

BOARD MEETING

AGENDA - May 16, 2023

7:00 p.m. - New Brunswick High School 1000 Somerset St., New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Board: Dr. Caldwell, Mrs. Medina-Hernandez, Mr. Ortiz, Mrs. Seawood, Mrs. Solis, Mr. Spencer, Ms. Varela, Mr. Adorno, Ms. Sevilla.

Opening Announcement: Adequate public notice of this meeting was provided by the Secretary of the Board on February 10, 2023 to The Home News Tribune and the Star Ledger, and the Clerk of the City of New Brunswick. The time and location of this meeting and all meetings of this body are posted in City Hall, 78 Bayard Street, New Brunswick.

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Flag Salute

Reminder: The next <u>Regular Monthly Board of Education Meeting</u> will be held on **Tuesday, June 20, 2023, beginning at 7:00 PM** at New Brunswick High School in the Auditorium.

- 3. Presentation
 - Seal of Biliteracy Dr. Andrea Fontenez and Mrs. Virginia L. Hill
- 4. Minutes
 - April 25, 2023 Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
 - Closed Session Minutes January 24, 2023, February 28, 2023 & March 28, 2023
- 5. Superintendent's Report Dr. Aubrey A. Johnson
 - Suspension and Attendance Report April 2023
 - HIB Report Resolution- The New Brunswick Board of Education accepts and affirms the Superintendent's Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Incident Report.
- 6. Student Representative Report David Aragon
- 7. Facilities Committee Report Mr. Edward Spencer, Chairperson
- 8. Athletic Committee Report Ms. Patricia Varela, Chairperson
 - April 2023 Athletic Report
- 9. Curriculum/Policy Committee Report Mrs. Emra L. Seawood, Chairperson
- 10. Educational Services Commission of NJ (ESCNJ) Dr. Dale G. Caldwell, Representative

- 11. Public Comments
- 12. President's Report Ms. Jennifer Sevilla
- 13. Consent Agenda (Resolutions "a ad")
 - a. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education approves the purchase of one hundred (100) Burlington English Licenses, for the 2023-2024 SY, at a cost not to exceed \$9,600.00.
 - b. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the Memorandum of Understanding between NBPS and the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce Foundation to continue the Jobs for America's Graduates New Jersey (JAG NJ) Program from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026.
 - c. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby authorizes the (subject) Supervisor to list the afore-listed textbooks and materials on the DOE's Textbook Sharing Website, and at the end of the required 120-day period, to inform the Business Administrator, and then to discard said books and materials.
 - d. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the addition of a new location to the District's List of Approved Field Trip Destinations.
 - e. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby adopts the new Digital Textbooks for use with the current High School Culinary curriculum.
 - f. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education approves the contract for professional services from PBLWorks Buck Institute for Education to prepare and present three (3) day workshop for the 2022-2023 SY, at a cost not to exceed \$14,300.00.
 - g. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator to dispose of the listed instruments that have been deemed beyond economical repair.
 - h. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education approves a donation of \$250.00 from Progressive Insurance Foundation for the students at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School.
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 - j. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education approves the purchase of TalkingPoints Corporation, a multilingual family engagement platform for our schools to communicate with all families for the 2023 2024 SY, at a cost not to exceed \$37,236.00.

- k. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education approves the service contract with Finalsite (Active Internet Technologies, LLC), for the 2023-2024 SY, at a cost not to exceed \$42,528.00.
- Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby affirms the accuracy and approves the New Brunswick Public Schools grade configurations for the 2023 -2024 school year.
- m. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the purchase of Let's Talk Subscription from K12 Insight, LLC for the 2023-2024 SY, at a cost not to exceed \$12,100.00.
- n. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education approves Sprout Social In., for the purchase of Sprout Social Subscription for the 2023-2024 SY, at a cost not to exceed \$18,440.94.
- o. Resolution -The New Brunswick Board of Education authorizes the approval of the School Nursing Plan for the 2022-2023 SY.
- p. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby accepts the grant in the amount of \$6,000.00 from St. Peter's Healthcare System to support the Protective Factors program under the Project Respect Ed.
- q. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the Memorandum of Understanding between the New Brunswick Board of Education and St. Peter's Healthcare System under which the Project Respect Ed will be administered for the 2023-2024 SY, at a cost not to exceed \$136,500.
- r. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education appoints Atlantic Engineering Laboratories for Professional Services during the 2022-2023 and 2023 2024 school years.
- s. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education approves the additional Out of District Tuition Contracts for the 2022-2023 school year.
- t. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods and services through the Cooperative Purchasing pursuant to all conditions of the individual contracts listed for the 2023-2024 school year.
- u. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education approves the partnership with Educere, LLC for the 2023-2024 SY, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.
- v. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby awards a contract for professional services to Ms. Tamar Nussbaum in the amount not to exceed \$84,150 / \$85.00 per/hour to provide speech and language development consultation, and/or professional development services in the contract community childcare centers from September 2023 through June 2024.

