

Minutes of the Public Meeting of the Monroe Township Board of Education which was held at the Monroe Township High School on January 17, 2024.

The meeting was called to order by Board President Chrissy Skurbe at 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Ms. Carmen Alvarez
Ms. Kathleen Belko (arrived at 6:45 p.m.)
Ms. Gazala Bohra
Ms. Gail DiPane
Ms. Katie Fabiano
Ms. Chrissy Skurbe
Mr. Peter Tufano

JAMESBURG BOARD MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT

Ms. Michelle Scott

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Chari Chanley, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Laura Allen, CPA, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ATTORNEY PRESENT

Mr. Vito Gagliardi, Porzio, Bromberg & Newman, P.C.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – approximately 6

After the Pledge of Allegiance, and the roll call, the Board Secretary read the following statement:

In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, the Monroe Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published and electronic notice provided by having the date, time, and place thereof posted September 15, 2023, and January 12, 2024:

1. At all schools,
2. On the District website at <https://www.monroe.k12.nj.us/>,
3. Home News Tribune,
4. Cranbury Press, and
5. Filed with the Clerk of the Municipality.

CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved that the Board of Education of the Township of Monroe hereby moves to go into Closed Session, in accordance with the Sunshine Law, Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 through 10:4-21), to discuss the following subject(s):

- Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying
- Matters protected by attorney/client privilege.

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A motion was made by Mr. Tufano and seconded by Ms. Fabiano that the members of the Board of Education go into closed session. Motion carried.

Adjourned to Closed Session at 6:34 p.m.

Returned to Public Meeting at 7:18 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Tufano and seconded by Ms. Fabiano to approve the minutes for the Public Board of Education Meeting held on December 6, 2023. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Tufano and seconded by Ms. Bohra to approve the minutes for the Closed Session Meeting held on December 6, 2023. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

STUDENT PERFORMANCE

The Board and members of the public were treated to performances by the Monroe Township High School Tonics and Harmonettes and the Rolling Tones. The Tonics and Harmonettes are a Barber Shop type group consisting of auditioned MTHS Honors Choir members. They are under the direction of Ms. Lindsay Reinhold Silva. The Rolling Tones, an auditioned Pop Acapalla Ensemble, is student-led, student-driven and student-motivated and are directed by Josh Acampado.

STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS' REPORT

Ms. Hetvi Thacker reported the following on district schools:

Barclay Brook – families were invited in to celebrate American Education Week; students wrote thank you letters to local veterans in celebration of Veterans Day; a student from each classroom who consistently embodies the schools' GREAT traits, which are growth, mindset, empathy, acceptance, and trust was recognized; and all students participated in a STEAM Challenge, where they created a Thanksgiving Day balloon float.

Brookside – realized huge participation during American Education Week; the Winter Concert took place on December 12th; students have been doing a good job displaying great character as part of their Character Award Program; the 4th Grade Colonial Day took place on November 30th; and the school collected food for local food banks.

Oak Tree – The Thanksgiving food drive was a tremendous success, providing meals for over 20 families; the annual holiday gift drive is currently underway; all grades participated in American Education Week; and the ten days of Oak Tree will begin next week with different themed days.

Applegarth – classroom spelling bees are currently taking place with the school-wide spelling bee scheduled for February 20th; this month the Character Education Committee is kicking off a service learning project partnered with the Monroe Township Senior Center; in observance of Self-esteem Awareness Month students read a book about self-esteem and created snowflakes identifying why they love themselves; assemblies are being held this week to kick off the jump

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rope for heart challenge; several activities are being held this week to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.; and a Harlem Wizard assembly has been scheduled for Friday.

Mill Lake – staff will be participating in an assembly with the Harlem Wizards on January 19th; on January 24th & 25th 3rd Grade students will participate in a Lenape Interpreter program recognizing the significant contributions of Native Americans to the State; the Food Bank Frenzy will begin on February 1st, providing support for the Monroe Township Food Bank; and students will participate in the Second and Seventh Athlete program on February 27th.

Woodland – the Student Council is sponsoring a Super Bowl fundraiser where students are asked to bring a can of soup for the annual soup drive; the Winter Concert is schedule for January 23rd; and this Friday, staff will take on the Harlem Wizards at the High School.

Middle School – on January 9th the MTMS Band visited the Monroe Township Senior Center to perform for members of the Center; on January 12th 8th Graders had a Team Day to promote Team spirit and competition as teams worked together on various challenges; on January 18th the Jazz Band will hold their Winter Concert; school counselors from the High School will be present to begin plans for their schedules next year; and on January 25th an anti-vaping assembly will be held.

High School – the Footlights Program will be hosting a Murder Mystery Dinner on January 18th & 19th; the Winter Band Concert was held on January 11th; this month a plethora of senior award applications have opened for seniors to apply for scholarships; and an 8th Grade virtual orientation has been created for students entering the school, the presentation will be published on the school website.

PRESENTATION OF THE ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT (ACFR)

Ms. Kathryn Perry, CPA of the firm Jump Perry and Company, LLP, provided the members of the Board of Education with a copy of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and the Auditor's Management Report on Administrative Findings – Financial, Compliance and Performance prior to the meeting this evening. Ms. Perry stated the Audit was due to the State of New Jersey on December 5th and Monroe's financials were delivered on time. The Audit resulted in no findings.

The Audit consisted of preliminary testing. Some of the items tested were cash receipts; invoices; cash disbursements, which go back from the canceled check to the purchase order to make sure everything is signed off properly; a review of board minutes; documents for bids; payroll; and a review of bonds and grants.

Members of the Board were satisfied and had no questions regarding the Audit.

A motion was made by Mr. Tufano and seconded by Ms. Belko that the members of the Board of Education accept and approve the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and the Auditor's Management Report on Administrative Findings – Financial, Compliance and Performance, and hereby approve and authorize the submission of the required Corrective Action Plan (C.A.P.) to

the County Office indicating that there are no recommendations for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION ON BUDGET PHILOSOPHY

Dr. Chanley and Ms. Allen provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Budget Philosophy. Dr. Chanley presented some of the budget considerations and priorities. Dr. Chanley stated that the process of developing a Budget begins with discussions on priorities and what the Board and Administration feel are important to be included in the Budget. Dr. Chanley indicated that they want to maintain the current programs and staff and if possible, increase programs or make positive changes to the current ones. Ms. Allen provided details on the timeline and key dates of the Budget, and a brief overview of district appropriations and revenue resources. Ms. Skurbe added that in past years the district was left with a large amount in surplus which was able to be utilized, where now the District doesn't have that source available. It was noted that much more refinement will be required and implemented in the future with building principals and administration.

A motion was made by Mr. Tufano and seconded by Ms. Bohra that the members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the following resolution by consent roll call:

It is recommended that the members of the Monroe Township Board of Education establish and adopt a budget philosophy for the 2024-2025 school year, which tasks Administration to prepare a budget that responsibly meets the demands of continuing, significant student growth and facility needs as well as program and service requirements while prioritizing the following items:

1. Student and staff safety;
2. Maintain current programs and staff;
3. Address capital improvement needs.

This action by the Board will enable the Board to fulfill its educational responsibility to District students in a thorough, efficient and fiscally prudent manner while concomitantly ensuring the maintenance of District resources and facilities. Roll call 8-0-0-0-2 Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Kathleen Belko, Chairperson of the Finance Committee, reported that the Committee met and received an update on the Budget and Audit. The Committee also reviewed the monthly Bill List and attorney invoices. Ms. Belko further reported that Mr. Morolda provided the Committee with a presentation on a Human Resource Management System from Genesis.

Ms. Kathleen Belko, Chairperson of the Curriculum Committee, reported that the Committee met on January 10th. Mr. Yale Synder presented the Health and Physical Education curriculum updates for Grades 1-3 and Grades 4-5. The Committee also received an update on the Graphic Design II course. Mr. Snyder informed the Committee that the Chorus and Bands have been invited to go back to Hawaii for the National Vietnam Veterans Day Parade in March of 2025. Ms. Belko requested that the Finance Committee receive and review a list of all the costs to the district associated to this trip. Next, the Committee was informed of new partnerships with Kean

University and Rowan University for district students to receive college credits at a rate of \$100 per credit. Lastly, the Committee received an update on the mid-year enrichment programs for the winter.

Ms. Michelle Scott, Member of the Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee, reported the following updates from the January 10th meeting:

Eagle Scout candidate and current Monroe Township High School student Chris Collins presented a proposed project to construct a storage shed to be utilized by the baseball program. The Committee members and Administration were highly complementary of the proposal and Mr. Collins' efforts and offered full support of the project. The Committee members also generously agreed to donate funds to cover the projected cost of pizza for volunteer workers.

Mr. Steven Barandica, Director of Athletics, provided an overview of work performed at the varsity baseball field by a contractor supported by a local parent group. The crushed stone surfacing behind home plate has been removed and replaced with an infield mix product provided and installed by the contractor. Mr. Barandica noted that we will continue to monitor the compaction of this new material and will limit this new material to the area behind home plate only. The district will continue to use its existing product at the balance of the infield until it is confirmed that this alternate material adequately drains and compacts.

Committee members reviewed an aerial site plan for a lacrosse rebound wall which showed a proposed construction location for the wall to be located between the existing tennis courts. Administration provided a proposal from Edwards Engineering Group for developing the project towards construction. The Committee agreed to wait on recommending proceeding with design services until a plan for funding the project is developed.

Administration advised that the High School sign had been repaired shortly after school opening and was functional for several months however, the sign has ceased operation once again. The sign repair vendor has been scheduled for a service inspection next week. For information purposes, Administration advised that a replacement sign would cost in the neighborhood of \$55K - \$65K.

