

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in private recess by this Board and administrative staff, and information pertaining thereto will be made available to the public as soon thereafter as possible and once the reasons for non-disclosure no longer exist.

Carried 6-0-0

The meeting returned to public session at 8:00 p.m.

Members Present

Ms. Nancy Bauer
Mrs. Amy Boroff
Ms. Deb Brody
Mrs. Karen Mitchell
Ms. Amy Winkler
Dr. Karen Kulikowski, President

Members Absent

Ms. Stephanie Suriani
Ms. Tonya Williams
Mr. Evan Murray, Vice President

Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Kulikowski reported that Personnel and Legal Status Report were discussed in Executive Session.

Superintendent and Business Administrator Reports

Dr. Mast gave the Superintendent Report and Mr. Jones provided the Business Administrator Report.

Board President's Announcement

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted at the Board of Education offices located at 512 Cedar Street, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. Such notice was also provided in written notice forwarded the *Union County Hawk*, the *Star Ledger*, the Township Clerk of Scotch Plains and the Borough Clerk of Fanwood in the revised Annual Notice of Regularly Scheduled Meetings as adopted April 28, 2022.

Instructional Update

- Recognition of the County of the Teacher of the Year - Mrs. Candace Testa

The meeting was open for public comments at 8:20 p.m. and ended at 8:30 p.m.

Jackie O'Donnell, SP - Raised concerns related to transportation. Believes the district should offer subscription busing.

Erica Schulin, SP - Raised concerns related to transportation. Believes the district should offer subscription busing.

Gary Morris, F - Believes the health curriculum should be an "Opt-in" instead of "Opt-out".

Committee Report

Finance - report by Ms. Brody

Letters to The Board

Four emails were received from the public and the appropriate administrator responded.

Superintendent's Report

Motion by Ms. Winkler, seconded by Mrs. Boroff, that the Board of Educations:

- 1-S approves the following SY 2022-2023 Out of District placements:

Private and Public Schools 2022-2023 School Year

<u>Case #</u>	<u>Classified</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>SY Cost</u>	<u>Aide</u>	<u>Notes</u>
22-08	AUT	Deron School	\$70,768.80	\$35,100	New Placement
22-09	ERI	Cranford Achievement Program	\$62,540.00		New Placement
22-07	CMO	Banyan	\$58,591.80		New Placement
21-07	ERI	Cornerstone	\$76,455.00		Continued Placement
21-05	OHI	St. Peter's Prep*	\$15,000.00		Previously approved @ \$15,000
22-10	ERI	Comerstone	\$81,552.00		New Placement
21-11	ERI	Cranford Achievement Program	\$62,540.00		New Placement

*Settlement Agreement

Private and Public Schools 2022 ESY

<u>Case #</u>	<u>Classified</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>SY Cost</u>	<u>Aide</u>	<u>Notes</u>
22-08	AUT	Deron School Lower	\$11,401.64	\$5,655.00	New Placement
20-23	AUT	Hackensack Meridan	\$7,310.00		ESY Program Only
17-02	OHI	Sheppard HS	\$9,538.20		Change in Placement
17-16	AUT	Camp Star (The Arc)	\$1,100		Previously approved \$550 ESY Program Only
17-14	AUT	Garden Academy	\$18,716.40		Continued Placement
22-10	ERI	Cornerstone	\$8,919.75		New Placement
21-13	OHI	Cornerstone	\$16,990.00		Previously Approved @ 11,893
21-07	ERI	Cornerstone	\$16,990.00		Previously Approved @ 11,893
07-08	AUT	Douglass Dev Center (Rutgers)	\$12,750.00	\$6,120.00	Previously Approved @ 13,348.93

2-S approves the superintendent's decision in the following eleven HIB cases discussed in Executive Session on June 23, 2022. Three cases were determined to be HIB.

