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The minutes of the regular meeting of the North Plainfield Board of Education held on May 7, 2014 at West End School, 447 Greenbrook Road, 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:

Thomas Allen  
David Branan  
Sandra Dodd  
John Fellin, Jr.

Thomas Kasper  
Kathleen Mullen  
Linda Bond-Nelson

A quorum was established

Also present were Dr. Marilyn Birnbaum, Superintendent of Schools; Donald Sternberg, Board Secretary/School Business Administrator; and Dr. Robert Rich, Assistant Superintendent, as well as, Amaree Gardner, Student Representative and approximately 20 members of the staff and public.

### **Introduction of New Staff**

Dr. Brinbaum introduced Brain Farrell East End Elementary School Principal

### **Minutes Approval**

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved to accept the public session minutes of April 9, 2014

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved to accept the executive session minutes of April 9, 2014

### **Comments from the Public**

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

### **Student Representative Report**

Congratulations to Cesar Roca, Alma Garcia, Michelle Flores and Tiffany Reinoso for their photographs and mixed media displayed in Congressman Leonard Lance's Congressional Art Competition on May 3, 2014. Each student received a signed certificate from the United States Congressman and ribbon for participation. North Plainfield artists in attendance were asked to pose for a photograph after the end of the awards ceremony with Leonard Lance!

In April the Child Development Class hosted the preschool graduation ceremony which was attended by our preschool parents, their families and friends. Light refreshments were provided after the ceremony. It was a wonderful opportunity for HS students to show their appreciation and involvement with the local community.

The Child Development class held an Easter egg hunt for all the children in the Child Development Class and for those younger children who visited NPHS on "Bring Your Child to Work Day". All the participants received an Easter basket, peeps, stationary items such as pencil/erasers and lots of candy filled eggs which of course were found by them in the front lawn of NPHS.

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In May, we are celebrating Mother's Day. The preschoolers made hand print flower card for their mothers with a beautiful hand-picked poem. We are also going to give our preschoolers moms a surprise breakfast in bed with their little ones.

Ms. Kelman's ESL II HS & MS ESL I, II classes have been introduced to the difference between folk and popular music. Now students will be introduced to American Folk Songs. Ms. Kelman's sons came to class in April and played examples of American, Irish, Mexican, Spanish, and Scottish folk songs on the piano and harp. The students will learn vocabulary, grammar, and American cultural themes by studying lyrics, and hearing examples of songs. They will memorize and recite lyrics for speaking practice. The students will choose one genre of folk music, from a country of their choice, to research and will begin research on Simple Wikipedia/Wikipedia. They will complete 2 drafts of a written report and an oral presentation. The report will show the characteristics of the art, the origin, and influences. Students will describe the theme of one song, and play a recorded example for the class. The grammar focus will be correct verb forms, and modal verbs. Students will study and include a list of 30 vocabulary/spelling words in their projects. The students will also study American Baseball. They will read a biography of Jackie Robinson, view the movie "42", and receive instruction on the game from Mr. Eshelman, the MS Baseball coach. The students will complete a written project, and oral presentation on one aspect of the history of the game.

HOPE Club participated in the 2014 Rutgers Oceans Days, specifically in the high school event. One HOPE Club study was named as one of two outstanding investigations of Ocean Days, high school. Their study was entitled The Effect of Salinity and pH on Brine Shrimp. The HOPE Club team included Christina Forrester, Jennifer Jones, Jonathan Lima, Kaitlin Rink and Jessica Tirado. This study investigated the synergistic effect of decreased salinity and pH that is resulting in the Antarctic from climate change and ocean acidification.

Hope Club released the native brook trout they raised this year. They successfully raised about 100 trout to about 2 1/2 inches long. The trout were released in an approved trout stream in Bridgewater after school on 4/25/14.

HOPE Club has received a generous donation of \$100.00 from Mrs. Helck. We will use the monies to help maintain the school gardens! Thank you so much!

The Canuckling Club is currently working on the formatting and layout of this year's issue, #Wired. We anticipate the issue coming out by the end of May. We will be taking pre-orders starting May 13 at our bake sale after school. The club has worked hard to continue the tradition of excellence the *Canuckling* has displayed over the years since its inception in 1955. We look forward to the culmination of another successful year and issue.

### **Presentation**

Dr. Birnbaum and Mr. Sternberg presented the 2014-2015 approved School Budget.

### **Superintendent's Report**

### **Recognition/Public Relations**

#### **Staff**

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Congratulations to **Jerard Stephenson, NPHS principal**, on completing his dissertation and earning his doctoral degree from Saint Elizabeth's College. We can now call him Dr. Stephenson.

**Dr. Hope Blecher, supervisor of language arts/literacy; Cathy Kobylarz, principal of Stony Brook School; and Linda Remolino, director of school counseling** had their article "Am I a Person or a Number?" published in the Spring 2014 issue of *Educational Viewpoints, The Journal of New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association (NJPSA)*.

### Students

**Shawn Wallace, sophomore**, who played the part of Billy Crocker in *Anything Goes*, represented NPHS on April 26, 2014 at the Somerset Patriot's Ballpark competing with other area high school singers for the title of **Patriot Idol**. The only male contestant, Shawn had the crowd bopping and swaying to Stevie Wonder's "Superstition." The girls from the other schools sang ballads. There were no judges; the Idol was selected by the number of ballots stuffed into a bucket with the contestant's name. The girl from Gill St. Bernard's took the title, but supervisor Tom Mazur, who was there, said without bias, prejudice, or predisposition, "Shawn definitely had the crowd engaged, while the ballads seemed to have the crowd simply talking amongst themselves."

Congratulations to **Erick Dodd, senior**, for placing fourth in the **Army National Guard Most Inspirational Athlete 2014 Contest**. Out of thousands of contestants, Erick was one of just 10 athletes to advance to the final round.