Committee members were provided with construction plans showing the proposed renovations for the golf range site. The district has a lease with Monroe Commons for housing Special Services through June 30, 2024, at which time it is planned that this department will be relocated to the newly renovated Golf Range facility. District facility staff will handle the majority of the renovation work prior to June 30th. Starting July 1st, when the new fiscal year begins, restoration of the site work (parking lot paving, site sidewalks, etc.) will be undertaken. Administration also noted that the current scope only provides for patching the existing roof. A full roof replacement will be required in the future.

Committee members were provided with an aerial view of the Middle School site depicting the cardio trailer location. Administration plans on ending the 5 year lease for this temporary classroom unit on June 30, 2024, at which time it will be removed by the leasing contractor. Although the district will realize a cost saving for monthly rental and utility charges, for the first year this will be offset by the cost of removal.

Boris Hladek, Teacher of Video Production and PAC Coordinator, is finalizing equipment selection for a replacement server and associated equipment licensing. The Township of Monroe has generously offered to cover the cost of this equipment as the server also serves the township tv broadcast needs. Administration will work with the township in the coming weeks to finalize this purchase and get the system up and running.

Lastly, Ms. Scott reported that the Committee were provided with progress construction drawings for the replacement of the 1936 building roof and associated woodwork restoration for Applegarth School. This work along with installation of a new building electric service is being funded through the additional \$1M dollars the district received. Administration is planning on going out to bid for the roof project in the coming weeks and will follow shortly thereafter with a separate bid package for the electric service upgrades. The balance of restoration work at Applegarth School, which primarily involves HVAC equipment upgrades, is currently in design and we are awaiting final confirmation of the R.O.D. Grant from the state. The Board President and Superintendent informed the Committee that they have finalized a Shared Service Agreement with the Township, whereby the Township will fund the Board's responsibility of costs towards the R.O.D. Grant projects. It is anticipated this will be handled by the Township at their upcoming public council meetings.

Ms. Katie Fabiano, Chairperson of the Legislative Action & Community Engagement Committee (LA/CE), reported that the Committee met on January 10th and discussed the following:

The Committee discussed the advocacy letter and after much discussion and collaboration the letter has been shared with the full Board and will hopefully be posted to the district website this evening. Next, Mr. Morolda shared updates to the district website to make it more easily accessible. Next, Ms. Fabiano reported that the Committee discussed testifying at the State Budget Hearing and noted that registration for testifying is not available yet. Lastly, stemming from the Committee's discussions regarding funding, Ms. DiPane provided some solutions that could be explored to help with the overcrowding situation and allow for possible program expansion including universal Pre-K. Ms. Fabiano concluded her report by reading the advocacy letter.

A motion was made by Mr. Tufano and seconded by Ms. Fabiano to create a petition from the statements in the advocacy and send it to Trenton as well as post the letter on the website.

Board members discussed the advantages and potential disadvantages of creating a petition versus sending hundreds of letters.

A motion was made by Ms. DiPane which was seconded by Ms. Alvarez to table the motion made by Mr. Tufano to refer it back to the Committee for review and discussion. Roll call 8-0-0-0-2. Motion carried.

Ms. DiPane clarified some comments she made at the committee meeting regarding temporarily relocating students that she had made at the committee meeting and wasn't afforded the time to provide examples as time ran out for the meeting.

Ms. Gazala Bohra, Chairperson of the Personnel Committee, reported that the Committee met on January 10th and reviewed the current openings in the district and the exit surveys.

Videotaped committee meetings can be found on the district website or at the following link:

[Monroe PEG TV \(viebit.com\)](http://MonroePEGTV.viebit.com)

PUBLIC FORUM

Pradeep Melam, Monroe Township – inquired about the two new positions, the PD Trainer and the Nurse listed on the agenda. Next, Mr. Melam inquired how much the Budget is expected to be. Mr. Melam suggested that the district skip a year or two on the iPad refresh for cost savings and consider asking the Jamesburg Board of Education to make a one-time larger payment for the Tuition Agreement.

Joe DiPane, Monroe Township – stated that the Board needs to be ready if the State decides to give extra funding the district and have a plan ready to accept and utilize those funds immediately or they may pass the district over and move on to another district. Next, Mr. DiPane suggested that the Board start putting money away.

George Gunkleman, Monroe Township – inquired what the intended use for the Golf Range property is. Next, Mr. Gunkleman questioned what the Shared Services Agreement with the Township entails. Lastly, Mr. Gunkleman requested an explanation of the legal services listed under Professional Appointments and the amount and details of the transfers on the agenda.

Sara Shama, Monroe Township – inquired how athletics are identified in the Budget. Ms. Shama recommended that the Board do both the advocacy letter campaign and the petition to keep things front of mind and inundate the State with them.

Peter Piro, Monroe Township – inquired if it is known yet if the Budget will be over the 2% cap. Next, regarding the appointment of Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs LLC, Mr. Piro inquired who they were representing. Next, Mr. Piro inquired about the chaperones for the Middle School Dance and if the number needed has increased since prior years. Lastly, Mr. Piro inquired what the Lead Teachers for Career Awareness at the Middle School are and if teachers are now being paid to work the ticket booths.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

On behalf of Dr. Layman, Dr. Chanley reported that the districts concerts concluded with nine concerts already held and two performances remaining. The District hosted an acclaimed percussionist and percussion professor at Middle Tennessee State University, Lalo Davila. He presented a masterclass on Latin Percussion instruments to the MTHS Percussion Ensembles. Students learned techniques on timbales, claves, congas, and bongos.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

PERSONNEL (10-member vote)

A motion was made by Mr. Tufano and seconded by Ms. Bohra that Personnel Items A-T be approved by consent roll call. Roll call 8-0-0-0-2. Motion carried. A copy of the Personnel section of the Superintendent's Report is attached to the official set of minutes.

PERSONNEL (9-member vote)

A motion was made by Mr. Tufano and seconded by Ms. Alvarez that Personnel Items U-AX be approved by consent roll call. Roll call 7-0-0-0-2. Motion carried. A copy of the Personnel section of the Superintendent's Report is attached to the official set of minutes.

BOARD ACTION (10-member vote)

A motion was made by Ms. Bohra and seconded by Ms. Fabiano that Board Action Items A-J be approved by consent roll call. Roll call 8-0-0-0-2. Motion carried. A copy of the Board Action section of the Superintendent's Report is attached to the official set of minutes.

BOARD ACTION (9-member vote)

A motion was made by Ms. Bohra and seconded by Ms. Alvarez that Board Action Items K-U be approved by consent roll call. Roll call 7-0-0-0-2. Motion carried. A copy of the Board Action section of the Superintendent's Report is attached to the official set of minutes.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATIONS (10-member vote)

A motion was made by Ms. Bohra and seconded by Mr. Tufano that Board Action Items A-L under the 10-member vote be approved by consent roll call. Roll call 8-0-0-0-2. Motion carried with Ms. DiPane and Ms. Fabiano voting no and Ms. Alvarez and Mr. Tufano abstaining on A3. A copy of the Board Action section of the Business Administrator's Report is attached to the official set of minutes.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATIONS (9-member vote)

A motion was made by Ms. Bohra and seconded by Ms. Fabiano that Board Action Items M-O under the 9-member vote be approved by consent roll call. Roll call 7-0-0-0-2. Motion carried. A copy of the Board Action section of the Business Administrator's Report is attached to the official set of minutes.

BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT

Ms. Skurbe thanked the Administration for their continued hard work collaborating with Township officials that made the Shared Services Agreement possible. As the new year begins, Ms. Skurbe invited and asked the community to participate in the advocacy letter written campaign. Ms. Skurbe announced that a Special Board of Education Meeting will be held on February 5, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of kicking off the Strategic Plan. The New Jersey School Boards Association Representative will be present and provide a presentation and lead the Board into the Strategic Planning process.

OTHER BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

Ms. Bohra congratulated the students on a wonderful performance at the beginning of the meeting this evening. Ms. Bohra echoed Ms. Skurbe's appreciation of the Administration and the Township's collaboration with the Shared Services Agreement. Next, Ms. Bohra reiterated the

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process, events, and possible actions that would have been taken had the Board not approved moving the election and vote on the budget to April.

Ms. Skurbe added that it was at the recommendation of the administration and business administrator who advised the Board that they did not think the Budget could be created at or under 2% to be able to have all of the programs currently in place.

Ms. Scott inquired if there has been any consideration to regionalizing with smaller towns and inquired what it would take to do some type of evaluation to see if it would be feasible.

Ms. DiPane reported that she was at the Senior Center when the Middle School Band and Jazz Band performed last week, and they were superb. Next, Ms. DiPane reported that it is National Board of Education Month and stated that they should all be commended for volunteering their time.

Ms. Alvarez reported that she has heard that several community members have been having communication issues with the transportation department. Ms. Alvarez inquired if the Board could look into it a little further and possibly approve an app or something to assist with communication.

PUBLIC FORUM - None

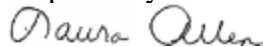
NEXT PUBLIC MEETING

Ms. Skurbe stated that the next public meeting of the Monroe Township Board of Education will convene at 7:00 p.m. on February 5, 2024, and the next regular meeting will be 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Scott and seconded by Ms. Bohra that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The public meeting adjourned at 10.06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Laura Allen, CPA

Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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<https://monroetv.viebit.com/index.php?folder=Board+of+Education>



Wednesday, January 17, 2024
MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MONTHLY AGENDA

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES DURING THE MEETING
ALL INDIVIDUALS SITTING AT THE BOARD TABLE SHOULD HAVE THEIR PHONES PUT AWAY

MONROE TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL
200 SCHOOLHOUSE ROAD
MONROE TOWNSHIP, NJ 08831
6:30 P.M.

Any member of the public may record the proceedings of a public meeting of the Board in a manner that does not interrupt the proceedings, inhibit the conduct of the meeting, or distract Board Members or other observers present at the meeting.