- 065-2122-23
- 080-2122-05
- 070-2122-04
- 060-2122-15
- 065-2122-25
- 065-2122-22
- 065-2122-19
- 065-2122-20
- 065-2122-24
- 065-2122-12
- 050-2122-14

3-S approves the curriculum committee's recommendation for the textbook adoption and approves the Program of Studies for Elementary, Fifth Grade, and Middle School for the 2022-2023 school year. (Roll Call Vote)

Title of Book	<i>The Practice of Statistics, Updated 6th Edition</i>
Authors	Daren S. Starnes; Josh Tabor
Publisher	bedford, freeman, & worth
Copyright Date	2020
School Year	2022-2023
Program/School/	AP Statistics
Course/Grade	High School
Cost Per Book	\$195.96

4-S authorizes submission of the following request to establish the following Special Education Program/Service to the Union County Office of Education:

Establish

Brunner Preschool Special Class and ESY for students as needed

5-S approves the following field trip requests for the 2022-2023 school year:

- District Field Trips 2022-2023
- Preschool and QUEST Field Trips 2022-2023
- SPFHS Self Contained Program Trip list 2022-2023
- SPFHS Anticipated Field Trips-2022-2023

6-S affirms submission of the 2022-2023 annual Statement of Assurance for the Comprehensive Equity Plan (2019-2022) to the Union County Office of Education attesting that the district has complied with the following:

1. The school district, charter school or renaissance school project has reviewed its implementation strategies for school year 2021-2022 and provides assurance that the implementation timeline has been met at each school within the district, charter school or renaissance school project, if applicable. The areas of noncompliance as indicated in the CEP have met specific indicators of achievement at each site, if applicable, during this previous school year.
2. The school district, charter school or renaissance school project will continue to fully implement the NJDOE approved 2019-2022 Comprehensive Equity Plan through the 2022-2023 school year.
3. The district, charter school or renaissance school project will achieve and maintain compliance with all applicable laws, codes, and regulations governing equity in education including, but not limited to: N.J.S.A.18A:3620; N.J.S.A.10:5; N.J.A.C. 6A:7; Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (I.D.E.A.) of 1997.

Carried 6-0-0 on a roll call vote

1-PERS Motion by Ms. Winkler, seconded by Ms. Brody, that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent’s recommendations for personnel on the Personnel Report dated August 25, 2022 in the areas noted below:

1. Retirements
2. Resignations/Terminations
3. Appointments
4. Change of Status
5. Leaves of Absence
6. Longevity
7. Sixth Period Assignments
8. Job Description
9. Auxiliary Employment
10. Substitute Staff - as needed for 2022-2023 School Year
11. Volunteer - 2022-2023 School Year

Carried 6–0-0 on a roll call vote

Business Report

Motion by Ms. Brody, seconded by Ms. Winkler, that the Board of Education:

1-BUS approves the staff training report and staff training report addendum dated August 25, 2022:

**Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools
 Board Approval for Staff Training and Seminars, Conventions and Conferences
 Board Meeting: August 25, 2022**

Number Attending	Conference Title	Dates Location	Anticipated Reimbursement	Purpose	Date of Request	Date of Board Approval
* Expenses may exceed state and federal reimbursement guidelines + How will this activity promote the delivery of instruction, improvement of curriculum, or further district goals?						
Three	EDU Training Courses sponsored by JAMF	Dates TBD Virtual Courses Sponsor: JAMF	\$12,000.00 (cost for 6 courses for 3 technology associates)	Attend EDU training courses for the JAMF infostructure used to manage the Apple devices in	Aug. 2, 2022	Aug. 25, 2022

