

July 19, 2017

The minutes of the regular meeting of the North Plainfield Board of Education held on Tuesday, July 19, 2017 at 7:30 PM, Watchung School, 33 Mountain Avenue, North Plainfield, NJ. Ms. 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, Ms. Bond-Nelson requested the call of the roll:

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

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

A quorum was established

Also present were Dr. James V. McLaughlin, Superintendent of Schools; Donald Sternberg, Board Secretary/School Business Administrator; and Michelle Vella, Assistant Superintendent and approximately 4 members of the staff and public.

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session at 7:32 P.M. to discuss confidential matters relating to students, personnel, contract negotiations, litigation, and/or any other matter considered confidential by federal or state law, returning to Public Session at 8:10 P.M.

Introduction of New Staff

There was none.

Minutes Approval

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote with Ms. Butler abstaining; to accept the public session minutes June 20, 2017.

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote with Ms. Butler abstaining; to accept the executive session minutes June 20, 2017.

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote with Mr. Branan, Ms. Butler and Mr. Fellin abstaining; to accept the public session minutes July 5, 2017.

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote with Mr. Branan, Ms. Butler and Mr. Fellin abstaining; to accept the executive session minutes July 5, 2017.

Financial Report

Mr. Fellin moved, seconded by Ms. Butler and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approve the list of bills and payrolls dated June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$4,640,299.77.

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

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

Mr. Fellin moved, seconded by Ms. Butler and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education accept the monthly financial reports of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Funds, for the month of May 2017, and further recommends in compliance with NJAC 6:23-2.11(B), that the Board of Education certify that to the best of their knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended and that as of this report sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligation for the remainder of this fiscal year.

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

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

Comments from the Public

None

Student Representative Report

None

Presentation

Ms. Armento presented an overview of the schools' individual performance reports for the 2015-2016 school year.

Superintendent's Report

Our principals, supervisors and teacher committees have been working diligently to ensure that all vacant professional positions are being filled with qualified and capable candidates who are truly poised to make a contribution to our schools and to our students. A number of these candidates have been placed before the board tonight for final approval. At this time, 12 candidates have been hired and 7 positions remain in the hiring process.

I am very happy to share two leadership recommendations with the board this evening, Mr. Robert Lake for the position of Assistant Principal for North Plainfield Middle School and Ms. Maura Harrington for the position of Assistant Principal at Somerset School. Both Mr. Lake and Ms. Harrington are reflective of the tremendous talent we have here in North Plainfield, demonstrated among a field of very qualified internal and external candidates.

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Mr. Gordon has recently shared the good news that Ashley Atubi was selected to the All-State, All-Group 2, 2nd team, in the 100 meter run in Girl's Track. Congratulations to Ashley and Head Coach Deanne D'Armiento and her coaching staff for having such a great season.

I would like to extend a special thanks to the borough of North Plainfield for once again making a town-wide announcement regarding kindergarten registration. Such announcements allow us to reach individuals in the community that may not be within our calling registry. The town has also graciously allowed us to post lawn signs for registration on borough owned property.

On Monday, July 10th, Ms. Vella, Ms. Prestamo and I met with Dean Pittman and two additional representatives from Kean University. Among our topics of discussion were student teaching, the potential for an affiliation agreement for our high school Dance program and cooperative services in special education, specifically in the area of autism programming. Increased opportunities with a geographically proximate four year college holds some great potential for our students. Further discussions and follow up is planned and details will be shared with the board as they emerge.

On July 6th, a group of high school students were gracious enough to sacrifice some of their summer recess time in conversation with Ms. Sefchik, Mr. Torres, Ms. Fields, Dr. Stephenson, Ms. Vella and myself to share their experiences as newly arrived students from other countries. The conversation allowed us to hear what students felt helped them and what may have supported them even more. Take aways from our conversation included, but was not limited to, a sensitivity not to provide services that separate students from the general population and a continued need to look at the level of coursework provided to new students and not to underestimate their capabilities. The students confirmed they felt supported and provided ideas regarding information we could provide their families that would help their experience in school including, as an example, the importance of extracurricular activities. We intend to continue our conversations with both students and parents to assist us in meeting our students' needs in the most effective manner possible.

Recommendations from Superintendent of Schools
Personnel

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Heather Sullivan as an English teacher at NPHS for the 2017-2018 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective September 1, 2017, Heather Sullivan shall be placed on MA/Step 1 and will be paid the annual salary of \$62,430 (Ms. Sullivan will replace Kristyn Rosen.).

