

**Morris Plains Board of Education  
Public Meeting – September 13, 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       Ernest Palestis       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 summer employees, and 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)**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education to return to the regular session of the Board of Education meeting from the closed session.

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

**VI 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.

**VII Superintendent's Report – Dr. Ernest Palestis**

**VIII Approval of the Board of Education Minutes**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board of Education approves the following minutes:

- August 23, 2011 – Public
- August 23, 2011 – Executive Session

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

**IX Business Items Prepared for Official Action on September 13, 2011:**

**A. Personnel (upon the recommendation of the Superintendent)**

**B. Finance/Buildings & Grounds/Purchasing/Contracts**

**1. Approval of Line Item Transfers**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves line item transfers dated September 13, 2011 in the amount of \$89,335.

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

**2. Approval of Bills and Claims Report**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the attached bills and claims report dated September 12, 2011 in the amount of \$226,423.85

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

**3. Approve Board Secretary and Treasurer’s Reports For The Periods Ending July 31, 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 July 31, 2011 to be approved.

**4. Approval of Tuition Rates (Students received from other LEA’s) – 2011-2012**

Motion by \_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_ the board approves the following tuitions rates for students received from other LEAs:

Preschool/Kindergarten	\$11,906
Grades 1 – 5	\$12,422
Grades 6 – 8	\$14,087

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

**5. Approval of Tuition Contract with Newark Public Schools**

Motion by \_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_ the board approves a tuition contract with Newark Public School District that permits a 6<sup>th</sup> grade student to attend Borough School at a cost of \$14,087 pro-rated for the period September 8, 2011 – June 30, 2012 (\$77.40/day).

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

**B. Grants – 2011-2012 IDEA Consolidated**

**1. Approval to Submit and Accept Funds**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the submission of the 2011-2012 IDEA Consolidated Grant Application and accepts funds in the amounts as follows:

Basic	\$169,661
Preschool	6,230

Funds will be used for out of district tuition (Basic) and professional consultants (Preschool).

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

**C. Special Education**

**1. Approval of Clinical Psychological Evaluation**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves a clinical psychological evaluation for student 000937, effective June 29, 2011 at a cost of \$625.00. Services to 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 \_\_\_

**2. Approval of Tutor**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves a tutor for student 000070, effective July, 2011 – August, 2011 at the student’s home at a total cost of \$1,320. Services to be provided by Mary Ann Sharkey.

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

**3. Approval of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Consultant Services**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Consultant Services for student 000995, at the student’s home and at The Richard Blake Center, Horsehill Road, Cedar Knolls, effective September 6, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at a total cost of \$87,625.00. Services to be provided by The Center for Growth and Development, 384 Danbury Road, Wilton, CT 06897.

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

**4. Approval of Out of District Placement – Park Lake School**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves an out of district high school placement for student 000634, effective September, 2011 through June, 2012, at the Park Lake School, 72 Academy Street, Rockaway, NJ 07886 at a total tuition cost of \$56,200. Transportation to be bid through Educational Services Commission.

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

**5. Approval of Out of District Placement – Park Lake School**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves an out of district high school placement for student 000635, effective September, 2011 through June, 2012, at the Park Lake School, 72 Academy Street, Rockaway, NJ 07886 at a total tuition cost of \$56,200. Transportation to be bid through Educational Services Commission.

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

**6. Approval of Out of District Placement – Park Lake School**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves an out of district high school placement for student 000636, effective September, 2011 through June, 2012, at the Park Lake School, 72 Academy Street, Rockaway, NJ 07886 at a total tuition cost of \$56,200. Transportation to be bid through Educational Services Commission.

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

**D. Workshops/Seminars/Conferences**

**1. Approval of 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 \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ WM \_\_\_ DMc \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**E. Policies**

**1. Approval of Policies for First Reading**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves, on first reading, the following policies:

- 2240 Research, Evaluation, and Planning
- 2255 Action Planning for State Monitoring NJQSAC
- 3000/3010 Concepts and Roles in Business and Noninstructional Operations
- 3100 Budget Planning, Preparation and Adoption
- 3220/3230 State and Federal Funds
- 3326 Payment for Goods and Services
- 3327 Relations with Vendors
- 3451 Petty Cash Funds
- 3510 Operation and Maintenance of Plant
- 3516 Safety
- 3600 Evaluation of Business and Noninstructional Operations
- 4111/4211 Recruitment, Selection and Hiring
- 4112.2 Certification
- 4112.8/4212.8 Nepotism
- 4121 Substitute Teachers
- 5113 Attendance, Absences and Excuses
- 5118 Nonresidents
- 5131.6 Drugs, Alcohol, Steroids, Tobacco (Substance Abuse)
- 5141 Health
- 5145.4 Equal Educational Opportunity
- 5145.12 Search and Seizure
- 6010 Goals and Objectives
- 6114 Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness
- 6121 Nondiscrimination/Affirmative Action
- 6142.2 ESL/Bilingual Education
- 6142.4 Physical Education
- 6142.12 Career and Technical Education
- 6142.13 HIV Prevention Education
- 6145.1/6145.2 Intramural Competition/Interscholastic Competition
- 6164.1 Intervention and Referral Services for General Education Students
- 6171.4 Special Education
- 6178 Early Childhood Education/Preschool
- 9322 Public and Executive Session

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

**F. Job Descriptions**

**1. Approval of Job Descriptions**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the following job descriptions:

- 1. District Anti-Bullying Coordinator
- 2. School Anti-Bullying Specialist
- 3. Principal (Revised)

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

**G. Donations**

**1. Approval of Donation from Morris Habitat for Humanity**

Motion by \_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board accepts a donation from Morris Habitat for Humanity to the Mountain Way School in the amount of \$100.

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

**2. Approval of Donation from Target**

Motion by \_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, Board accepts a donation from Target to the Borough School in the amount of \$103.26.

Donations will be deposited in the Student Activity fund for each school.

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

**X Discussion Items:**

**A. New Business**

**B. Old Business**

**--Rescheduling of the October 25, 2011 Board of Education Meeting**

**XI Executive Session (if necessary)**

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**XIV 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 \_\_\_