

**Morris Plains Board of Education
Public Meeting Agenda
April 9, 2013 – 7:30 p.m.
Borough School Learning Center**

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. Cynthia Fetherston, Board President, opened the meeting at 7:30pm 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.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Scott Bober, Ms. Lee Connor, Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston, Ms. Lucia Galdi, Mrs. Terri Kaag, Mrs. Maria Manley (arrive at 7:45pm), Mr. Douglas McCabe and Ms. Denise Rawding

Absent: Mr. Alan Albin

Also present: Dr. Ernest Palestis, Mrs. Kristin Kosky and Mr. Sean Dolan

Number of public attending: 5

Hearing of Citizens and/or Delegations - none

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Palestis opened the meeting by welcoming members of the community. He stated that the district is moving in the right direction. Dr. Palestis reminded the Board that the district is working on a textbook exchange project with Seaside Heights School District.

Dr. Palestis reported that the District received a thank you letter from Air Force Captain Gary Windt, a Class of 1998 alumni. The Mountain Way and Borough School students had arranged for a Valentine's Day Card and unbelievable care package to be delivered to his unit.

Dr. Palestis reviewed the school calendar changes for 2012-2013 and 2013-2014. The new calendar for next year will include eight early dismissal days for instructional staff development. The Educational Council Committee is really excited about this change for next year.

Dr. Palestis mentioned to the community that he has been working with the Department of Education, Assemblyman Jay Webber and Shelter Director on the regulations for the new Shelter Bill. We reviewed the Transitional Housing and who will be responsible for the reimbursement.

The District will be filing a Choice School Application for the 2014-2015 school year to increase the number of students.

Lastly, Dr. Palestis reminded the Board to complete their Board Self-Evaluations.

Business Administrator's Report - Mrs. Kristin Kosky reviewed the following:

- The District Health Benefit Proposal has been received and the Board will be voting today. The District will be adding two additional voluntary plans as well as Blue Cross Blue Shield Direct Access and continue to maintain the current plan rates for the District.
- The District received notification that our Clean Energy Audit has been accepted. The District can move forward with the approval of a request for proposal to complete the audit.
- The telephone project is moving forward. The vendor, Lightpath is in the process of building the system.
- The Security Camera project is being approved tonight by the District. The motion includes first joining a cooperative with other districts in New Jersey.
- The District will be approving the Xerox copiers for both school locations. The new machines will provide the District with new enhancements and upgrades with a cost saving for the District.
- The District will approve an Electric Cooperative with Alliance for Competitive Energy Services with First Energy after a statewide bid.
- Other capital projects (roofing, site improvements and the public address system) for the District will be approved by the Board at the next meeting.

Presentation - EE4NJ

- Patti Anders
- Scott Curcio
- Laurie Schorno
- Jessica Hendershot
- Karen Penkoski
- Joyce Peslak
- Ernest Palestis
- Sean Dolan
- Lindsay Vieira

Mr. Scott Curcio presented. The Board discussed the presentation regarding Silver Strong & Associates with the committee answering questions. A professional development workshop is planned for April 24 & 25, 2013. Dr. Palestis commended the committee and the staff for their presentation. Borough School Principal, Mr. Sean Dolan added how excited everyone in the district is to be working with Silver Strong.

Correspondence – none

Approval of Minutes

On the motion of Mrs. Terri Kaag, seconded by Mrs. Maria Manley, the Board approves the following Minutes:

March 19, 2012 – Public Session and Executive Session

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

March 21, 2013 – Public Session and Executive Session

Mr. Alan Albin – absent	Mr. Scott Bober – yes	Ms. Lee Connor - yes
Mrs. Cynthia Fetherston – yes	Mrs. Terri Kaag – no	Mrs. Maria Manley – yes
Ms. Lucia Galdi - yes	Mr. Douglas McCabe – yes	Ms. Denise Rawding - yes

Business Items Prepared for Official Action on April 9, 2013:

A. Personnel (upon the recommendation of the Superintendent)

1. Approve Grade Two Co-Teacher at Mountain Way School (replacement)

On the motion of Ms. Lee Connor seconded by Mr. Scott Bober, the Board approves Ashley Artega as second grade co-teacher at Mountain Way School, effective April 22, 2013 through June 30, 2013 at a salary of \$52,915 (BA+30, Step 1) to be prorated.

