

PREPARING ALL LEARNERS TO EXCEL IN A CHANGING WORLD

**Morris Plains Board of Education
Public Meeting February 26, 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

<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

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IV 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.

V Superintendent's Report

VI Business Administrator's Report

VII 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

VIII Correspondence

IX Approval of Minutes

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

- February 12, 2013 – Public Session
- February 12, 2013 – Executive Session
- February 20, 2013 – Public Session
- February 20, 2013 – Executive Session

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

X Business Items Prepared for Official Action on February 26, 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 February 26, 2013 in the amount of \$235,901.37.

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
2.15.2013	General Fund	\$265,814.51

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

3. Approve Board Secretary and Treasurer’s Reports For The Period Ending January 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 January 31, 2013 to be approved.

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

4. Line Item Transfers

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves line item transfers dated January 31, 2013 in the amount of \$13,550.

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

5. Adopt a Resolution Curtailing all Non-Essential General Fund Spending

Motion by _____ seconded by _____ the board approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has a responsibility to exercise fiscal prudence and to protect its limited surplus, be it

RESOLVED, effective immediately all non-essential general fund spending be curtailed, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, costs associated with health, safety, required maintenance, IEPs, as well as any functions or projects scheduled or budgeted for prior to adoption of this resolution be excluded from the moratorium on spending.

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

C. School Improvement Team/Common Core Implementation Team

1. Approval to Establish School Improvement Team/Common Core Implementation Team

1. On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the establishment of a School Improvement Team/Common Core Implementation Team for the 2013-2014 school year as follows:

Mountain Way School

Lindsay Vieira
Patti Anders
Sophie Blavet
Karen Penkoski
Jessica Hendershot

Borough School

Sean Dolan
Scott Curcio
Laurie Schorno
Denise Zalis
Lisa DiStefano
Alison Porter

CST Representative

Debbie McNally

Superintendent

Dr. Ernest Palestis

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

D. Special Education

1. Approval to Rescind a Motion Approving an Out of District Placement

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board rescinds a previously approved motion for an out of district placement for student 000092 at the Alexander Hamilton School, 24 Mill Street, Morristown, NJ 07960 effective January 2, 2013 through February 8, 2013 at a program cost of \$7,327.40. The student's placement terminated February 8, 2013.

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

2. Approve an Out of District Placement

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves an out of district placement for student 000092 at Chancellor Outreach at Kinnelon, the Stony Brook School, 118 Boonton Avenue, Kinnelon, NJ 07405, effective February 27, 2013, through June, 2013 at a program cost of \$23,560.00 (\$310/day x 76 days).Transportation not included; to be bid through Educational Services Commission.

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 ___

XI Discussion Items:

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

XII 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.

XIII 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;
- 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 ___

XIV Return to Regular Session from Closed Session

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 ___

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 ___ LG ___ TK ___ MM ___ DMc ___ DR ___