

Morris Plains Board of Education

Public Meeting July 19, 2011

Meeting will be held in the Borough School Learning Center

7:30 Public Meeting begins

I Call to Order and Reference to the Sunshine Law

In accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975), I wish to announce that: The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Morris Plains School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Board Administrative Offices, sent to the Clerk of the Borough of Morris Plains, the Morris Plains Library, the Daily Record, the Star Ledger, and the Morris News Bee.

II Pledge of Allegiance

III Roll Call

<input type="checkbox"/> Alan Albin	<input type="checkbox"/> Scott Bober	<input type="checkbox"/> Lee Connor	<input type="checkbox"/> Cynthia Fetherston	<input type="checkbox"/> Terri Kaag
<input type="checkbox"/> Maria Manley	<input type="checkbox"/> Wayne Marek	<input type="checkbox"/> Douglas McCabe	<input type="checkbox"/> Denise Rawding	Quorum? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no

Alice Bresett Dennis Mack Number of Public

IV Executive Session

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, BE IT RESOLVED by the board of education to recess this public meeting and enter into closed session, where the public will be excluded, for the purpose of discussing personnel items which come within the provisions of NJSA 10:4-12, Chap. 231 of P.L. 1975. The matters discussed in closed session will be disclosed to the public when circumstances permit.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

V Return to Regular Session from Closed Session (if necessary)

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VI Superintendent's Report – Mr. Dennis Mack

VII Hearing of Citizens and/or Delegations

Public comment is welcome. Time limit for topics is three minutes. Letters or memos are helpful. Please state your name and address for the record.

VIII Board Committee Status Reports

- Finance
- Buildings and Grounds
- Curriculum and Instruction
- Legislative
- Educational Services Commission of Morris County (ESC)
- Morris School District
- Personnel
- Policy Updates
- Liaison Committee
- Shared Services

IX Approval of the Board of Education Minutes

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board of Education approves the following Minutes:

- June 21, 2011 – Executive Session
- June 21, 2011 – Public Meeting

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

X Business Items Prepared for Official Action on July 19, 2011:

A. Personnel (upon the recommendation of the Superintendent)

B. Finance/Buildings & Grounds/Purchasing/Contracts

1. Approve of Line Item Transfers

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves line item transfers dated July 19, 2011 in the amount of \$67,611.03.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

2. Approve of Bills and Claims Report

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the attached bills and claims report dated June 27, 2011 in the amount of \$1,902,214.42.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

3. Approve Board Secretary and Treasurer’s Report For The Period Ending June 30, 2011

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____ Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the Certification from the Board Secretary that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAS 18A:17-9, further that District Board of Education, after review of the Board Secretary’s and Treasurer’s monthly financial reports upon consultation with the appropriate district personnel, certifies that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of NJAS 18A:17-36, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District Board of Education’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year and that therefore it is recommended that the Secretary’s and Treasurer’s Reports for the period ending June 30, 2011 to be approved.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

4. Approval of 2011-2012 Joint Transportation Agreement - ESC

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the 2011-2012 Joint Transportation Agreement between the Morris Plains Board of Education and Educational Services Commission of Morris County.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

5. Approval to Dispose Out-Dated Textbooks

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the disposal of the following out-dated textbook which was replaced six years ago with the current textbook (7th and 8th grade social studies):

Title: *American Adventures – People Making History*
Publisher: Scholastic
Published Year: 1991
No. to be Discarded: 53

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

C. Special Education

1. Approval Out of District Placements – 2011-2012 School Year

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves out of district placements, effective September, 2011 through June, 2012 as per the attached list.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

2. Approval of Neurological Evaluation

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a neurological evaluation for student 001048, effective June, 2011 at a total cost of \$635.00. Services will be provided by Dr. Marilyn Ruiz, 145 Washington Street, Morristown, NJ 07960.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

3. Approval of Clinical Psychological Evaluation

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a clinical psychological evaluation for student 000319, effective June, 2011 at a total cost of \$1,000.00. Services will be provided by Dr. Steven Tobias, Center for Child and Family Development, 145 Washington Street, Morristown, NJ 07960.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

