

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Skillman, New Jersey 08558

Meeting, Tuesday, January 23, 2018
6:45 p.m. Executive Session
7:30 p.m. Public Session
Upper Middle School Media Center

AGENDA FOR REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

2017-2018 District Goals

- Goal 1: Maximize the social-emotional and academic growth of every student
- Goal 2: Ensure a learning environment that promotes excellence
- Goal 3: Strengthen stakeholder relationships to support and enhance student learning
- Goal 4: Optimize operational and financial resources to enhance student experience

OPENING OF THE MEETING

Call to Order – Board President

Statement of Open Meeting and Public Participation - In accordance with the State's Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing notice of meeting on January 18, 2018. Notice was provided to Board of Education Members, Montgomery Township Clerk, Rocky Hill Borough Clerk, Public Library, Township Posting, School Posting, PTSA Officers, Courier News, Princeton Packet, Trenton Times, and The Star Ledger.

The Board reserves the right to enter into Executive Session during all meetings of the Board of Education.

This meeting is being tape-recorded for the purpose of Board review and future reference and to assist in the preparation of minutes.

It is the School Board's intention to conclude this meeting no later than 10:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It is recommended that the Board convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing items related to personnel, harassment, intimidation and bullying incidents, and negotiations with the Montgomery Township Education Association. When the need for confidentiality no longer exists, the matters will be disclosed to the public.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION – 7:30 p.m.

SALUTE THE FLAG

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- MHS Girls Tennis Team Recognition
- Invitation to Science/Math Awards, Grades 6-8
- Strategic Plan Update

NEW BUSINESS FROM BOARD/PUBLIC

Members of the public are allotted one opportunity to bring any new/old business to the Board for up to a maximum of five (5) minutes per speaker. All comments or questions must be directed to the board president. The board president may need to refer an issue to the superintendent if the particular issue has not been handled through the appropriate chain of command within the school district before coming to the board for a response. All responses will be provided at the end of this session.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the following Board Meeting(s):

1. December 19, 2017 Executive Session Meeting
2. December 19, 2017 Workshop and Business Meeting

ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public are allotted one opportunity to address the Board regarding the **Action Agenda** for up to a maximum of five (5) minutes during this period of the meeting. All comments or questions must be directed to the board president. The board president may need to refer an issue to the superintendent if the particular issue has not been handled through the appropriate chain of command within the school district before coming to the board for a response. All responses will be provided at the end of this session.

ACTION AGENDA

1.0 ADMINISTRATIVE

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the administrative items as follows:

- 1.1 Routine Monthly Reports – Accept the following reports:
 - a. Student Control Report
 - b. Fire/Security Drill Report
 - c. Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) Report

1.2 Approve the Following Resolution Regarding School Board Recognition Month:

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

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

WHEREAS, The Montgomery Township 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 the educational goals for 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 key achievement indicators such as the National Assessment of Educational Progress scores, and the preparation for college through advanced placement offerings and SAT assessments; Now, therefore, be it

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

2.0 CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the curriculum and instruction agenda as follows:

2.1 Out-of-District Placements 2017-2018

Approve the following Out-of-District Placements for the 2017-2018 school year:

Pupil ID	School	Dates	TUITION		
			ESY	RSY	Total for Year
100652	Bonnie Brae School	12/6/2017 – 6/21/18		\$42,840.00	\$42,840.00
100590	Woods Services Inc.	1/10/18 – 6/30/18		\$38,596.98	\$38,596.98
100590	Woods Services Inc. 1:1 Aide	1/10/18 – 6/30/18		\$22,230.00	\$22,230.00
100606	Sage Day School	1/2/18 – 6/16/18		\$35,585.00	\$35,585.00

2.2 Field Trip Approvals 2017-2018

Field Trip – Approve field trip for the varsity dance team and coaches to participate in the National Dance Championships in Orlando, Florida from February 1st to February 5th, 2018 at no cost to the Montgomery Township School District.

Field Trip – Approve field trip for the varsity cheerleading team and coaches to participate in the National Cheerleading Championships in Orlando, Florida from February 8th to February 12th, 2018 at no cost to the Montgomery Township School District.

Field Trip – Approve field trip for qualifying wrestlers and coaches to participate in the NJSIAA Wrestling State Championships in Atlantic City, New Jersey from March 2nd to March 4th, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$980.14. The cost includes lodging, meals, and travel expenses for the athletes and coaches.

Field Trip – Approve field trip for eligible boys and girls track team athletes and coaches to participate in the NJSIAA Boys and Girls Outdoor Track & Field State Group Championships in Egg Harbor, New Jersey from June 1st & 2nd, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$1,735.00. The cost includes lodging, meals, and travel expenses for the athletes and coaches.

3.0 FINANCE

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the finance agenda as follows:

3.1 Financial Reports - As prepared by the School Business Administrator and Treasurer of School Moneys which are in agreement, and presented by the Superintendent, approve the following reports as of December 31, 2017:

- Board Secretary's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Investment Report
- Food Services Report

3.2 Ratification of Transfers - ratify the transfer of funds among the general, special revenue and capital projects funds' line items as of December 31, 2017

3.3 Receipt of Certification from Board Secretary - Pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.12 (c) 3, I, Annette M. Wells, certify that as of December 31, 2017 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23-2.12 (a).

