On behalf of the Finance, Facilities and Transportation Committee, I hereby move the following resolution 1

## 1. <u>RESOLUTION REJECTING BIDS FOR FIELD HOUSE PROJECT</u>

**WHEREAS**, the Randolph Board of Education recently advertised for bids from interested contractors for the construction of the High School Field House ("the Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, nine (9) bids were received in response to the request for bids, which were publicly opened and read aloud in the District Business Office on March 26, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:18A-22 and 18A:18A-36, the Board of Education must either award or reject all bids within sixty (60) days of the opening of the bids, subject to certain exceptions; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:18A-22(a), a Board of Education may reject all bids for a given project when the lowest bid substantially exceeds the Board's cost estimates for the project and/or the Board wishes to revise the project specifications, among other reasons; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has determined that the bids received from the interested contractors are far in excess of the Board's initial and revised cost estimates for the Project;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby rejects all bids received for the Project because the amounts bid on the Project substantially exceed the Board's cost estimates for same and directs the Administration and Architect to return the bid bonds of all prospective bidders; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the immediate rebid of the Project in order to solicit lower priced proposals in accordance with the Board's initial and revised cost estimates for same.