

MORRIS SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of September 14, 2009
LAFAYETTE LEARNING CENTER

The regular business meeting of the Board of Education of the Morris School District, of Morris County, New Jersey was held in the Lafayette Learning Center, 31 Hazel Street, Morristown, New Jersey 07960 on **Monday evening September 14, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.**

Susan Young, the Board Secretary, called the meeting to order and made the following announcement: The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act the Board of Education of the Morris School District in the County of Morris has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted. The notice was mailed to the Daily Record, the Star Ledger, and to those persons or entities requesting notification, filed with the municipal clerks of Morris Plains, Morristown and Morris Township, and posted at the Administration Center, 31 Hazel Street, Morristown, New Jersey.

At the Roll Call, the following Board Members were present: Mrs. Nancy Bangiola, Ms. Lynn Horowitz, Mrs. Teresa Murphy, Mrs. Ann Rhines, Dr. Angela Rieck, Mrs. Marie Fornaro, Vice-President and Ms. Lisa Pollak, President. Dr. Peter Gallerstein arrived at 6:35 p.m.; Ms. Sandra McNeil arrived at 6:39 p.m. Mr. Christopher Gardner, Morris Plains Representative was absent.

At 6:31 p.m. Dr. Rieck moved to go into closed session to discuss legal, negotiation and personnel matters. Ms. Horowitz seconded the motion which carried unanimously with Dr. Gallerstein, Mr. Gardner and Ms. McNeil absent.

Also present were Dr. Thomas Ficarra, Superintendent; Dr. Patricia Camp, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Mr. Andrew Williams, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Ms. Martha Weber, Manager of Human Resources; Ms. Maryann Reilly, H.S. Redesign Consultant and Ms. Christine Kelly, Assistant Board Secretary.

At 7:17 p.m. Dr. Rieck moved to go into open session. Ms. Pollak seconded the motion which carried unanimously with Mr. Gardner absent. Approximately 7 members of the public, press and staff were now present.

When the Board reconvened, Ms. Pollak announced that the Board had been meeting in closed session for the purpose of discussing legal, negotiation and personnel matters.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Pollak asked Tim Carroll, a cub scout who was attending the meeting, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Ficarra reported:

Schools continue to operate smoothly:

New high school schedule is underway.

Transportation has worked out some minor problems.

Students listened to President Obama's speech on back to school, studying and working hard at school.

Meeting held at Calvary Baptist Church stressing - Good education, staying in school studying hard.

Third year this meeting has taken place.

Organized by 4 local clergy men.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Graybow spoke regarding:

Scheduling change at high school

When are teachers actually going to teach instead of:

Assign to collect

Test for tests

When are we going to deal with basic education?

Students being prepared for college courses.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Frelinghuysen VPB

Mrs. Rhines reported they met and discussed:

Defining their goals

Beginning work on a 5 year plan

MINUTES

Motion #1 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve executive minutes from the regular business meeting of:

August 24, 2009

Motion #2 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve minutes from the regular business meeting of:

August 24, 2009

MINUTES (Motions #1-2)

Moved by Dr. Rieck, seconded by Dr. Gallerstein

AYES: Mrs. Bangiola, Mrs. Fornaro, Dr. Gallerstein, Ms. Horowitz, Mrs. Murphy,
Ms. McNeil, Ms. Pollak, Mrs. Rhines,

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Dr. Rieck

ABSENT: Mr. Gardner

EDUCATIONAL MATTERS

Motion #1 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the AP Statistics textbook ISBN number listed below.

<u>Textbook Title</u>	<u>ISBN Number</u>
Stats Modeling the World 2 nd Edition Follett Publishing	0-13-187621-X

EXPLANATION:

The ISBN numbers listed were actually the teacher’s edition, not the student textbook.

Motion #2 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accept monies from the Morris Education Foundation for the following grant:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Project</u>
\$1,270	MHS	Digital Storytelling for Language Arts MHS Language Arts teachers want to incorporate digital storytelling into the classrooms. Digital storytelling refers to using digital tools to help students to tell their own real-life stories. Digital storytelling uses the available tools of the computer and Internet and morphs it with words and narration, with the final outcome being an interesting multimedia mix of images and voice. Digital storytelling is a powerful vehicle for students to demonstrate understanding, and it is an effective measure for teachers to evaluate student progress. Digital storytelling supports the MHS English curriculum as well. It presents an outlet through which students can express complex knowledge about a theme and deliver personal perspectives on the essential questions. The equipment will be housed in the library so that all classes can take advantage of this enrichment project. In addition, the digital stories will be posted on the school website so that evidence of the work that is produced can be viewed by all.

