

The minutes of the regular meeting of the North Plainfield Board of Education held on Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at 8:15 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, Student Representative Jasmine Muhando and approximately 13 members of the staff and public.

#### **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. Mullen abstaining; to accept the public session minutes October 18, 2017.

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote with Ms. Mullen abstaining; to accept the executive session minutes October 18, 2017.

#### **Financial Report**

None.

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

Ms. Robertson thanked the Superintendent for positive improvements to the district.

Mr. McGovern commented on various issues related to classroom instructions for substitute teachers.

#### **Student Representative Report**

##### **Student Representative: Radha Patel**

Good evening, it is so nice to see everyone again. The past two weeks have been super busy in NPHS!

First off, the bullying prevention show was well executed by the drama club. They depicted a real-life scenario whose message reached many of the students like me.

Two Fridays ago, the student activities council hosted the spirit week fashion show in the beginning of each high school lunch period. They walked down the red carpet, strutting and modeling the looks for each spirit day. Hallway decorations were also held two Fridays ago.

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Students from each class stayed until late on Friday night to finish making their decorations and finished hanging them up in their respective halls on Saturday morning. The themes for each class were the following: Suess Seniors, Jetlag Juniors, Space Sophomores and FreshMan (in reference to PacMan).

Then, last week came spirit week! Monday was pajama day in which students came in their coziest PJ's and there was even many students wearing onesies! Tuesday was twin day in which it was hard to tell apart most best friends since they looked so identical. Even Ms. Dix's period 5 AP Bio class all twinned in black and white!

Wednesday was save the world Wednesday where there were superheroes left and right.

Thursday was wacky tacky day and it was such a "beautiful" sight to see the mismatched and creative outfit choices. On Thursday, there was also the "Steered Straight" assembly for all high school students. Two very impactful adults from the program came to talk to us about their life experiences, many of which could have been prevented through not using or getting involved in drugs. From the sounds of the crowd and my personal experience, it was one of the most touching and impactful assemblies hosted. The message of the program definitely got across to many students.

Finally, Friday was school spirit day in which students came in the school colors and pink to support breast cancer awareness. During period four on Friday, it was announced that the senior class won the hallway decoration challenge! After school on Friday, Rho Kappa held its introductory meeting for all new members. In addition, Friday after school was the first NPHS tailgate executed by the Student Activities Committee and it was successful! All clubs and organizations participated and there was a large crowd of people who came to support. It was very enjoyable and successful. That Friday night was also the homecoming football game in which both junior and senior homecoming courts were announced.

Finally, Saturday was homecoming dance for the seniors and juniors. It was such a pleasant night filled with good food and dancing. It was such a sight to see the upperclassmen dressed in their best autumn attire, which was this year's theme. Spirit week/homecoming week was a total success! This was the most school spirit and involvement in all activities that I have seen in my four years in high school. I am so glad to see NPHS becoming such a proud and spirited community.

### **Student Representative: Jasmine Muhando**

Since the last time we met the fall sports season has begun to wind down. The Canuck sports teams started celebrating their senior night to honor their seniors' hard work and dedication to their teams. Teams like tennis, hockey, football, and soccer held celebrations that included family, friends, food and presents. Many happy tears were shed throughout these past few weeks with joyous memories the seniors will hopefully cherish forever.

Aside from this, two weeks ago the JV boys soccer team won against Bound Brook with a 3-2 victory. It was a close game with Joseph Ledesma scoring the necessary goal for them to take home the first place title. That same week the Lady Canucks varsity soccer team also versed Bound Brook with a tremendous victory over the Crusaders. They won 7-1 with Ashley Atubi scoring five goals and Kiora Aurelien and Shaniyah O'Neal scoring the final two goals. It was a great win for the Lady Canucks. At the Skylands Conference championship meet, Ryan Smith took home third place for North Plainfield and topped his personal best by running a time of 16:56. Two freshman cross country runners, Alberto Bueno and Alejandro Lluque also ran personal records.