The Board will permit the use of tape recorders, still or movie cameras, or videotape cameras only when notice of such intended use has been given to the Board Secretary one day in advance of the meeting. Any video recording device must be located and operated from inconspicuous locations in the meeting room as determined by the presiding officer of the meeting. The presiding officer may also limit the number of video recording devices if he/she determines the number and position of the video recording devices will be an unnecessary intrusion to the meeting. In this event, preference will be given based on the order in which prior notice requesting to record the meeting was provided to the Board Secretary.

The presiding officer shall determine when any recording device interferes with the conduct of a Board meeting and may order that an interfering device be removed.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER

3. ROLL CALL

Subject

A. BOARD MEMBERS

Meeting Jan 17, 2024 - MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MONTHLY AGENDA

Category 3. ROLL CALL

Type Information

Ms. Carmen Alvarez
 Ms. Kathleen Belko
 Ms. Gazala Bohra
 Ms. Gail DiPane
 Ms. Katie Fabiano
 Mr. Matthew Gorham
 Ms. Kate Rattner
 Ms. Chrissy Skurbe
 Mr. Peter Tufano

JAMESBURG BOARD MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE (See Note 2)

Ms. Michelle Scott

STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Sehaj Chadha
Ms. Hetvi Thakker

4. STATEMENT

Subject	A. STATEMENT
Meeting	Jan 17, 2024 - MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MONTHLY AGENDA
Category	4. STATEMENT
Type	Information

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5. CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION

Subject	A. CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION
Meeting	Jan 17, 2024 - MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MONTHLY AGENDA
Category	5. CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION
Type	

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6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Subject	A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Meeting	Jan 17, 2024 - MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MONTHLY AGENDA
Category	6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Type	Information

Public Board of Education Meeting, December 06, 2023
Closed Session Meeting, December 06, 2023

7. STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS' REPORT

8. PRESENTATIONS

Subject **A. STUDENT PERFORMANCE**

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Category 8. PRESENTATIONS

Type

Subject **B. PRESENTATION OF THE ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT (ACFR)**

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Category 8. PRESENTATIONS

Type

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Subject **C. BOARD DISCUSSION ON BUDGET PHILOSOPHY**

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Category 8. PRESENTATIONS

Type

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Subject **A. ADVOCACY LETTER**

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Category 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Type

10. PUBLIC FORUM -AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Subject **A. PUBLIC FORUM (See Note 3)**

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Category 10. PUBLIC FORUM -AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Type

See Note 3.

11. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Subject**A. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Meeting

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Category

11. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Type

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATION**Subject****A. HOME INSTRUCTION**

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Category

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATION

Type

Information

ID #	School	Grade	Reason	Home Instruction Provider	Effective Date	End Date
91198	MTMS	8	CST	Forrest	9/6/2023	
90582	MTMS	7	CST	Brunotte, Chanley, Harris	9/8/2023	
95017	MTHS	10	CST	Quindes, Ongaro, Chakraborti, Simmonds, Nagle, Mackenzie, Russo, Speech Tree	9/6/2023	
92933	BES	5	Medical	CHOP	9/7/2023	
94479	MTHS	12	CST	Lyons, Simmonds, Liburdi, Mackenzie	9/20/2023	1/2/2024
93362	MTHS	11	Medical	Ayala, Wall, Debellis, ESCNJ	9/6/2023	12/7/2023
93159	MTMS	8	Medical	LearnWell	10/11/2023	11/13/2023
97980	MTMS	7	Medical	Fiore, Hoehler, DuBois, Lewkowitz	10/16/2023	
96786	MTHS	10	Medical	LearnWell	10/30/2023	11/6/2023
87845	MTHS	11	Admin	Staub, Mackenzie, Lyons	10/26/2023	11/15/2023
91391	MTHS	9	Medical	Rutgers	11/1/2023	11/9/2023
95374	MTHS	11	Admin	McCormack, DeMarco, Cohen, Narvaez, DuBois	10/20/2023	11/2/1023
88081	MTHS	11	Medical	DuBois, Van Cleve, Jodon, ESCNJ	10/4/2023	10/20/2023
94965	MTHS	11	Admin	Lyons, Mackenzie	10/24/2023	10/30/2023
90417	MTHS	12	Medical	Vitalin, Ruckdeschel, DeBois, ESCNJ	10/27/2023	
86762	MTHS	12	Medical	DuBois, ESCNJ	10/24/2023	12/22/2023
91391	MTHS	9	Medical	LearnWell	11/14/2023	11/16/2023
87792	MTHS	11	Admin	Hoehler, DuBois, ESCNJ	11/13/2023	11/28/2023
89299	MTHS	9	Admin	DeMarco, ESCNJ	11/2/2023	11/15/2023
97024	MTHS	10	Medical	Silvergate Prep	10/30/2023	
97086	MTHS	10	Medical	LearnWell	11/15/2023	11/21/2023
88577	MTHS	10	CST	Lyons, Mackenzie, Quindes, ESCNJ	10/9/2023	12/5/2023
96082	MTHS	10	Medical	Rutgers	11/16/2023	11/17/2023
91391	MTHS	9	Medical	Rutgers	11/17/2023	11/22/2023
87647	MTHS	12	Medical	Silvergate Prep	11/17/2023	
89257	MTHS	9	CST	Mackenzie, Stec, Pesce, Wall, Lyons	10/25/2023	12/22/2023

95012	MTHS	11	Medical	Rutgers	11/21/2023	11/29/2023
91550	MTHS	9	Medical	Profaci, DuBois, DeMarco	11/21/2023	
90346	MTHS	11	Medical	Staub, Mackenzie, O'Neill, ESCNJ	11/27/2023	
94937	MTHS	12	Admin	ESCNJ	11/14/2023	11/20/2023
87912	MTHS	11	Medical	LearnWell	11/27/2023	11/29/2023
97086	MTHS	10	Medical	LearnWell	11/27/2023	
95012	MTHS	11	Medical	LearnWell	11/30/2023	1/2/2024
87912	mths	11	Medical	LearnWell	11/30/2023	1/2/2024
89838	MTMS	8	Medical	Hoehler, DuBois, Goetz, Mulvey, Buta	11/16/2023	12/1/2023
85201	MTHS	12	Medical	DuBois, Chakraborti	11/28/2023	12/22/2023
87175	MTHS	12	Medical	Kantor	11/22/2023	12/1/2023
92821	MTHS	12	Medical	DuBois	11/27/2023	12/14/2023
94457	MTHS	12	Medical	Hampton	12/6/2023	
85735	MTHS	12	Medical	Hampton	12/8/2023	
97628	MTHS	9	Medical	Kasternakis, DuBois, Albrethsen, Driscoll, Mackenzie	12/4/2023	12/22/2023
95192	MTHS	9	Medical	Hoehler, DeMarco, DuBois	11/13/2023	12/8/2023
95343	MTHS	11	Medical	Rutgers	12/16/2023	
95399	MTHS	11	Medical	Hoehler, DuBois	12/7/2023	12/22/2023
89561	MTHS	10	Medical	LearnWell	1/2/2024	
87793	MTHS	11	Medical	Lyons	11/27/2023	12/22/2023
86825	MTHS	12	Medical	Simmonds	1/3/2024	
93248	MTHS	11	Medical	Chakraborti, Dubois	1/2/2024	
88081	MTHS	11	Medical	DuBois, Van Cleve	12/14/2023	12/22/2023

Subject B. FIRE/LOCKDOWN DRILLS

Meeting Jan 17, 2024 - MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MONTHLY AGENDA

Category 12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATION

Type Information

FIRE/LOCKDOWN DRILL/AED

Applegarth School ----- December 13, 2023
 Barclay Brook School ----- December 8, 2023
 Brookside School ----- December 4, 2023
 Mill Lake School ----- December 15, 2023
 Monroe Middle School----- December 8, 2023
 Oak Tree School ----- December 5, 2023
 Woodland School ----- December 22, 2023
 Monroe High School ----- December 1, 2023

Lockdown

Applegarth School----- December 5, 2023
 Barclay Brook School----- December 5, 2023
 Brookside School ----- December 11, 2023
 Mill Lake School ----- December 19, 2023
 Monroe Middle School----- December 21, 2023
 Oak Tree School ----- December 14, 2023
 Woodland School ----- December 15, 2023
 Monroe High School ----- December 8, 2023

AED

Applegarth School----- December 1, 2023

Subject**C. ENROLLMENT**

Meeting

Jan 17, 2024 - MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MONTHLY AGENDA

Category

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATION

Type

Information

Schools	12/31/23	12/31/22	12/31/21	12/31/20	12/31/19
Applegarth	437	467	459	454	438
Barclay Brook	394	362	338	299	326
Brookside	412	390	395	403	413
Mill Lake	500	490	471	455	540
MTMS	1707	1769	1726	1786	1776
Oak Tree	587	634	721	772	738
Woodland	254	271	304	314	307
High School send/receive	2625 272	2565 267	2511 255	2470	2400
Total	6916	6948	6925	6953	6938

OUT OF DISTRICT

	Monroe			Jamesburg		
<u>School</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Academy Learning Center	6	6		3	3	
Alpha School	2	2				
Bridge Academy	1	1		1	1	
Celebrate the Children	1	1				
Center for Lifelong Learning	4	4				
Center School	3	3				
Children's Center	0	0		1	1	
Collier School	1	1				
Cornerstone	0	0				
CPC High Point	3	3				
Douglass Develop. Center	3	3				
East Mountain	0	0		1	2	+1
Eden	2	2				
Garden Academy	1	1				
Honor Ridge Academy	1	1				
Hawkswood School	1	1				
Lakeview School	0	0		1	1	
Mercer Elementary	2	2				
Midland School	1	1				
New Roads -Somerset	1	1				
New Roads- Parlin	1	1				
Newmark Elementary	1	1				
Newmark High School	1	1				
NuView Academy	2	2				
Rock Brook School	1	1				
Rugby	0	0		1	1	