Congratulations to **Cesar Roca, Alma Garcia, Michelle Flores, and Tiffany Reinosa** for their photographs and mixed media displayed in Congressman Leonard Lance's Congressional Art Competition on May 3, 2014. Each student received a signed certificate from the United States Congressman and ribbon for participation. North Plainfield artists in attendance were asked to pose for a photograph after the end of the awards ceremony with Leonard Lance! "It was a nice artist reception, and the students were honored by having their work on display at Merck in Kenilworth, NJ," remarked **Sonya Larado, art teacher**.

The seniors noted below have been selected as **scholar-athletes for 2013-2014**:

**Skyland Conference Scholar Athlete: Chigozie Ogbonna-Atubi and Jennifer Marmolejos; NJSIAA Scholar Athlete: Hasani Eason; and Somerset County Scholar Athlete: Kyle Grant and Shelby Watters.**

The following information for **Kyle** and **Shelby** will be printed in the **Somerset County High School Principals' Association dinner program**: "**Kyle Grant: Kyle, son of David Grant and Sheila Smith, has excelled in both academics and athletics while taking a mixture of advanced placement and honor courses. In addition to his academics, Kyle is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Canuck Mentor Program, and Heroes and Cool Kids. In athletics, Kyle has earned seven varsity letters in Baseball and Football, and is the first bowler from North Plainfield to represent his school in the NJ State Bowling Tournament. He has received All-Area, All Conference, and All-County awards as well as being named captain of the football and baseball team. Kyle was also mentioned in a high school special called "Year of the Quarterback" by the Courier News.**

*Kyle has been a leader for the students of North Plainfield High School. Kyle will be attending the University of Delaware.*

**Shelby Watters:** *Shelby, daughter of John and Shawn Watters, has surpassed academic and athletic goals throughout her high school career. Among her achievements, Shelby has earned varsity letters in tennis and the Optimist award for excellence in sportsmanship. While serving as the captain of the tennis team this year, Shelby has earned 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference honors in tennis. In addition to her successes in athletics, Shelby is a member of such academic organizations as the French Honor Society, National Honor and Science League. During her high school career, she has participated in Interact Club, and Debate Club. Shelby will be attending Western Michigan University.”*

**Maurice Coley, a sixth grader** at Somerset Intermediate School was recognized along with other students in the county at the **Somerset Patriots** game on April 29, 2014, as most improved student.

**Special Recognition:** Two West End School students were recognized this week for going beyond the call of duty: Second grader **Marylin Munoz** cut several inches off of her hair last weekend and donated it to pediatric cancer patients going through chemotherapy and second grader **Monserat Gonzalez** burned her hand on a hot pan on the stove when she pulled her toddler sister to safety as she was reaching for the pan.

**NPMS Talent Show:** Dozens of middle school students entertained over 250 classmates and family during the annual talent show held on Thursday, April 3, sponsored by the Student Council. Attendees were treated to a variety of performances that consisted of vocal solos, dancing, and musical renditions. **Advisor Lindsey Mulry** stated, “The students were simply amazing. I know they put in a lot of practice.” Assisting with the production were teachers, **Stacy Louis, Mike Nardi, Kristen Didyoung, Heather Daley, and Sally Reagan.** Hosted by eighth grade students **RJ Barron and Lance Evans,** participating students and their showcased talents included the following:

**Sebastian Palacios:** *Deviance*

**Jennifer Castro:** *When the Saints Go Marching In & Ode to Joy*

**Noran Zaher, Radha Patel:** *My Heart Will Go On*

**Savannah Coop, Kierra Adams, Stacy Jeffers:** *Jersey Mix*

**N’Kaiya Harvest, Nylazia Clarke:** *Someone Like You*

**Jordan Grundy:** *Brand New*

**Aaliyah Ghanim, Adam Globis, Cristina Dulche:** *Hip Hop Remix*

**Lyle Pacla:** *When I Was Your Man*

**Imani Scott:** *Warrior*

**Brittany Herring, Adeshola Adediji:** *Baddie*

**Trevor Sullivan:** *Miss Independent*

**Tori Fellin:** *Somewhere Over the Rainbow*

**Laura Amancha, Hala Elalfy:** *Skyscraper*

**Troi Ford:** *A Little Party Never Killed Nobody*

**Demetrius Acevedo, Elijah Restrepo:** *Cough Syrup*

**Emely Ramires:** *Dark Horse*

**Jared White:** *Nae Nae*

**Elisa Peregrina:** *All of Me*

**Janis Lima, Ashley Atubi, Kayla Adams, Jessica Dardignac:** *Dance Music Remix*

## Schools

### East End, Stony Brook and West End Schools

**North Plainfield's Fourth Graders from East End, Stony Brook and West End Visit the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia, PA:** On April 25, 2014 six buses filled with fourth grade students, teachers and chaperones from Stony Brook, East End and West End Schools left North Plainfield and traveled to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania for their field trip to the Franklin Institute Science Museum. The Franklin Institute Science Museum was selected because of the variety of science exhibits open to the students. Featured throughout the museum were the works and discoveries of Benjamin Franklin, which the students and teachers were free to visit. The Exhibit Tour consisted of three floors of current exhibits such as the "Giant Heart Experience," the "Train Factory," "Space Command," the "Sports Challenge," and the "Franklin Air Show." The students also attended an inter-galactic visit to the far reaching realms of outer space found in the Fels Planetarium of the museum. Brown bag lunch and souvenir shopping at the Sci-Store completed the visit. Once again the fourth graders gathered in front of the 150 ton Benjamin Franklin Memorial for a large group photo, commemorating the trip. "This is such an educational and inspiring trip for the fourth graders. We look forward to it every year," stated **Cathy Kobylarz, principal of Stony Brook School and trip coordinator.**

### Stony Brook School

**Stony Brook's Giving Gardens: Maschio's Food Service** has provided all of the classes at Stony Brook School with indoor **Herb Garden Growing Kits**. The students planted six different herbs in their classroom gardens: sweet basil, oregano, parsley, sage, thyme and cilantro. They have been watering, measuring and caring for the gardens. The gardens were planted with the hope that within a few weeks, Stony Brook students will be able to give their herbs back to the kitchen to be used in food preparation for their own breakfasts and lunches. The herbs will not only spice up and enhance the flavors of the already delicious meals, but teach the students about gardening and giving back to the community. "Thank you to the generous people at Maschio's," stated Ms. Kobylarz.