- w. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education approves Edvocate, Inc., to provide food service monitoring for the 2023-2024 SY, at a cost not to exceed \$43,992.
- x. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the partnership with Princeton University on behalf of its Program in Teacher Preparation for the 2023-2025 school years, at no cost to the district.
- y. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves First Class Moving Systems to provide moving services for the district, at a cost not to exceed \$22,070.00.
- z. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the School Business Administrator to transfer \$8,000,000 (Eight Million Dollars) into the general fund capital outlay accounts to fund the High School Gym and field improvement projects.
- aa. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education approves EmPoWER Somerset to provide three (3) New Brunswick Public School staff members to be trained as Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) instructors, at no cost to the district.
- ab. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education accepts the training provided by the EmPoWER Somerset, Youth Mental Health First Aid Program (YMHFA) to one hundred (100) participants, at no cost to the district.
- ac. Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education does hereby authorize DMR Architects, to submit the LRFP and necessary schematic drawings, and schematic application, for the New Toilet Rooms at Lincoln Elementary project to the New Jersey Department of Education, Bureau of Facility Planning for review and approval.
- ad. Revised Resolution The New Brunswick Board of Education approves
 Professional Development via Workshops and Online Content-Focused Coaching
 for Improved Text Discussions from the University of Pittsburgh.

14. Finance Committee Report - Mrs. Diana Solis, Chairperson

Approval of May 16, 2023, Finance Report

15. Resolution for Closed Session

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting Act, *N.J.S.A.* 10:4-6 provides that certain matters of a public body may be discussed in closed session; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education intends to discuss matters as follows:

- 1. Personnel Matters
- 2. Matters of Attorney/Client Privilege

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in closed session by this Board of Education and administrative staff, and the minutes of said closed session discussion will be made available to the public when the reasons for the non-disclosure in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act no longer exist.

RESUME PUBLIC SESSION

16. Personnel Committee Report – Mr. Benito Ortiz, Chairperson Resolution – The New Brunswick Board of Education approves the May 16, 2023, Personnel Report.

17. Adjournment

CLOSED SESSION

- a. Board Attorney Report
- b. Personnel Report

To Approve the Adult Learning Center for the purchase of Burlington English Licenses for SY 2023-2024

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education approves the purchase of one hundred (100) Burlington English Licenses, for the 2023-2024 school year at a cost not to exceed \$9,600.00.

Ms. Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested By: Timothy Timberlake, Principal - Adult Learning Center

TO APPROVE THE THREE YEAR MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN NEW BRUNSWICK PUBLIC SCHOOLS C.A.R.E.S. PROGRAM AND
NEW JERSEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOUNDATION JOBS FOR AMERICA'S
GRADUATES NEW JERSEY (JAG NJ)

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education is committed to providing comprehensive and enriching educational opportunities for all students; and,

WHEREAS, the Jobs for America's Graduates New Jersey Program will help at-risk young people graduate from High School and make a successful transition to post-secondary education and meaningful employment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the Memorandum of Understanding between NBPS and the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce Foundation to continue the Jobs for America's Graduates New Jersey (JAG NJ) Program from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026.

Ms. Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone
Business Administrator/ Board Secretary

To Approve the Disposal of Unusable Textbooks at Bilingual Office

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education intends to dispose of outdated and unusable textbooks and materials, a list of which is <u>attached hereto</u>; and,

WHEREAS, the District is required to list these textbooks on the New Jersey Textbook Sharing site as per NJ-DOE procedures for 120 days, after which they may be disposed of by the Department Supervisor.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby authorizes the (subject) Supervisor to list the afore-listed textbooks and materials on the DOE's Textbook Sharing Website, and at the end of the required 120-day period, to inform the Business Administrator, and then to discard said books and materials.