				district.		
One	Double Goal Coach – Culture, Practices and Games	July 20, 2022 Virtual Course Sponsor: Positive Coaches Alliance	\$30.00 (registration)	Course will focus about creating practices to get the most out of athletes – on and off the court.	July 11, 2022	Aug. 25, 2022
One	Introductory Wilson Training Course	August 29-31, 2022 Virtual Course Sponsor: Wilson/Hyde Park Day School	\$679.00 (registration for 3 day course)	Participate in Introductory Wilson Training Course.	Aug. 17, 2022	Aug. 25, 2022
One	Preparing for Negotiations	Sept. 20, 2022 Whippany, NJ Sponsor: NJASBO	\$125.00 (registration)	Overview of the negotiations process from preparation to the collective bargaining agreement and trends in negotiations.	Aug. 19, 2022	Aug. 25, 2022
One	Introduction to the DOE and Board Secretary/Treasurer Report	Sept. 29, 2022 Robbinsville, NJ Sponsor: NJASBO	\$50.00 (registration)	Introduction to the DOE and Board Secretary/Treasurer Report.	Aug. 19, 2022	Aug. 25, 2022
Three	NJ Association for the Education of Young Children (NJAEYC) Fall Conference	Oct. 7-8, 2022 East Rutherford, NJ Sponsor: NJAEYC	\$220.00 each (registration)	Attend NJ Association for the Education of Young Children Fall Conference.	Aug. 15, 2022	Aug. 25, 2022
Two	Arts Educator’s New Jersey Annual Conference (AENJ)	October 12-14, 2022 Long Branch, NJ Sponsor: AENJ	\$210.00 each (registration for conference and registration cost for 3 additional art workshops.	Attend Annual Arts Educator’s Conference and additional art workshops.	Aug. 15, 2022	Aug. 25, 2022

Fifteen	New Jersey School Board's Association (NJSBA) Workshop 2022	Oct. 24-26, 2022 Atlantic City, NJ Sponsor: NJSBA	\$450.00 each (hotel expense for 2 nights – registration previously board approved on 6/2/22)	Attend New Jersey School Board's Association 2022 Workshop.	Aug. 19, 2022	Aug. 25, 2022
One	National Athletic Directors Conference	Dec. 9-13, 2022 Nashville, Tennessee Sponsor: Athletic Directors	\$1654.00 (registration for 5 day conference, travel expenses and leadership training courses)	Attend National Athletic Directors Conference and Leadership Training courses.	Aug. 9, 2022	Aug. 25, 2022
One	Orton Gillingham Plus Training	Sept. 16, 2022 Sept. 23, 2022 Sept. 30, 2022 Oct. 7, 2022 Oct. 14, 2022 Virtual Training Sponsor: Institute for Multi-Sensory Education	\$1,275.00 (registration for 5 days of training) (Learning Acceleration Funds)	Participate in Orton Gillingham Plus multi-sensory reading instruction training.	Aug. 23, 2022	Aug. 25, 2022
One	October Coaching Institute on the Teaching of Reading	Oct. 23-26, 2022 Teachers College Campus and in NYC Schools Sponsor: Teachers College	\$850.00 (registration for 4 day Institute) (Title 1 Funds)	Attend Coaching Institute on the Teaching of Reading. Learn latest methods of staff development, on ways to support reading development and giving and receiving on-the-spot feedback.	Aug. 23, 2022	Aug. 25, 2022

2-BUS

approves the special education settlement for Case #08-09 where the Board will pay educational tuition fees of \$59,500 for the student to attend Maplebrook School for the 2022-2023 school year. If the student chooses, the student may

continue for the 2023-2024 school year ending no later than June 30, 2024. All other expenses will be the parent's responsibility.

3-BUS approves the following revised Scotch Plains tax payments:

	Scotch Plains	Fanwood
Jul-22	7,199,313	1,839,905
Aug-22	7,199,313	1,839,905
Sep-22	7,199,313	1,839,905
Oct-22	7,199,313	1,839,905
Nov-22	7,199,313	1,839,905
Dec-22	7,199,313	1,839,905
Jan-23	5,459,289	1,839,905
Feb-23	5,459,289	1,839,905
Mar-23	5,459,289	1,839,905
Apr-23	5,459,289	1,839,905
May-23	5,459,289	1,839,905
Jun-23	5,459,289	1,839,905
Total for 22-23	75,951,611	22,078,855
General Fund	75,363,942	21,908,022
Debt Service	587,667	170,833
	75,951,609	22,078,855

4-BUS accepts a School Security Grant in the amount of \$309,128 for security camera upgrades.