Rutgers Day School	0	0				
Schroth School	3	3				
Shore Center	2	2				
Total	44	44		8	9	+1

STAFF COUNT

Department	Number of Staff
Superintendent Office	
Superintendent	1
Director	1
Secretary	2
Human Resources	4
Assistant Superintendent Office	
Assistant Superintendent	1
Secretary	2
Staff Developers (Teachers)	3
Business Office	
Business Administrator	1
Assistant Business Administrator	1
Secretary	1
Accounting/Purchasing	4
Payroll	3
Benefits	1
School Admin/Admin Support	
Principal	8
Assistant Principal	10
Secretary	29
Office Paraprofessional	1
Supervisors K-12	
K-12 Supervisor	6
Secretary	1
Instructional	
Teacher	559.5
Classroom Paraprofessionals/Media Ctr	
Paraprofessionals - Full-time	119
Paraprofessionals - Part-time	40
Media Coordinator	3
Educational Services Professionals	
LDTC	9
School Social Worker	8
School Psychologist	11
Physical Therapist	3
Occupational Therapist	8
Behavior Specialist/BCBA	4
Nurse	14
Media Specialist	7
School Counselor	22
Reading Specialist	5
SAC	1
Speech & Language Specialist	16
Pupil Personnel Services	
Director	1
Supervisor	2
Secretary	6

Information Systems	
Director	1
Tech Staff	11
Facilities	
Director	1
Supervisor/Building Manager	2
Secretary	1
Custodial/Maintenance	66
Transportation	
Director	1
Office Staff	4
Driver	62
Bus Mechanics	3
Paraprofessionals - Part-time	16
Security	
Director	1
F/T School Security Officer	19
P/T School Security Officer	4
Athletic Department	
Director	1
Athletic Trainer (1 full time, 1 part-time teacher/trainer)	1.5
Secretary	1
Food Service	
Director	1
Lunch Paraprofessionals - Part-time	39
Falcon Care/ECE	
Director	1
Clerk	1
Teacher/Teacher Aides	8
Site Coordinator, Group Leader, Asst Group Leader (Part-time)	18
Total District Staff as of 1/1/2024	1182

Subject D. PERSONNEL (10 MEMBER VOTE)

Meeting Jan 17, 2024 - MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MONTHLY AGENDA

Category 12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATION

Type Action

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:38-8.1, the Jamesburg Representative is eligible to vote on the items delineated by an asterisk (*) in the Superintendent's Personnel Action section of the Agenda.

BOARD ACTION (Items A through T)

- A. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board accept a revision in the resignation of **Ms. Sarah Popper**, paraprofessional at MTHS, retroactive to December 7, 2023.
- B. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board accept the resignation of **Mr. Robert Byrnes** as Spring Drama Director at MTHS, effective February 1, 2024.

- C. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board rescind the contract of **Ms. Maria Lamattina**, leave replacement teacher of language arts at MTHS, retroactive to December 14, 2023.
- D. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Susan Gasko**, K-12 supervisor of math and educational technology for the District, retroactive to January 10, 2024 through January 31, 2024. It is further recommended that this leave shall be without pay except to the extended of any sick days to which Ms. Gasko may be entitled to.
- E. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Maria Naumik**, teacher of art at MTHS, retroactive to January 2, 2024 through January 24, 2024 in accordance with Article 17 paragraph B.2 in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Naumik may be entitled to.
- F. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Susan McCourt**, secretary at MTHS, retroactive to December 13, 2023 through January 18, 2024 in accordance with Article 21 paragraph F in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. McCourt may be entitled to.
- G. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Mr. Erik Strommen**, driver in the Transportation Department, effective January 24, 2024 through February 21, 2024 in accordance with Article 21 paragraph F in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Mr. Strommen may be entitled to.
- H. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Cheryl Walus**, driver in the Transportation Department, retroactive to January 2, 2024 through January 19, 2024 in accordance with Article 21 paragraph F in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Walus may be entitled to.
- I. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Diane Martin**, paraprofessional in the Transportation Department, effective January 19, 2024 through March 22, 2024 in accordance with Article 21 paragraph F in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Martin may be entitled to.
- J. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a maternity leave of absence to **Ms. Jessica Tagliavia**, school counselor at MTHS, effective March 4, 2024 through June 30, 2024 in accordance with Article 17, Paragraph B.1 in the collective negotiations agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Tagliavia may be entitled to.
- K. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an unpaid leave of absence under FMLA/NJFLA to **Mr. Joseph Rooney**, teacher of language arts at MTHS, effective April 8, 2024 through June 30, 2024. Mr. Rooney's unpaid days will be counted against his entitlement to unpaid leave pursuant to the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, 29 U.S.C. §2601 et seq. and the New Jersey Family Leave Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11B-1 et. seq., as appropriate.
- L. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the return to work of **Mr. Maxie Nixon**, teacher of business at MTHS, retroactive to January 4, 2024.
- M. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following staff as a PD Trainer for the 2023-2024 school year:
- Peter Ruckdeschel
Sherry Holmes
- N. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following coaches at the High School for the 2023-2024 school year (account no. 11-402-100-100-000-070):

Position	Name	Compensation
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Head Coach Softball	Marissa Vogtman	Step 3 \$9076
Assistant Coach Softball	Kerry Curran	Step 3 \$5897
Head Coach Boys Lacrosse	Joseph Yannone	Step 3 \$9076
Assistant Coach Boys Lacrosse	Joseph Romano	Step 3 \$5897
Assistant Coach Boys Lacrosse	Ross Schultz	Step 3 \$5897
Head Coach Girls Lacrosse	Alexa Marshall	Step 3 \$9076
Assistant Coach Girls Lacrosse	Tracey Sherr	Step 1 \$4775
Assistant Coach Girls Lacrosse	Eugene Giaquinto	Step 1 \$4775
Head Coach Baseball	Sean Field	Step 3 \$9076
Head Coach Boys Tennis	Matthew Olzewski	Step 3 \$9076
Assistant Coach Baseball	Chris Virag	Step 3 \$5897
Assistant Coach Baseball	Vincent Zanfordino	Step 1 \$4775
Head Coach Golf	Mark Pearce	Step 3 \$6396
Head Coach Boys Volleyball	Victoria Stec	Step 3 \$9076
Assistant Coach Boys Volleyball	Jennifer Baum	Step 1 \$4775
Head Coach Girls Track	Charles Diskin	Step 2 \$8427
Head Coach Boys Track	Jon Grasso	Step 3 \$9831
Assistant Coach Track	Kaitlyn Brozanski	Step 1 \$5172
Assistant Coach Track	Traci Rickert	Step 3 \$6384
Assistant Coach Track	Marc Debellis	Step 3 \$6384
Unified Track Coach	Brian Keough	\$1755
Unified Track Coach	Jovanna Quindes	\$1755
Volunteer Coach Girls Lacrosse	Melissa Ladd	Volunteer
Spring Weight Training	Nicholas Isola	\$1755
Spring Fitness/Aerobics	Leigh Vogtman	\$1755
Spring Student Athletic Manager	Stacey Weinstein	Step 3 \$6639
Flag Football Coach	Nicholas Isola	\$2812
Flag Football Coach	Brian Hinz	\$2812

- O. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following nurse for before and afterschool activities, clubs, sports and zero period for effective January 18, 2024 through June 30, 2024 at the hourly instructional rate \$55.00 (account no. 11-000-213-100-000-098):

Lauren Sumanski

- P. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following new certificated staff at the following step on guide (pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment requirements):

	Name	School	Position	Salary	Account No.	Effective Date	Reason
1.	Brielle Goldstein	MTHS	School Counselor	Step 2 MA \$53,122+\$3,600 prorated	11-000-218-104-000-070	1/29/24-6/30/24	Resignation replacement

- Q. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following certificated staff at the following step on guide:

	Name	School	Position	Salary	Account No.	Effective Date	Reason
1.	Lindsay Bathmann	MTHS	Teacher of Health and Physical Education	Step 2 BA \$53,122 prorated	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 1/4/24-1/19/24	Modification in end date
2.	Anna Applegate	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
3.	Jessica Balz	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival

4.	Jennifer Baum	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
5.	Melissa Fletcher	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
6.	Erin Hanlon	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
7.	Laura Huard	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
8.	Brian Keough	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
9.	Amanda Maira	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
10.	Katherine Mennona	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
11.	Jennifer Mordes	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
12.	Ryan Ronan	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
13.	Lisa Papandrea	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
14.	Lauren Stuto	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
15.	Nicole Yockman	MTHS	Certificated Staff for Unified Winter Festival	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 2.5 hours	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
16.	Laura Granett	MTHS	Chaperone for Valentine's Day Social/Dance	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 4 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/9/24	New position
17.	Elizabeth Welsh	MTHS	Chaperone for Valentine's Day Social/Dance	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 4 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/9/24	New position
18.	Nancy Cohen	MTHS	Chaperone for Valentine's Day Social/Dance	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 4 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/9/24	New position
19.	Jennifer Baum	MTHS	Chaperone for Valentine's Day Social/Dance	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 4 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/9/24	New position
20.	Renata MacKenzie	MTHS	Chaperone for Valentine's Day Social/Dance	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 4 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/9/24	New position
21.	Michelle Jodon	MTHS	Chaperone for Valentine's Day Social/Dance	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 4 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/9/24	New position
22.	Maxie Nixon	MTHS	Chaperone for Valentine's Day Social/Dance	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 4 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/9/24	New position