<u>Amount</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Project</u>
\$300	NP	You Can Be An Illustrator, Too! The Caldecott Honor Illustrator, Brian Pinkney, uses scratchboard paper to create his award winning illustrations. After his presentations to the school, the students will create their own scratchboard illustrations in art classes. Their illustrations will be mounted and displayed for parent/teacher conferences in November. The entire Normandy Park School will be an art show done in the style of Brian Pinkney. The benefits of such a program are instrumental understanding of how illustrations can complement and extend the text. By letting the children create scratch art based on Mr. Pinkney’s presentation, it will give them the opportunity to try a new technique, practice what they have observed, and celebrate with their families by exhibiting their work during conferences.

Motion #3 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve submission of the ARRA No Child Left Behind Application for FY 2010 from the New Jersey State Department of Education in the amount of \$287,494.

Title I, Part A	\$285,251
Title I, Part D	\$ 2,243

EXPLANATION:

The grant incorporates the following programs:

- Title I, Part A: *Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Education agencies*
- Title I, Part A: *School Improvement*
- Title I, Part D: *Prevention and Intervention Programs for Children and Youth who are Neglected, Delinquent, or At-Risk*

Motion #4 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the attached list of Field Trips for the 2009-10 school year.

EDUCATIONAL MATTERS (Motions #1-4)

Moved by Dr. Rieck, seconded by Mrs. Fornaro

AYES: Mrs. Bangiola, Mrs. Fornaro, Dr. Gallerstein, Ms. Horowitz, Mrs. Murphy,
Ms. McNeil, Ms. Pollak, Mrs. Rhines, Dr. Rieck

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mr. Gardner

PUPIL SERVICES

OUT OF DISTRICT/HOME INSTRUCTION ROSTER

Motion #1 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve placements and instructional services for students with disabilities, including those on Home Instruction, those received by the district and those attending schools for which tuition is charged, for the month of September 2009, as noted in the detailed listing attached herein and maintained on file in the Board Secretary's office.

PUPIL SERVICES (Motion #1)

Moved by Dr. Rieck, seconded by Ms. Horowitz

AYES: Mrs. Bangiola, Mrs. Fornaro, Dr. Gallerstein, Ms. Horowitz, Mrs. Murphy,
Ms. McNeil, Ms. Pollak, Mrs. Rhines, Dr. Rieck

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mr. Gardner

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received notification of the retirement of Mary Liguori, Language Arts Teacher assigned to Frelinghuysen Middle School, effective January 1, 2010.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wishes to recognize her twenty-two and one-half years of dedicated service to the students of The Morris School District.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the retirement of Ms. Liguori with sincere regret, and with best wishes for a happy retirement life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread Upon the Minutes of this meeting and a copy forwarded to Ms. Liguori.

Board President

Board Secretary

MORRIS SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING, SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received notification of the retirement of Carolyn Meredith, Security Monitor assigned to Morristown High School, effective January 1, 2010.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wishes to recognize her three years and seven months of dedicated service to the students of The Morris School District.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the retirement of Ms. Meredith with sincere regret, and with best wishes for a happy retirement life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread Upon the Minutes of this meeting and a copy forwarded to Ms. Meredith.

Board President

Board Secretary

MORRIS SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING, SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received notification of the retirement of Stanley Petkavich, Building Foreperson assigned to Frelinghuysen Middle School, effective December 1, 2009.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wishes to recognize his ten years and three months of dedicated service to the administration, staff and students of The Morris School District.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the retirement of Mr. Petkavich with sincere regret, and with best wishes for a happy retirement life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread Upon the Minutes of this meeting and a copy forwarded to Mr. Petkavich.