5-BUS approves NJ START State Contract Vendor V00009855 Rullo & Juillet Associates, Inc. for Professional Services for the Right to Know and PEOSH Hazard Communication Compliance Service at an estimated cost of \$5,800.

6-BUS approves the following lease purchase under Apple Contract #1062153, ESCNJ 18/19-67:

Items:

1300 - 10.2 in iPad Wi-Fi 64 GB - Space Gray - packaged in a 10-pack

1300 - 4-year AppleCare+ for Schools - iPad 9th Generation

1300 - Logitech Rugged Combo 3 Case with Integrated Smart Connector

Keyboard for 10.2 in Blue

Total \$614,835.00

7-BUS approves the Terrill HVAC Controls Upgrade for \$28,950 by AME, inc. Funds to be withdrawn from the Capital Reserve.

8-BUS approves the Professional Services proposal from Potter Architects for the School Expansion project at a cost of \$215,000. Funds to be withdrawn from the Capital Reserve.

9-BUS approves the WTI proposal in the total amount of \$31,500 for roof repairs for the High School, Terrill, Coles, and School One. Contract # ESCNJ-AEPA 21-D. Funds will be withdrawn from the Maintenance Reserve.

10-BUS approves the 2022-2023 Nonpublic School Security and Technology Initiative Program Agreements for the following participating schools located within this district:

Name

Jewish Community Center

Jump Immersion

Scotch Plains Baptist Christian Day

St. Bartholomew Academy

The Goddard School

Union Catholic High School

Wonder Years Academy

11-BUS approves the 2022-2023 Nonpublic School Security and Technology Initiative Program Agreements for Saint Bartholomew Academy in the following amounts:

Security \$38,540

Technology 7,501

Total \$46,041

12-BUS approves the Professional Services proposal from Potter Architects for School Improvement projects at a cost of \$45,760. Funds to be withdrawn from the Capital Reserve.

13-BUS approves the revised public sale of previously approved and newly added outdated technologies:

iPad Models	Count
iPad Mini Gen 1	80
iPad Mini Gen 2	33
iPad Air	105
iPad 4th Gen	155
iPad 2nd Gen	55
iPad Air 2	83
iPad 5th Gen	34
Total	545

MacBook Models	Count
MacBook Air 11 inch 2012	42
MacBook Air 11 inch 2013	53
MacBook Air 11 inch 2014	19
MacBook Air 11 inch 2015	185
MacBook Air 13 inch 2015/2017	275
Total	574
MagSafe 2 Chargers	300

Chromebook Models	Count
Dell 3180 Chromebook	760
Dell 3120 Chromebook	64
Total	824
Dell Chromebook Chargers	800

14-BUS as per BOE Policy 2468, approves the recommended maximum allowable costs listed below for an independent evaluation for Board approval. These costs are based on the reasonable and customary rate the district has been paying for these evaluations through educational services commissions, jointure commissions, approved clinics or agencies, or private licenses/certified practitioners.

Maximum Allowable Cost Based on Information from Providers in New Jersey	
2022-2023 School Year	
Assessment	Maximum Allowable Cost
Educational Evaluation	\$500
Psychological Evaluation	\$500
Neuropsychological Evaluation	\$4,200
Neurodevelopmental Evaluation	\$1,000
Neurological Evaluation	\$1,000
Psychiatric Evaluation	\$875
Augmentative Communication	\$1,500
Vocational/Transition Assessment	\$500 - \$2,600
Assistive Technology	\$1,500
Speech Evaluations	\$600
Physical Therapy Evaluations	\$400
Occupational Therapy Evaluations	\$400
Central Auditory Processing	\$600
Functional Behavioral Assessment	up to \$150/hour for max 10 hours
Audiological Evaluations	\$400 - \$500

15-BUS authorizes the Business Administrator to execute the agreement for the 2022-2023 ongoing professional development for trained Reading Recovery teachers provided by the Flemington-Raritan Regional School District at a cost of \$4,500 for five (5) teachers to participate in this program.