23.	Samantha Avallone	MTHS	School Nurse for Valentine's Day Social/Dance	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 4 hours	11-000-213-100-000-070	2/9/24	New position
24.	Stacy Fretta	MTHS	DECA District Conference	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 3 hours	11-000-213-100-000-070	retroactive to 1/5/24	New position
25.	Melissa Chamra	MTHS	Mu Alpha Theta - Math Honors Society	\$1755	11-401-100-100-000-070	1/18/24-6/30/24	New position
26.	Lauren Staub	MTHS	TEDx Club Advisor	\$1755	11-401-100-100-000-070	1/18/24-6/30/24	Resignation
27.	Brooke Messenger	MTHS	Title I Specialist	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for up to 30 hours	20-231-200-101-000-070	retroactive to 9/21/23-6/30/24	Change in account number
28.	Casey Buffolino	MTHS	Title I Specialist	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for up to 30 hours	20-231-200-101-000-070	retroactive to 9/21/23-6/30/24	Change in account number
29.	Lauren Mironov	MTHS	Title I Specialist	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for up to 30 hours	20-231-200-101-000-070	retroactive to 9/21/23-6/30/24	Change in account number
30.	Erica Hawxhurst	MTHS	Teacher of Visual Arts	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 1/3/24-1/24/24	Leave position
31.	Julia Bulkley	MTHS	Teacher of Visual Arts	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 1/3/24-1/24/24	Leave position
32.	David Virelles	MTHS	Teacher of Visual Arts	34% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 1/2/24-1/24/24	Leave position
33.	Jessica Singer	MTHS	Teacher of Visual Arts	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 1/2/24-1/23/24	Leave position
34.	Boris Hladek	MTHS	Teacher of Industrial Arts	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 11/13/23-1/2/24	Modification in end date
35.	Dana Beachum	MTHS	Teacher of Industrial Arts	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 11/14/23-1/3/24	Modification in end date
36.	Daniel Lombardi	MTHS	Teacher of Industrial Arts	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 11/13/23-1/2/24	Modification in end date
37.	Eugene Giaquinto	MTHS	Teacher of Industrial Arts	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 11/14/23-1/3/24	Modification in end date
38.	Kerry Curran	MTHS	Teacher of Industrial Arts	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 11/14/23-1/3/24	Modification in end date
39.	Megan Cobb	MTHS	Teacher of Industrial Arts	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 11/13/23-1/4/24	Modification in end date
40.	Samantha Guerra	MTHS	Teacher of ELA	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 1/17/24-5/17/24	Leave position
41.	Allison Driscoll	MTHS	Teacher of ELA	17% additional contract (34% for this time frame)	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 1/16/24-5/17/24	Leave position

42.	Denise DiMeola	MTHS	Teacher of ELA	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 1/16/24-5/17/24	Leave position
43.	Jennifer Baum	MTHS	Teacher of ELA	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 1/16/24-5/17/24	Leave position
44.	Kimberly Rutolo	MTHS	Teacher of ELA	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	retroactive to 1/17/24-5/17/24	Leave position
45.	Vincent Zanfordino	MTHS	Teacher of Health and Physical Education	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	1/23/24-3/4/24	Leave position
46.	Victoria Stec	MTHS	Teacher of Health and Physical Education	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	1/23/24-3/4/24	Leave position
47.	Justin Cella	MTHS	Teacher of Health and Physical Education	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	1/23/24-3/4/24	Leave position
48.	Daniel Lee	MTHS	Teacher of Health and Physical Education	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	1/22/24-3/1/24	Leave position
49.	Charles Diskin	MTHS	Teacher of Health and Physical Education	17% additional contract	11-140-100-101-000-070	1/22/24-3/1/24	Leave position
50.	Diana Kaiser	MTHS	Teacher of ELA & Math Administration of Portfolio Appeal Assessment	Instructional rate \$55.00 for up to 32 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/5/24-4/15/24	New position
51.	Rochelle Kapel	MTHS	Teacher of ELA & Math Administration of Portfolio Appeal Assessment	Instructional rate \$55.00 for up to 32 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/5/24-4/15/24	New position
52.	Sara Adames	MTHS	Teacher of Math Administration of Portfolio Appeal Assessment	Instructional rate \$55.00 for up to 32 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/5/24-4/15/24	New position
53.	Stacey Weinstein	MTHS	Teacher of Math Administration of Portfolio Appeal Assessment	Instructional rate \$55.00 for up to 32 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/5/24-4/15/24	New position
54.	Amanda McCormack	MTHS	Teacher of ELA Administration of Portfolio Appeal Assessment	Instructional rate \$55.00 for up to 32 hours	11-140-100-101-000-070	2/5/24-4/15/24	New position
55.	Maxie Nixon	MTHS	3D Design Club Advisor	\$1755 prorated	11-401-100-100-000-070	retroactive to 1/4/24-6/30/24	Resuming position after LOA

R. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following new non-certificated staff on the following guides (pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment requirements):

	Name	School	Position	Salary	Account No.	Effective Date	Reason
1.	Brandon Hall-Reid	MTHS	Night Head Custodian	Step 8+BS+Head+2nd shift \$27.63+\$2.95+\$1.00+\$750 for 8 hours	11-000-262-100-000-070	2/5/24-6/30/24	Transfer replacement
2.	James Farley	Transportation	Bus Driver	Step 2 \$27.87 for 6 hours	11-000-270-107-000-096	1/18/24-6/30/24	Resignation replacement

S. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following non-certificated staff on the following guides:

	Name	School	Position	Salary	Account No.	Effective Date	Reason
1.	Danielle Mayo	MTHS	Para Falcon's Nest Preschool	Step 1 Reg. ed. + toileting +ed. degree \$15.69+\$3.00+\$1.00 for 3 hours from 1/2/24-5/22/24 (when students are present) Step 1 Reg. ed. + ed. degree \$15.69+\$1.00 for 3 hours from 5/23/24-6/30/24	11-190-100-106-00-070	retroactive to 1/2/24-6/30/24	Change in start date
2.	Jennifer Beshai	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
3.	Judite Borges	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
4.	Jennifer Burkshot	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
5.	Gail Cocorikis	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
6.	Maria Holmann	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
7.	Angela Malak	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
8.	Nancy McNulty	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
9.	Nancy Muce	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
10.	Lisa Nelson	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
11.	Marlene Oskierko	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
12.	Rosa Pieron	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
13.	AnnMarie Popper	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
14.	Colin Ryan	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
15.	Tom Taylor	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival

16.	Carole White	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival
17.	Fran Yoffredo	MTHS	Para for Unified Winter Festival	Hourly step on guide for 2.5 hours	11-190-100-106-000-070	retroactive to 12/5/23	Winter Festival

T. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year (pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment requirements):

Certificated

Prabh Virk
Sovia Sareen
Nicholas LeDonne
Tracy Valle
George Carney
Lisa Robinson
Moumita Banerjee
Silver Hunteerton
Justin Hopman
Vandana Dubey
Jacqueline Reinhart
Melissa Canaan
Purvi Gambhirwala
Brianna Ruiz
Rocco Broglio
Mary Philemon
Isha Dave
Richard Bunyan

Substitute Teacher
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Non- Certificated

Gayathri Sreeram
Joanne Azzaro

Substitute Paraprofessional
Substitute Paraprofessional

Subject E. PERSONNEL (9 MEMBER VOTE)

Meeting Jan 17, 2024 - MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MONTHLY AGENDA

Category 12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATION

Type Action

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:38-8.1, the Jamesburg Representative is eligible to vote on the items delineated by an asterisk (*) in the Superintendent's Personnel Action section of the Agenda.

BOARD ACTION (Items U through AX)

U. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board accept the resignation, due to retirement of **Ms. Karen Wasdin**, teacher of basic skills at Barclay Brook School, effective July 1, 2024.

V. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board accept the resignation, due to retirement of **Ms. Nancy Sablosky**, paraprofessional at MTMS, effective February 5, 2024.

W. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board accept the resignation of **Dr. Gina Slansky**, teacher of music at MTMS, effective February 6, 2024.

X. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board accept the resignation of **Ms. Jody Heyl** as team leader and 8th grade science personnel, retroactive to January 9, 2024.

Y. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Nancy Hanlon**, teacher of grade 3 at Oak Tree School, effective January 30, 2024 through February 20, 2024 in accordance with Article 17 paragraph B.2 in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Hanlon may be entitled to.

Z. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Allyson Senoff**, paraprofessional at Brookside School, retroactive to January 4, 2024 through January 15, 2024 in accordance with Article 21 paragraph F in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Senoff may be entitled to.

AA. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Jennifer Lesser**, paraprofessional at Mill Lake School, effective January 26, 2024 through February 9, 2024 in accordance with Article 21 paragraph F in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Lesser may be entitled to.

AB. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Anupreetha Tandulwadiker**, paraprofessional at Woodland School, retroactive to January 10, 2024 through February 28, 2024 in accordance with Article 21 paragraph F in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Tandulwadiker may be entitled to.

AC. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Susan Lederman**, paraprofessional at Brookside School, retroactive to December 11, 2023 through December 22, 2023 in accordance with Article 21 paragraph F in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Lederman may be entitled to.

AD. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an extended medical leave of absence to **Dr. James Higgins**, principal at MTMS, retroactive to January 2, 2024 through January 12, 2024. It is further recommended that this leave shall be without pay except to the extent of any sick days to which Dr. Higgins may be entitled to.

AE. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an extended medical leave of absence to **Ms. Sandra Cormey**, teacher of grade 1 at Mill Lake School retroactive to December 23, 2023 through February 4, 2023 in accordance with Article 17 paragraph B.2 in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Cormey may be entitled to.

AF. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an extended medical leave of absence to **Ms. Michelle Riccardi**, teacher of math at MTMS retroactive to January 2, 2024 through June 17, 2024 in accordance with Article 17 paragraph B.2 in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Riccardi may be entitled to.

AG. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an extended medical leave of absence to **Ms. Hildelisa Espinal**, teacher of spanish at MTMS, retroactive to January 2, 2024 through February 13, 2024 in accordance with Article 17 paragraph B.2 in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Espinal may be entitled to.

AH. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an extended medical leave of absence to **Ms. Nancy Agnew**, paraprofessional at Applegarth School, retroactive to December 11, 2023 through December 15, 2023 in accordance with Article 21 paragraph F in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Agnew may be entitled to.