Ms. Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested By: Dr. Andrea S. Fonteñez, Director of Bilingual and ESL Education

TO ADD A NEW LOCATION(S) TO THE NBPS LIST OF APPROVED FIELD TRIP DESTINATIONS

WHEREAS, educational research draws a strong connection between a child's experiential knowledge base, which may be enhanced through field trips, and the child's ability to draw upon these connectors to strengthen and increase his/her academic achievement; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has established a list of all approved field trip destinations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the addition of the location(s) listed below to the District's List of Approved Field Trip Destinations.

New Brunswick Performing Arts Center (NBPAC)
11 Livingston Avenue
New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Ms. Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested by: Virginia L. Hill, Assistant Superintendent of C&I (djg)

To Approve the Adoption of New Digital Textbooks for High School Culinary CTE

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education has a need to add a new digital textbook to be utilized with the current Culinary CTE curriculum; and,

WHEREAS, the textbook listed below has been reviewed and is recommended for adoption:

| Prostart Foundations I (Digital Version)
| Prostart Foundations II (Digital Version)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby adopts the above captioned digital textbook for use with the current Culinary curriculum.

| Ms. Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard Jannarone

Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested by: Carla Segarra, Director of Digital Learning and Innovation

To Approve Professional Development Workshop for Project Based Learning from PBLWorks – Buck Institute for Education for the SY 2022-2023

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education is committed to providing the highest quality professional development in order to improve the content knowledge and pedagogical capacity of our instructional personnel; and,

WHEREAS, the professional development services to be provided by PBLWorks – Buck Institute for Education is designed to create knowledge and understanding of Project Based Learning PBL.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Brunswick Board of Education approves the contract for professional services from PBLWorks – Buck Institute for Education to prepare and present 3 day workshop for the SY 2022-2023, at a cost to not exceed \$14,300.00.

Ms. Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator / Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested by: Carla Segarra, Director of Digital Learning & Innovation

TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF INSTRUMENTS FROM NEW BRUNSWICK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education is committed to providing a comprehensive education for students; and,

WHEREAS, it has been recommended to the New Brunswick Board of Education to approve the disposal of the following instruments that have been deemed beyond economical repair.

New Brunswick Middle School
New Brunswick Middle School
New Brunswick High School
New Brunswick High School
New Brunswick High School
New Brunswick High School
New Brunswick High School
New Brunswick High School
New Brunswick High School
New Brunswick High School
Paul Robeson Community School for the Arts
Paul Robeson Community School for the Arts
Paul Robeson Community School for the Arts
Paul Robeson Community School for the Arts
Paul Robeson Community School for the Arts
Paul Robeson Community School for the Arts
New Brunswick High School

Kay Cello	Livingston Elementary School
Otto Cello	Livingston Elementary School
Otto Violin	Livingston Elementary School
Engelhardt Cello	Lord Stirling Elementary School
Schartel Cello	Lord Stirling Elementary School

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves of the safe removal and disposal of the aforementioned cellos.

Ms. Jennifer Sevilla
Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested by: Darla Diaz, Supervisor of Fine, Visual, and Performing Arts

To Approve a Donation from Progressive Insurance Foundation for Students at Woodrow Wilson School

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education is committed to building partnerships with local businesses and service organizations; and,

WHEREAS, Progressive Insurance Foundation will donate a total of \$250.00 to benefit the students of Woodrow Wilson School.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Brunswick Board of Education authorizes acceptance of this donation of \$250.00 to Woodrow Wilson School.

Ms. Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested By: Michael Chiodo, Principal of Woodrow Wilson School

To Approve the New Brunswick Public Schools Revised Safe Return Plan for SY 2022-2023

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the revised Safe Return Plan for the school year 2022 - 2023 and approves the Superintendent of Schools to move forward with continued development, finalization, and implementation.

Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

TO APPROVE THE TALKINGPOINTS SERVICE CONTRACT FOR SY 2023 - 2024

WHEREAS, The New Brunswick Board of Education will utilize the TalkingPoints, a multilingual family engagement platform for our schools to communicate with all families; and,

WHEREAS, the purchase will cover the implementation and licensing of the TalkingPoints software program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED The New Brunswick Board of Education approves the purchase of TalkingPoints for SY 2023 - 2024 at a cost not to exceed \$37,236.00.

Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

To Approve the Finalsite (Active Internet Technologies, LLC) Service Contract for the 2023-2024 SY

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education will utilize Finalsite, for website management and services; and,

WHEREAS, the service contract will cover Mass Notifications, Mobile Communication Application, Social Media Integration, Google Calendar, district semi-custom responsive websites, website hosting, and essential support.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education approves the service contract with Finalsite (Active Internet Technologies, LLC), for the 2023-2024 SY at a cost not to exceed \$42,528.00.