16-BUS pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a), designates Christopher Jones, School Business Administrator, Board Secretary, as the (Qualified) Purchasing Agent for the Board of Education and authorizes to award contracts, in full accordance with the law, for purchases that do not exceed in the aggregate in a contract year the total sum of \$44,000.00 (bid threshold) without public advertising for bids. Furthermore, Christopher Jones is authorized to solicit competitive quotations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-37(a) and to award contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A.

18A:18A-37(c). In the absence or unavailability of the Purchasing Agent, the board hereby authorizes James Canellas, Assistant Business Administrator, to approve contracts in the absence of the Business Administrator, Christopher Jones, and to award contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a).

17-BUS approves the following resolution for the transfer of 21-22 surplus to reserve:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:21-2 and N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-13 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a Board of Education to transfer anticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts by Board resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education wishes to deposit anticipated 21-22 school year surplus into a Capital Reserve, and

WHEREAS, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education has determined to retain as year end unreserved undesignated fund balance for the year end June 30, 2022 an amount not-to-exceed the state mandated 2% cap; with the excess above this amount, in an amount not to exceed the maximum allowable amount defined by the district's Long Range Facility Plan is to be transferred to the Capital Reserve Account subject to the verification upon completion of the Audit;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

18-BUS authorizes Christopher Jones, Business Administrator/Board Secretary to approve the payment of bills between board meetings pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:19-4.1. Such warrants shall be presented to the board at the next Regular Business Meeting for ratification.

19-BUS approves Christopher Jones School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, to prepare all single session transportation bid specifications for the board of education. Reference—N.J.A.C. 6A:27-9.2 ©

20-BUS that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10(a) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), and based upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator /Board Secretary, the Board of Education, by this resolution and without advertising for bids, authorizes purchases of goods and services from Atra Janitorial Services

relating to custodial supplies and equipment up to \$400,000. The award of contract is based upon the following pricing as obtained through the competitive bid Ed Data Co-op #51896 and #51923.

21-BUS that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10(a) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), and based upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator /Board Secretary, the Board of Education, by this resolution and without advertising for bids, authorizes purchases of goods and services from Mohawk Lifts relating to Automotive Mechanical Equipment up to \$50,000. The award of contract pricing has been Competitively Bid and Competitively Awarded on New Jersey State Approved Contract 22-FLEET-01983.

22-BUS approves the following purchases:

- a) The purchase of custodial supplies and equipment from Atra Janitorial Services at a cost of \$81,563. Funds to be withdrawn from the 2021-2022 Excess Extraordinary Aid.
- b) The purchase of automotive mechanical equipment from Mohawk Lifts at a cost of \$45,989. Funds to be withdrawn from the 2021-2022 Excess Extraordinary Aid.

23-BUS approves blind and shade repair by Ackerson Drapery at a cost of \$13,414. The award of the contract is based upon the pricing obtained through the competitive bid ESCNJ #65MCESCCPS and will be funded by the Maintenance Reserve.

24-BUS approves the following school lunch prices for the 2022-2023 school year:

Elementary Schools \$3.50	Milk-White/Chocolate \$1.25
Middle Schools 4.00	Pre-Kindergarten Milk .70
High School 4.00	Reduced Lunch .50

25-BUS approves "voiding" the following checks drawn against the Operating Account that were not cashed and repeated attempts to contact the payee failed.

