

**Morris Plains Board of Education**  
**Public Meeting Minutes – August 9, 2011**  
**Borough School Learning Center**

**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), Mrs. Lee Connor, Board President, opened the meeting at 6:30 pm and read the following: 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**

Present: Mr. Alan Albain, Mr. Scott Bober, Mrs. Lee Connor, Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston, Mrs. Terri Kaag, Mr. Wayne Marek, Mr. Douglas McCabe and Ms. Denise Rawding  
Absent: Mrs. Maria Manley  
Also present: Mr. Dennis Mack and Mrs. Alice Bresett

**IV Executive Session**

On the motion of Cynthia Fetherston, seconded by Scott Bober, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education to recess this public meeting and enter into closed session at 6:35 p.m., where the public will be excluded, for the purpose of discussing personnel agenda items, student matters and negotiations, 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.

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

On the motion of Terri Kaag seconded by Doug McCabe, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education to return to the regular session of the Board of Education meeting from the closed session at 7:15 p.m.

**VI Hearing of Citizens and/or Delegations -**

Maggie Slawinski – asking for permission to do 8<sup>th</sup> grade fundraiser, Spaghetti Dinner, at Community Center. Mrs. Slawinski was advised to put her request in writing to Dr. Palestis since Mr. Mack’s last day will be Friday, August 12. Dr. Palestis will be starting on August 17.

Kathy Sashkin - Patch Reporter – Patch.com is starting a new news series called “One-to-One”. She wanted to know who she should speak to regarding this new series. Mrs. Connor responded that she should talk to Dr. Palestis.

Chris Gardner – 8 Crestview Court West, Morris Plains - Mr. Gardner wanted to say “Thank you - Dennis Mack.”

**VII Superintendent's Report – Mr. Dennis Mack** – Mr. Mack reported that the ceiling tiles in the Library are being changed since the roof repairs have been completed. The district is adding 250 computers (90 lap top and 160 desk top) at a cost of \$300, 000. Dyntek is handling the wiring and E-BryIt will be helping with the installation of the Dell computers. We are looking to use No Child Left Behind funds for a staff development program focusing on technology. Mr. Mack complimented Mr. Kelvin Grimsley for his countless hours working to convert and upgrade our technology infrastructure. Mr. Mack also complimented Mr. Kenneth Woods and his custodial staff for doing a great job getting the classrooms ready ahead of schedule. He also thanked all of the Board members he has worked with for the last two years. Finally, Mr. Mack thanked Mrs. Alice Bresett, Mr. Sean Dolan and Ms. Lindsay Nahm. Mr. Mack expressed his appreciation to everyone for the opportunity to work in Morris Plains. Mr. Mack advised that we should be in good shape for opening of schools. We have gone from a four-star district to a five-star district.

Mrs. Connor, on behalf of the Board of Education, expressed appreciation to Mr. Mack. He has “turbo-charged” the district and many things were accomplished. In addition, she said that everything the Superintendent does sets the stage for the district. The district has never looked better and morale is good. Mrs. Connor asked for a motion for a short recess to have refreshments in honor of Mr. Mack. The motion was made by Mr. Scott Bober and seconded by Terry Kaag to recess for 15 minutes.

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

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston, the Board of Education approves the following minutes:

- July 19, 2011 – Public
- July 19, 2011 – Executive Session

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**IX Business Items Prepared for Official Action on August 9, 2011:**

**A. Personnel**

**1. Approval of Family Leave – Mrs. Naomi Pochettino**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board approves a request for Mrs. Naomi Pochettino, Special Education Teacher at the Borough School, for a Child Care Leave effective October 3, 2011 through February 10, 2012 (upon receipt of a doctor’s note) as follows:

- October 3, 2011 – October 21, 2011 – unused sick days (15) – paid leave
  - October 24, 2011 – November 18, 2011 – unused sick days (20) – paid leave
  - November 21, 2011 – February 10, 2012 (unpaid twelve weeks – New Jersey Family Leave Act).
- Dates above may be subject to change in health conditions. Mrs. Pochettino anticipates returning to teaching on Monday, February 13, 2012.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