Board Secretary

Date

3.4 Certification of Board of Education - Pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2-12 (c) 4, we certify that as of December 31, 2017 after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial reports, in the minutes of the board each month that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.12 (b).

3.5 Approval of Monthly Bills for January – approve the monthly bills as follows:

General Operating	\$7,871,908.59
Food Services	\$ 157,114.31

3.6 Travel Reimbursement – 2017/2018 – approve the Board member and/or staff conference and travel expenses as per the attached list.

3.7 Agreement between Montgomery Township Board of Education and the Township of Montgomery regarding the High School Pool – approve the agreement between Montgomery Township Board of Education and the Township of Montgomery granting the Recreation Department access to and use of the swimming pool located at Montgomery High School for the benefit of the residents of the Township of Montgomery. The term of the agreement shall be from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

3.8 Authorize Bidding for Goods and Services – authorize the solicitation of bids for goods and services for the 2017-2018 school year as determined by the School Business Administrator.

- 3.9 Revise Approval for Hosting Services for Student Growth Solutions and Test Administration Bundle – revise the award of contract due to district growth for the hosting services of the district’s student growth solutions and test administration bundle from August 9, 2017 to August 8, 2018 as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Previous Award on June 27, 2017</u>	<u>Revised Award</u>
Performance Matters, LLC, Sandy, UT	\$19,500.00	\$21,522.00

- 3.10 Receipt/Award of Quote – 2017 Dodge Grand Caravan SE Wagon (Q18-51) – Quotes were received for a 2017 Dodge Grand Caravan SE Wagon as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>
Flemington Chrysler/Dodge/Jeep Flemington, NJ	\$22,949.95
DFFLM, LLC Flemington, NJ	\$26,213.00

It is recommended that the Board of Education award quote Q18-51 for a 2017 Dodge Grand Caravan SE Wagon as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>
Flemington Chrysler/Dodge/Jeep Flemington, NJ	\$22,949.95

- 3.11 Appointments – The Board President will make the following committee assignments for 2018:

- Members of the Assessment, Curriculum and Instruction Committee (ACI):

Chair	Dharmesh Doshi
Second Chair	Amy Miller
Member	Richard Cavalli
Member	Paul Johnson
Alternate Member	Shreesh Tiwari

- Communications Committee:

Chair	Minkyo Chenette
Second Chair	Phyllis Bursh
Member	Charles Jacey, Jr.
Member	Paul Johnson
Alternate Member	Amy Miller

- Members of the Human Resources and Negotiations Committee (HRC):

Chair	Amy Miller
Second Chair	Minky Chenette
Member	Phyllis Bursh
Member	Ranjana Rao
Alternate Member	Richard Cavalli

- Members of the Negotiations Committee:

Chair	Richard Cavalli
Second Chair	Charles Jacey, Jr.
Member	Minky Chenette
Member	Shreesh Tiwari
Alternate Member	Ranjana Rao

- Members of the Operations, Facilities and Finance Committee (OFF):

Chair	Charles Jacey, Jr.
Second Chair	Shreesh Tiwari
Member	Richard Cavalli
Member	Ranjana Rao
Alternate Member	Minky Chenette

- Members of the Chairs and Policy Committee (Co-Chair and Member will rotate.):

Chair	Richard Cavalli
Second Chair	Amy Miller
Member	Charles Jacey, Jr.
Member	Dharmesh Doshi
Alternate Member	Minky Chenette

- Borough of Rocky Hill Liaison:

Delegate	Amy Miller
Alternate	Richard Cavalli
Second Alternate	Shreesh Tiwari

- Legislative Liaison for the purpose of receiving materials:

Delegate	Charles Jacey, Jr.
Alternate	Ranjana Rao
Second Alternate	Paul Johnson

- Montgomery Township Liaison:

Delegate	Amy Miller
Alternate	Richard Cavalli
Second Alternate	Shreesh Tiwari

- Liaison to the Montgomery Township-Rocky Hill Municipal Alliance Committee:

Delegate	Phyllis Bursh
Alternate	Shreesh Tiwari
Second Alternate	Minkyo Chenette

- Voting member and alternate to the New Jersey School Boards Association:

Delegate	Minkyo Chenette
Alternate	Phyllis Bursh
Second Alternate	Amy Miller

- Member and alternate to the Executive Committee of the Somerset County School Boards Association:

Delegate	Minkyo Chenette
Alternate	Phyllis Bursh
Second Alternate	Amy Miller

3.12 Election of Delegate - It is recommended that the Board of Education elect Minkyo Chenette as delegate to the Somerset County Educational Services Commission, Phyllis Bursh as an alternate delegate and Amy Miller and the second alternate delegate.

4.0 PERSONNEL

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the personnel agenda following discussion in Executive Session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

ADJOURNMENT