Check Numbers

113076
115003
112513
113394

26-BUS approves the following related services vendors for the 2022-2023 school year:

2022-2023 SY

Agency	Type of Service	Hourly Rate	Total Amount	Note
Shore O&M	Orientation & Mobility Services - Various Students	\$135.00 45 min session	\$20,000.00	
Spectrum Consulting	ABA/BCBA - Various Students	\$65.00-\$125.00	\$91,000.00	
Summit Speech School	Audiological	\$165.00	\$70,000.00	
Susan Glick	Reading Decoding - Various Students	\$75.00	\$7,000.00	
Tru North Theraplay	Occupational Therapy - Various Students	\$83.00	\$60,000.00	
UCESC	OT/PT - Various Students	\$78.00/Session	\$20,000.00	

Agency	Type of Service	Evaluation Rate(s)	Total Amount
UCESC	Various Evaluations - Various Students Psych, Ed, Social, Speech	\$428.00	\$20,000.00
Education Service Commission	Various Evaluations - Various Students Ed, Psych, Speech, OT, PT	\$252.00/\$289.00/\$370.00	\$20,000.00
Dr. Kavita Sinha	Neurological Evaluations - Various Students	\$500.00	\$10,000.00
Platt Psychiatric	Psychiatric Evaluations - Various Students	\$875 basic - \$1450 complex	\$10,000.00
Ilyse O'Desky	Neuropsychological Evaluations - Various Students	\$4,000.00	\$8,000.00
Children's Specialized Hospital	Neurological Evaluations - Various Students	\$930.00	\$2,000.00
Morris Psychological Center for Family &	Neuropsychological Evaluations - Various Students	\$4,200.00	\$8,400.00
	Neurodevelopmental Evaluations -	\$800.00	\$5,000.00

Child Devel.	Various Students			
	Home Instruction - Various			
Rutgers Home Instruction	Students	\$70 hour	\$2,000.00	
Megan Brown	Neuropsychological Evaluations -			
DeCristoforo	Various Students	\$4,000.00	\$8,000.00	
Children's Specialized	Neurological Evaluations - Various			
Hospital	Students	\$930.00	\$2,000.00	
	Neurodevelopmental Evaluations -			
Dr. Vanna Amorapanth	Various Students	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	
	Psychiatric Evaluations - Various			
Bartky Psychiatric Group	Students	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00	
		\$60 LPN/\$70		
A Caring Connection	Nursing	RN		Rate Change
		\$800		
		Spanish/\$850		
Learning Tree	Bilingual Evaluations	Other		Rate Change
				Addition to
Effective School				previously
Solutions	Counseling Services	N/A	\$125,000	approved
		\$67.00		
		LPN/\$88.00		
Tru Care	Nursing	RN		Rate Change
Maria Hart	Instruction Various Students	\$100.00		Rate Change

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Agency	Type of Service	Hourly Rate	Total Amount	Note
		\$67.00		
	Nursing Services - Various	LPN/\$88.00		Previously approved
Tru Care	Students	RN	\$4,000.00	\$2,500 .00

27-BUS approves Jessica Ness as an Anti-Bullying Specialist at McGinn Elementary School.

28-BUS approves the submission and subsequent acceptance of the following 2022-2023 ESEA and the Federal IDEA Grants:

Title I	\$119,738
Title I Reallocated	0
Title II	71,363
Title III	14,892
Title IV	10,000
IDEA Basic Grant (includes non-public \$)	\$1,396,632
IDEA Preschool Grant	<u>64,409</u>
Total	\$,461,041

29-BUS acknowledges the receipt of the Fire and Security Drills summer 2022.

30-BUS acknowledges receipt of Board Secretary's Reports, Treasurer of School Funds Reports, and Budget Adjustments:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c), the Board Secretary certifies that as of June 30, 2022 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a); and that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c), the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education, after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial reports, certifies that no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(b).

Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Education approves receipt of Budget Transfers, the Board Secretary's Report and the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the months ending June 30, 2022.

31-BUS acknowledges receipt of the following disbursement listings dated June 30, 2022.