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

2. Approve Referees - Baseball and Softball

On the motion of Ms. Lee Connor seconded by Mr. Scott Bober, the Board approves the following referees for baseball and softball at a rate of \$55.00 per game:

Shaun Thomas

Vincent Galgano

Bill Dortch

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

3. Approve Substitutes

On the motion of Ms. Lee Connor seconded by Mr. Scott Bober, the Board approves the following substitute teacher for the 2012-2013 school year:

Phyllis McGeehan (Teacher)

Suzanne Sgamarella (Aide)

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

4. Approval of Chaperone - 6th Grade Camping Trip

On the motion of Ms. Lee Connor seconded by Mr. Scott Bober, the Board approves the following chaperone and stipend for the 6th Grade camping trip to Fairview Lakes YMCA, scheduled for April 4 and 5, 2013:

Laura Lewis

Stipend: \$350.00

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

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

1. Approve Bills and Claims Report/Disbursement Journal

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor, the Board approves the attached bills and claims report/disbursement journal dated April 9, 2013 in the amount of \$566,363.48.

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

2. Approve Payroll Distribution

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor 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
3/15/2013	General Fund	\$254,469.52
3/22/2013	General Fund	\$257,247.71

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

3. Approve Line Item Transfers

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor, the Board approves line item transfers and county transfer report dated April 9, 2013 in the amount of \$23,396.50.

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

4. Approve Board Secretary and Treasurer's Reports For The Period Ending February 28, 2013

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor 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 February 28, 2013 to be approved.

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

5. Adoption of Resolution Opposing S-1191/A-3627 - Undermining a School Board's Ability to Subcontract Services

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor, the Board adopts the following resolution:

RESOLUTION -Opposing S-1191 / A-3627 (Undermining a School Board's Ability to Subcontract Services)

WHEREAS, New Jersey's boards of education represent the community's interests in the governance and budget oversight of school districts that collectively serve the health and educational needs of nearly 1.4 million children; and

WHEREAS, school boards continually strive to provide cost-effective ways to deliver services, which will free up additional funds to be used in the classroom or for property-tax relief; and

WHEREAS, many New Jersey school boards have found subcontracting of services such as transportation, cafeteria and maintenance is an option that has saved millions of tax dollars every year; and

WHEREAS, 40 percent of school districts responded to a 2009 survey conducted by the New Jersey School Boards Association, which found the responding districts saved more than \$34 million annually through subcontracting services; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1191 and Assembly Bill 3627 of the 2012-2013 Legislative Session is a union-backed bill that would place severe obstacles in the way of a school board's ability to subcontract services and save tax dollars; and

WHEREAS, the sole purpose of Senate Bill 1191 and Assembly Bill 3627 is to undermine a board's ability to subcontract services, thereby increasing school employees and increasing the rolls of union membership, which generates more dues for union coffers; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1191 and Assembly Bill 3627 would remove a school board's option to subcontract services, thereby diverting funds from the classroom and burdening property taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Morris Plains Board of Education, in its continued effort to provide cost-effective school operations to the community, opposes Senate Bill 1191 and Assembly Bill 3627; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Morris Plains Board of Education calls on the New Jersey Legislature to reject any such measures that will have the effect of depleting limited resources from our classroom; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to members of the 26th legislative district delegation, legislative leadership and to the Governor of the State of New Jersey, and to the New Jersey School Boards Association.

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

6. Accept a Donation From Morris Plains Home & School Association

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor, the Board accepts a donation from the Morris Plains Home & School Association, in the amount of \$2,380.00 for Outdoor Signs for the Mountain Way and Borough Schools. Mr. Joseph McEntee will donate installation services for the two signs.

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

7. Renewal of Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey Medical & Prescription

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor, **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Morris Plains Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey approves the following resolution: Per the recommendation of its group insurance broker-of-record, Integrity Consulting Group, Morris Plains Board of Education hereby resolves, effective July 1, 2013- June 30, 2014, to renew medical and prescription to its group insurance program:

Whereas, Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey is the medical insurance carrier for the Morris Plains School District and has submitted a renewal proposal including rates, benefits, terms, and conditions represented in their proposal of March 26, 2013; and.

Whereas, Integrity Consulting Group responsibilities will include, but are not limited to, negotiating annual renewal rates, marketing our group insurance programs, and aiding our staff in the resolution of billing, enrollment, and claim problems.

