

PREPARING ALL LEARNERS TO EXCEL IN A CHANGING WORLD

**Morris Plains Board of Education
Reorganization Meeting – January 7, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.**

Meeting will be held in the Borough School Learning Center/STEAM Lab

2018-2019 District Goals

1. To continue providing communication outreach opportunities to members of the school community.
2. To continue increasing student achievement through individualized instruction, meaningful and authentic assessments, and 21st century teaching strategies.
3. To continue to analyze data to support student performance, professional development, and evaluate programs.
4. To continue to address the Long Range Facility Plan, as well as execute referendum-approved projects, while demonstrating fiscal responsibility.

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, Daily Record, Star Ledger, and the Morris News Bee.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III Oath of Office (Board Secretary)

Distribute Code New Jersey Code of Ethics to the board

IV. Roll Call

<input type="checkbox"/> Diane Del Russo	<input type="checkbox"/> Lucia Galdi	<input type="checkbox"/> Adam Higgins	<input type="checkbox"/> Shawna Longo	<input type="checkbox"/> Amy Lyons
<input type="checkbox"/> Maria Manley	<input type="checkbox"/> Christina Perry	<input type="checkbox"/> Denise Rawding	<input type="checkbox"/> Jessica Williams	Quorum? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no

Amy Barkman Mark Maire Number of Public

V. Election of Officers

A. Election of Board President

Motion(s) for nominations for the office of President:

Motion by: _____ Candidate Name _____
(Nominee)

Motion by: _____ Candidate Name _____
(Nominee)

Motion to close nominations by: _____/_____ Voice vote

Motion to accept nominations by: _____/_____ Voice vote

Roll Call Vote for President:

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

RESOLVED, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:15-1 the Morris Plains School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, elects _____ as President of the Board of Education effective immediately until the next organization meeting as prescribed by law.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

The newly elected President now presides over the meeting.

B. Election of Board Vice-President

Motion(s) for nominations for the office of Vice-President (A second is not required.):

Motion by: _____ Candidate Name _____
(Nominee)

Motion by: _____ Candidate Name _____
(Nominee)

Motion to close nominations by: _____/_____ Voice vote

Motion to accept nominations by: _____/_____ Voice vote

Roll call vote for Vice-President:

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

RESOLVED, that in accordance with N.J.S.A.18A:15-1 the Morris Plains School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, elects _____ as Vice-President of the Board of Education effective immediately until the next organization meeting as prescribed by law.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

VI. Reorganization Items Prepared for Official Action on January 2, 2018:

A. Annual Designations

1. Designate the Official Meeting Place of the Board

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____ Be It Resolved that the Board designates the Borough School Learning Center/STEAM Lab, 500 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains, NJ 07950 and the MCESC conference room, 520 Speedwell Ave, Suite 200, Morris Plains, NJ 07950 as the official meeting place of the Board.

Roll Call: DD_____ LG_____ AH_____ SL_____ AL_____ MM_____ CP_____ DR_____ JW_____

2. Board of Education Meetings

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

WHEREAS, the Morris Plains School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey is directed to meet at least once every two months during the period in which the schools in the district are in session (N.J.S.A. 18A:10-6), and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires notice of regularly scheduled meetings within seven days following the Annual Organizational Meeting of the Board; be it

RESOLVED, by the Morris Plains School District Board of Education to designate that the following notice of regularly scheduled meetings be adopted in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:22-11: "Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the Morris Plains School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, will be held on or about the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the aforesaid notice of regularly scheduled meetings will be posted in the Board of Education Administrative Office, 520 Speedwell Avenue, Suite 116, Morris Plains, New Jersey 07950, and that the aforesaid notice be mailed to the newspapers designated by this Board to receive the notice required by the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the aforesaid notice be filed with the Clerks of municipality.

Roll Call: DD_____ LG_____ AH_____ SL_____ AL_____ MM_____ CP_____ DR_____ JW_____

3. Approves Chart of Accounts

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

RESOLVED, that the Morris Plains School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey designates the NJDOE Chart of Accounts as the minimum Chart of Accounts for use in the district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the business office is authorized to add additional sub account designation (both within the existing sub accounts as well as additional sub positions), as the School Business Administrator may deem necessary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent is authorized to make any necessary transfer below the level of the NJDOE Chart of Accounts.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

4. Approval of Committees and Representatives* Incoming

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

Finance--Buildings and Grounds

Curriculum and Instruction

*Legislative - NJSBA

*Educational Services Commission of Morris County (ESC)