- Creative Summer Workshop
- Cafeteria
- Payroll Agency Account
- Petty Cash
- Music Account
- Athletic Account

- Elementary Student Activity
- Park and Terrill Middle Student Activity
- High School Student Activity

32-BUS approves the bill lists from June 18, 2022 to June 30, 2022 in the amount of \$1,442,335.95 and from July 1, 2022 through August 16, 2022 in the amount of \$6,944,837.89.

33-BUS approves the settlement agreement for Case #22-11 where the Board will pay tuition for the 2021-2022 school year at Ashville Academy in the amount of \$42,750 and \$3,500 evaluation totaling \$46,250. All other expenses are the parents' responsibilities.

Carried 6-0-0

BOARD POLICIES

NEW BOARD BUSINESS

Other Board Business

Liaison Report

Special Education Parent Advisory Groups (SEPAG) - Mrs. Boroff gave an update.

Motion by Ms. Winkler, seconded by Mrs. Boroff that the Board of Education:

3-OBB adopts the following Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation resolution:

WHEREAS, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education recognizes the commitment of the Borough of Fanwood and the Township of Scotch Plains to work together in supporting inclusion, racial healing, education and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the Borough of Fanwood and the Township of Scotch Plains formed a Joint Committee for Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation; and

WHEREAS, The Borough of Fanwood and the Township of Scotch Plains have collaborated with the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education to support community based change to address the effects of racism; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education:

1. The Board of Education reaffirms and recommits its partnership with the “Joint Committee for Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation” (“TRHT”); and
2. It is understood that the focus of Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education will be to support:
 - (a) Community-engaged education programs that promote inter-ethnic, inter-generational civic engagement; and
 - (b) Developing initiatives including convening public discussions and efforts to achieve greater social justice; and
 - (c) Such other initiatives that represent shared, mutually beneficial activities promoting respect, tolerance, appreciation for diversity, and an equitable community.
3. The Board of Education will review the recommendations of the Joint Committee, but the same will be non-binding on the Board of Education.
4. The Board Secretary is directed to forward an adopted copy of this Resolution to the members of the Joint Committee for Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation.

4-OBB adopts the following Latino and Hispanic Heritage Month resolution:

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey and, by extension, the New Jersey Department of Education and the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education celebrate Latino and Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15, 2022 to October 15, 2022 with this year’s theme of “Unidos: Inclusivity for a Stronger Nation.”; and

WHEREAS, the lasting impact that Hispanic and Latino New Jerseyans have had on our State, including participating in public service, innovating our economy, revolutionizing STEM pathways, excelling in education, enriching the arts and humanities, and calling for social change; and

WHEREAS, in January 2020, Governor Murphy signed the Latino and Hispanic Heritage Commission within the New Jersey Department of Education into law, ensuring that the cultural contributions and history of Latino and Hispanic people are properly explored within school curriculum and activities; and

WHEREAS, approximately 4,000 students have received the Spanish language Seal of Biliteracy through the New Jersey Department of Education since 2016, the highest number of Seals in any one language; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Education provided links to resources for our English Language Learning (ELL) parents, students, and educators through our agency's COVID-19 webpage; and

WHEREAS, the webpage includes a portal for Spanish-speaking and bilingual parents that provides guidance on ELL instruction, the importance of being bilingual, and community resources for bilingual parents; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education hereby recognizes September 15, 2022 to October 15, 2022 as Latino and Hispanic Heritage Month and welcome celebrations in our school district.

5-OBB adopts the following Arts in Education resolution:

WHEREAS, arts education, comprising a rich array of disciplines including dance, music, theatre, media arts, literature, design, and visual arts, is a core academic subject and an essential element of a complete and balanced education for all students; and

WHEREAS, arts education enables students to develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills, imagination and creativity, discipline, alternative ways to communicate and express feelings and ideas, and cross-cultural understanding, which supports academic success across the curriculum as well as personal growth outside the classroom; and

WHEREAS, to succeed in today's economy, students must masterfully use words, images, sounds and movement to communicate; and

WHEREAS, the arts provide the skills and knowledge students need to develop the creativity and determination necessary for success in the global information age; and

WHEREAS, arts education has the power to make students want to learn not just within the arts, but other areas of study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the week of September 11-17, 2022 is designated as “National Arts in Education Week.”