Jennifer Sevilla

Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

APPROVAL OF NEW BRUNSWICK PUBLIC SCHOOLS GRADE CONFIGURATIONS FOR THE 2023 - 2024 SCHOOL YEAR

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education approves the grade configurations for all New Brunswick Public Schools for the 2023-2024 School Year

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby affirms the accuracy and approves the New Brunswick Public Schools grade configurations for the 2023 - 2024 School Year.

School	Grade Levels
A.C. Redshaw Elementary School	Pre-K - 5
Lincoln Elementary School	K - 5
Blanquita B. Valenti Community School	K - 8
Livingston Elementary School	K - 5
Lord Stirling Community School	Pre-K - 5
McKinley Community School	Pre-K - 8
McKinley Kindergarten Center	Pre-K
Pathways Middle School	6
Paul Robeson Community School for the Arts	Pre-K - 8
Roosevelt Elementary School	K - 5
Woodrow Wilson Elementary School	Pre-K - 8
New Brunswick Middle School	6 - 8
New Brunswick High School	9 - P6
NB Health Sciences Technology High School	9 - P6
NB P-TECH	9 - P6
Adult Learning Center	9 - A2

Jennifer Sevilla		
Board President		

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

To Approve K12 Insight, LLC for the Purchase of Let's Talk Subscription for the 2023-2024 SY

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the NewBrunswick Board of Education approves the purchase of Let's Talk Subscription from K12 Insight, LLC for the 2023-2024 school year at a cost not to exceed \$12,100.00.

Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Adopted: May 16, 2023

Requested By: Dorenia Villalona, Assistant Business Administrator of Operations

To Approve Sprout Social, Inc. for the Purchase of Sprout Social Subscription for the 2023-2024 SY

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education approves the purchase of Sprout Social Subscription from Sprout Social, Inc. for the 2023-2024 school year at a cost not to exceed \$18,440.94.

Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Adopted: May 16, 2023

Requested By: Dorenia Villalona, Assistant Business Administrator of Operations

Authorization to approve the School Nursing Service Plan 2022-2023 School Year

WHEREAS, that the New Brunswick Board of Education approves the 2022-2023 Nursing Services Plan which addresses professional nursing services provided in all schools pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.1(b).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Brunswick Board of Education authorizes the approval of the School Nursing Plan for the 2022-2023 school year.

Jennifer Sevilla
Board President

Mr. Richard Jannarone,
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested by: Marilyn Crawford, Health Services Head Nurse

To Accept the Grant from St. Peter's Healthcare System-Project Respect Education's Protective Factors Program

WHEREAS, The New Brunswick Board of Education has a long partnership with St. Peter's Hospital in providing their Project Respect-Ed education program to students in grades 6,7, and 8; and

WHEREAS, The New Brunswick Board of Education received a grant in the amount of \$6,000.00 to support the Project Respect Education's Protective Factors Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby accepts the grant from St. Peter's Healthcare System to support the Protective Factors program.

Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

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To Approve Memorandum of Understanding with New Brunswick Board of Education and Saint Peter's Healthcare System

WHEREAS, The New Brunswick Board of Education has a long partnership with St. Peter's Hospital in providing their Project Respect-Ed education program to students in grades 6,7, and 8; and

WHEREAS, the Project Respect Ed curriculum will be presented during Health classes for the time period of July 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the Memorandum of Understanding between the New Brunswick Board of Education and St. Peter's Healthcare System under which the Project Respect Ed will be administered for the 2023-2024 SY, at a cost not to exceed \$136,500.

Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

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To Appoint Engineering Services For the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 School Year

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education has determined that Professional Engineering Services are required in the New Brunswick Schools; and

WHEREAS, contracts may be awarded without competitive bidding as a Professional Service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5a(1).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the City of New Brunswick, County of Middlesex that:

- 1. A contract be awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional service" under the provisions of the Public School Contracts Law, and
- 2. That the proper officers of the Board are authorized to execute an agreement for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years with:

Atlantic Engineering Laboratories 21 Randolph Avenue Avenel, NJ 07001

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To Approve Out of District Tuition Contracts

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the following listing of Out of District Tuition Contracts for the 2022/2023 School Year