Morris School District

Personnel

Policy

Shared Services

Liaison Committees

--Morris Plains Home and School Association (MPHSA)

--Morris Plains Municipal Alliance Committee (MPMAC)

--Education Foundation of Morris Plains (EFMP)

--Strategic Planning Committees

-- *New Jersey School Boards Association (Delegate and Alternate)

-- *Morris County School Boards Association

Community Outreach

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

B. Annual Motions

1. Approves Board Policies and Bylaws

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the following resolution

RESOLVED, that the Morris Plains School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey adopts and shall be governed in all actions and business to come before this Board by the written Board Policies, Regulations, and Job Descriptions previously duly adopted and contained in the Board of Education Policy Book.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

2. Authorize the School Board Secretary/Business Administrator to Award Contracts

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the School Board Secretary/Business Administrator to award contracts up to the

current bid threshold (\$40,000) as set by the Division of Local government Services and further set the quote threshold at 15% of the bid threshold (\$6,000).

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

3. Authorize Interim Payment of Obligations

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to do account transfers, pay bills and approve travel in accordance with Policy #4133 and #9250, Travel and Related Services, and N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12, in between board meetings on an emergency basis with list of such transfers, payments and travel subject to presentation and ratification at the next board meeting.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

4. Designation of Depositories of School Funds

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the following resolution: RESOLVED, that the Morris Plains School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey approves that all checks, drafts or other orders for payment or withdrawal of money from said account be signed by the person holding the appropriate title as listed below (N.J.S.A. 18A:19-1):

<u>Account</u>	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Bank</u>	<u>Account #</u>
General Account	President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary # of Signatures (3)	Investors Savings Bank	XXXXX0870
Food Service Account	President, Treasurer and Secretary # of Signatures (3)	Investors Savings Bank	XXXXX1935
Unemployment Trust Fund	President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary # of Signatures (2)	Investors Savings Bank	XXXXX0897
Payroll Agency	President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary # of Signatures (2)	Investors Savings Bank	XXXXX0889
Payroll Account	Treasurer, President, and Secretary # of Signatures of (2)	Investors Savings Bank	XXXXX0902
Student Activity Fund	Treasurer, Secretary, & Superintendent # of Signatures (2)	Investors Savings Bank	XXXXX1919
Referee Account	President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary # of Signatures (2)	Investors Savings Bank	XXXXX0910

Construction Account	President, Treasurer and Secretary # of Signatures (3)	Investors Savings Bank	XXXXX1927
Capital Reserve Account	Treasurer, Secretary, Superintendent # of Signatures (2)	Investors Savings Bank	XXXXX2909
Capital Projects Accounts - Bond \$	Secretary # of Signatures (1)	Investors Savings Bank	XXXXX2031

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

5. New Jersey School Board Code of Ethics

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

RESOLVED, that the Morris Plains School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey adopt the following Code of Ethics as per N.J.S.A. 18A:12-21 et seq.:

The members of the board of education recognize that they hold authority not as individuals but as members of the board. In order to make a clear public statement of its philosophy of service to the pupils of the district, the board adopts this code of ethics:

- a. I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- b. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools which meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex or social standing.
- c. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning and appraisal and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
- d. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.
- e. I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the board.
- f. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
- g. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its schools.
- h. I will vote to appoint the best-qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
- i. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
- j. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

The board shall see that all members of the board receive training in understanding and adhering to this code of ethics and shall discuss it annually at a regularly scheduled public meeting. Each member shall sign documentation that he/she has received a copy of it and has read and understood it.

Roll Call: DD_____ LG_____ AH_____ SL_____ AL_____ MM_____ CP_____ DR_____ JW_____

6. Authorization of Procurement of Goods/Services - State Contracts

Motion by _____ seconded by _____ to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Title 18A:18A-10 provides that, "A Board of Education, without advertising for bids, or after having rejected all bids obtained pursuant to advertising therefore, by resolution may purchase any goods or services pursuant to a contract or contracts for such goods or services entered into on behalf of the state by the Division of Purchase and Property, and

WHEREAS, the Morris Plains School District has the need, on a timely basis, to procure goods and services utilizing State Contracts, and

WHEREAS, the Morris Plains School District desires to authorize its purchasing agent to make any and all purchases necessary to meet the needs of the school district throughout the school year,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Morris Plains School District Board of Education does hereby authorize the district purchasing agent to make purchases of goods and services entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property utilizing various vendors, as per list filed in the office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Roll Call: DD_____ LG_____ AH_____ SL_____ AL_____ MM_____ CP_____ DR_____ JW_____