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Carla Percevault-Basile, elementary teacher at Stony Brook School, effective July 1, 2017.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Olga Wickerhauser, biology teacher at NPHS, effective July 1, 2017.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Jessica Hirschey, librarian at Somerset School, effective July 1, 2017.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education rescinds the previously approved recommendation to employ Carla Clausen as a part-time occupational therapist for the district for the 2017-2018 school year.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education rescinds the previously approved recommendation to employ Anna Maria Petracca as an Italian teacher at NPHS for the 2017-2018 school year.

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

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

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Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the donation of 7 sick days from employee #4569 to employee #5369.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the summer of 2017, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the individuals indicated as nurses for the Special Education Extended School Year Program, at the rate of \$41.00 per hour for up to four hours per day.

Doreen Humiston

Diane Olsen

Thanya Mendez

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the North Plainfield School District Mentoring Plan as it relates to fiscal impact, as per attached plan.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the North Plainfield School District Professional Development Plan (PDP) as it relates to fiscal impact, as per the attached plan.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Michael Carlin to serve as head girls' basketball coach at NPHS, at a stipend of \$9,146.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the summer of 2017, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the Gloria Garcia as a clerk for registration, at the rate of \$12.86 per hour.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the following staff be reimbursed for graduate courses taken between May and July 2017.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Crds</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Reimb.</u>
Michelle Vella (Asst. Superintendent)	Leadership & Diversity Issues	Kean University	3	\$2,559.00	\$1,919.25
Edison Torres (Asst. Principal/HS)	Special Topics in Education	East Stroudsburg Univ.	3	\$1,449.00	\$ 724.50
	Internship	East Stroudsburg Univ.	3	\$1,449.00	\$ 724.50

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the transfer of Kathleen Landadio from academic support teacher at Stony Brook School to elementary teacher at Stony Brook School.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Roger Graubard to serve as a volunteer assistant girls' tennis coach at NPHS.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the individuals indicated on the attached list to the co-curricular supervisory positions, at the stipends noted.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education rescinds the previously approved recommendation to appoint Carla Percevault-Basile as a computer facilitator and a communications/outreach facilitator at Stony Brook School.

Further, that the Board of Education appoints Kathleen Landadio as a computer facilitator and a communications/outreach facilitator at Stony Brook School at the stipends of \$1,000 and \$1,200, respectively. (Ms. Landadio will replace Carla Percevault-Basile.)

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the individuals indicated on the attached to assist at athletic events, at the rate of \$28.35 per hour.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the individuals indicated to supervise the SIT/detention programs at NPBS and NPMS at the rate of \$28.35 per hour.

Debra Soriano
Elba Velazquez
Renee Heller

Michael Mulry
Nancy Maldony
Shona Wright

Nancy Reyes
Alexandra Pereira
Nicole Ditrani

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the individuals indicated to serve in the morning breakfast programs at the schools noted, at the rate of \$16.00 per session.

Somerset School:

Timothy Mentone Jeffery Delese Christian Agresto (substitute)

NPHS:

Nancy Maldony Elba Velazquez

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the employment of Piedad Escamilla as a K-12 district substitute teacher/substitute paraprofessional.

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education adjusts the unpaid leave of absence for Madeline Gill, school counselor at NPHS, **from** April 24, 2017 through June 30, 2017 **to** April 24, 2017 through September 29, 2017.

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Mariastella Leandri-Marrapodi as an Italian teacher at NPHS for the 2017-2018 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective September 1, 2017, Mariastella Leandri-Marrapodi shall be placed on MA/Step 2-3 (3) and will be paid the annual salary of \$62,630. (Ms. Leandri-Marrapodi will replace Assunta Scotto.)

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education rescinds the previously approved recommendation to appoint Madeline Gill, school counselor, to work in September to coordinate the opening of school.

Further, that the Board of Education appoints Kari Jelliffe, school counselor, to work 2 days in September to coordinate the opening of school, at the per diem rate of \$312.15.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the summer of 2017, the Board of Education approves the employment of the individuals indicated to work as paraprofessionals in the schools for the hours indicated, at their negotiated hourly rates.

School	Hours	Name
East End	20	Cathy Sapila
Stony Brook	20	Jennie Dzurilla
West End	20	Maria Banos
Somerset	40 (shared)	Mayra Martinez Piedad Escamilla
NPMS	40	Alexandra Vergara

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education grants Rachel **Stefanoski**, preschool teacher at West End School, a leave of absence effective October 13, 2017 or sooner, if necessary, using accrued sick days until released by her physician and thereafter on an unpaid leave of absence under the Family Leave Act through January 16, 2018.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the staff indicated on the attached list as district chaperones, at the rate of \$28.35 per hour.