### East End School

East End teachers are working on a volunteer basis with the third and fourth grade girls for the ***Girls on the Run*** program, which teaches girls to develop self-respect and live a healthy lifestyle. The kickoff was in April and the program runs through June. "We are off to a great start; the girls are so enthusiastic about the program and we are building positive relationships with one another, along with exercising," remarked **Lynnelle Thomas, student liaison and program coordinator**. There are 50 ambitious team members this year, 42 girls and eight volunteer coaches, including **Kelly Albanese, Jill Fogarty, Allison Hessemer, Alexis Holbrook, Meagan McFadden, Katie Shuster, Gina Stripto and Lynnelle Thomas**. The coaches present lessons that address the girls' physical, emotional, and social development and combines these lessons with training for a 5K running event scheduled for Sunday, June 15, 2014 in Somerville, NJ. "We are very excited to offer this popular international program to our girls at East End School. Our girls will be empowered with tools that will enable them to avoid peer pressures and build self-esteem. Throughout the program, the girls make new friends, build their confidence and celebrate all that makes them special!" continued Ms. Thomas.

### West End School

**Eleventh Annual Smile Train Show:** What a wonderful evening it was on April 10, 2014 when so many West End children performed with joyous smiles on their faces all to give other children around the world a chance at also having a beautiful smile. The Smile Train is a non-profit organization dedicated to the health issues of cleft lip and cleft palate in needy children. The Smile Train began its journey in China with one surgery on a little girl named Wang Li. Since that time it has grown into an organization that reaches out to children all over the world. For as little as \$250.00, in as little as 45 minutes, a life can be changed forever. Two representatives from the Smile Train organization attended the show and presented West End School with a framed *Students for Smile Train* certificate. The certificate reads: *Smile Train proudly salutes the students of West End School for creating new smiles all around the world and for helping us change thousands of children's lives by giving them the gift of a smile, and with it the promise of a new future. Together, we can change the world one smile at a time.* **Beth Sobel, principal** stated, "Congratulations are in order to all for an outstanding performance, for the dedication, talent, and love for children, and for teaching a truly valuable lesson about caring for others. West End is proud to be a Smile Train school bringing smiles and a new life to children around the world! Thank you to everyone, the staff, parents and students of West End School, who assisted in getting this show put together, who gave generously of their time and energy. Thank you to the PTA for their support."

**Lesson Learned:** First grade students in **Regina Silverii's** and **Heather Novorro's** classes have been learning about plants for the past few weeks. To celebrate and put into practice what the students have learned, the two classes got together on April 14 to have a Planting Picnic. The children brought in fruits and vegetables to eat and ate their snacks "picnic style" outside on the front lawn. They then cleaned out the planters, put fresh soil in, and planted some flowers. Four planters are now filled with marigolds, dusty millers, and red geraniums. Ms. Silverii stated, "Hopefully, the flowers will add some spring colors to make the front of the school even more beautiful than it already is."

### NPMS

**Let The Games Begin:** North Plainfield Middle School partnered with over 20 middle schools in New Jersey to participate in the *Special Olympics 2014 USA Games Welcome Letter Project*. The Special Olympics is a unique program that introduces children and adults with intellectual and disabilities to the world of sports and cooperative competition. This summer, New Jersey is hosting the games and welcoming approximately 3,500 athletes from around the nation to compete in sixteen Olympic-type team and individual sports. The athletes will be competing at several venues throughout the state, with the opening ceremony on June 15 at the Prudential Center. Our students wrote over 200 personal letters to the athletes, welcoming them to our state and expressing their admiration for their hard work and achievements. In a letter to Susan Colacello, director of the Special Olympics, assistant principal **John Ferguson**, wrote, "Our students are extremely excited to be involved in this wonderful event and welcome the many athletes to New Jersey. North Plainfield Middle School students embrace creating a socially inclusive society and are honored to be part of this project." In addition to writing letters, students in **Pat Bailey's** grade eight reading classes created a 35 foot timeline of the history and development of the Special Olympics. Students spent two weeks doing close reading of background information and then expanded that information with research. Once their information had been gathered, teams of students created sections on the timeline using

information gathered, as well as, accompanying visuals. The timeline adorns the second floor hallway.

**Historical Connections:** To begin the school-wide initiative on the Holocaust, students in grade eight completed a KWL chart about what they already knew about the Holocaust and what they want to learn. Students in **Dave Hooker**, **Kimberly Annette**, and **Megan Farrell's** social studies classes spent some time researching topics relevant to understanding the genocide to develop some background information. On Monday, April 21 students assembled in the auditorium to view *The Devil's Arithmetic*, a movie about a modern American teenager who feels little connection to her Jewish ancestry, and is transported back in time to the Holocaust and learns to understand and appreciate her culture. In the afternoon, students discussed the themes of the movie and began thinking about the importance of family stories in their English and reading classes. Students selected a personal family story that they feel is important to be passed down for future family members. English teacher **Christine Colonel** and reading teacher **Maryann Reilly** had students use their knowledge of narratives to publish their family story.

**What Will Today Hold?** Prominently displayed next to **Dave Hooker's** social studies class is a beautiful Omikuj, or Japanese fortune wall. At certain traditional Shinto shrines in Japan, family members would offer prayers to their ancestors and retrieve, from long decorated ropes, little folded messages that contain daily fortunes. After learning about Japan and Japanese culture, the students constructed the realistic Omikuj and place daily messages for their classmates to read. Assisting Mr. Hooker with this creative lesson was teacher **Matt Iannucci**.