AI. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an extended medical leave of absence to **Ms. Lori Konopacki**, paraprofessional at Oak Tree School, retroactive to December 18, 2023 through January 2, 2024 in accordance with Article 21 paragraph F in the collective negotiation agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the

Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Konopacki may be entitled to.

AJ. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a maternity leave of absence to **Ms. Karissa Santolla**, teacher of language arts at MTMS, effective January 31, 2024 through June 30, 2025 in accordance with Article 17, Paragraph B.1 in the collective negotiations agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Santolla may be entitled to.

AK. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a maternity leave of absence to **Ms. Jillian DeLeo**, speech and language specialist at Brookside School, effective March 25, 2024 through June 21, 2024 in accordance with Article 17, Paragraph B.1 in the collective negotiations agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. DeLeo may be entitled to.

AL. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an extended maternity leave of absence to **Ms. Danielle Dowe**, teacher of grade 3 at Oak Tree School, effective January 29, 2024 through June 30, 2024 in accordance with Article 17, Paragraph B.1 in the collective negotiations agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Dowe may be entitled to.

AM. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an extended maternity leave of absence to **Ms. Nichole Francis**, teacher of special education at MTMS, effective January 29, 2024 through March 28, 2024 in accordance with Article 17, Paragraph B.1 in the collective negotiations agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026. It is further recommended that this leave shall be unpaid except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Francis may be entitled to.

AN. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an unpaid leave of absence to **Ms. Jeanmarie Swiontkowski**, teacher of art at MTMS, retroactive to January 10, 2024 through January 19, 2024.

AO. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following staff as a PD Trainer for the 2023-2024 school year:

Daniel Fields
Lee Vodofsky

AP. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following staff as a Mentor for the 2023-2024 school year:

Megan Meyers

AQ. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following certificated staff as a Buddy Teacher for 5 hours at a stipend of \$250.00 each for the 2023-2024 school year (Grant Funded):

Account no. 20-270-200-100-000-098

Stephanie Lee (MTMS)

AR. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following chaperones at MTMS for the 7th grade dance effective February 23, 2024 for two hours:

Non-instructional rate \$46.00 (account no. 11-130-100-101-000-080)

Maile Allen
Amanda Balestrieri
Allison Brunotte
Jessica Crawford
Christine DiBiase
Brittany Dove
Holly Jarusiewicz
Amy Kuhn
Melissa Ladd
Allyson Lewis
Heidi Lubrani
Michael Russo
Jennifer Schwartz
Jennifer Shamah
Robert Torino

AS. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an extension to Ms. Patricia Smith, Acting Principal for MTMS at a salary of \$119,419.23 + \$4,350 for MA+30, plus 20 years longevity prorated, retroactive to December 23, 2023 through January 12, 2024 (account no. 11-000-240-103-000-080).

AT. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve an extension to Ms. Nicole DiLorenzo, Acting Assistant Principal for MTMS at a salary of \$105,664.61, plus 15 years longevity prorated, retroactive to December 23, 2023 through January 12, 2024 (account no. 11-000-240-105-000-080).

AU. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following new certificated staff at the following step on guide (pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment requirements):

	Name	School	Position	Salary	Account No.	Effective Date	Reason
1.	Rick Fontaine	Woodland	Teacher of Music	Step 11 BA \$94,247 prorated	11-120-100-101-000-030	2/6/24-6/30/24	Transfer replacement
2.	Julianna Margadonna	Mill Lake	Teacher of Special Education ICS/RC	Step 1 BA+15 \$52,872+\$1,800 prorated	11-213-100-101-000-040	retroactive to 12/22/23-6/30/24	Leave position
3.	Michele Lauckhardt	Mill Lake	Teacher of Special Education LLD	\$150.00 per day pending certification	11-204-100-101-000-040	retroactive to 1/9/24-6/4/24	Leave position
4.	Kristin Lindemann	MTMS	Teacher of Language Arts	\$246.00/day pending certification	11-130-100-101-000-080	1/29/24-6/30/24	Leave position

AV. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following certificated staff at the following step on guide:

	Name	School	Position	Salary	Account No.	Effective Date	Reason
1.	Emma Santoni	Oak Tree	Teacher of Grade 3	Step 4 BA+15 \$53,772+\$1,800 prorated	11-120-100-101-000-060	1/31/24-6/30/24	Leave extension
2.	Michael Russo	MTMS	Teacher of Special Education	Step 7 MA \$60,447+\$3,600 prorated	11-213-100-101-000-080	1/31/24-4/9/24	Leave extension
3.	Debra Tabbitas	Mill Lake	Teacher of Grade 1 - Long Term Sub	\$246/day	11-120-100-101-000-040	retroactive to 12/7/23-1/30/24	Leave extension
4.	Debra Tabbitas	Oak Tree	Teacher of Grade 1	Step 7 MA \$60,447+\$3,600 prorated	11-120-100-101-000-060	1/31/24-6/30/24	Change in start date
5.	Tiana Zerilli	MTMS	Teacher of Music	Step 4 BA \$53,772 prorated	11-130-100-101-000-080	2/6/24-6/30/24	Resignation replacement
6.	Abbe Fleming	Woodland	Winter Concert Supervision	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 up to 3 hours	11-120-100-101-000-030	retroactive to 1/23/24	New position
7.	Melissa Chamra	Woodland	Winter Concert Supervision	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 up to 3 hours	11-120-100-101-000-030	retroactive to 1/23/24	New position
8.	Melissa Chamra	Applegarth	Winter Concert Supervision	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for up to 3 hours	11-120-100-101-000-050	retroactive to 12/14/23	New position
9.	Nicole Sheppard	Applegarth	Winter Concert Supervision	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for up to 3 hours	11-120-100-101-000-050	retroactive to 12/14/23	New position
10.	Radhika Patel	Applegarth	Winter Concert Supervision	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for up to 3 hours	11-120-100-101-000-050	retroactive to 12/14/23	New position
11.	Tara Palino	Applegarth	Winter Concert Supervision	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for up to 3 hours	11-120-100-101-000-050	retroactive to 12/14/23	New position
12.	Laura Colletti	MTMS	Teacher of Family & Consumer Science	8.5% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 11/29/23-1/29/24	additional section

13.	Kathleen Majewski	Oak Tree	LDTC	17% additional contract	11-000-219-104-000-060	retroactive to 9/1/23-11/17/23	Resignation replacement
14.	Maria Colon Torres	Oak Tree	LDTC	17% additional contract	11-000-219-104-000-060	retroactive to 9/1/23-11/17/23	Resignation replacement
15.	Jamie Juliano	Oak Tree	LDTC	17% additional contract	11-000-219-104-000-060	retroactive to 9/1/23-11/17/23	Resignation replacement
16.	William James	MTMS	Teacher of Social Studies	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 12/23/23-1/12/24	Leave extension
17.	Lauren Imperato	MTMS	Teacher of Social Studies	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 12/23/23-1/12/24	Leave extension
18.	Adam Pereira	MTMS	Teacher of Social Studies	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 12/23/23-1/12/24	Leave extension
19.	Alex VanDriesen	MTMS	Teacher of Social Studies	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 12/23/23-1/12/24	Leave extension
20.	Carolina Soden	MTMS	Teacher of Spanish	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	12/23/23-2/13/24	Leave extension
21.	Kristina Peterson	MTMS	Teacher of Spanish	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	12/23/23-2/13/24	Leave extension
22.	Silvia Gonzalez	MTMS	Teacher of Spanish	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	12/23/23-2/13/24	Leave extension
23.	Santiago Velasco	MTMS	Teacher of Spanish	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	12/23/23-2/13/24	Leave extension
24.	Dina Dale	MTMS	Teacher of Math	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 11/22/23-6/17/24	Revision in end date
25.	Ryan Turco	MTMS	Teacher of Math	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 11/22/23-6/17/24	Revision in end date
26.	Amy Kuhn	MTMS	Teacher of Math	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 11/22/23-6/17/24	Revision in end date
27.	Michael Pilato	MTMS	Teacher of Math	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 11/22/23-6/17/24	Revision in end date
28.	Tiana Zerilli	MTMS	Teacher of Band Zero Period	17% additional contract	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 2/6/24-6/30/24	Yearly position
29.	Carole Murphy	Mill Lake	Title I Healthy Mind, Healthy Body Walking Club - Prep	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 3 hours	20-231-100-101-000-040	retroactive to November 2023	New position
30.	Dana Cansian	Woodland	Title I Specialist	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 up to 40 hours	20-231-200-101-000-030	retroactive to 9/21/23-6/30/24	Change in account number
31.	Angelica Gitter	Brookside	Title I Specialist	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 up to 30 hours	20-231-200-101-000-020	retroactive to 9/21/23-6/30/24	Change in account number
32.	Maureen Drabek	Mill Lake	Title I Specialist	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 up to 50 hours	20-231-200-101-000-040	retroactive to 9/21/23-6/30/24	Change in account number
33.	Lee Vodofsky	MTMS	Head Wrestling Coach	Step 3 \$4150	11-402-100-100-000-080	Winter	Adjustment in step