The following week, on Monday, Ryan Smith won 5<sup>th</sup> place and broke the school record with a time of 16:33. He did an amazing job at that meet. Last Thursday the boys and girls varsity soccer teams won their matches. The boys won with a score of 2-1 which was a great way to celebrate senior night. Their great team effort aided them to the state tournament against Bernards that took place yesterday. Although they did not win, they put up a good

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fight. Lastly, yesterday as you all know was Halloween, and our school displayed an impressive amount of school spirit. Many of the costumes were very creative and elaborate and the students as well as teachers were very excited for their after school plans. I personally enjoyed Halloween and all the candy I received.

I hope you all enjoyed yesterday as much as I did and wish you all a good evening.

### **Presentation**

Ms. Joanne Untamo, Ms. Beth Carroll, Ms. Gail Fabbriatore, Mr. Steve Escobedo and Ms. Patty Fragioudakis and several members of Maschio's Food Service Inc. staff presented an overview of the district food service program for the 2017-2018 school year including new initiatives and menu additions.

### **Superintendent's Report**

On Monday, I spoke to the 7th and 8th graders at lunch regarding the issues reported from the prior football game. I had the same opportunity on Friday to speak to the three high school lunch periods. I pointed out the need to use appropriate language and ensure that their personal behavior did not make others uncomfortable while encouraging them to attend the game and show their school spirit. Students were respectful and attentive.

Over the course of the last two weeks, the principals have been asked to review the Great Schools website and report inaccurate data about their schools. The Great Schools website is used on real estate sites such as Zillow and Trulia to inform potential buyers regarding the performance of schools in the geographic area they are searching. We have contacted Great Schools who invited us to register and update our own data. This process has begun and the ratings for some of our schools have already risen based on data we have corrected.

Dr. Helen Tinsley of the NJDOE conducted an initial on-site visit of our preschool classes on Thursday. Michelle Onofri and I accompanied Dr. Tinsley to Growing Tree, Holy Cross, and East End beginning at 10:30 until 2:30. Dr. Tinsley was pleased with the program and spent considerable time in each classroom. As a coincidence, Dr. Tinsley was a dual language teacher in Englewood when their program began in 1993 and worked with our consultant Dr. Willaum. In addition to her preschool class visits, we were able to visit both the Spanish and English World classes at East End.

Beginning Monday, a nurse from Preferred Health Care has been contracted and will serve as a floater throughout the district, which will help immensely with the health care coverage issues we have been experiencing.

On Wednesday morning, I spoke with News 12 producer Karin Attonito relative to the scheduled NJ Power & Politics show on the subject of Charter Schools. We discussed the content that I would share, and I am looking forward to the opportunity, which I feel will reflect very positively on our district. The show is scheduled to be taped on November 21st. I am not sure at this time when the airing will occur and will advise the board when I obtain that information.

I have had some preliminary communication with Borough Clerk Richard Phoenix regarding district access to the town's radio station 1630 AM. Mr. Phoenix has indicated that he will be discussing the same with the OEM, the Mayor, and Council. I think it might be a great opportunity for outreach, particularly for our Spanish speaking families. It

would also be a great learning experience for our students to record messages in both English and Spanish.

I would like to highlight the following from our school updates to the board of education:

- The authors of *Host a Little Ghost and the Story of the Mystical Mums* visited East End school on October 13. Lillian Stulich and Kevin McCormick wanted to capture the community spirit of caring that was established by their students in Toms River NJ, after the disaster of Super Storm Sandy. The story followed the adventures of twins in the days before Halloween as “Little Ghost” comes to visit and helps the siblings learn the lessons of responsibility and sharing. Along with reading of the story, the authors spoke upon the writing process and character development. An informal and fun question and answer session allowed the students to ask many questions regarding the story and career possibilities as a published author. Authors’ visits serve an important role for our students, providing insight into the writing process and giving additional motivation for our students to read for pleasure.
- The Middle School PTO held a Family Dinner Night on October 18. The cost was \$5 for a delicious dinner. Approximately 150 people came out to enjoy this wonderful chance to get acquainted with the staff, the administration and parents. Congratulations to the middle school PTO for such a wonderful turnout and for their efforts to involve parents as educational partners.
- The M.A.L.E.S. program will once again resume at Somerset School with an initial meeting to be held at 5:30 pm in the Somerset School Library. This mentoring program is open to all young men in Grades 6-12 and is consistently well attended. We look forward to another great year and thank all the mentors for volunteering their time and talents to our students.
- Stony Brook School hosted Star Lab on October 24th. The students and families of Stony Brook School were treated to a visit to the Star Lab during the school week and a repeat visit for families was offered for an evening under the stars. The Star Lab is a portable planetarium, which when inflated by a medium sized fan, holds up to thirty visitors. Images of constellations and the evening skies were projected on the inside walls of this dome structure. Every year, the Star Lab has been rented from Raritan Valley Community College for the week. This year Stony Brook’s PTA sponsored the program and over 70 families visited the lab.

On tonight’s agenda, I am happy to recommend Regina Hubany-Acevedo for the position of Supervisor for ESL and World Languages. I am pleased that the district has found an outstanding candidate to lead these very important departments in our district.

Tonight, I would like to pay tribute to Marla Miksa who will retire on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

Marla Miksa began her career in the North Plainfield School District twenty-five years ago. At that time, we had a community adult school and Marla joined us there, working directly with both North Plainfield and the surrounding communities. During her tenure in the district, she has worked for eleven different administrators in eleven different departments, including fine arts, business, and her current home in world languages/ESL. Marla has many fond memories of the staff and students with whom she has come in contact during her years here. When I asked Marla what she will remember most affectionately about the district, she included CAST summer theater, World Language Honor Society, the academic support and ESL summer programs, and the community adult school. Thank you for all your years of dedication. I know that I speak for our entire school community when I wish you all the best in your retirement.

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 Sheila Martinez as an instructional paraprofessional at East End School for the 2017-2018 school year. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective November 2, 2017, Sheila Martinez shall be placed on Instructional Non-Degree/Step 2 and will be paid the rate of \$16.89 per hour, for 2.50 hours per day. (This position is new.)

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, that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the employment of the individuals indicated as K-12 district substitute teachers/substitute paraprofessionals.

Sandy Marrow

Tamica Van Dunk  
Mary Castro

Maximiliano Torres

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 Dale Smith, LDTC at NPFS, for reasons of retirement, effective June 30, 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 the Board of Education rescinds the previously approved recommendation to employ Adrianna Gerena as an instructional paraprofessional at NPMS 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 accepts the resignation of Cristina Gonzalez, ESL teacher at NPHS, effective December 16, 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 grants Regina Silverii, special education teacher at Stony Brook School, a leave of absence effective March 1, 2018 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 June 30, 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 grants Lenore Fornabio, special education teacher at East End School, a leave of absence using accrued sick days, effective November 13, 2017 through January 1, 2018 or until released by her physician.

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 Michelle Onofri to serve as a mentor, at a stipend of \$550.00.

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 Tammy Scott to provide Foundations planning and training, as needed, at the rate of \$28.35 per hour. This position is funded through Title III.

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 for curriculum writing, at the rate of \$49.74 per hour.

<b>Curricular</b>	<b>Hours Not to Exceed</b>	<b>Staff Member(s)</b>
Kindergarten Science	20	Kelli Dunson, Joanna Oliver
Grade 1 Science	25	Valentina Aiello, Kourtney Gissonna
Grade 2 Science	20	Elizabeth Cirillo, Heather Shealy
Grade 3 Science	20	Heather Shealy, Kelly Feeney
Grade 4 Science	20	Heather Higgins
Grade 5 Science	20	Scott Diaz

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 to serve as advisors for Career and Technical Student Organizations at NPHS, at stipends of \$4,829.00 each. These positions are fully funded by the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education grant.