**Coaches Corner:** The middle school athletic teams are just beginning the spring schedule and all indications point to a very successful season. Track and field coaches **Stephanie Myers** and **Erin McManus** reported that this year's boys' and girls' teams are very strong in the running and field events. With over 90 young athletes participating, the team won their first two meets against rival Dunellen and a strong Union team. Next week the team travels to Middlesex and Roselle Park. Boys' baseball coach **Andrew Taylor** said that the Junior Canucks should be competitive this year, with strong pitching and consistent hitting. The talk of the hallways is the Lady Canucks softball team, who have jumped out to a 5-0 record and a first place standing. Coach **Paul Kracheunas** pointed out that their early success can be attributed to the timely hitting of **Ayah Elsaïs**, the strong defense provided by **Ann Joseph**, and the base running of **Reilly Appezzato**. "Way to go teams and good luck with the season!" exclaimed **John Ferguson**, assistant principal.

## NPHS

**True Heroes:** A documentary covering the **Congressional Medal of Honor Convention** in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania this past September, will be shown May 9, 2014 at 7:00 pm in the North Plainfield High School auditorium. The documentary "Four Days of Honor and Valor at Gettysburg" features six JR ROTC cadets from the high school meeting Medal of Honor recipients and giving their personal reflections afterwards. The film is one hour long and is free to the public. Information on the film can be found on the film maker's website: [faceofamericawps.com](http://faceofamericawps.com) (Click on BLOGS) or by contacting Tom Mazur, supervisor of the arts for the North Plainfield School District at (908) 769-6000 ext. 3150.

Congratulations to **Dr. Sarah O'Donnell** and the **Hope Club** students on another outstanding representation of North Plainfield at the **Rutgers Ocean Day!** The students were recognized as "Outstanding Rutgers Ocean Days 2014 Investigations" for their work on "The Effects of Salinity and pH on Brine Shrimp."

## **DISTRICT OPERATIONS & AUXILIARY SERVICES**

### **EMPLOYEE SAFETY TRAINING**

**Safety Topic - Operations.** The safety topic for April was Fire Safety. The safety topic for the May is Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

**Safety Topic - Transportation.** No courses are assigned at this time.

Related safety training is being provided via our on-line employee training system and all employees completed their assigned training as scheduled.

**RTU Training** – All Staff Members. As of April 30, 2014, 99% of our employees have now completed their assigned training.

**Stair Chair Training** – In the event of an emergency evacuation, assigned staff members must be trained in the proper use of a stair chair. A training notice has been posted to District Announcements and a hands-on session will be held in the near future.

### **HEALTH & SAFETY SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Crisis Management Emergency Plan Update – A draft copy of the updated plan is currently under review. We anticipate going to print this month and currently project distribution to take place in September with the opening of school.

### **AED'S**

On March 31, 2014, a representative from Cardiac Science completed a district wide survey of our AED'S (Automatic External Defibrillators). This survey was conducted to ensure the district complies with the regulations of the new Janet's Law. **UPDATE:** We are currently reviewing additional proposals. For additional information regarding this new law, please visit the following website.

[www.njleg.state.nj.us/20122013/A2000/1608\\_I1.HTM](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/20122013/A2000/1608_I1.HTM)

### **SECURITY**

Door Magnets – The district has now completed its distribution of door magnets for emergency lock downs. As discovered during distribution, there are a number of doors throughout the district that must be retrofitted to accept these magnets. We are in the process of preparing work orders to address these door issues. These magnets allow classroom doors to be freely opened while in a locked position and are instantly removed in the event of an emergency.

### **SECURITY DRILLS**

The security drill for April was a Bomb Threat Drill. All of our schools completed their assigned drills. The security drill for May is a Lock Down Drill.

### **CCTV SYSTEMS**

The district has installed CCTV Systems in all of our buses. This system includes GPS tracking and is accessible in real time. UPDATE: Our service provider has now completed the update of our software and all systems are operational.

### **EAST END PAVING**

The milling and resurfacing project, slated for East End School, was completed during the spring break. Additionally, several areas of the high & middle school parking areas were patched. *Please visit the Operation's Website for project photographs.*

### **13/14 CAPITAL PROJECTS (Other)**

#### **DIRECT INSTALL PROGRAM**

This project includes replacing outdated interior and exterior lighting fixtures at Somerset School and the high & middle school. UPDATE: This project is now nearing completion at both the high school and Somerset School.

### **14/15 CAPITAL BUDGET**

Bids for the following Capital Improvement Projects were publicly opened on April 24, 2014. The bids received are currently being reviewed for specification compliance:

- High & Middle School – Fire & Intrusion Alarm System Replacement.
- East End School – Fire & Intrusion Alarm System Replacement.
- West End School – Fire & Intrusion Alarm System Replacement.
- Stony Brook School – Fire & Intrusion Alarm System Replacement.

The following capital improvement project is currently being considered for completion this coming year. If approved, this project will also be partially funded by a rod grant:

- Stony Brook School – Building Wide Window Replacements Including the Gym.

### **14/15 MAINTENANCE PROJECTS (Approved)**

The following Maintenance Projects have now been approved for completion over the upcoming summer months:

- Stony Brook School – Installation of a building-wide surveillance system.
- Stony Brook School – Rear courtyard improvements and shed roofing.
- Stony Brook School – Kitchen modifications to include a serving line.
- West End School – Faculty Room improvements.
- High School – Wrestling Room improvements.
- High School – Upper vestibule, refreshment area improvements.

- High School – Overflow room improvements to include flooring.

### **14/15 SUMMER MAINTENANCE**

A memo was issued on April 1, 2014 to all building principals requesting they submit their lists of required and/or requested summer upgrades or repairs. Once this information has been received, a final listing of all summer work will be generated. The completion of any and all maintenance projects or improvements is dependent upon budgetary restrictions. Any safety and security related improvements or upgrades will be a priority.

### **SAFE ROUTES MINI-GRANT**

The district was recently notified that we have been awarded a Safe Routes to Schools Mini-Grant. This grant will provide additional playground equipment for the Stony Brook School. UPDATE: The funds have now been received by the district and the equipment has been ordered.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

2014-2015 DRAFT Calendars #1 and #2

NJPSA Spring 2014 - *Educational Viewpoints*

TUNLAW - April 2014

Invitation to Technology Awareness Program Dinner and Presentations

Invitation to *Four Days of Honor and Valor at Gettysburg* Showing

Newspaper Articles

Recommendations from Superintendent of Schools  
Personnel

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved that the following recommendation be tabled:

That for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the continued employment of Dr. Robert H. Rich as Assistant Superintendent of Schools, and that a letter of intent to employ be issued. It is understood the contract will be determined in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:11-11.

