

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

**Morris Plains Board of Education  
Public Meeting – July 17, 2012**

**Meeting will be held in the Borough School Auditorium**

7:30 Public Meeting begins

**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"/> Terri Kaag
<input type="checkbox"/> Maria Manley	<input type="checkbox"/> Wayne Marek	<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 Executive Session**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education to recess this public meeting and enter into closed session, where the public will be excluded, for the purpose of discussing personnel items which come within the provisions of NJSA 10:4-12, Chap. 231 of P.L. 1975. The matters discussed in closed session will be disclosed to the public when circumstances permit.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ LC \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ WM \_\_\_ DMc \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**V Return to Regular Session from Closed Session (if necessary)**

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**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 Business Items Prepared for Official Action on July 17, 2012**

**A. Personnel (upon the recommendation of the Superintendent)**

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

**1. Approve Bills and Claims Report**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the attached bills and claims report dated June 30, 2012 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ LC \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ WM \_\_\_ DMc \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**2. Approve Resolution Mountain Way School Storage Room Conversion to Art Room**

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

**WHEREAS**, a recommendation was made by the Superintendent of Schools to the **Morris Plains Board of Education ("Board")** to seek a contract for construction services for the Storage Room Conversion to Art room/ Music Classroom at the Mountain Way Elementary School (hereinafter "Project") pending Department of Education, State of New Jersey approval; and

**WHEREAS**, the Project was properly advertised to prospective bidders in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4 and the bids were opened on May 30, 2012 ; and

**WHEREAS**, the bids that were received on May 30, 2012 were rejected for being over the Board's budget for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Project was properly re-advertised to prospective bidders in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4 and the bids were opened on June 20, 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, the bids that were received on June 20, 2012 were rejected for being over the Board's budget for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 26, 2012, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(c) the Board authorized negotiations for responsible bidders in order to receive an acceptable price for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(c) the Board has made a good faith effort to determine if the Project could be procured through a State Contract or other cooperative purchasing group and determined that no state contract could be procured and that G&L is also a cooperative vendor with Educational Data, and

**WHEREAS**, on June 27, 2012, representatives of the Board met with prospective bidders in an effort to negotiate the bid price of the within Project; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of those negotiations the Board received a negotiated price of sixty-two thousand (\$62,000) at the following bid amounts from G&L Construction Group, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, upon review of the bids submitted, together with the budget for the Project, and in consultation with the Parette Somjen Architects, the Board has determined that this negotiated price meets the budgetary constraints for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, G&L has submitted the lowest price after conducting a fair and open negotiations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(c) and has been deemed to be the lowest responsible bidder pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq.;

**NOW, THEREFORE: BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby awards the Project to G&L in the amount of sixty-two thousand (\$62,000).

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ LC \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ WM \_\_\_ DMc \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**C. Board of Education Calendar**

**1. Approval of Changes to the Annual Board of Education Calendar**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board approves the following changes to the 2012-2013 Annual Board of Education Calendar:

- Change the March 26, 2013 Meeting to March 19, 2013
- Add Regular Meeting – July 24, 2012

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ LC \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ WM \_\_\_ DMc \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**D. Special Education**

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

**Be it Resolved** that the Settlement Agreement between the parents of special education student (NJSMART #6256342117) and Morris Plains School District be approved.

**Background:** The student is currently attending an out of district placement. Included in the IEP is an extended school year at his current placement. The parents petitioned the district to fund an alternate Extended School Year Program. A settlement was reached in which the district agreed to reimbursement the parents at a cost not to exceed the tuition of the extended school year program recommended by the child study team. The change in program will be a cost neutral to the district.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ LC \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ WM \_\_\_ DMc \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**E. Programs**

**1. Approval of Big Ideas Math – Grades 6-8 – Amended Motion**

On the motion of \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, the Board amends the previous motion approving the purchase of Holt McDougal’s Big Ideas Math Program for Grades 6-8 at a new cost of \$14,346.31, \$55.00 less than the previously approved amount.

Roll Call: AA \_\_\_ SB \_\_\_ LC \_\_\_ CF \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ WM \_\_\_ DMc \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_

**VIII Discussion Items:**

**A. New Business**

**B. Old Business**

**IX Executive Session (if necessary)**

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**XII 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 \_\_\_ TK \_\_\_ MM \_\_\_ WM \_\_\_ DMc \_\_\_ DR \_\_\_