6-OBB adopts the following Suicide Prevention Month resolution:

WHEREAS, suicide is the third leading cause of death for youth ages 10 to 24 in the State of New Jersey, and the second leading cause of death for youth in that age group in the United States; and

WHEREAS, youth suicide statistics from the American Association of Suicidology show that in the United States, one young person under the age of 24 dies of suicide every hour and 43 minutes, and for every suicide death, it is estimated that approximated 200 teens and young adults make suicide attempts; and

WHEREAS, there are many risk factors for youth suicide, including trauma, abuse, prior suicide attempt, and a history of family members, committing or attempting to commit suicide; and

WHEREAS, data from the Youth Suicide Report also show that among New Jersey youth who completed suicide, mental health, relationships, and substance abuse were prevalent challenges; and

WHEREAS, youth suicide’s impact reverberates through families, friends, and communities, and many suicide attempts that do not result in death do end in serious injury to the victims and lifelong trauma to their family and those who know them; and

WHEREAS, suicide warning signs include: previous suicide attempts; current talk of suicide, or making plans to attempt suicide, a strong wish to die or a pre-occupation with death; giving away prized possessions; moodiness; increased alcohol or other drug use; hinting at not being around in the future; or saying good-bye to family and friends; and

WHEREAS, early identification of these warning signs as well as recognition by family, friends, and members of the community of depressive behavior and other mental or behavioral health issues may help reduce the number of teens and young adults who commit or attempt to commit suicide; and

WHEREAS, increased public awareness of the risk factors and warning signs of youth suicide and community involvement in creating strategies to prevent teens and young adults from taking their own lives are key factors in youth suicide prevention and in the development of Statewide comprehensive anti-suicide initiative; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education:

September of each year is designated as “Youth Suicide Prevention Awareness Month” in New Jersey in order to increase public awareness of the risk factors and warning signs for youth suicide, increase community involvement in creating strategies to prevent teen and young adults from taking their own lives, and to endorse the development of State wide comprehensive anti-suicide initiatives.

The Governor is respectfully requested to annually issue a proclamation recognizing September as “Youth Suicide Prevention Awareness Month” in New Jersey and calling upon public officials, the citizens of the State, and other interested groups to observe the month with the appropriate activities and programs.

Carried 6-0-0

Motion by Ms. Winkler, seconded by Mrs. Boroff, that the Board of Education approves approves the minutes listed below:

1. June 2, 2022 – Open Agenda Meeting – Executive Session
2. June 2, 2022 – Open Agenda Meeting
3. June 7, 2022 – Student Recognition
4. June 23, 2021 – Regular Public Meeting – Executive Session
5. June 23, 2021 – Regular Public Meeting

Carried 6-0-0

The meeting was opened for public comments at 8:50 p.m. and ended at 9:00 p.m.

- John G., SP Questioned how the district selected the architect proposal on 8-BUS.
- Gary Morris, F Asked why the Bible Club was treated differently than other clubs at the schools.

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- Ms. Bauer Thanked the staff for working over the summer, specifically related to the art program. Thanked the administrative staff for their summer work.
- Mrs. Mitchell Wishes the freshman a happy orientation.
- Mrs. Boroff Highlighted Mrs. Testa and all the teachers who together bring great education to SPF.
- Ms. Winkler Excited for the start of school and praised Mrs. Testa on her award.

Motion by Mrs. Boroff, seconded by Ms. Winkler at 9:05 p.m., that the Board of Education adjourns.

Carried 6-0-0



Christopher Jones
Board Secretary