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved that the following recommendation be tabled:

That for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the continued employment of Donald Sternberg, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and that a letter of intent to employ be issued. It is understood the contract will be determined in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:11-11.

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and approved by a roll call vote of 4 to 3, with Mr. Branan, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Fellin abstaining that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the employment of the tenured and non-tenured

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administrators and supervisors shown on the attached list (A) be continued in the positions and at the salary rates indicated and that contracts to employ be issued. (Highlighted name indicates administrator who is eligible for tenure in the 2014-2015 school year.)

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and approved by a roll call vote of 6 to 1 with Mr. Allen abstaining that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the exempt staff indicated on the attached list (B) be continued in the positions and at the salary rates to be determined, and that letters of intent to employ be issued. (Highlighted name indicates the staff member who is eligible for tenure in the 2014-2015 school year.)

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and approved by a roll call vote of 4 to 3, with Mr. Branan, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Fellin abstaining that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the continued employment of all tenured certificated salaried staff noted on the attached list (C) in the positions indicated and at the salary rates to be determined, and that letters to employ be issued.

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and approved by a roll call vote of 5 to 2, with Mr. Allen, and Mr. Fellin abstaining that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the continued employment of all tenured and non-tenured secretaries indicated on the attached list (D), in the positions indicated and at salary rates to be determined, and that letters of intent to employ be issued.

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the continued employment of all non-tenured certificated salaried staff noted on the attached list (E), in the positions indicated and at salary rates to be determined, and that letters of intent to employ be issued. (Highlighted names indicate those eligible for tenure in the 2014-2015 school year.)

Thomas Allen – Aye	Thomas Kasper – Aye
David Branan – Aye	Kathleen Mullen – Aye

Sandra Dodd – Aye  
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye

Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and approved by a roll call vote of 5 to 2, with Mr. Fellin and Mr. Kasper abstaining that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the continued employment of all non-tenured Operations Department employees noted on the attached list (F), in the positions indicated and at salary rates to be determined, and that letters of intent to employ be issued.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
David Branan – Aye  
Sandra Dodd – Aye  
John Fellin, Jr. – Abstain

Thomas Kasper – Abstain  
Kathleen Mullen – Aye  
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and approved by a roll call vote of 6 to 1, with Mr. Fellin abstaining that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the continued employment of all non-tenured school bus drivers noted on the attached list (G), at the hourly rate to be determined, and that letters of intent to employ be issued.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education accept with regret the resignation of Diane Stanton, kindergarten teacher at East End School, for reasons of retirement, effective July 1, 2014.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education accept with regret the resignation of Maureen Krauter, teacher of English at Somerset School, for reasons of retirement, effective July 1, 2014.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education terminate the employment of Earl St. Louis, substitute custodian in the Operations Department, effective April 15, 2014.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the Board member and/or staff conference and travel expenses, as indicated on the attached list.

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education approve the following fall student teacher and/or internship placements from the Rutgers Graduate School of Education:

<u>Student Teacher</u>	<u>Class/School</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>
Marvi Cruz	Social Studies/NPHS	Robert Lake
Esther Gallardo-Castillo	Social Studies/NPMS	Danielle Fauci
Kirren Ahmed	Elementary/West End	Christine Birnbaum & Tara Scott
Monica Litvinchuk	Elementary/West End	Alison Apisa

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and approved by a roll call vote of 6 to 1, with Mr. Fellin abstaining, that for the 2013-2014 school year, the Board of Education approve the appointment of Mark Fisher as co-assistant marching band director at NPHS at the stipend of \$2319.00.

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

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2013-2014 school year, the Board of Education approve the following individuals be paid for working on the NPHS drama club spring production of *Anything Goes*:

Joseph Fericy	Lighting Director	\$1594
Joseph Fericy	Sound Director	\$1120
Louis Venturi	Technical Director	\$2396

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

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Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2013-2014 school year, the Board of Education approve the appointment of Michele Armento to supervise the breakfast program at NPBS at the rate of \$16 per session.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve the certificated staff indicated on the attached list be reimbursed for courses taken between September and December 2013.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Board of Education grant Catherine Pate, school psychologist, an unpaid leave of absence under the Federal Family Leave Act, effective September 1, 2014 through November 24, 2014.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2013-2014 school year, the Board of Education approve Lauren Laudino, international kindergarten teacher at West End School, as a presenter at several ELL Parent Academy Programs during the spring of 2014 at the hourly rate of \$30, for up to 32 hours.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2013-2014 school year, the Board of Education approve the temporary employment of Susan Williams as a temporary language arts teacher/grade 6 at Somerset School at the BA/Step 2-3(2) annual salary rate of \$55,690, to be prorated effective May 8, 2014 through June 20, 2014. (Ms. Williams will temporarily replace Chemagne Kania.)

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

Thomas Kasper – Aye  
Kathleen Mullen – Aye  
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

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Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2013-2014 school year, the Board of Education approve the temporary transfer of Eileen DeMeo, academic support/grade 5 teacher at Somerset School to elementary teacher, effective May 8, 2014 through June 20, 2014. (Ms. DeMeo will temporarily replace Bettina Bergamo.)

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2013-2014 school year, the Board of Education approve the temporary employment of Valentina Aiello as a temporary academic support teacher/grade 5 at Somerset School, at the BA/Step 1 annual rate of \$55,490, to be prorated effective May 8, 2014 through June 20, 2014. (Ms. Aiello will temporarily replace Eileen DeMeo.)

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved that the following recommendation be tabled:

That the Board of Education approve the appointment of Cindy Dilts as transportation facilitator for a stipend of \$1,200.00 (pro-rated for the balance of the school year) effective May 8, 2014 through June 30, 2014.