Be it Further Resolved, that a certified copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Integrity Consulting Group for execution with insurance carrier.

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

8. Approval of Shared Service Agreement Sterling and South Jersey Technology Partnership (SJTP)

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the board adopts the following resolution:

WHEREAS: In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 et seq. Morris Plains Board of Education may jointly, by agreement, provide for goods and services with other boards of education; and

WHEREAS: Sterling High School District of Somerdale, NJ (hereinafter referred to as Sterling and South Jersey Technology Partnership [SJTP]) are able to provide bid/purchasing contract services for cooperative skilled trades, provision of school supplies in various categories, including but not limited to general supplies, fine arts, technology education, physical education, health, science, home economics, library, plumbing, electrical, hardware and custodial supplies, paper, lumber, computer supplies and audio visual supplies and equipment, technology services and support, and time and materials for building maintenance; now therefore be it


RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves jointure agreements for the 2012-2013 school year with the above named lead agencies for bid/purchasing contract services as outlined above, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Education authorizes the above named lead agencies to receive bids, if necessary, on behalf of the board for these services.

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

9. Approval to Purchase Security Equipment from Sterling and South Jersey Technology Partnership

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Morris Plains Board of Education approves the purchase of security camera equipment and installation by CM3 at Borough and Mountain Way for the school year 2012-2013. The purchase will be from Sterling and South Jersey Technology Partnership in accordance with the shared agreement and N.J.S.A 18A:18A-11 in the amount of \$115,522.00 as quoted.

Motion Deletd by resolution on June 25, 2013 

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

10. Approve Educational Data Services, Inc. for Bid Purchasing Contract Services

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves Educational Data Services, Inc. for bid purchasing contract services for cooperative skilled trades, compliance services and ancillary bids in the amount of \$1,990.00 effective April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014 with no increase from prior year.

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

11. Approval to Renew Agreement with Prevention Specialist, Inc.-Employee Drug Testing Calendar Year 2013

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor, the Board approves a renewal contract with Prevention Specialists, Inc., 208 Monmouth Road, Suite 2, New Jersey, Suite 2 for

employee drug testing for the calendar year. The annual fee is \$430.00 plus \$68.00 for drug testing and \$39.00 new rate per test for alcohol testing with additional testing available as needed.

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

12. Approve Copy Machine Lease

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor **RESOLVED:** Upon recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves the lease of eight (8) copy machines from Steward Business Systems (A Xerox Corporation) of Burlington, NJ. The district will lease the following machines:

All of the above copy machines will operate as network printers. The lease cost is for a period of 60

Location	Market Code	Monthly Min.	Average Mo. Copy/print volume	Per copy/print cost	Total Monthly cost for Lease, copies and supplies	Annualized Cost Lease, copies and supplies
MW-Teacher Room	D95CP	\$409.31	60,612	\$0.0045	\$682.06	\$8,184.77
MW Nurse/Main Office	Color7535P	\$172.85	1,366	\$0.00	\$179.00	\$2,147.96
Boro-Main Office	D95CP	\$409.31	67,605	\$0.00	\$713.53	\$8,562.39
Supt Office	Color7556PT	\$314.26	7254	\$0.00	\$346.90	\$4,162.84
Boro Teachers Room	D7775	\$358.59	19797	\$0.00	\$447.68	\$5,372.12
Boro Nurse	3635X	\$37.33	675	\$0.00	\$40.37	\$484.41
Library-Boro	3635X	\$37.33	675	\$0.00	\$40.37	\$484.41
Business office	7535PT	\$197.72	6,635	\$0.00	\$227.58	\$2,730.93
Total		\$1,936.70	164,619	\$0.00	\$2,677.49	\$32,129.83

months. The supply and service cost includes staples excludes paper. The above pricing includes delivery, installation and the removal of the old machine. There will be a savings of \$32,000 over 5 years compared to current costs and compare to other quotes. Xerox Corporation is covered by NJ State Contract T2075 NJGSA/FSS Xerox Award A51145. In addition, the Business Office Machine 4250F S/N MAC577604 will move to the Borough Main Office at no monthly maintenance or lease cost accept a per copy/print cost of \$.0045 which is already included in the estimate.