34.	Ross Schultz	Woodland	Curriculum Writer - Updated Physical Education/Health Grades K-3 and Grades 4-5	\$977.60 for each document	11-000-221-104-000-091	retroactive to 1/2/24-1/30/24	New position
35.	Christine Viskoki	MTMS	Ticket Booth 7th/8th Grade Play	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 3 hours/day	11-401-100-100-000-080	3/21/24-3/23/24	New position
36.	Michael Russo	MTMS	Ticket Booth 7th/8th Grade Play	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 3 hours/day	11-401-100-100-000-080	3/21/24-3/23/24	New position
37.	Patricia Corica	MTMS	School Nurse - 7th Grade Dance	Instructional rate \$55.00 for 3 hours	11-000-213-100-000-080	2/23/24	Yearly position
38.	Cheryl Whinna	MTMS	Awards Ceremony Assistance	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 20 hours	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 9/1/23-6/30/24	Yearly position
39.	Nicole DiLorenzo	MTMS	Graduation Assistance	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 20 hours	11-130-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 9/1/23-6/30/24	Yearly position
40.	David Rattner	MTMS	Pit Musician - Keyboard 2	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 15 hours	11-401-100-100-000-080	3/18/24-3/23/24	Yearly position
41.	Jonah Nack	MTMS	Pit Musician - Percussion	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 15 hours	11-401-100-100-000-080	3/18/24-3/23/24	Yearly position
42.	Zachary Grun	MTMS	Pit Musician - Trumpet	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 15 hours	11-401-100-100-000-080	3/18/24-3/23/24	Yearly position
43.	Linds Burrell	MTMS	Pit Musician - Woodwind (reeds)	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for 15 hours	11-401-100-100-000-080	3/18/24-3/23/24	Yearly position
44.	Meghan Granger	MTMS	Project Manager - Career Awareness & Exploration Grant	Non-instructional rate \$46.00 for up to 80 hours Instructional rate \$55.00 for up to 35 hours	20-390-200-100-000-080 non-instructional 20-390-100-100-000-080 instructional	retroactive to 1/10/24-6/15/24	New position
45.	Steven Manahan	MTMS	Lead Teacher - Career Awareness & Exploration Grant	Instructional rate \$55.00 for up to 50 hours	20-390-100-100-000-080	retroactive to 1/10/24-5/31/24	New position
46.	Shailin Cope	MTMS	Special Education Lead Teacher - Career Awareness & Exploration Grant	Instructional rate \$55.00 for up to 50 hours	20-390-100-100-000-080	retroactive to 1/10/24-5/31/24	New position
47.	Nicole Gomes	MTMS	School Counselor - Career Awareness & Exploration Grant	Instructional rate \$55.00 for up to 20 hours	20-390-100-100-000-080	retroactive to 1/10/24-5/31/24	New position
48.	Nicole Pontarollo	MTMS	School Counselor - Career Awareness & Exploration Grant	Instructional rate \$55.00 for up to 20 hours	20-390-100-100-000-080	retroactive to 1/10/24-5/31/24	New position
49.	Jessica Crawford	MTMS	School Counselor - Career Awareness & Exploration Grant	Instructional rate \$55.00 for up to 20 hours	20-390-100-100-000-080	retroactive to 1/10/24-5/31/24	New position
50.	Allison Brunotte	MTMS	Spelling Bee Advisor	Instructional rate \$55.00	11-401-100-100-000-080	2/6/24-6/30/24	Resignation replacement
51.	Bonnie Crisco	MTMS	Teacher of After School Basic Skills	\$116.34/session	11-230-100-101-000-080	retroactive to 9/1/23-6/30/24	Yearly position

52.	Teresa Fox	MTMS	Teacher of Special Education	Step 10B MA+30 \$85,247+\$4,500 prorated	11-213-100-101-000-080	1/17/24-6/30/24	Change in start date
53.	Miranda Ramirez	Applegarth	Media Specialist	Step 8 MA \$62,947+\$3,600 prorated	11-000-222-100-000-050	1/17/24-6/30/24	Change in start date

AW. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following new non-certificated staff on the following guides (pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment requirements):

	Name	School	Position	Salary	Account No.	Effective Date	Reason
1.	Robyn Barrett	Brookside	Para cafe	Step 1 Reg. ed. \$15.69 for 2.5 hours	11-000-262-107-000-020	1/18/24-6/30/24	Resignation replacement

AX. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following non-certificated staff on the following guides:

	Name	School	Position	Salary	Account No.	Effective Date	Reason
1.	Adrienne Gawron	Barclay Brook and Brookside	Para ESL	Step 6A \$17.99 for 6.75 hours	11-240-100-106-000-010 50%/11-240-100-106-000-020 50%	retroactive to 1/2/24-6/30/24	New position
2.	Tiffany Cacavale	MTMS	Spec. Ed. Para ICS/RC	Step 2 Spec. ed. + ed. degree \$15.79+\$2.25+\$1.00 for 6.75 hours	11-213-100-106-000-080	2/5/24-6/30/24	Retirement replacement
3.	Michelle Dea	Mill Lake	Spec. Ed. Para LLD	Step 3 Spec. ed. +toileting \$15.91+\$2.25+\$3.00 for 4.25 hours	11-204-100-106-000-040	retroactive to 1/2/24-2/13/24	Leave position
4.	Keri Perry	Woodland	Spec. Ed. Para LLD	Step 2 Spec. ed. + toileting \$15.79+\$2.25+\$3.00 for 6.75 hours	11-204-100-106-000-030	retroactive to 1/10/24-2/28/24	Leave position
5.	Sarah Philip	Mill Lake	Spec. Ed. Para PSD	Step 2 Spec. ed. + toileting \$15.79+\$2.25+\$3.00 for 6.75 hours	11-216-100-106-000-040	retroactive to 12/13/23-6/30/24	New position
6.	Prasanna Botu	Applegarth	Para	Step 1 Reg. ed. + ed. degree \$15.69 +\$1.00 for 2.25 hours Step 1 Spec. ed. + ed. degree \$15.69+\$2.25+\$1.00 for 1.5 hours for a total of 3.75 hours	11-000-270-107-000-050 60%/11-213-100-106-000-050 40%	retroactive to 1/2/24-6/30/24	Change in start date
7.	Christina Apuzzo	MTMS	Spec. Ed. Para for Unified PALS Program	Hourly step on guide for 1 hour/day	11-213-100-106-000-080	retroactive to 12/5/23-6/30/24	Unified PALS Program
8.	Scott Siller	Brookside	Spec. Ed. Para for Zero Period	Hourly step on guide for 1 hour/week	11-204-100-106-000-020	retroactive to 1/8/24-6/30/24 or end of zero period	New position
9.	Charlotte McCartin	Oak Tree	Spec. Ed. Para Autistic	Step 2 Spec. Ed. + toileting + ed. degree \$15.79+\$2.25+\$3.00+\$1.00 for 6.75 hours	11-214-100-106-000-060	retroactive to 1/2/24-6/30/24	Educational degree

Subject F. BOARD ACTION (10 MEMBER VOTE)

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Category 12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATION

Type Action

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:38-8.1, the Jamesburg Representative is eligible to vote on the items delineated by an asterisk (*) in the Superintendent's Board Action section of the Agenda.

BOARD ACTION (Items A through J)

- A. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the previously submitted list of requests for Staff Professional Development.
- B. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the previously submitted list of requests for Field Trips.
- C. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the previously submitted Student Suspension Report for the month of December 2023.
- D. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education: (1) affirm the Superintendent's initial determination regarding the Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying complaints set forth below; and (2) direct the Superintendent to provide notice of the Board's aforementioned decision to the parents of all involved students from the December 6, 2023 meeting:

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- E. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following Policy for a second and final reading:

P 8500	Food Services (M) (Revised)
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- F. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve student no. 92284 to attend the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership ("HOBY") conference on June 14, 2024 through June 16, 2024 for a registration fee cost of \$300.00.
- G. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve Todd Nichols to provide a band workshop with the MTHS Wind Ensemble on March 12, 2024 for a cost of \$500.00.
- H. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve Mr. Bill Freeman and Ms. JoAnn Johnson from the State of New Jersey to provide a professional development on February 9, 2024, from 10:00 am to 11:30 am on Transition and IEPs in the Monroe Township High School Guidance Conference Room. There is no cost for this professional development.
- I. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the Therapeutic Research Center, LLC. (TRC/NetCE) to provide a 12-month contract pricing for NetCE All-Access: Nurses, per-user cost of \$60.00 for a 35 User Count in the amount of \$2,100.00 providing a professional development for the school nurses.
- J. *It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the previously submitted curriculum for the 2023-2024 school year:

Graphic Design 2

File Attachments

[Policy for second and final reading.pdf \(169 KB\)](#)
[Professional Development.pdf \(1,316 KB\)](#)

Subject

G. BOARD ACTION (9 MEMBER VOTE)

Meeting

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Category

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATION

Type

Action

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:38-8.1, the Jamesburg Representative is eligible to vote on the items delineated by an asterisk (*) in the Superintendent's Board Action section of the Agenda.

BOARD ACTION (Items K through U)

K. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the previously submitted list of requests for Staff Professional Development.

L. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the previously submitted list of requests for Field Trips.

M. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the previously submitted list of Student Teachers for the 2023-2024 school year.

N. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the previously submitted Student Suspension Report for the month of December 2023.

O. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education: (1) affirm the Superintendent's initial determination regarding the Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying complaints set forth below; and (2) direct the Superintendent to provide notice of the Board's aforementioned decision to the parents of all involved students from the December 6, 2023 meeting:

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P. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the District's participation in Project Lead the Way Inc. (PLTW) for the Middle School PLTW Engineering Participation for the 2023-2024 school year at the cost of \$950.00.

Q. It is recommended that the Board approve the previously submitted Sidebar Agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association.

R. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the previously submitted agreement between Reid Sound and the Monroe Township Middle School to provide equipment and services on March 20, 2024 through March 25, 2024 for the 7th and 8th grade play "Shrek" for a total cost of \$4,940.30.

S. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve Debbie Millar from Penn Medicine/Princeton Health to provide two professional developments on the following in-service dates: February 16, 2024 on Restorative Yoga & Guided Meditation and on March 15, 2024 on Overview of Stress Injury Management to Middle School staff members to be held at the Monroe Township Middle School from 1:10 p.m. to 2:39 p.m. There is no cost for this professional development.

T. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following assemblies to be held at the Monroe Township Middle School:

Assembly	Vendor	Date	Cost
Social Media Safety Assembly	Wellspring Center for Prevention	TBD	\$750.00
Substance Education & Prevention Assembly	Wellspring Center for Prevention	TBD	No cost
Vaping Assembly	Hackensack Meridian	TBD	No cost

U. It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the previously submitted curriculum for the 2023-2024 school year:

Physical Education and Health Grades 1-3

Physical Education and Health Grades 4-5

File Attachments

[Student Teacher K-8.pdf \(31 KB\)](#)

[Professional Development K-8.pdf \(560 KB\)](#)

13. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATIONS

Subject	A. BOARD ACTION (10 MEMBER VOTE)
Meeting	Jan 17, 2024 - MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MONTHLY AGENDA
Category	13. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATIONS
Type	Action

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:38-8.1, the Jamesburg Representative is eligible to vote on the items delineated by an asterisk (*) in the Business Administrator's Board Action section of the Agenda.

BOARD ACTION (Items A through L)

A. *PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS:

1. It is recommended that the members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the appointment of **Lenox Law Firm**, 136 Franklin Corner Road, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648, as Insurance Defense Counsel to represent the Board's interest in a legal matter (AN-0111) up to the \$10,000.00 deductible set through the district's insurance policy with New Jersey School Insurance Group. The Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary steps to implement this action of the Board of Education.
2. It is recommended that the members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the appointment of **Lenox Law Firm**, 136 Franklin Corner Road, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648, as Insurance Defense Counsel to represent the Board's interest in a legal matter (AN-0172) up to the \$10,000.00 deductible set through the district's insurance policy with New Jersey School Insurance Group. The Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary steps to implement this action of the Board of Education.
3. It is recommended that the members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the appointment of **Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs LLC**, 169 Ramapo Valley Road, Oakland, New Jersey 07436, to represent the Board's interest in a legal matter (23GL00767Q) up to the \$5,000.00 deductible set through the district's insurance policy with New Jersey School Insurance Group. The Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary steps to implement this action of the Board of Education.

B. *BILL LIST

It is recommended that the bills totaling \$11,393,147.89 be ratified by the Board. The bills have been reviewed and certified by the Chairperson of the Finance Committee and Business Administrator. It is further recommended that the previously submitted Addendum to the Bill List totaling \$4,001,683.25 be ratified by the Board.

C. *TRANSFER #5

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve Transfer #5 for November 2023 for Fiscal Year 2023/24 as previously submitted.

D. *SECRETARY'S FINANCIAL & CASH REPORT

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2-11(c) 4, Be It Resolved that the Board of Education hereby certifies that it is in receipt of the Financial Reports for November 2023, which indicates that no major accounts or funds have been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the fiscal year in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b). In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c) 3, Be It Further Resolved that the Business Administrator certifies that the November 2023 Secretary's Report indicates that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

E. *TRANSFER #6

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve Transfer #6 for December 2023 for Fiscal Year 2023/24 as previously submitted.

F. *SECRETARY'S FINANCIAL & CASH REPORT

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2-11(c) 4, Be It Resolved that the Board of Education hereby certifies that it is in receipt of the Financial Reports for December 2023, which indicates that no major accounts or funds have been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the fiscal year in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b). In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c) 3, Be It Further Resolved that the

Business Administrator certifies that the December 2023 Secretary's Report indicates that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in accordance with N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(a).

G. *BI-ANNUAL REPORT

In accordance with N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(2) 4, it is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Summary Reports for the six months ending December 31, 2023.

H. *SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the previously submitted **Amendment to the 2023/24 ESEA Grant Application**.

I. *ICE RENTAL/WHALERS ACQUISITIONS

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the previously submitted Agreement between Monroe Township Board of Education and **Whalers Acquisitions**, 197 Chambers Bridge Road, Brick, NJ 08723 to provide ice rental time for MTHS JV Hockey games at The Ice Palace at a fee of \$525.00 per 75 minute session for the 2023/24 school year.

J. *STUDENT TRANSPORTATION/US COACHWAYS, INC.

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the previously submitted Agreement between Monroe Township Board of Education and **US Coachways, Inc.**, 960 Holmdel Road, Holmdel, NJ 07733 to provide transportation for district field trips for the 2023/24 school year on an as needed basis.

K. * It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the previously submitted **Shared Services Agreement** between the Monore Township Board of Education and the Township of Monroe for the purpose of securing funds for renovating and improving Applegarth Elementary School.

L. *STRATEGIC PLANNING SERVICES AGREEMENT

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the previously submitted Agreement with **New Jersey School Boards Association** to provide strategic planning plan services for a fee of \$4,000.

File Attachments

[Bill list for 1-17-24 Board Meeting.pdf \(802 KB\)](#)

[Whaler Hockey 23.24.pdf \(8 KB\)](#)

[U.S. Coachways.pdf \(117 KB\)](#)

[Financials November and Transfer # 5.pdf \(1,614 KB\)](#)

[Financials December and Transfer #6.pdf \(1,846 KB\)](#)

[BI-Annual Report 12.31.23.pdf \(23 KB\)](#)

[NJSBA Strategic Plan 3D model Contract 2023-2024.pdf \(251 KB\)](#)

[Addendum Bill List 1-17-24 Redacted.pdf \(348 KB\)](#)

Subject

B. BOARD ACTION (9 MEMBER VOTE)

Meeting

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Category

13. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATIONS

Type

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:38-8.1, the Jamesburg Representative is eligible to vote on the items delineated by an asterisk (*) in the Business Administrator's Board Action section of the Agenda.

BOARD ACTION (Items M through O)

M. PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS:

1. It is recommended that the members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve **Julie Zedeck**, 55 Monroe Place, Bloomfield, NJ 07003, as a Pit Musician for the Middle School Play for rehearsals and performances for a total fee of \$690.00.
2. It is recommended that the members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve **Tara Tengood**, 9 Rock Run Road, East Windsor, NJ 08520, as a Pit Musician for the Middle School Play for rehearsals and performances for a total fee of \$690.00.
3. It is recommended that the members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve a correction in fee for **Diana Gebhardt**, 101 Starlight Road, Howell, NJ 07731, for Choreography services for the MTMS 7th & 8th Grade Play.

Choreography and blocking for all shows \$800.00

Audition and Rehearsals \$1400.00

Tech & Show \$350

Total fee of \$1600.00 (with a public school discount)

(previously approved on December 6, 2023 for a total fee of \$1060.00 - without tech & Show)

N. SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education acknowledge and accept the **2024 Middle Grades Career Awareness and Explore Grant Award** in the amount of \$73,066.

O. GRANT ACCEPTANCE

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education acknowledge and accept a **Unified Champion Schools Grant** for the 2023/24 school year from the Special Olympics of New Jersey for Oak Tree Elementary School in the amount \$750.00.

14. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

15. OTHER BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

16. PUBLIC FORUM

Subject A. PUBLIC FORUM (See Note 3)

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Category 16. PUBLIC FORUM

Type Information

See Note 3.

17. CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION IF NEEDED

18. PUBLIC FORUM - CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY

Subject A. PUBLIC FORUM (See Note 3)

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Category 18. PUBLIC FORUM - CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY

Type Information

See Note 3.

19. NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING FEBRUARY 21, 2024

Subject A. NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Meeting Jan 17, 2024 - MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MONTHLY AGENDA

Category 19. NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING FEBRUARY 21, 2024

Type

The next Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2024 6:30 p.m.

20. ADJOURNMENT

Subject	A. NOTES
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Category	20. ADJOURNMENT
Type	Action

NOTES

Note 1: Any member of the public may record the proceedings of a public meeting of the Board in a manner that does not interrupt the proceedings, inhibit the conduct of the meeting, or distract Board Members or other observers present at the meeting.

The Board will permit the use of tape recorders, still or movie cameras, or videotape cameras only when notice of such intended use has been given to the Board Secretary one day in advance of the meeting. Any video recording device must be located and operated from inconspicuous locations in the meeting room as determined by the presiding officer of the meeting. The presiding officer may also limit the number of video recording devices if he/she determines the number and position of the video recording devices will be an unnecessary intrusion to the meeting. In this event, preference will be given based on the order in which prior notice requesting to record the meeting was provided to the Board Secretary.

The presiding officer shall determine when any recording device interferes with the conduct of a Board meeting and may order that an interfering device be removed.

Note 2: The Jamesburg Representative shall be eligible to vote on only those matters specifically designated in N.J.S.A 18A:38-8.1, as follows:

1. Tuition to be charged the sending district by the receiving district and the bill lists or contracts for the purchase, operation or maintenance of facilities, equipment and instructional materials to be used in the education of the pupils of the sending district.
2. New capital construction to be utilized by sending district pupils.
3. Appointment, transfer or removal of teaching staff members providing services to pupils of the sending district, including any teaching staff member who is a member of the receiving district's central administrative staff.
4. Addition or deletion of curricular and extracurricular programs involving pupils of the sending district.
5. Any matter directly involving sending district students or programs and services used by them.
6. The annual receiving district budget.
7. Any collectively-negotiated agreement involving employees who provide services used by sending district students.
8. Any individual employee contracts not covered by a collectively-negotiated agreement, if those employees provide or oversee programs or services utilized by sending district students.
9. Any matter concerning governance of the receiving district board of education, including, but not limited to, the selection of board president and vice-president, approval of board bylaws, and the employment of professionals or consultants such as attorneys, architects, engineers, or others who provide services to the receiving district board of education.

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:38-8.1, the Jamesburg Representative is eligible to vote on the items delineated by an asterisk (*) in the Superintendent's and Business Administrator/Board Secretary's Board Action section of the Agenda.

Note 3: Public discussion is confined to this portion of the Agenda unless permission is granted by the Board President prior to the start of the meeting or when the Board is considering a Special Agenda Item that the Board deems appropriate for public participation. Anyone wishing to address the Board is requested to stand and state his/her name and address.