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

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

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Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Robert Lake as student liaison employed from July 20, 2017 through August 3, 2017 at a prorated salary rate of \$71,570 and as assistant principal at NPMS for the 2017-2018 school year at the prorated annual salary of \$105,000. (Mr. Lake will replace Edison Torres who transferred to another position.)

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment of Maura Harrington as assistant principal at Somerset School for the 2017-2018 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Maura Harrington will be paid the prorated annual salary rate of \$105,000, effective July 20, 2017. (Ms. Harrington will replace Luis Jaime who transferred to another position.)

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Patricia DiFrancesco, paraprofessional at West End School, effective July 1, 2017.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the individuals indicated as student teachers (clinical interns) in the district.

Student Name	College	School/Assignment	Dates	Cooperating Teacher
Melissa Mondanaro	New Jersey City University	WE/4 th Grade Art	September 5, 2017- December 15, 2017	Lisa Cerula
Kelsey Nevolo	Rutgers University, Graduate School of Education	NPMS/8 th Grade English	September 5, 2017- December 15, 2017	William Saccardi

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the Board member and/or staff conference and travel expenses as per the attached list.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the summer of 2017, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the individuals indicated to write updates to the nursing manual, at the rate of \$49.74 per hour, for up to 20 hours each.

Karen Bissett

Thanya Mendez

Beth DeAngelis

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Karen Smith, secretary in the district technology department, effective September 12, 2017, or sooner if a suitable replacement is found.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Raul Figueroa to serve as assistant boys' soccer coach at NPHS, at a stipend of \$6,018.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the individuals indicated as induction trainers at the rate of \$28.35 per hour.

Annette Bicksler
Thomas Bailey

Tara Venturino-Scott
Theresa Knauer

Corrine Laurie
Karen Lewis

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the summer of 2017, the Board of Education approves the employment of the individuals indicated to each work for up to 5 hours per day for four days at the rate of \$28.35 per hour.

Joanna Oliver	Joanna Valdez	Milly Villatoro	Kelli Dunston
Linda Bond-Nelson – Aye		Sandra Dodd – Aye	
Bianka Butler – Aye		John Fellin, Jr. – Aye	
David Branan – Aye		Thomas Allen – Aye	
Kathleen Mullen – Aye			

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND PUPIL SERVICES

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools has provided the Board of Education with reports regarding HIB incidents #

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and the investigations which were conducted following these complaints; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education was advised of any consequences and/or remedial measures related to these matters as well as the Superintendent’s recommendations regarding the results of the investigations; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education votes to affirm the Superintendent’s recommendations on HIB cases #

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the use of the Douglass Developmental Center to provide behavioral support to a student within the district and conduct parent training, not to exceed \$800.00.

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

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Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the summer of 2017, the Board of Education approves the out-of-district placement of the classified student as indicated, effective July 24, 2017. Transportation will be required.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
LLL-17-18	6/18/02	OHI	University Behavioral Health Center – Rutgers Day School	\$6,283.00

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the summer of 2017, the Board of Education rescinds the out-of-district placement of the classified student as indicated, effective June 21, 2017.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
KKK-17-18	9/3/03	AUT	Hi-Step Scotch Plains	\$3,600.00

Further, that for the summer of 2017, the Board of Education approves the out-of-district placement of the classified student as indicated, effective July 10, 2017. Transportation will be required.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
KKK-17-18	9/3/03	AUT	Limitless Denville	\$5,425.00
			Paraprofessional	\$2,250.00

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the out-of-district placement of the classified students as indicated on the attached list at the rates noted. Transportation will be required.

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

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

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Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approves the submission of the North Plainfield School District's "School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the *Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act*," as per the attached report.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the Physical Science curriculum.

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

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

FINANCE, PURCHASING AND AGREEMENTS

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approves line item transfers in accordance with the attached list dated May 31, 2017.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approves payments from the Cafeteria Account in accordance with the attached list dated July 19, 2017.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that WHEREAS, Green Brook Academy is a non-profit NJ Department of Education approved Private School for Students with Disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the School District of North Plainfield has contracted to send to Green Brook Academy certain students with disabilities who reside in the District; and

WHEREAS, New Road Schools provides meals that meet the nutritional requirement of the Child Nutrition Program as administered by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture; and

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WHEREAS, New Road Schools will apply for and receive funding for meals in accordance with the income eligibility criteria established by Child Nutrition Program as administered by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture.

WHEREAS, Green Brook Academy does not charge students for the cost of meals,

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved that the North Plainfield Board of Education acknowledge the foregoing actions and in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-18.5 (20)(iii) authorize New Road Schools to include the cost of meals provided within the annual tuition rated charged to students.