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

13. Authorize renewal for Participation Electric in the Alliance for Competitive Energy Service (ACES)

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor, **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board adopts the renewal resolution to continue participation in the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) for the purchase of Electric service for the period May 2009-May 2014. Whereas the board approved the original Contract on May 18, 2009 and authorized ACES to continue to bid to obtain electric services at any time during the effective period and the board has received updated bid contracts for 24 months for the period May 2013-April 2015. The contract will was awarded to FirstEnergy Solutions Corp for contract price of .0799.

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

14. Approval of Horizon BCBS Alternate Lower Cost Plan

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Lee Connor, the Board adopts the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the MORRIS PLAINS Board of Education currently offers Medical/Prescription Coverage to its employees through a Horizon BCBS Direct Access/Prescription plan and;

WHEREAS, Integrity Consulting Group, the Health Insurance Broker has received alternate lower cost plans from Horizon BCBS on behalf of the Board of Education, and;

WHEREAS, the alternative plan rates received from Horizon BCBS are less expensive than the current Horizon BCBS Direct Access/Prescription plan for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, and;

WHEREAS, the employees will be given the opportunity to voluntarily enroll in the lower cost plan alternatives, decreasing their Chapter 78 contribution and the cost to the Board of Education.

WHEREAS, the Health Insurance Broker will provide information enrollment meetings introducing the alternative plans in May prior to the plan effective dates of July 1, 2013;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF MORRIS PLAINS THAT, the addition of these voluntary medical/prescription plan alternatives are effective July 1, 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Health Insurance Broker for execution with insurance carrier.

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

C. Curriculum

1. Approve Gifted and Talented Curriculum Revisions

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board approves the revisions to the Gifted and Talented Curriculum as per the attached.

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

2. Approve Revised Curriculum Covers - Math, School Counseling, Language Arts

On the motion of Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Ms. Denise Rawding, the Board approves revised curriculum covers for Math, School Counseling, and Language Arts to reflect the alignment of the curriculum with the most current version of the Common Core Standards, as per state mandates.

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

D Special Education

1. Approve the Purchase of Laptop Based on IEP Needs

On the motion of Mrs. Terri Kaag seconded by Mrs. Maria Manley, the Board approves the purchase of an HP Smart Buy-HP Mini 1104 (ENERGY STAR) Laptop for student 7864378781 at a cost of \$429.00. Laptop to be purchased from GetEdFunding, 230 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Vernon Hills, IL 60661.

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

E. School Calendar - 2012-2013

1. Approve the Revision of the 2012-2013 School Calendar

On the motion of Mrs. Terri Kaag seconded by Mrs. Maria Manley, the Board approves the revision of the 2012-2013 school calendar as per the attached. Due to an additional snow day, the last day of school for students will be Tuesday, June 25, 2013 and the last day for teachers will be Wednesday, June 26, 2013.

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

F. School Calendar - 2013-2014

1. Approve the Revision of the 2013-2014 School Calendar

On the motion of Mrs. Terri Kaag seconded by Mrs. Maria Manley, the Board approves the revised, attached calendar for the 2013-2014 school year. Half-day professional development days have been added.

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

G. Workshops/Seminars/Conferences

1. Approve Professional Development

On the motion of Mrs. Terri Kaag seconded by Mrs. Maria Manley, the Board approves the attached list of requests for professional development and corresponding costs.

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

H. Superintendent's Anti-Bullying Report

Dr. Palestis reported that there were no bullying incidences.

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

On the motion of Mrs. Terri Kaag seconded by Mrs. Maria Manley, the Board accepts and affirms the Superintendent's monthly report of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying.

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

Discussion Items:

A. New Business-The Choice School application will be completed as previously mentioned.

B. Old Business - The Board had a discussion about the progress of the Morris Plains students attending Morristown High School.

Hearing of Citizens and/or Delegations - Ms. Lisa DiStefano asked the Business Administrator, Mrs. Kosky for details about the Xerox copiers.

Motion by Mrs. Maria Manley seconded by Mr. Scott Bober to approve the following resolution:

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 at 8:50pm 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.

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

Return to Regular Session from Closed Session

On the motion of Mrs. Terri Kaag, seconded by Mr. Douglas 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 9:52pm.

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

Adjournment

On the motion of Mrs. Terri Kaag seconded by Mrs. Maria Manley, **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Morris Plains Board of Education moves to adjourn the meeting 9:54pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Kristin Kosky
Board Secretary