

**PREPARING ALL LEARNERS TO EXCEL IN A CHANGING WORLD**

**Morris Plains Board of Education  
Public Meeting – April 14, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.**  
Meeting will be held in the Borough School Learning Center

- District Goals - 2014-2015**
1. To create a culture of thinking and learning that promotes student achievement.
  2. To provide professional development to ensure the delivery of instruction of the aligned curriculum to the NJCCSS.
  3. Continue to implement AchieveNJ in accordance with state regulations; and to successfully implement PARCC testing in grades three through eight.
  4. To continue to ensure that the budget provides for the achievement of all students in the district while maintaining fiscal responsibility.
  5. Continue to strengthen two-way communication within the district among staff, parents, and members of the school community.

**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"/> Francis Foley	<input type="checkbox"/> Cynthia Fetherston	<input type="checkbox"/> Anthony Galdi
<input type="checkbox"/> Lucia Galdi	<input type="checkbox"/> Terri Kaag	<input type="checkbox"/> Maria Manley	<input type="checkbox"/> Denise Rawding	Quorum? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no

Mark Maire  Number of Public

**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 Presentation - Student Council**  
--Debbie Drake and Joyce Peslak, Advisors  
--Student Council Members

- VI Presentation - VFW - Teacher of the Year- Commander Auriemma**  
--Ginny Hussey

- VII Superintendent's Report – Mr. Mark Maire**

**VIII Correspondence**

**IX Approval of the Board of Education Minutes**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the following Minutes: March 24, 2015 Public Session, Executive Session, February 24 and March 24, 2015.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**X Business Items Prepared for Official Action on April 14, 2015:**

**A. Personnel (upon the recommendation of the Superintendent) - *The following motions are of a routine nature, noncontroversial, and will be voted on in one motion.***

**1. Approval of Classroom Aide - Mountain Way School**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves Robert Zagari, Jr. as classroom aide at Mountain Way School, effective April 14, 2015 through June 30, 2015 at a salary of \$15,910.02 (\$15.12/hour x 5.75 hours per day x 183 days)(Step 6) to be prorated. (excludes a 60 minute unpaid lunch.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**2. Approval of Substitute Teachers**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the following substitute teachers for the 2014-2015 school year: Elizabeth Cumming and Sudha Ganesh

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**3. Approval to Accept Resignation - Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves to accept the resignation of Dr. Warren Ceurvels, Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, effective May 1, 2015.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**4. Approval of Chaperones - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Camping Trip -**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the following chaperones for the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Camping Trip on May 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> for a total cost of \$3,850 (\$350/chaperone x 11 chaperones):

- Ed Frankosky
- Casey Devlin
- Wayne Looney
- Ashley Morris
- Lauren Degnan
- Alison Porter
- Brian Wilson
- Debbie Greik
- Maria Diaz - May 14<sup>th</sup> Only

Joyce Pesklak, Phyllis McGeehan and Monica Pecoraro will be going on Thursday night, May 14<sup>th</sup> and staying overnight.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**5. Approval of Administrator in Charge - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Camping Trip -**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves Edward Frankosky as Administrator in Charge for the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Camping Trip at a total cost of \$200.00 (\$100.00/day).

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**6. Approval of Professional Development Instructors**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the attached list of professional development instructors and courses, effective April 15, April 22, April 29, 2015 and May 6, 2015.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**7. Approval of Curriculum Writers**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the following curriculum writers at \$32.00 per hour:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Curriculum</u>	<u>Total</u>
Casey Devlin	15 Hours	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science	\$480.00 (\$32.00/hr. x 15 hours)
Shannon Prisco	15 Hours	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Science	\$480.00 (\$32.00/hr. x 15 hours)
Michelle Kelly	15 Hours	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Social Studies	\$480.00 (\$32.00/hr. x 15 hours)
Matt Gottilla	15 Hours	6th Grade Science	\$480.00 (\$32.00/hr. x 15 hours)

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**B. Finance/Buildings & Grounds/Purchasing/Contracts - *The following motions are of a routine nature, noncontroversial, and will be voted on in one motion.***

**1. Approve Line Item Transfers**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves line item transfers dated April 14, 2015.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**2. Approve Bills and Claims Report**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the attached bills and claims report dated April 14, 2015 in the amount of \$218,780.54.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**3. Approve Payroll Distribution**

Motion by \_\_\_ 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.