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve the following staff members to participate in a *Daily Five* webinar, at the cost of \$149 per person:

Evin Aksay  
Eleftheria Fiotakis  
Marina Heller

Wendy McClellan  
Lynnelle Thomas  
Mary West

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2013-2014 school year, the Board of Education approve the following individuals as district K-12 substitute teachers:

Ian Bouie  
Jonathan Hoffman  
Juan Jiminez

Pamela Rule  
Tanisha Simmons  
Nathalie Wolff

Arielle Reale  
Leigh Steinberg

Thomas Allen – Aye

Thomas Kasper – Aye

David Branan – Aye  
Sandra Dodd – Aye  
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye

Kathleen Mullen – Aye  
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education accept with regret the resignation of Lois G. Sheeler, teacher of science at Somerset School, for reasons of retirement, effective July 1, 2014.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that for the 2013-2014 school year, the Board of Education approve the employment of Christopher Davis as a substitute custodian, to be called on an as-needed basis, at the rate of \$18.29 an hour.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that 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 is about to engage in collective bargaining and negotiations with the North Plainfield Education Association (“Association”) and once a Memorandum of Agreement is arrived at by the non-conflicted Board committee and the Association, the Board will need to vote on its content, and

WHEREAS, the Doctrine of Necessity will need to be invoked for purposes of voting on a Memorandum of Agreement with the Association as recommended by the non-conflicted members of the Board, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sandra Dodd is a Board Member who is an employee at another school district, and

WHEREAS, the Board sought, and received an Advisory Opinion, (Advisory Opinion A16-00) which indicates that Ms. Dodd cannot participate in collective bargaining and negotiations; and

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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 Association, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Advisory Opinion A16-00, Board Member Fellin cannot participate in collective bargaining and negotiations; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Dave 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 Advisory Opinion A16-00, Board Member Branan cannot participate in collective bargaining and negotiations; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Tom Allan's wife, who resides in the same household as Board Member Allan, is employed by the District and she receives an hourly rate of pay that mirrors the rates that are set forth in the CBA between the Board and the Association, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Advisory Opinion A16-00 and upon the advice of counsel, Board Member Allen cannot participate in collective bargaining and negotiations; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Tom 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, the Board sought and received an advisory opinion as to whether there exists a conflict of interest for Board Member Kasper to vote on collective bargaining, and

WHEREAS, the School Ethics Commission issued Advisory Opinion A22-13 which precludes Board Member Kasper from participating in collective bargaining and negotiations, and

WHEREAS, the North Plainfield Board of Education is a seven (7) member Board that requires a majority vote with respect to the approval of a Memorandum of Agreement with the Association, and

WHEREAS, due to the conflicts identified herein, the Board cannot vote to pass a resolution approving a Memorandum of Agreement with the Association, and

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board hereby invokes the Doctrine of Necessity for the purpose of approving a Memorandum of Agreement once recommended by the negotiations committee of non-conflicted Board members, 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.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that 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, in accordance with law and the employment contract of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board needs to provide the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Marilyn Birnbaum with her annual evaluation, and

WHEREAS, the Doctrine of Necessity will need to be invoked for purposes of providing the Superintendent with her annual evaluation, 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 Advisory Opinion A30-05, Board Member Fellin cannot participate in the Superintendent evaluation process, and

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to Advisory Opinion A30-05, Board Member Branan cannot participate in the Superintendent evaluation process

WHEREAS, Board Member Tom Allan's wife, who resides in the same household as Board Member Allan, is employed by the District and she receives an hourly rate of pay that mirrors the rates that are set forth in the CBA between the Board and Association, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an advisory opinion issued by the School Ethics Commission (A16-07) and upon the advice of counsel, Board Member Allen cannot participate in the Superintendent evaluation process; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Tom 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, the Board sought and received an advisory opinion as to whether there exists a conflict of interest for Board Member Kasper to participate in the Superintendent evaluation process, and

WHEREAS, the School Ethics Commission issued Advisory Opinion A30-5 and A7-06 which precludes Board Member Kasper from participating in the Superintendent evaluation process, and

WHEREAS, the North Plainfield Board of Education is a seven (7) member Board that requires a majority vote with respect to the Superintendent with her annual evaluation, and

WHEREAS, due to the conflicts identified herein, the Board cannot vote to pass a resolution approving the annual evaluation of the Superintendent

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board hereby invokes the Doctrine of Necessity for the purpose of completing the Superintendent evaluation, 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.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that 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 a new Superintendent of Schools, and

WHEREAS, the Doctrine of Necessity will need to be invoked for purposes of voting on the selection for a new 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 Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for New Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Dave 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 Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for New Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Tom Allan's wife, who resides in the same household as Board Member Allan, is employed by the District and she receives an hourly rate of pay that mirrors the rates that are set forth in the CBA between the Board and Association, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an advisory opinion issued by the School Ethics Commission (A16-07) and upon the advice of counsel, Board Member Allen cannot participate in the Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for New Superintendent; and in the Superintendent evaluation process; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Tom 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 Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for New Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, the School Ethics Commission issued Advisory Opinion A22-13 which precludes Board Member Kasper cannot participate in the Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for New 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 a new Superintendent of Schools; and

WHEREAS, due to the conflicts identified herein, the Board cannot vote to pass a resolution appointing a new 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 New 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.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that 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 Superintendent of Schools, and

WHEREAS, the Doctrine of Necessity will need to be invoked for purposes of voting on the selection for an Interim 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 Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for an Interim Superintendent; and

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WHEREAS, Board Member Dave 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 Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for an Interim Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Tom Allan's wife, who resides in the same household as Board Member Allan, is employed by the District and she receives an hourly rate of pay that mirrors the rates that are set forth in the CBA between the Board and Association, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an advisory opinion issued by the School Ethics Commission (A16-07) and upon the advice of counsel, Board Member Allen cannot participate in the Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for an Interim Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Tom 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 Superintendent Search, Selection and Vote for an Interim Superintendent; and

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

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

WHEREAS, due to the conflicts identified herein, the Board cannot vote to pass a resolution approving the appointment and employment contract of an Interim 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 of an Interim Superintendent of Schools, 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.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that 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 needs to appoint and approve an employment contract for the Assistant Superintendent of Schools; and

