJSBA – Mr. Kasper mentioned next Delegates meeting scheduled for November 15, 2014.

Mr. Kasper also discussed recent Annual NJSBA Convention.

SCSBA – Next meeting scheduled for December 12, 2014

SCESC – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Old Business

Ms. Bond-Nelson provided an overview of the NJSBA Annual Convention and the subjects of various workshops attended by Board members.

New Business

Mr. Sternberg mentioned surveys for Klub House Kids before and after care. Surveys are still being completed and a report will be made to the Finance and Facilities committee at their next meeting.

Dr. Conger mentioned Milestone Awards will be December 3, 2014 at West End school.

Current Events in Education

There were none.

Comments from the Public

Ms. Fiola mentioned not being aware of available dates for negotiations.

Future Agenda Items

There were none.

Adjournment

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved that be it resolved that the Board of Education will hold an Executive Session on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 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.

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Kasper and unanimously approved to adjourn at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:

Donald Sternberg