

PREPARING ALL LEARNERS TO EXCEL IN A CHANGING WORLD

**Morris Plains Board of Education
Public Meeting – April 23, 2013 – 7:30 p.m.
Meeting will be held in the 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), 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

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

Kristin Kosky Ernest Palestis Number of Public

IV Item Prepared for Official Action on April 23, 2013:

A. Personnel

1. Appointment of Superintendent/Child Study Team Supervisor

On the motion of ____ seconded by _____ the Board approves a contract with Mr. Mark Maire, Superintendent of Schools/Child Study Team Supervisor, effective June 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016 at the following salaries: 2013-2014 - \$140,000; 2014-2015 - \$142,500; 2015-2016 - \$145,000. This contract was reviewed and approved by the Morris County Department of Education Office on April 4, 2013.

Roll Call: AA ____ SB ____ LC ____ CF ____ LG ____ TK ____ MM ____ DMc ____ DR ____

V Introduction of Mr. Mark Maire, Superintendent/CST Supervisor

***** Refreshment Break*****

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

- Introduction of Dr. Harvey Silver
- Technology Plan

VIII Business Administrator's Report

**IX Strategic Plan Presentation
--Committee Reports**

X 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 Committees (Reports if Available)
 - Morris Plains Home and School Association (MPHSA)
 - Morris Plains Municipal Alliance Committee (MPMAC)
 - Education Foundation of Morris Plains (EFMP)
 - Strategic Planning Committees

XI Correspondence

XII Approval of Minutes

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, the Board approves the following Minutes:
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Roll Call: AA ___ SB ___ LC ___ CF ___ LG ___ TK ___ MM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

XIII Business Items Prepared for Official Action on April 23, 2013:

A. Personnel (upon the recommendation of the Superintendent)

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

1. Approve Bills and Claims Report/Disbursement Journal

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the attached bills and claims report/disbursement journal dated April 23, 2013 in the amount of \$601,416.45.

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

2. Approve Payroll Distribution

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____ RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the payroll distribution summarized below and directs that the payroll distribution be attached to and be made part of these Minutes.

| Payroll Date | Fund | Amount |
|---------------------|--------------|---------------|
| 4/15/2013 | General Fund | \$254,041.16 |

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

3. Approve Board Secretary and Treasurer's Reports For The Period Ending March 31, 2013

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 March 31, 2013 to be approved.

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

4. Approve Line Item Transfers

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves line item transfers dated April 23, 2013 in the amount of \$13,558.00 and state approved transfer report.

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

5. Approve Author's Day Speaker and Payment

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves payment of \$1,500 (transportation included) to author Patricia Lakin who will be guest speaker for two presentations at Mountain Way School and two presentations at Borough School on May 10, 2013 for Author's Day. Fee will be paid from the Morris Plains Board of Education Student Activity Account.

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

6. Approval of the AHERA Three Year Re-Inspection for Morris Plains School District

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the submission of the AHERA Three Year Re- Inspection Report performed by AERO Environmental Services for the Borough and Mountain Way Schools. A Letter of Assurance will be sent to the New Jersey Department of Health & Senior Services as required by the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), EPA promulgated the "Asbestos in Schools Rule" (40 CFR Part 763, Subpart E).

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

7. Approval of Professional Services Contract – Silver Strong

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the Professional Services Contract with Silver Strong & Associates for professional development for principals and administrators to introduce The **Thoughtful Classroom Teacher Effectiveness Framework** training in an amount not to exceed \$7,400 including materials.

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

8. Approval to Submit for Request of Proposal New Jersey Clean Energy Audit

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, Be it Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Morris Plains Board of Education authorizes the advertising of a request for proposals for the NJ Board of Public Utilities' Local Government Audit Program. The firm selected will work with TRC Energy Services to ensure all requirements of the Program are met.

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

9. Approval to Submit 2013-2014 Capital Projects to the Department of Education and Advertise for Bids.

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, Be it RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Morris Plains Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey authorizes Parette Somjen Architects to submit all necessary plans and documentation to the Department of Education concerning the following projects:

- Borough School Roof Project.
- Site Improvements for Borough School and Mountain Way School.
- Public Address Communication System

This submission will serve as an application to the Office of School Facilities and it will be an amendment to the district's Long Range Facilities Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, these projects were approved in the 2013-2014 Budget in Other Capital Projects General Fund.

Whereas the Morris Plains Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator to advertise for bids in accordance with Public School Contracts Law

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

C. Technology Plan - 2013-2016

1. Approve Morris Plains School District Technology Plan 2013-2016

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves Morris Plains School District Technology Plan for the 2013-2016 school years as per the attached.

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

E. Superintendent's Anti-Bullying Report

1. Accept and Affirm the Superintendent's Anti-Bullying Report

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board accepts and affirms the Superintendent's monthly report of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying.

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

F. Field Trip

1. Approve Field Trip – Battle of the Books

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a field trip to the Gould School, North Caldwell, NJ on Wednesday, June 5, 2013 for the purpose of participating in the Battle of the Books Competition. The competition which was originally scheduled to take place at Borough School has been moved to North Caldwell School. 5th and 6th Grade students need to be transported, and our district bus is not able to transport due to a conflict with daily route schedules. A Wilkerson bus will be needed at a cost of \$309.75.

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

XIV Discussion Items:

- A. New Business**
- B. Old Business**

XV Executive Session

WHEREAS: The Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: The Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss: (select one or more)

1) a matter rendered confidential by federal or state law;

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- 2) a matter in which release of information would impair the right to receive government funds;
- 3) material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy;
- 4) a collective bargaining agreement and/or negotiations related to it;
- 5) a matter involved the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds;
- 6) protection of public safety and property and/or investigations of possible violations or violations of law;
- 7) pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation and/or matters of attorney-client privilege;
- 8) specific prospective or current employees unless all who could be adversely affected request an open session;
- 9) deliberation after a public hearing that could result in a civil penalty or other loss;

RESOLVED, the Board may take action at the conclusion of executive session, and be it further, **Resolved**, The minutes of this closed session will be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

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

XVI 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 ___ LG ___ TK ___ MM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

XVII 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.

XVIII 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 ___ LG ___ TK ___ MM ___ DMc ___ DR ___