WHEREAS, the Doctrine of Necessity will need to be invoked for purposes of voting on the appointment and employment contract of the Assistant Superintendent of Schools; 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 Advisory Opinion A30-5 and A7-06, Board Member Fellin is precluded from participating in employment matters concerning the Assistant Superintendent of Schools; and

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to Advisory Opinion A30-5 and A7-06, Board Member Branan is precluded from participating in employment matters concerning the Assistant Superintendent of Schools; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Tom Allan's wife, who resides in the same household as Board Member Allan, is employed by the District and she receives an hourly rate of pay that mirrors the rates that are set forth in the CBA between the Board and Association, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Advisory Opinion A30-5 and A7-06, Board Member Allan is precluded from participating in employment matters concerning the Assistant Superintendent of Schools; and

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WHEREAS, Board Member Tom 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 Advisory Opinion A30-5 and A7-06, Board Member Kasper is precluded from participating in employment matters concerning the Assistant Superintendent of Schools; and

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

WHEREAS, due to the conflicts identified herein, the Board cannot vote to pass a resolution approving the appointment and employment contract for the Assistant Superintendent, and

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board hereby invokes the Doctrine of Necessity for the purpose of voting on the appointment and employment contract of the 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.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that 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 needs to appoint and approve an employment contract for the Business Administrator/Board Secretary; and

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WHEREAS, the Doctrine of Necessity will need to be invoked for purposes of voting on the appointment and employment contract of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary; 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 Advisory Opinion A30-5 and A7-06, Board Member Fellin is precluded from participating in employment matters concerning the Business Administrator/Board Secretary; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Dave 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 Advisory Opinion A30-5 and A7-06, Board Member Branan is precluded from participating in employment matters concerning the Business Administrator/Board Secretary; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Tom Allan's wife, who resides in the same household as Board Member Allan, is employed by the District and she receives an hourly rate of pay that mirrors the rates that are set forth in the CBA between the Board and Association, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Advisory Opinion A30-5 and A7-06, Board Member Allan is precluded from participating in employment matters concerning the Business Administrator/Board Secretary; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Tom 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 Advisory Opinion A30-5 and A7-06, Board Member Kasper is precluded from participating in employment matters concerning the Business Administrator/Board Secretary; and

WHEREAS, the North Plainfield Board of Education is a seven (7) member Board that requires a majority vote with respect to the appointment and employment contract of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary; and

WHEREAS, due to the conflicts identified herein, the Board cannot vote to pass a resolution approving the appointment and employment contract of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary; and

NOW THEREFORE,

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BE IT RESOLVED, the Board hereby invokes the Doctrine of Necessity for the purpose of voting on the appointment and employment contract of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, 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.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve draft calendar # 1 as the 2014-2015 School District Calendar.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve home instruction for non-classified student HI-53-13-14 for up to ten hours per week to be provided by Professional Education Services, Inc. at the cost of \$52.24 per hour, effective April 21, 2014.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve home instruction for classified student HI-54-13-14 for up to ten hours per week to be provided by Professional Education Services, Inc. at the cost of \$52.24 per hour, effective March 26, 2014, for approximately six weeks.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve the following classified students undergo neurological evaluations to be provided by Dr. Kavita Sinha at the cost of \$325 each:

NEU-10-13-14

NEU-11-13-14

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve the following classified students undergo neuropsychiatric evaluations to be provided by Dr. Elisa Dulay at the cost of \$850 each:

PSY-26-13-14

PSY-27-13-14

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve classified student AAC-01-13-14 undergo an Augmentative Alternative Communication evaluation to be provided by Bergen County Special Services at the cost of \$799, for two three-hour sessions.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve First Children's Learning Services to provide functional behavioral assessments by a Board Certified Behavior Analyst at the cost of \$125 per hour, for up to seven hours per evaluation.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve classified student BHA-01-13-14 to undergo a functional behavior assessment to be provided by First Children's Learning Center at the cost of \$125 per hour for up to seven hours.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve home instruction for non-classified student HI-55-13-14 for up to ten hours per week to be provided by Educere, Inc., effective May 6, 2014.

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

Thomas Kasper – Aye  
Kathleen Mullen – Aye  
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

Finance, Purchasing, Facilities and Agreements

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and approved by a roll call vote of 5 to 2, with Mr. Branan with Mr. Allen, voted no that, the North Plainfield Board of Education adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Borough of North Plainfield hereby adopt the following school district budget for the 2014-2015 school year:

General Fund	\$ 56,290,215.00
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 2,221,643.00
Debt Service Fund	<u>\$ 1,289,731.00</u>
Total Base Budget	\$ 59,801,589.00

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

General Fund	\$28,490,467.00
Debt Service	\$ 1,289,373.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education directed 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 established May 7, 2014 as the date for the public hearing on this preliminary budget and authorized the Superintendent and Board Secretary, having received approval for the budget as presented, by the Executive County Superintendent of Schools, and having advertised this budget on April 30, 2014, does now adopt this budget as presented, and

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

Thomas Allen – No  
David Branan – No  
Sandra Dodd – Aye  
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye

Thomas Kasper – Aye  
Kathleen Mullen – Aye  
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve and accept a grant from Amerigroup Corporation in the amount of \$500.00, as applied for by Doreen Humiston, school nurse at Stony Brook School, for the purpose of purchasing supplies necessary for planting various items in front of the school building.