## **2. Amendment of Previously Approved Request for Child Care Leave**

### **Mrs. Lindsay Nauheimer**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board approves a child care leave for Mrs. Lindsay Nauheimer, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade LAL Teacher at the Borough School effective September 1, 2011 through December 19, 2011. Mrs. Nauheimer is requesting a six (6) week **paid** disability leave following the delivery, September 1, 2011 through September 26, 2011 (**using her sick days**), while continuing to receive paid group health benefits. After the disability leave, Mrs. Nauheimer is also requesting that the Board also approves a 12 (twelve) week unpaid child care leave pursuant to the Family Leave Act, N.J.S.A. 34A:11B-1 et. seq., not to exceed twelve (12) weeks. Anticipated return date is December 19, 2011.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

## **3. Approval For a Child Care Leave Extension – Mrs. Beth Viegas**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board approves an extension of an unpaid child care leave for Mrs. Beth Viegas, First Grade Teacher at Mountain Way School, effective November 28, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

## **4. Appointment of First Grade Teacher – Family Leave – Mountain Way School September 1, 2011 – November 28, 2011**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board appoints Ms. Holly Musso (emergent hire) as First Grade Teacher at the Mountain Way School (Extended Family Leave Replacement for Mrs. Viegas) effective September 1, 2011 through November 28, 2011 at a per diem rate of \$261.99 (BA+30/MA Step 1 - \$52,398.00\* prorated). There are no benefits included with this replacement position.\*Pending negotiations settlement.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

## **5. Appointment of First Grade Teacher – Family Leave – Mountain Way School November 29, 2011 – June 30, 2012**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board appoints Ms. Holly Musso (emergent hire) as First Grade Teacher at the Mountain Way School (Extended Family Leave Replacement for Mrs. Viegas) effective November 29, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at a per diem rate of \$261.99 (BA+30/MA Step 1 - \$52,398.00\* prorated). There are no benefits included with this replacement position. Pending negotiations settlement.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**6. Appointment of 3rd Grade Teacher – Family Leave – Borough School**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board appoints Ms. Michelle Kelly as Third Grade Teacher at the Borough School (Family Leave Replacement for Mrs. Gallo) effective October 26, 2011 through March 9, 2012 at a per diem rate of \$261.99 (BA+30/MA Step 1 - \$52,398.00\* prorated). There are no benefits included with this replacement position.\*Pending negotiations settlement.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**7. Appointment of 7<sup>th</sup> Grade LAL Teacher – Borough School**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board appoints Ms. Nicole Riotto (emergent hire) as 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts Literacy Teacher at the Borough School (Replacement for Ms. Moschella), effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at an annual salary of \$52,398.00\* (BA+30/MA, Step 1).\*Pending negotiations settlement.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**8. Appointment of Special Education Teacher - Family Leave – Borough School**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board appoints Ms. Michelle Kelly as Special Education Teacher (Family Leave Replacement – Mrs. DeVincentis) effective September 1, 2011 through September 21, 2011 (thirteen days) at a per diem rate of \$261.99 (BA+30/MA Step 1 - \$52,398.00\* prorated). There are no benefits included with this replacement position.\*Pending negotiations settlement.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**9. Appointment of Special Education Teacher - Family Leave – Borough School**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board appoints Ms. Valerie Tonini (emergent hire) as Special Education Teacher (Family Leave Replacement – Mrs. Rolph) effective November 2, 2011 through March 28, 2012 at a per diem rate of \$247.16 (BA Step 1 - \$49,432\* prorated). There are no benefits included with this replacement position.\*Pending negotiations settlement.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**10. Appointment of Kindergarten Teacher - Family Leave – Mt. Way School**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board appoints Ms. Shannon Prisco (emergent hire) as Kindergarten Teacher at Mountain way School (Family Leave Replacement – Mrs. Lemmey) effective September 1, 2011 through December 22, 2011 at

a per diem rate of \$247.16 (BA Step 1 - \$49,432\* prorated). There are no benefits included with this replacement position. \*Pending negotiations settlement.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**11. Approval of Two (2) LAL Curriculum Writers**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board approves Larissa Wilczak and Stephanie Lemmey as LAL Curriculum Writers.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**12. Approval of Five (5) Additional Paid Hours for Language Arts Curriculum Writers**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr, Douglas McCabe, the Board approves an additional five (5) hours of pay for each Language Arts Curriculum writer, at \$32.00 per hour as follows:

