

PREPARING ALL LEARNERS TO EXCEL IN A CHANGING WORLD

**Morris Plains Board of Education
Public Meeting – September 18, 2012**

Meeting will be held in the Borough School Learning Center - 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
<input type="checkbox"/> Kristin Kosky <input type="checkbox"/> Ernest Palestis <input type="checkbox"/> Number of Public				

IV Executive Session

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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 Superintendent's Report – Dr. Ernest Palestis
--Enrollment**

**VIII Correspondence
--QSAC Certification**

IX 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

X Approval of the Board of Education Minutes

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

- August 28, 2012 Executive Session
- August 28, 2012 Public Meeting
- September 11, 2012 Executive Session
- September 11, 2012 Public Meeting

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

XI Business Items Prepared for Official Action on September 18, 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 September 18, 2012 in the amount of \$183,240.29.

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

C. Professional Development Committee

1. Approve Professional Development Committee – 2012-2013

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the following Professional Development Committee Members for the 2012-2013 school year:

- Erin Kramer
- Laurie Schorno
- Jessica Hendershot
- Danielle Mastrogiovanni

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

D. 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 ___ TK ___ MM ___ WM ___ DMc ___ DR ___

E. Special Education**1. Approval to Rescind an of Out of District Placement – 2012-2013**

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board rescinds an out of district placement for student 613746 at Sage Day, 215 Hill Street, Boonton, NJ 07005, effective September, 2012 – June, 2013 at an annual tuition cost of \$48,294. The student has moved out of district and is no longer a Morris Plains resident.

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

2. Approval to Purchase iPad

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the purchase of an iPad (3rd generation) with Wifi 16GB for student 00402 at a cost of \$648.00. Ipad to be purchased through Apple, Inc. 12545 Riata Vista Circle, Austin, TX 78727.

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

F. Grants**Approval to Submit and Accept Funds – 2012-2013 IDEA Consolidated Grant**

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the submission of the 2012-2013 IDEA Consolidated Grant Application and accepts funds in the amounts as follows:

Basic: \$170,990

Preschool: \$ 6,246

Funds will be used for out of district tuition (Basic) and (Preschool).

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

G. Fundraisers**1. Approve Fundraiser for 8th Grade Trip to Washington, D.C. – Family Directory**

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a Morris Plains School District Family Directory as a Fundraiser for the 8th Grade Trip to Washington, D.C. A group of 8th grade students would create a directory of names for Mountain Way and Borough Schools. Forms will be distributed to the students to bring home to the parents. The form would ask permission for family information to be included in the directory. The information would include family name, address, home and cell phone numbers, email, and first names of parents and first names and grades of students. Only families that return a signed form would be included in the directory. Students would be involved with compiling the information into alphabetical order and typing it. Booklets will then be printed. Copies will sell for approximately \$5.00 - \$10.00 depending on printing costs. Proceeds will be shared equally among all 8th grade students.

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

2. Approve Fundraiser for 6th Grade Camping Trip – Clothing Drive

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a Clothing Drive Fundraiser the week of October 8 – 13th to be held at the Community Center. Families will drop off bags of unwanted clothing during that week and weekend. 6th grade student and parent volunteers will help on one week night and Saturday. A&E Clothing Corp. will pick up the bags on Monday the 13th from the Community Center. They will weigh the bags and provide 17 cents per pound. Money is to be used towards the 6th grade camping trip.

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3. Approve Fundraiser for 6th Grade Camping Trip – Morris Plains Pumpkin Fest

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a Morris Plains Pumpkin Fest Fundraiser during the following weekends: September 29th, October 6th and October 13th. The dates listed above are weekend dates that include Saturday and Sunday. The proposed location will be the lawn area in front of Borough School. Hours of operation will be 11:00 am until dusk depending upon weather conditions. The theme of the sale/event will be Halloween and harvest time. There are three sizes of pumpkins small, medium and large. Pricing will be \$2.00, \$5.00 and \$7.00 based upon size. A flyer will be designed and distributed to all the school children to promote the event, with the understanding that the Principal will approve the flier before it is circulated. The event will be run with the help of sixth graders and 6th grade parent volunteers and a meeting will be planned to review details of the event upon approval. A trailer will be used to store the pumpkins Saturday overnight to Sunday on the school property and removed Sunday at the end of the day. The pumpkins will be picked up at Bullock Farms in Southern Jersey. The first load will consist of 6 bins. Depending on the vigor of the sales, more pumpkins will be purchased as needed. The first initial load of pumpkins will be personally funded and then utilize funds generated to purchase more pumpkins if/when necessary. The school tractor may be needed, if possible, to unload and load pumpkin pallet bins.

List of activities	Cost	Sales
Sale of pumpkins	\$400.00	\$900.00
Sale of apple cider	\$100.00	\$200.00
Sale of doughnuts	\$100.00	\$200.00
Pumpkin Carving by a local resident (pending)	Free	Free
Total:	\$600.00	\$1300.00

Profit Goal: \$700.00

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4. Approve Fundraiser for 6th Grade Camping Trip – Used Sports Equipment Sale

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves a Used Sports Equipment Fundraiser during the Town-Wide Garage Sale Weekend, which is being held October 6th and 7th. Families will drop off gently used sports equipment at select volunteers' homes prior to the weekend of October 6th and 7th. 6th grade students and parent volunteers will help sort through the equipment, clean it (if necessary), and sell it at the sale. Tables will be set up in the front of Borough School the weekend of the sale, in hopes of bringing in more customers for both fundraising events (Pumpkin Fest and Used Sports Equipment Sale). Flyers will be created and distributed through backpack mail to notify families of the donation process and sale. Details will also be included on the district web site and MPHSA newsletter. Money is to be used towards the 6th grade camping trip.

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H. Donations

1. Accept Donation From Target 2012 Take Charge of Education Program

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board accepts a donation from the Target 2012 Take Charge of Education Program, in the amount of \$92.33 for Mountain Way and \$51.38 for Borough School.

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

2. Accept Anonymous Donation – Washington, D.C. Trip

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board accepts a donation from an anonymous individual to be used for the 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip, in the amount of \$500.00.

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

3. Accept Donation from Morris Plains Soccer Association – Soccer Goals (Two Sets) – Mountain Way School

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board accepts a donation from the Morris Plains Soccer Association of two sets of soccer goals for the Mountain Way School valued at approximately \$100.00.

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I. Workshops/Seminars/Conferences

1. Approve Professional Development

On the motion of _____ seconded by _____, the Board approves the attached list of requests for professional development and corresponding costs.

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XII Discussion Items:

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XVI Adjournment

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

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