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Name of School	NJ STATE #	Special Ed Classification:	ESY 2022	Tuition Sept to June 22/23	0/т	P/T	Speech	Transportatio n Cost	1:1 Aide	TOTAL
East Windsor Regional School	1159690018	GE	8 8	\$19,919.00						\$19,919.00
Green Brook Academy	3346358629	ED		\$16,294.95						\$16,294.95
New Jersey Department of Education	7733021102	ТВІ		\$51,792.00		12		,		\$51,792.00
New Road School of Parlin	1083772678	AUT							\$28,350.00	\$28,350.00
North Brunswick Public Schools	7812031358	GE	17	\$18,556.00				*		\$18,556.00
North Brunswick Public Schools	3639741292	GE	1	\$18,556.00	41	e .a				\$18,556.00
NuView Academy	5253291919	ОНІ			\$1,572.00					\$1,572.00

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TOTAL \$155,039.95

Ms. Jennifer Sevilla, Board President

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023 res_outofdistrict_tuition for 22/23SY Requested by Dr. Iris Forde, PPS / a.cook

Mr. Richard Jannarone,
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

AUTHORIZING PURCHASING THROUGH COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENTS

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education, may, without advertising for bids, award contracts for the purchase of any goods and services that were procured through cooperative purchasing agreements; and

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education authorized participation in the following Cooperative Purchasing Programs:

- Educational Data Service Cooperative Programs
- Educational Services Commission of New Jersey
- Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission
- Monmouth County Cooperative Program
- Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission
- National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance
- OMNIA Partners
- PEPPM Cooperative Purchasing
- Somerset County Educational Services Commission
- Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing these; and

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods and services through Cooperative Purchasing pursuant to all conditions of the individual contracts for the 2023-2024 School Year.

Jennifer Sevilla
Board President

Richard D. Jannarone
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

To Approve a partnership with Educere, LLC. for SY 2023-2024

WHEREAS, Educere delivers innovative customizable technology-based education solutions & opportunities to students in K-12 schools.

WHEREAS, this continued partnership would allow for equitable opportunities for students to access individualized educational opportunities as needed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the partnership with Educere, LLC for 2023-2024 School Year, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.

Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested by: Dr. Iris Forde, Asst. Superintendent for PPS/a. cook

To Approve Professional Services Contract for Speech and Language Development Consultation for the Office of Early Childhood Education during the 2023-2024 School Year

WHEREAS, the District's Early Childhood Program has a need to provide speech and language development support to the contracted community childcare centers; and

WHEREAS, per P.L. 2005, c.271, the potential vendors provided their qualifications and proposal to perform the required duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby awards a contract for professional services to **Ms. Tamar Nussbaum** in the amount not to exceed \$84,150 / \$85.00 per/hour to provide speech and language development consultation, and/or professional development services in the contract community childcare centers from September 2023 through June 2024.

Ms. Jennifer Sevilla

Board President

Mr. Richard D. JannaroneBusiness Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested By: Melissa A. Parisi, Director of Early Childhood Education

TO APPROVE EDVOCATE, INC. TO PROVIDE FOOD SERVICE MONITORING FOR THE 2023-2024 SY

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education is committed to providing the highest quality food nutrition program to serve the children of the New Brunswick Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Edvocate, Inc. has submitted a proposal to provide ongoing monitoring and evaluation of the food services program.

WHEREAS, the contract is being awarded without advertising utilizing a "non-fair and open competitive contracting".

WHEREAS, Edvocate, Inc. has demonstrated all the required qualifications and information necessary to satisfy the New Jersey professional services requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education approves Edvocate, Inc. to provide food service monitoring for the 2023-2024 SY, at a cost not to exceed \$43,992.

Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

To Approve the Affiliation Agreement with Princeton University's Program in Teacher Preparation and New Brunswick Public Schools for SYs 2023-2025

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education is committed to building partnerships with local businesses and service organizations; and,

WHEREAS, Princeton University's Program in Teacher Preparation has meaningful services that benefits the growth of district students, district teachers, district administrators and teacher prep students; and,

WHEREAS, New Brunswick Public Schools and Princeton University's Program in Teacher Preparation desire to partner for the purpose of providing training for Princeton University students enrolled in the program to become licensed teachers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the partnership with Princeton University on behalf of its Program in Teacher Preparation for SYs 2023-2025 at no cost to the district.

Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested by: Zuleima I. Perez, Director of Human Resources

TO APPROVE FIRST CLASS MOVING SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education has the need for a moving company to move the Lincoln Annex School (40 Van Dyke Ave) to the Blanquita B Valenti School (50) Jersey Ave), New Brunswick, NJ, and

WHEREAS, the district received the following three (3) quotes:

•	First Class Moving Systems	\$22,070.00
•	Brantley Brothers	\$24,528.00
•	The Liberty Group	\$41,260.00

WHEREAS, First Class Moving Systems provided the lowest quote.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves First Class Moving Systems to provide moving services, at a cost not to exceed \$22,070.00.

Jennifer Sevilla
Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

To Approve Transfer of funds from Capital reserve Accounts into Capital Outlay Accounts to fund High School Gym and Field Projects

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 authorizes a Board of Education to transfer anticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by Board resolution;

WHEREAS; The New Brunswick Board of Education has deposited funds into such accounts in prior years:

WHEREAS; New Brunswick Board of Education has determined to transfer \$8,000,000 (Eight Million Dollars) from the capital reserve account into the general fund capital outlay accounts to fund the pre construction and construction activities of the New High School Gym and Field improvement projects;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the School Business Administrator to transfer \$8,000,000 (Eight Million Dollars) into the general fund capital outlay accounts to fund the High School Gym and field improvement projects.

Jennifer Sevilla, Board President

Richard D. Jannarone, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

To Accept Mental Health Awareness Training Grant from EmPoWER Somerset
Youth Mental Health First Aid Training Program

WHEREAS, EmPoWER Somerset will cover the training registration fees for up to three (3) New Brunswick Public Schools staff members to be trained as Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) instructors.

WHEREAS, EmPoWER Somerset is funded to support these efforts through September 29, 2026 and funding is contingent upon continued funding from SAMHSA.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, that the New Brunswick Board of Education accepts the Mental Health Awareness Training Grant provided by EmPoWER Somerset, Youth Mental Health First Aide and to abide by the EmPoWER Somerset Terms of Service.

Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Richard Jannarone, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested by: Dr. Iris Forde, Assistant Superintendent of PPS/ac

To Accept Grant from EmPoWER Somerset-Youth Mental Health First Aid Program (YMHFA)

WHEREAS, EmPoWER Somerset Youth Mental Health First Aid program is to provide training for up to one hundred (100) individuals in YMHFA to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among children and adolescents.

WHEREAS, EmPoWER Somerset is funded to support these efforts through September 29, 2026 and funding is contingent upon continued funding from SAMHSA.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, that the New Brunswick Board of Education accepts the training provided by the EmPoWER Somerset, Youth Mental Health First Aide program.

Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Richard Jannarone, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADOPTED: May 16, 2023

Requested by: Dr. Iris Forde, Assistant Superintendent of PPS/ac

TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF NEW TOILET ROOMS AT LINCOLN ELEMENTARY TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education is planning to provide new single occupancy toilets in current storage rooms in Classrooms 105, 106 and 107; and

WHEREAS, this project requires the preparation of schematic drawings, and schematic submission to the State of New Jersey Department of Education for the purpose of review and approval as an "Other Capital Project" which is not seeking state funding.

WHEREAS, this project requires the amendment of the Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP Minor Amendment).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the New Brunswick Board of Education does hereby authorize DMR Architects, 777 Terrace Ave., Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604 to submit the LRFP and necessary schematic drawings, and schematic application, for the above project to the New Jersey Department of Education, Bureau of Facility Planning for review and approval.

Ms. Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Mr. Richard D. Jannarone Business Administrator/Board Secretary

REVISED RESOLUTION

To Approve Professional Development via Workshops and Online Content-Focused Coaching for Improved Text Discussions from the University of Pittsburgh

WHEREAS, the New Brunswick Board of Education is dedicated to providing staff with professional development opportunities to learn scientifically researched teaching practices

WHEREAS, the University of Pittsburgh is conducting an Independent Research Project on the effects of an innovative remote literacy-coaching program - Online Content-Focused Coaching - on reading comprehension instruction and students' reading achievement.

WHEREAS, the teachers who participate in the Online Content-Focused Coaching for Improved Text Discussions will receive books and other learning materials, class sets of a children's novel, IPad for videoing their instruction, and \$1500 from the University of Pittsburgh.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The New Brunswick Board of Education hereby approves the Independent Research Project from the University of Pittsburgh.

Ms. Jennifer Sevilla Board President

Richard D. Jannarone, Business Administrator/Board Secretary