<b>Staff Member</b>	<b>Hourly Rate x Hours</b>	<b>Total</b>
Beth Shepard	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Darlene Howell	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Denise Zalis	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Erin Kramer	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Ginny Hussey	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Jessica Hendershot	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Larissa Wilczak	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Monica Pecoraro	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Stephanie Lemmey	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**13. Approval of Five (5) Additional Paid Hours for Math Curriculum Writers**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board approves an additional five (5) hours of pay for each Math Curriculum writer, at \$32.00 per hour as follows:

<b>Staff Member</b>	<b>Hourly Rate x Hours</b>	<b>Total</b>
Beth Shepard	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Darlene Howell	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Steve Brochstein	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Erin Kramer	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Ginny Hussey	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Jessica Hendershot	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Mary Ellen Sullivan	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00
Monica Pecoraro	\$32.00 x 5 hours	\$160.00

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**14. Approval of Carry Over Vacation Days**

- a. On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board approves the carryover of five (5) vacation days to the 2011-2012 school year for Ms. Lindsay Nam, Mountain Way School Principal as permitted by contract.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

- b. On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board approves the carryover of five (5) vacation days to the 2011-2012 school year for Mr. Sean Dolan, Borough School Principal as permitted by contract.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**15. Letter of Resignation – Special Education – Classroom Aide**

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board accepts the resignation of Ms. Ashley D’Anton, Special Education Classroom Aide at Mountain Way School, effective September 1, 2011.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

## Legal

### Release and Settlement Agreement

On the motion of Ms. Denise Rawding seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, the Board approves a Release and Settlement Agreement – Docket Number PP23WE-61428.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

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

### 1. Approve of Line Item Transfers

On the motion of Mr. Scott Bober seconded by Mr. Wayne Marek, the Board approves line item transfers dated August 9, 2011 in the amount of \$16,739.60.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

### 2. Approve of Bills and Claims Report

On the motion of Mr. Scott Bober seconded by Mr. Wayne Marek, the Board approves the attached bills and claims report dated July 26, 2011 in the amount of \$522,368.89.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

### 3. Approval of 2011-2012 Bid Purchasing Contract with Educational Services Commission of Morris County (ESC)

On the motion of Mr. Scott Bober seconded by Mr. Wayne Marek, the Board approves a Bid Purchasing Contract between Educational Services Commission of Morris County and the Morris Plains School District effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 in the amount of \$3,000.00.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

### 4. Approval of IEP Planner Software Maintenance Agreement – 2011-2012

On the motion of Mr. Scott Bober seconded by Mr. Wayne Marek, the Board approves the IEP Planner Software Maintenance Agreement, effective September, 2011 through June, 2012, with EdNet Technologies, LLC, P.O. Box 5177, North Branch, NJ 08876 at a cost of \$1,436.00.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**5. Approval of 2011-2012 Health and Environmental Safety Services Agreement with Educational Services Commission of Morris County (ESC)**

On the motion of Mr. Scott Bober seconded by Mr. Wayne Marek, the Board approves a Health and Environmental Safety Services Agreement between Educational Services Commission of Morris County and the Morris Plains School District effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 in the amount of \$4,138.00.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**6. Approval of 2011-2012 Bus Routes Provided through Educational Services Commission**

On the motion of Mr. Scott Bober seconded by Mr. Wayne Marek, the Board approves the following bus routes for the 2011-2012 school year. Services to be provided by Wilkerson Transportation as follows:

<b>Route Number</b>	<b>2010/2011 Contract Cost</b>	<b>Renewal Increase (%)</b>	<b>2011/2012 Renewal Cost</b>
PS-1MP	\$27,083.82	1.23%	\$27,416.95
PS-2MP	\$27,083.82	1.23%	\$27,416.95
PS-3MP	\$27,083.82	1.23%	\$27,416.95
PS-4MP	\$27,083.82	1.23%	\$27,416.95
PS-13MP	\$28,644.99	1.23%	\$28,997.32
PS-14MP	\$28,644.99	1.23%	\$28,997.32
MP18	\$27,083.82	1.23%	\$27,416.95
<b>Total Contractual Cost</b>			<b>\$195,079.39</b>

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**7. Adoption of Resolution – Not Requiring Willowglen Academy to Charge Students For Meals – 2011-2012 School Year**

On the motion of Mr. Scott Bober seconded by Mr. Wayne Marek, the Board adopts a resolution to continue to provide lunch for students at Willowglen Academy, at no charge to the students for the 2011-2012 school year. The Morris Plains Board of Education does not require Willowglen Academy students to charge students for meals in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-4.5.



Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**8. Approval of State Contract #70256 to Lease/Purchase Hardware for Technology Upgrade with DELL WSCA/NASPO through DELL FINANCIAL**

On the motion of Mr. Scott Bober, seconded by Mr. Wayne Marek, the Board approves the use of the Dell WSCA/NASPO NJ State Contract #70256 to lease/purchase Desktops, laptops, printers, etc. as part of our technology program at Borough School and Mountain Way School. Terms of the lease are three years at zero percent financing. Total lease amount is \$269,291.12. Annual payments are \$89,796.14.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**C. Grants – No Child Left Behind – Fiscal Year 2012**

**1. Approval to Submit the No Child Left Behind Grant – Fiscal Year 2012**

On the motion of Scott Bober seconded by Denise Rawding, the Board approves the submission of the No Child Left Behind Act Consolidated Formula Subgrant, Fiscal Year 2012 in the amounts as follows:

Title I, Part A Basic, Concentration, Targeted & EFIG (Improving Basic Programs Operated by LEA's)	\$ 8,403.00
Title II, Part A (Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting Fund)	\$15,598.00
Title III – Immigrant (Grants/Sub Grants for English Language Acquisition and Language Enhancement)	\$ 3,030.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$27,031.00</b>

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**D. Workshops/Seminars/Conferences**

**1. Approval of Professional Development**

On the motion of Mr. Scott Bober seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board approves the attached list of requests for professional development and corresponding costs.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**E. Policy**

M Mr. Marek reported on policies. He thanked Mr. Dennis Mack, Ms. Susan Vere and the committee.

Mr. Mack thanked Mr. Alan Albin for his efforts coordinating training with the Morris School District. The Morris Plains Staff will be attending training with the Morris School District staff. Mrs. Fetherston asked who would be attending training. Mr. Mack responded that administration will attend and “turn-key” to district staff.

Mrs. Connor stated that the new HIB policy will require training of all staff, Board of Education members, volunteers, etc. Mrs. Connor also advised that Morris County School Boards Association will be hosting a workshop on this topic here at Morris Plains on October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Bober questioned what is meant by student-related in Policy 1330. Mr. Mack advised that this would be opened for interpretation based on the Board’s and the district’s needs at the time of the request.

**1. Approval of Policy 1100 – Communicating with the Public – First Reading**

On the motion of Mr. Wayne Marek seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board approves, on first reading, Policy 1100 – Communicating with the Public.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**2. Approval of Policy 1120 – Board of Education Meetings – First Reading**

On the motion of Mr. Wayne Marek seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board approves, on first reading, Policy 1120 – Board of Education Meetings.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**3. Approval of Policy 1330 – Use of School Facilities – First Reading**

On the motion of Mr. Wayne Marek seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board approves, on first reading, Policy 1330 – Use of School Facilities.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**4. Approval of Policy 5114 – Suspension and Expulsion – First Reading**

On the motion of Mr. Wayne Marek seconded by Ms, Denise Rawding, the Board approves, on first reading, Policy 5114 – Suspension and Expulsion.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**5. Approval of Policy 5131 – Conduct and Discipline – First Reading**

On the motion of Mr. Wayne Marek seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board approves, on first reading, Policy 5131 – Conduct and Discipline.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**6. Approval of Policy 5131.1 – Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying – First Reading**

On the motion of Mr. Wayne Marek seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board approves, on first reading, Policy 5131.1- Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**7. Approval of Policy 5135.5 – Vandalism/Violence – First Reading**

On the motion of Mr. Wayne Marek seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board approves, on first reading, Policy 5135.5 – Vandalism/Violence.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**8. Approval of Policy 5141.8 – Sports Related Concussion and Head Injury – First Reading**

On the motion of Mr. Wayne Marek seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board approves, on first reading, Policy 5141.8 - Sports Related Concussion and Head Injury.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**9. Adoption of Policy 9111 – Bylaws of the Board – Qualifications of Members - Second Reading**

On the motion of Mr. Wayne Marek seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board adopts, on second reading, Policy 9111 – Bylaws of the Board – Qualifications of Members

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**10. Approval of Policy 9200 – Orientation and Training of Board Members – First Reading**

On the motion of Mr. Wayne Marek seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board approves, on first reading, Policy 9200 – Orientation and Training of Board Members.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**F. Field Trip**

Mr. Mack explained that the town felt a need for a special program for students in grades 3 – 8.