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

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; 2017-2018 School Year Inter Local Transportation Services Agreement Resolution For Participation In Coordinated Transportation

WHEREAS, North Plainfield School District desires to transport special education, non-public, public and vocational school students to specific destinations; and

WHEREAS, the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the ESCNJ, offers coordinated transportation services; and

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

NOW THEREFORE, it is agreed that in consideration of pro-rated contract costs, plus an administration fee of 2% or 4% for member districts, as presented to the North Plainfield School District as calculated by the billing formula adopted by the ESCNJ's Board of Education. Said formula shall be based on a route cost divided by the number of students allocated to each participating district. The total amount to be charged to districts will be adjusted based on actual costs.

I. The ESCNJ will provide the following services:

- a. Routes coordinated with other districts to achieve a maximum cost reduction while maintaining a realistic capacity and travel time
- b. Monthly billing and invoices;
- c. Computer print-outs of student lists for all routes coordinated by ESCNJ;
- d. All necessary interaction and communication between the sending district, receiving school, and the respective transportation contractors;
- e. Constant review and revision of routes;
- f. Provide transportation within three days or sooner after receipt of written request and;

It is further agreed that the North Plainfield School District will provide the ESCNJ with the following:

a. Requests for a special transportation on approved forms to be provided by the ESCNJ, completed in full and signed by authorized district personnel;

II. Additional Cost - All additional costs generated by unique requests such as mid-day runs or early dismissals will be borne by the district. All such costs must first be approved by the North Plainfield School District;

III. Length of Agreement - this agreement and obligations and requirements therein shall be in effect between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

IV. Entire Agreement - this agreement constitutes the entire and only agreement between the parties and may be amended by an instrument in writing over authorized signature.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approve field trips for the 2017-18 school year per the attached list.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approves reimbursement to the employees indicated for unused vacation days and/or carried over days based on last day of service per the negotiated agreement and/or employment contract:

Name	Last Day of Service	Days	Amount
Angelina Lowder	June 24, 2017	11	\$2,623.94
Maggie Shaver Dock	June 30, 2017	23	\$9,954.63
Jennifer Perrine	June 30, 2017	10	\$1,802.50
Lennox Small	June 30, 2017	20	\$11,803.80

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the following tuition rate for approved preschool providers to offer prekindergarten programs for eligible residents of North Plainfield:

\$5,932.30 per enrolled eligible child

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to apply for the Harbor Freight Tools “Prize for Teacher Excellence” to provide funding for CTE programs in the district at a total value up to \$100,000.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education approves and accepts the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) grant funds for the 2017-2018 school year as follows:

TITLE I	\$660,864.00
TITLE II	\$119,051.00
TITLE III	\$ 71,574.00
TITLE III IMM	\$ 14,733.00
TITLE IV	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>
Total	\$873,222.00

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote; that the Board of Education authorizes Luis A. Jaime and Milton Mathis to apply for the Sustainable School Health and Wellness grant to provide funding for new bottle dispensing water fountains at NPMS at a total value of \$4,000.

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

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

Correspondence

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 is scheduled for August 30, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

Policy Meeting – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Negotiations – No meeting scheduled at this time.

NJSBA – Mr. Fellin discussed recent legislation.

SCSBA – No meeting scheduled at this time.

SCESC – Ms. Mullen discussed issues raised at the most recent meeting.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Mr. Sternberg provided an overview of additional state aid provided to the district and reviewed various options for the utilization of funds. The Board determined to utilize funds to support future expenditures.

Dr. McLaughlin discussed with the Board the district's goals and objectives and the proposed strategies utilized to achieve those goals He mentioned the administrators would be reviewing these and updates will be presented when completed.

Dr. McLaughlin discussed the district's current rate structure for substitute school nurses and recommended increasing the amount in order to improve the availability of high quality candidates.

Dr. McLaughlin mentioned the upcoming survey of community and staff that will be conducted in the fall.

Comments from the Public

None.

Future Agenda Items

Per the presentation calendar (www.nplainfield.org)

- i. Advanced Placement Performance presented by Ms. Vella, August 16, 2017

Adjournment

Mr. Branan moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin that and unanimously approved by roll call vote that the Board of Education will hold an Executive Session on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at Watchung School for confidential matters relating to students, personnel, contract negotiations, litigation, and/or any other matter considered confidential by federal or state law. It is anticipated that Executive Session will last approximately one and a half an hour.

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Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved to adjourn at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED: Donald Sternberg