Thomas Allen – Aye

Thomas Kasper – Aye

David Branan – Aye  
Sandra Dodd – Aye  
John Fellin, Jr. – Aye

Kathleen Mullen – Aye  
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve reimbursement to the following confidential secretary for vacation days earned and/or carried over based on the conclusion of her employment:

Name	Days	Conclusion Date	Amount
Brenda Fleisher (earned/carryover)	18.5	4/20/14	\$4,965.59
Brenda Fleisher	12.5	4/20/14	\$3,355.13 (accumulated)

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve pricing for paid lunch for the 2014-2015 school year pursuant to the federal paid lunch equity calculations tool as follows:

	Current Year	2014-2015 Price	Max. Allowable
<u>Elementary</u>			
Paid Breakfast	1.45	1.50	2.00
Reduced Breakfast	.30	.30	.30
Paid Lunch	2.35	2.45	3.75
Reduced Lunch	.40	.40	.40
<u>Middle School &amp; HS</u>			
Paid Breakfast	1.70	1.75	MS-2.25/HS-2.50
Reduced Breakfast	.30	.30	.30
Paid Lunch	2.75	2.85	MS-4.00/HS-4.25
Reduced Lunch	.40	.40	.40

Elementary A La Carte Entre = \$2.45  
High School A La Carte Entre = \$2.85

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that:

A Resolution for the North Plainfield Board of Education Window Replacement Project at Stony Brook School, Section 15 Grant Acceptance

**WHEREAS**, the North Plainfield Board of Education (“Board”) has obtained approval of the preliminary eligible costs for certain financing from the New Jersey Department of

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Education, Department for School Facilities Projects, pursuant to the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, (the "Act"), N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-1, et seq. and the regulations promulgated there under N.J.A.C. 6:23-1.1, et seq. (now codified at N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1.1, et seq.), (the "Regulations"); and

**WHEREAS**, upon the Board's submission, the NJ DOE has granted the Board's application pursuant to the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act Section 15 Grant Agreement ("Grant Agreement") for the School Facilities Project at Stony Brook School, Window Replacement (the "School Project"), State Project No. 3670-090-14-1009-G04; and

**WHEREAS**, the Grant Agreement provides for an anticipated grant amount of \$410,678.00, and an initial local share of \$226,562.00 for a total anticipated total project amount of \$637,240.00; and

**WHEREAS**, in connection with the funds issued pursuant to the Grant Agreement, the Board approved its Annual Budget on March 18, 2014, which budget authorized the use of public funds in the amount of \$685,518.00 in Capital Outlay for School Projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the School Business Administrator has ensured the local share funds are available for the School Project; and

**NOW, THEREFORE , BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board that the Board is hereby authorizing execution, and delivery of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act Section 15 Grant Agreement with the New Jersey School Development Authority; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board is providing the Delegation of Authority to the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for supervision of the School Facilities Project, and is hereby authorizing the Business Administrator to make the necessary application required by the New Jersey School Development Authority to execute and deliver the Grant Agreement on behalf of the Board, in substantially the form submitted at this meeting; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall have the authority to supervise the Project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Parette Somjen Architects are authorized to prepare all plans, specifications, drawings, and necessary bid-related documents for the Project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and such other appropriate representatives of the Board as may be requested by the aforesaid officer, is hereby authorized to take all actions necessary for implementation of the Grant Agreement and the School Project; and

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

Thomas Allen – Aye  
David Branan – Aye  
Sandra Dodd – Aye

Thomas Kasper – Aye  
Kathleen Mullen – Aye  
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

John Fellin, Jr. – Aye

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that: the Board of Education is awarding the following bid for the purpose of replacing fire and intrusion alarms at North Plainfield High School/Middle School, Stony Brook School, East End School, and West End School :

**WHEREAS**, on April 24, 2014, the North Plainfield Board of Education (“Board”) conducted a public bid opening for the award of fire and intrusion alarm replacement at North Plainfield High School/Middle School, Stony Brook School, East End School, and West End School; and

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

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

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the provisions of the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq., the Board has determined that ***Haig’s Service Corporation***, having offices at ***211A Route 22, Green Brook, NJ 08812***, is the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder for the Project, with a Lump Sum Base Bid of \$790,000.00 (seven hundred ninety thousand dollars), including an allowance of \$82,000.00 (eighty-two thousand dollars).

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

**Haig’s Service Corporation** is hereby awarded the contract for the Project, for the total base bid sum of **\$790,000.00 (seven hundred ninety thousand dollars)**.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this award is subject to Haig’s Service Corporation executing the Owner/Contractor Agreement for the Project, and providing Performance/Payment Bonds and an Insurance Certificate(s) evidencing coverages in accordance with the Project Specifications (“Contract Documents”); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board’s Counsel is authorized to prepare and transmit for signature the Owner/Contractor Agreement applicable to this award, as well as to secure from Haig’s Service Corporation such other documentation as required by the Project Specifications and this Resolution.

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

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

Thomas Kasper – Aye  
Kathleen Mullen – Aye  
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye

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Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote, that the Board of Education approve the following field trip:

<u>School</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Transportation</u>
HS Fencik/Six	5/8/2014	NPEA Retirement Dinner Performance	Twin Brooks Watchung, NJ	\$0	Dist. (1) Bus

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

Thomas Kasper – Aye  
Kathleen Mullen – 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 – no meeting scheduled at this time.

Policy Meeting – no meeting scheduled at this time.

Negotiations – no meeting scheduled at this time.

NJSBA – Mr. Kasper talked about attending the Delegate Assembly

SCSBA – no meeting scheduled at this time.

SCESC – no meeting scheduled at this time.

### **Old Business**

There was none.

### **New Business**

New items requested to be placed on the Agenda-there were none.

### **Current Events in Education**

There were none.

### **Comments from the Public**

There were none.

### **Future Agenda Items**

There were none.

Dr. Rich mentioned the QSAC Corrective Action Plan

### **Adjournment**

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved that it be resolved that the Board of Education will hold an Executive Session on May 7, 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.

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Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved that be it resolved that the Board of Education will adjourn to Executive Session at 9: 50 pm 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. Allen and unanimously approved to reconvene to public session at 11:00 pm.

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Allen and unanimously approved by roll call vote that the Board of Education, having tabled the recommendation, now hereby approve the appointment of Cindy Dilts as transportation facilitator for a stipend of \$1,200.00 (pro-rated for the balance of the school year) effective May 8, 2014 through June 30, 2014.

Thomas Allen – Aye  
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. Allen and unanimously approved to adjourn at 10:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:

Donald Sternberg