<b>Staff Member</b>	<b>Program</b>
Anthony Della Rosa	SkillsUSA
Erin Kreeger	TSA

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 to serve as afterschool tutors for CTE students at NPHS, at stipends of \$1,224.00 each. These positions are fully funded by the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education grant.

<b>Staff Member</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Therese Boulanger	Mathematics
Michelle Cruz	Mathematics
Staceyann Louis	English/Language Arts

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 adjusts the assignments of the listed paraprofessionals as indicated.

<b>Name</b>	<b>From (hours/week)</b>	<b>To (hours/week)</b>	<b>Effective</b>
Veronica Ortega	EE – 16.25	EE – 21.25	November 1, 2017
Margie Williams	EE – 16.25	EE – 21.25	November 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 adjusts the guide and salary of Teresa Diller, elementary teacher at West End School, from the BA Guide to, effective November 15, 2017, MA Guide/Step 4-5 at the salary rate of \$62,830 prorated, to reflect her attainment of a Master's Degree.

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 Andre Dabney to serve as an assistant boys' basketball coach at NPHS at a stipend of \$6,892.00. (Mr. Dabney will replace Courtne Mooney.)

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 Extended Day instructors, at the rate of \$28.35 per hour. These positions are funded through Title III.

Staff Name	School
Kourtney Gissonna	West End
Erica Moyer	West End
Christina Rivera	West End
Lisa Cirillo	West End
<b>REMOVED</b>	West End
Heather Higgins	West End
Stefanie Martin	East End
Kathy Porter	East End
Meagan McFadden	East End
Megan Kredatus	East End
Alison Longley	East End
Alison Cornelisse	East End
Kelly Schmitz	Stony Brook
Andrea Legiadre	Stony Brook
Jessica Phenev/Lindsay Thompson (Shared)	Stony Brook

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 with Mr. Branan and Mr. Fellin abstaining; that **WHEREAS**, on or about October 6, 2017, the North Plainfield Board of Education (the Board of Education), pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-3.1 and its contract of employment with Dr. James V. McLaughlin, Superintendent of Schools (the Superintendent of Schools), submitted to the Executive County Superintendent for Somerset County (the Executive County Superintendent) proposed Qualitative and Quantitative merit criteria for the period between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Qualitative and Quantitative merit criteria are associated with merit salary bonuses for the Superintendent of Schools for the 2017-2018 school year; and

**WHEREAS**, on or about October 25, 2017, the Executive County Superintendent approved the Board of Education's proposed merit criteria for the Superintendent of Schools for the 2017-2018 school year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Board of Education hereby authorizes and approves the attached Qualitative and Quantitative merit goal criteria for completion by the Superintendent of Schools during the 2017-2018 school year.

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

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

Ms. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved by roll call vote with Mr. Branan and Mr. Fellin abstaining; that **WHEREAS**, on or about October 6, 2017, the North Plainfield Board of Education (the Board of Education), pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-3.1 and its contract of employment with Ms. Michelle Vella, the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction (the Assistant Superintendent), submitted to the Executive County Superintendent for Somerset County (the Executive County Superintendent) proposed Qualitative and Quantitative merit criteria for the period between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Qualitative and Quantitative merit criteria are associated with merit salary bonuses for the Assistant Superintendent for the 2017-2018 school year; and

**WHEREAS**, on or about October 25, 2017, the Executive County Superintendent approved the Board of Education's proposed merit criteria for the Assistant Superintendent for the 2017-2018 school year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Board of Education hereby authorizes and approves the attached Qualitative and Quantitative merit goal criteria for completion by the Assistant Superintendent during the 2017-2018 school year.

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

Sandra Dodd – Aye  
John Fellin, Jr. – Abstain  
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 Hollyn Konkowski, ESL teacher at West End School, a leave of absence effective March 9, 2018 or sooner, if necessary, using accrued sick and personnel days until released by her physician and thereafter on an unpaid leave of absence under the Family Leave Act through October 24, 2018.