**Approval of Field Trip – 9/11 Memorial**

On the motion of Mr. Douglas McCabe seconded by Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston, the Board approves the following field trip on Friday, September 9, 2011:

<b>Date of Trip</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Grades</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Costs</b>
September 9, 2011	10:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.	Morris Plains VFW, Route 53, Morris Plains, NJ	Borough School Grades 3-8, Principal, Teachers, St. Virgil’s Students/Staff	Ceremony with the Mayor and town council in recognition of 9/11.	1 District Bus 4 Wilkerson Buses @ 275.00 each Total cost not to exceed \$1,100.00. Funds will be used from the Student Activity Fund. Buses will do double runs.

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**G. Special Education**

**1. Approval of Out of District Placement 2011-2012 – Shepard School**

On the motion of Mr. Douglas McCabe seconded by Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston, the Board approves an out of district placement for student 06-S005 effective September, 2011 through June, 2012 at the Shepard School, 8 Columbia Street, Morristown, NJ 07960 at an annual tuition cost of \$23,921.76 (transportation to be bid through Morris County Educational Services Commission).

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**2. Approval of Out of District Placement 2011-2012 – Hunterdon Learning Center**

On the motion of Mr. Douglas McCabe seconded by Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston, the Board approves an out of district placement for student 612377 effective September, 2011 through June, 2012 at the Hunterdon Learning Center, 37 Hoffmans Crossing Road, Califon, NJ 07830-9772 at an annual tuition cost of \$40,248.00 (transportation to be bid through Morris County Educational Services Commission).

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**3. Approval of Out of District Placement 2011-2012 – A Stars – Marie V. Duffy School**

On the motion of Mr. Douglas McCabe seconded by Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston, the Board approves an out of district placement for student 000129 effective September, 2011 through June, 2012 at the A Stars at Marie V. Duffy School, 137 East Central Avenue, Wharton, NJ 07885 at an annual tuition cost of \$60,228.84 (transportation to be bid through Morris County Educational Services Commission).

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**4. Approval of Out of District Placement 2011-2012 – Montgomery Academy**

On the motion of Mr. Douglas McCabe seconded by Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston, the Board approves an out of district placement for student 000496 effective September, 2011 through June, 2012 at Montgomery Academy, 29 St. John’s Drive, Gladstone, NJ 07934 at an annual tuition cost of \$55,254.20 (transportation to be bid through Morris County Educational Services Commission).

Mr. Alan Albin – yes	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Mrs. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston - yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – yes	Mrs. Maria Manley - absent
Mr. Wayne Marek - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe - yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

**X Discussion Items:**

**A. New Business –**

Beautification Committee is now part of the HSA. The plans for the front of the school (pavers, plantings) should be run past Dr. Palestis.

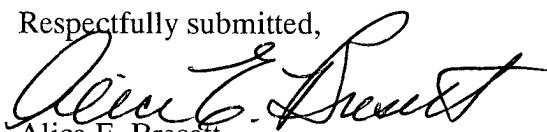
Mr. Mack thanked Brian Wilson personally and professionally for his assistance in counseling students and families in Mine Hill during the tragedy this summer.

**B. Old Business -** sign is basically ready to go. We are waiting to get specifications for sign so that we can bring them to zoning official for approval. The Town is willing to pay for electrical installation and the district will pay for the monthly electrical usage. Sign is being donated by the HSA/Beautification Committee.

**XIII Adjournment**

On the motion of Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston, seconded by Mr. Douglas McCabe, BE IT RESOLVED that the Morris Plains Board of Education moves to adjourn the meeting 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
 Alice E. Bresett  
 Board Secretary