4. Approval of One on One Instruction with Reading Specialist

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves one on one instruction with a Reading Specialist for student 000092 effective July, 2011 at the Mountain Way School, at a total cost not to exceed \$608.00 (\$38.00/hour not to exceed 16 hours.) Services to be provided by Mrs. Kim Scheffler.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

5. Out of District 2011 Extended School Year Program

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a 2011 extended school year program for student 000174 effective July 5, 2011 – July 28, 2011 at the Banyon School, 12 Hollywood Avenue, Fairfield, NJ 07004, at a total program cost of \$3,210.00. Transportation to be bid by Educational Services Commission.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

6. Out of District 2011 Extended School Year Program

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a 2011 extended year program for student 000643 effective July 5, 2011 - July 28, 2011 at the The Craig School, 10 Tower Hill Road, Mountain Lakes, NJ 07046 at a total program cost of \$1,425.00. Transportation to be bid by Educational Services Commission.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

D. Out of District Placement

1. Out of District Placement – February 15, 2011 – June 17, 2011

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a 2010-2011 out of district placement (February 15, 2011 – June 17, 2011) for a Morris Plains high school student at Red Bank Regional High School, 101 Ridge Road, Little Silver, NJ 07739 at a program cost of \$7,650.00.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

E. Donation

1. Approval to Accept Donation for Supplies at the Mountain Way School

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board accepts a donation from the Carlson Family (June 23, 2011) in the amount of \$500.00 for the purchase of school supplies for the Mountain Way School.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

F. Workshops/Seminars/Conferences

1. Professional Development

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the attached list of requests for professional development and corresponding costs.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ CG ___ RL ___ MM ___ WM ___ DR ___

G. Policy

1. Policy 9111 – Bylaws – Qualifications of BOE Members – First Reading

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves, on first reading, Policy 9111, Bylaws – Qualifications of Board of Education Members

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ CG ___ RL ___ MM ___ WM ___ DR ___

H. Reimbursements

1. Reimbursement of Board Members for Cost of Criminal History Background Check

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board adopts the following resolution pertaining to the reimbursement of Board of Education Members for Cost of Criminal Background Check as follows:

RESOLUTION

MORRIS PLAINS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Reimbursement of Board Members for Cost of Criminal History Background Check

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 444, signed into law on May 26, 2011, disqualifies members of boards of education or members of charter school boards of trustees from serving in office if they have been convicted of certain crimes; and

WHEREAS, The statute also requires members to undergo criminal history background checks and to pay the cost of such investigations; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 444 permits local boards of education to reimburse individual members for the cost of criminal history background investigations; and

WHEREAS, State law (N.J.S.A. 18A:12-4) prohibits the compensation of local board of education members; and

WHEREAS, Members of the Morris Plains Board of Education devote significant time and substantial effort to the governance of the district’s public schools; and

WHEREAS, The Morris Plains Board of Education believes that individual school board members, who are uncompensated, should be reimbursed for the cost the criminal history background investigations, which are necessary to continue serving in office. So, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Morris Plains Board of Education authorizes reimbursement of individual members for the cost of the criminal history background investigations required by Assembly Bill 444; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Morris Plains Board of Education through its policy adoption process will add the following language to its Bylaws at File Code 9111, “Qualifications and Requirements of Board Members,” Clause I:

- I. He/she has not been disqualified due to the conviction of a crime or offense listed in N.J.S.A. 18A:12-1. In order to fulfill this requirement:
 - 1. Each member of the board of education, within 30 days of the election or appointment to the board shall undergo a criminal history background check investigation for the purpose of ensuring that the member is not disqualified for membership due to a conviction of a crime or offense pursuant to the statute listed above; and
 - 2. The board shall reimburse the member for the cost of the criminal history record check, including all costs for administering and processing the check. And be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of Bylaws File Code 9111 as proposed for amendment be attached to this resolution.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ CG ___ RL ___ MM ___ WM ___ DR ___

XI Discussion Items:

- A. New Business**
--State Aid Update
- B. Old Business**

XII Correspondence

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XV Adjournment

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, BE IT RESOLVED that the Morris Plains Board of Education moves to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___