<u>Payroll Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3/30/2015	General	\$274,052.58

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**4. Approve to Rescind Contract with Lindabury, McCormick, Estabrook & Cooper, P.C. and Enter into Contract with Sciarrillo, Cornell, Merlino, McKeever & Osborne, LLC ("Sciarrillo")**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves to rescind the contract with Lindabury, McCormick, Estabrook & Cooper, P.C. ("Lindabury"), effective March 31, 2015 and enter into a c ontract with Sciarrillo, Cornell, Merlino, McKeever & Osborne, LLC ("Sciarrillo") effective April 1, 2015, for the balance of the term of the Lindabury contract. Hourly rates and all other terms and conditions of the Sciarrillo contract will continue as in accordance with the Lindabury contract.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**5. Approve Educational Data Services, Inc. for Bid Purchasing Contract Services**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ RESOLVED that the Board of Education 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, 2015 through March 31, 2016 with no increase from prior year.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**6. Approve Administrative Leave**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ the Board of Education , upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves a paid administrative leave for Employee 4289 effective March 24, 2015 through April 13, 2015.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**7. Approve Home Instruction**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ the Board of Education approves Home Instruction for student 621342, effective March 26, 20125 - April 30, 2015. Services to be provided by American Tutor at a rate of \$58.00 not to exceed \$2,320 (\$58.00/hour x 10 hours per week x 4 weeks).

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**8. Award Broadband Component to Lightpath**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board adopts the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission (MRESC) is acting as the lead agency for the Alliance for Competitive Telecommunications (ACT). And WHEREAS, the MRESC operates the State approved Cooperative Pricing System #65MCESCCPS for the provision of services to its members. And WHEREAS, the MRESC has developed RFP specifications, for the New Jersey Digital Readiness Learning & Assessment Broadband Component, Wide Area Network & Internet Cooperative Purchasing Initiative (DRLAP) in accordance with E-Rate guidelines. And WHEREAS, the MRESC, used a competitive contracting format as approved by the Division of Local Government Services. And WHEREAS, the MRESC posted a 470 form listing all districts submitting a letter or intent to participate in DRLAP and those public school district members of the MRESC Cooperative Pricing System not submitting a letter of intent to participate. And WHEREAS, the MRESC advertised this bid in accordance with 18A:18A-21 and publicly opened and read the DRLAP bid on September 17, 2014. SO THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Morris Plains Board of Education awards the DRLAP contract to Lightpath as per attached.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**9. Approve High Point Solutions for WLAN Upgrade - 2015-2016**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board of Education approves the agreement with High Point Solutions for a WLAN Upgrade (as per the attached) in accordance with E-Rate guidelines for the following amounts: Wireless LAN Upgrade - \$10,580.00, Cabling Install - \$24,105.00 and Parts - \$44,244.53 (including shipping) for the total amount of \$78,929.53. Funding is based upon the availability of funds in the 2015-2016 budget effective July 1, 2015.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**C. 2014-2015 School Calendar - *The following motion is of a routine nature, noncontroversial, and will be voted on in one motion.***

**Approval to Revised the 2014-2015 School Calendar**

1. On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the revised 2014-2015 school calendar as per the attached. The calendar has been revised to add three additional days to the end of the school year due to snow days taken. The last day for students will be June 23, 2015. The last day for teachers will be June 24, 2015.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**D. Special Education - *The following motions are of a routine nature, noncontroversial, and will be voted on in one motion.***

**Approval to Rescind Previous Out of District Placement - 2014-2015**

1. On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves to rescind a previous motion for student 000650, for an out of district placement at Alexander Hamilton School, 24 Mill Street, Morristown, NJ 07960. Previous motion approved a ten month placement. Student will be attending from September, 2014 - April 10, 2015. Tuition through April 30, 2015 (must pay for the full month) will be \$40,239.20. Morris Plains will receive a tuition credit of \$10,059.80 for the months of May and June, 2015.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**Approval of Out of District Placement - 2014-2015**

2. On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves to approve an out of district placement for student 000650 at The Children's Institute, 15 Bloomfield Avenue, Verona, NJ 07044, effective April, 11, 2015 through June, 2015 at a program cost of \$22,850.95 (\$306.15/day x 53 days = \$16,225.95; one-on-one aide - \$125.00/day x 53 days = \$125.00. Transportation to be bid through Educational Services Commission of Morris County.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**E. Superintendent's Anti-Bullying Report - *The following motion is of a routine nature, noncontroversial, and will be voted on in one motion.***

**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 \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**XI Discussion Items:**

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

**XII Executive Session**

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

**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 \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**XIII 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 \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**XIV 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.

**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 \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ FF \_\_\_ AG \_\_\_ LG \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_