7. Authorization of Procurement of Goods/Services through Joint Purchasing Agreements

Motion by _____ seconded by _____ to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Title 18A:18A-10 provides that, "A Board of Education, without advertising for bids, or after having rejected all bids obtained pursuant to advertising therefore, by resolution may purchase any goods or services pursuant to a contract or contracts for such goods or services entered into on behalf of the state by the Division of Purchase and Property, and

WHEREAS, the Morris Plains School District has the need, on a timely basis, to procure goods and services utilizing Joint Purchasing Agreement, and

WHEREAS, the Morris Plains School District desires to authorize its purchasing agent to make any and all purchases necessary to meet the needs of the school district throughout the school year,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Morris Plains School District Board of Education does hereby authorize the district purchasing agent to make purchases of goods

and services enter into with Joint Purchasing Agreements on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property utilizing various vendors, as per list filed in the office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

Public Board of Education Meeting Begins

I. 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.

II. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Mark Maire

III. Business Administrator's Report - Ms. Amy Barkman

IV. Correspondence

V. Board of Education Minutes

1. Approval of the Board of Education Minutes

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the following:
Public and Executive Session - December 11, 2018

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

VI. Business Items Prepared for Official Action on January 7, 2019:

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

Note: Employment of personnel contained in these resolutions in this section are provisional, contingent upon a criminal record check in compliance with P.L.1986, C.116 and approval of the submission of the "Application for Emergent Hire."

1. Accept Resignation - Classroom Aide

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board accepts the resignation of Randall Porter, classroom aide at Mountain Way School, effective January 22, 2019.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

2. Approval of Family Leave Replacement Teacher

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves Randall Porter as Family Leave Replacement Teacher for Mrs. Kara Pagan, Preschool Teacher at Mountain Way School, effective January 23, 2019 through May 22, 2019 at a per diem rate of \$265.02 (\$53,005, BA, Step 1; prorated).

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

3. Approval of CST Leave Replacement Aide Position

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves Thomas Locatelli as CST Leave Replacement Aide, dates and salary as follows:

NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL	HOURS	TOTAL PAID HRS/DAY	UNPAID TIME (LUNCH) IF APPLICABLE	STEP	HOURLY RATE IF APPLICABLE	YEARLY SALARY
Thomas Locatelli	CST AIDE 1/2/19-1/22/19	Borough	8:53-3:10	5.9	23 minutes	1	\$14.28	15,502.36 prorated
Thomas Locatelli	CST AIDE 1/23/19-5/22/19	Borough	7:51-2:54	5.9	69 minutes	1	\$14.28	15,502.36 prorated

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

4. Approval of Unpaid Day for Mt. Way School Aide

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves 1 unpaid day off for Mt. Way Aide # 4663 on 12/5/18.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

5. Approval of 4 Unpaid Days for District-Wide Employee

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves 4 unpaid days off for District Employee # 4611 on January 3, 4, 31 and February 1, 2019.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

6. Approval of Unpaid Day for Borough School Aide

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves 1 unpaid day off for Borough Aide # 4519 on 12/17/18.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

7. Approval of Basketball Officials and Assigner

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves Steve Loboda as a basketball official for 2018-2019 at a cost of \$57.00 per game.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

8. Approval of Additional Hours Per Week for Borough Teacher for 2018-2019

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the following additional hours for Cari Segall, part-time teacher at Borough School, from 19.5 hrs to 24.33 hrs per week, effective January 2, 2019 at a salary of \$58,955.67 (MA+30, Step 19; \$85,443 prorated).

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

9. Approval of Home Instruction

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves Christie Heuneman to provide home instruction to Student ID# 621303 at an hourly rate of \$40, not to exceed 10 hours per week, for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

10. Approval of Medical Leave for Mt. Way Teacher

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a medical leave for Mountain Way teacher # 4564 for the time period of January 7, 2019 - April 5, 2019.

January 7, 2019 - April 5, 2019 Paid/Unpaid Medical Leave

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

11. Approval of Medical Leave for Mt. Way Teacher

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a medical leave for Mountain Way teacher # 4392 as follows:

May 1, 2019 - June 30, 2019 - Paid Sick Leave
September 1, 2019 - November 25, 2019 - NJ Family Leave
Anticipated return to work - November 26, 2019

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

12. Approval of Medical Leave for Borough Teacher

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a medical leave for Borough teacher # 4377 for the time period of January 7, 2019 - January 22, 2019.