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

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



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 out-of-district placement of the classified student as indicated, effective November 2, 2017.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
LLLL-17-18	3/28/06	ED	NuView Academy	\$62,790.00/yr. prorated

Further, that for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education approves the out-of-district placement of the classified student as indicated, effective November 2, 2017. Transportation will be required.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
LLLL-17-18	3/28/06	ED	Honor Ridge Academy	\$57,168.00/yr. prorated

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 student as indicated, effective September 7, 2017. Transportation will be required.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
FFFFFF-17-18	3/16/02	ED	New Point Specialty Residential Educational Program Behavioral Disabilities Program	\$53,170.00/yr.

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 out-of-district placement of the classified student as indicated, effective October 23, 2017.

<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
VVV-17-18	4/11/02	ED	Somerset Secondary Academy	\$51,900.00/yr. prorated

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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 curricula:

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Mathematics (revision)  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade Honors Mathematics (revision)

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 the use of “Robert Griggs Plumbing and Heating, LLC,” to provide general plumbing and heating repairs throughout the district, having offices located at 6 Tally Ho Trail, Hillsborough NJ 07080, for the period of November 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, not to exceed \$35,000.00. Based on Hunterdon County Ed. Serv. Commission bid #SER-10C, at the hourly rates as follows:

\$ 92.50 Normal Working Hours  
\$138.75 Overtime Hours  
\$185.00 Sunday and Holiday Hours

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, that the North Plainfield Board of Education does hereby adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, 18A-7a-10 establishes the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) for evaluating performance of each school district, and

WHEREAS, the evaluation of the district is based upon five key components of school district effectiveness: instruction and program, personnel, fiscal management, operations and governance, and

WHEREAS, in 2017-2018, the North Plainfield School District must complete the annual Statement of Assurance (SOA).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Plainfield Board of Education does hereby approve the submission to the New Jersey Department of Education of the Statement of Assurance as certified by the Chief School Administrator and Board President.

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 Jessica Perdomo-O’Hara to apply for a grant through DonorsChoose.Org for the purpose of purchasing a printer and color cartridges for her classroom at East End School at a total value of \$396.28.

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 that and unanimously approved by roll call vote with Mr. Branan and Mr. Fellin abstaining; that the Board of Education will hold an Executive Session on Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. at Watchung School for confidential matters relating to students, personnel, contract negotiations, litigation, and/or any other matter considered confidential by federal or state law. It is anticipated that Executive Session will last approximately one and a half an hour.

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

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

**Correspondence**

Staff letter was provided to the Board.

**Committee and Delegate Report**

Board Staff – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Communications – Next meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2018 at 5:30 pm.

Curriculum – Next meeting date is to be determined.

Finance & Facilities – Next meeting is scheduled for late November (actual date to be determined)

Personnel – No meeting scheduled at this time.

Policy Meeting – Next meeting is scheduled for November 2, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

Negotiations – Next meeting scheduled for November 27, 2017 at 4:45 pm.

NJSBA – Mr. Fellin provided an update on future meetings.

SCSBA – Next meeting is scheduled for November 30, 2017 (Tri-County Meeting).

SCESC – Ms. Mullen commented on vocational-technical programs versus use of programs at the Educational Services Commission.

**Old Business**

None.

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**New Business**

Ms. Bond-Nelson commented on the Superintendent's goals and thanked him for his efforts.

**Comments from the Public**

Several members of the community commented on the employment status of the Superintendent.

Ms. Slattery mentioned the presentation of milestone awards and the conflict with scheduled dinner.

**Future Agenda Items**

Per the presentation calendar ([www.nplainfield.org](http://www.nplainfield.org))

**Adjournment**

Ms. Butler 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, November 15, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at East End 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.

Mr. Butler moved, seconded by Mr. Fellin and unanimously approved to adjourn at 9:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:

Donald Sternberg