January 2, 2019 - January 18, 2019 Paid/Unpaid Medical Leave

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

13. Approval of Family Leave Replacement Teacher

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves Daina Budris as Family Leave Replacement Teacher (#4564) for Mountain Way School, effective January 8, 2019 through April 4, 2019 at a per diem rate of \$280.14 (\$56,029, BA30/MA, Step 1; prorated).

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

B. Finance/Buildings & Grounds/Purchasing/Contracts - *The following motions are of a routine nature, non-controversial,*

1. Approve Bills and Claims Report

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the attached bills and claims reports dated January 7, 2019 in the amount of \$434,003.20 and January 7, 2019 in the amount of \$670.00

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

2. Approve Payroll Distribution

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

Payroll Date	Fund	Amount
12/15/2018	General	\$329,252.24
12/21/2018	General	\$360,710.08

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

3. Approval of the Board Secretary and Treasurer’s Reports For The Period Ending November 30, 2018

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 NJSA 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 NJSA 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 November 30, 2018 to be approved.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

4. Approve Standing Payments to the Borough of Morris Plains

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves standing monthly payments to the Borough of Morris Plains for reimbursement of the Class III Officer’s monthly salary.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

C. Superintendent’s Anti-Bullying Report - The following motion is of a routine nature, non-controversial, 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: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

D. Special Education - The following motion is of a routine nature, non- controversial, and will be voted on in one motion.

1. Approval of OOD Tuition for 2018-2019 School Year

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves OOD tuition for student #000060 at a cost not to exceed \$19,500. Services to be provided by Stepping Forward Counseling Center.

Note: HS student was attending the Center School and placed at Stepping Forward on 11/11/2018 for intensive partial care home instruction. Return to the Center School is contingent upon doctor approval (up to 6 months).

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

2. Approval of Psychiatric Evaluation

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a psychiatric evaluation for student #2029198 at a cost not to exceed \$675.00. Services to be provided by Dr. Bryan W. Fennelly, 8 Shunpike Rd, Madison.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

3. Approval of Teacher of the Deaf Consultation

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a Teacher of the Deaf consultation for student #2034376 at a cost not to exceed \$495.00. Services to be provided by Bergen County Special Services, 540 Farview Avenue, Paramus.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

E. Policy - The following motion is of a routine nature, non- controversial, and will be voted on in one motion.

1. Approval of Policies for Second Reading

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the following policies for second reading:

Series	Policy Number	Title
Personnel	4111.2/4211.2	Domestic Violence

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____

F. Curriculum - The following motion is of a routine nature, non-controversial, and will be voted on in one motion.

1. Approval of Curricula for First Reading

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the following curricula for first reading:

- Visual Arts
- World Language

- Music K-8

Roll Call: DD _____ LG _____ AH _____ SL _____ AL _____ MM _____ CP _____ DR _____ JW _____

G. Recognition - *The following motion is of a routine nature, non- controversial, and will be voted on in one motion.*

1. Approve the Resolution for School Board Recognition Month in New Jersey

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

WHEREAS, The New Jersey School Boards Association has declared January 2018 to be the 15th Annual School Board Recognition Month, a time that all residents might acknowledge the contributions made by our local school board members; and

WHEREAS, The Morris Plains Board of Education is one of more than 581 local school boards in New Jersey that sets policies and oversees operations for public school districts; and

WHEREAS, The Morris Plains Board of Education embraces the goal of high-quality education for all New Jersey public school students; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's local school boards help determine community goals for the education of approximately 1.4 million children in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's 5,000 local school board members, who receive no remuneration for their services, act as advocates for public school students as they work with administrators, teachers and parents for the betterment of public education; and

WHEREAS, School boards strive to provide the resources necessary to meet the needs of all students, including those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Boards of education provide accountability to the public; they communicate the needs of the school district to the public; and they convey to school administrators the public's expectations for the schools; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey can take pride in its schools, which rank among the nation's best in indicators such as high school graduation rates, class size, college entrance exam participation, and Advanced Placement offerings and test scores. Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Morris Plains Board of Education, does hereby recognize the services of local school board members throughout New Jersey as we join communities statewide in observing January 2018 as SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Morris Plains Board of Education urges all New Jersey citizens to work with their local boards of education and public school staffs toward the improvement of our children's education.

Roll Call: DD _____ LG _____ AH _____ SL _____ AL _____ MM _____ CP _____ DR _____ JW _____

VII. Discussion Items:

- **New Business**
- **Old Business**

VIII. 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.

IX. Adjournment

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, BE IT RESOLVED that the Morris Plains Board of Education moves to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: DD____ LG____ AH____ SL____ AL____ MM____ CP____ DR____ JW____