Board President

Board Secretary

MORRIS SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING, September 14, 2009

HUMAN RESOURCES

ABOLISH POSITION(S) 2009-2010

Motion #1 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education abolish the following position(s):

- 1.00 ELL Teacher, NP
- 1.00 Teacher Assistant – Spec Ed, HC
- 0.86 Secretary, Classification III – Food Services, MHS

ESTABLISH POSITION(S) 2009-2010

Motion #2 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education establish the following position(s):

- 0.50 ELL Teacher, HC
- 0.50 Bilingual/Elementary Teacher, NP
- 1.00 Teacher Assistant – Spec Ed, WD

RESIGNATION(S)/TERMINATION(S) 2009-2010

Motion #3 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the resignation(s) and/or termination(s) of the following staff according to the effective date and reason shown:

Employee #0168	September 1, 2009 Termination
Employee #3240	September 1, 2009 Termination
Han, Helena CABAS Trainee, PS	September 2, 2009 Resignation
Liguori, Mary Language Arts, FMS	January 1, 2010 Retirement
McDaniels, Ronald Security Monitor, MHS	January 1, 2010 Retirement
Meredith, Carolyn Security Monitor, MHS	January 1, 2010 Retirement
Petkavich, Stanley Building Foreperson, FMS	December 1, 2009 Retirement

RESIGNATION(S)/TERMINATION(S) 2009-2010

Russino, Heather
Science, TJ

September 1, 2009
Resignation

APPOINTMENT(S) 2009-2010

Motion #4 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following to the position/s stated at the annual salary rates and effective date/s shown, and further that the Board of Education approve the submission to the County Superintendent applications for emergency hiring and each applicant's attestation that s/he has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18a6-7.1 et seq.; 18:39-17 et seq.; 18A:6-4.13 et seq.:

			<u>In place of:</u>
Acosta, Yndira * CABAS Trainee, PS	\$34,310 .75 BA, Step 1	09/01/09-06/30/10	Valencia, T. Resigned
Mejias, Madeline ** Kindergarten, HC	\$51,928 BA, Step 4	09/01/09-06/30/10	Modello, K. Leave Replacement
Michel, Hailee ** Grade 5, SX	\$45,747 BA, Step 1	09/15/09-06/30/10	Hrynyk, M. Reassigned
Miller, Robert College Counselor, MHS	\$67,590 MA, Step 10	09/01/09-06/30/10	O'Donnell, K. Retired
Ree, Isabelle * CABAS Trainee, PS	\$34,310 .75 BA, Step 1	09/01/09-06/30/10	Vasconcelos, R. Resigned
Tully, Meghan * CABAS Trainee, PS	\$34,310 .75 BA, Step 1	09/01/09-06/30/10	Zeller, H. Resigned

* Pending completion of 90-day probation.

** Pending completion of paperwork.

SIGNING BONUS 2009-2010

Motion #5 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education authorize the payment of a signing bonus, in the amount of \$5,000, to the following employee:

Miller, Robert – College Counselor, MHS

EXPLANATION: There will be two payments; half payable upon signing of contract and half after completion of four months.

SUBSTITUTE(S) 2008-2009

Motion #6 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve that the following name(s) be added to the list of substitutes for the 2008-2009 school year, and further that the Board of approve submission to the County Superintendent applications for emergency hiring and each applicant's attestation that s/he has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18a:6-7.1 et seq., 18A:6-4.13 et seq.:

Teacher, Degreed

Galante, Lawrence (eff. 6/1/09)

Miller-Hoesly, Jacob (eff. 5/1/09)

SUBSTITUTE(S) 2009-2010

Motion #7 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve that the following name(s) be added to the list of substitutes for the 2009-2010 school year, and further that the Board of approve submission to the County Superintendent applications for emergency hiring and each applicant's attestation that s/he has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18a:6-7.1 et seq., 18A:6-4.13 et seq.:

Teacher, Degreed

Bischoff, Bryan

Case, Megan

Cotten, Tawanna

Dean, Clair

Seigal, Briana

Stamler, Elizabeth

Wintz, Sara

Wolff, Beth

Related Service

Delgado, Joann

Assistant Behavioral Specialist

Schafran, Gail

Bedside

Schafran, Gail

SUBSTITUTE REAPPOINTMENT(S) 2009-2010

Motion #8 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the reappointment of the following substitutes for the 2009-2010 school year:

Teacher, Degreed

Brillion, Peter
Foglyano, Michael
Galante, Lawrence
Harris, Andre

McNiff, Carolyn
Miller-Hoesly, Jacob
Posniack, Susan

Nurse

Shaffer, Katherine (eff. 9/1/09)

SUBSTITUTE RESCISSION(S) 2009-2010

Motion #9 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education rescind the appointment of the following substitutes for the 2009-2010 school year:

Teacher, Degreed

Goldberg, Ralph (as per Mr. Goldberg's request)
Valli, Maryanne (as per Ms. Valli's request)

Assistant Behavioral Specialist- Highly Experienced

Barnett, Linda (as per Ms. Barnett's request)

LEAVE(S) OF ABSENCE 2008-2009

Motion #10 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve a leave of absence to the following staff under the conditions stated and effective dates shown:

Davis, Alissa	04/22/09-06/16/09 Maternity *
.5 Sp Ed, AV	06/17/09-01/31/10 Childrearing **
	Revised dates

* Accumulated sick leave may be used up to a period of eight weeks (four weeks before and four weeks after the birth of the baby).

** Without pay/without benefits

CHANGE(S) OF ASSIGNMENT AND/OR SALARY 2009-2010

Motion #11 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the change(s) of assignment and/or salary for the following staff:

<u>Transfer</u>	<u>Former Assignment</u>		<u>In Place Of:</u>
Bonin, Jeannette Tchr Asst – Sp Ed, FMS \$37,761 (Col. D, Step 20 including \$925 longevity)	Individual Special Care Asst, FMS	09/01/09-06/30/10	Walter, C. Reassigned
Brockington, Mamie Individual Special Care Asst, FMS \$26,282 (ISCA-A, Step 12 including \$700 longevity)	Tchr Asst – Sp Ed, AH Asst, FMS	09/01/09-06/30/10	Bonin, J. Reassigned
Krieg, Debra Tchr Asst, HC	Tchr Asst – Sp Ed, HC	09/01/09-06/30/10	Taylor, N. Reassigned
Sommer, Jeanette .5 ELL, HC	NP	09/01/09-06/30/10	Established Agenda: 09/14/09
Taylor, Nailah Tchr Asst – Sp Ed, WD	Tchr Asst – Sp Ed, HC	09/01/09-06/30/10	Established Agenda: 09/14/09
Walter, Christine Tchr Asst – Sp Ed, AH	Tchr Asst – Sp Ed, FMS	09/01/09-06/30/10	Brockington, M. Reassigned

CHANGE OF LEVEL OF PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION 2009-2010

Motion #12 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve a change of salary for the following certificated staff member that has successfully satisfied the requirements for a change of level of professional preparation:

Employee	School/Dept.	'08-09 Level	'09-10 Level
Talesnick, Melanie	MHS	MA, Step 7	MA+30, Step 8

NEW TEACHER ORIENTATION IN/INSERVICE TRAINING 2009-2010

Motion #13 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve compensation to the following new teachers for the orientation/service training August 24 – 28, 2009:

Ackerman, Eleonora	Loscalzo, Lisa
Balestra, Maurizio	MacKinnon, Jocelyn
Beck, Amanda	Markovich, Bryn
Begley, Timothy	Mehring, Barbra
Brown, Sheryl	Mejias, Madeline
Cryan, Ashley	Middleton, Sarah
Gelber, David	Mihalik, Monica
Grill, Alison	Miller, Robert
Harris, Sara	Moy, Carol
Hill, Joanne	Ruberto, Christine
Jones, Robert	Patterson, Elizabeth
Kolker, Mariel	Ruberto, Christine
Lieberman, Lance	Stoffel, Lindsey
Little, Stephanie	VanDerhoef, Jessica

EXPLANATION: New teachers are required to attend one day of orientation without pay per contract language. Upon submission of approved timesheets, they will be compensated at a rate of \$25 per hour for the remaining days of orientation they attended.

REVISED SALARIES FOR BUS DRIVERS & BUS AIDES 2009-2010

Motion #14 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the revised salaries for bus drivers and bus aides effective 9/1/09 through 6/30/10: as on file in the office of the Business Administrator.

EXTRA SERVICES 2009-2010

Motion #15 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve compensation to the following employee for 2 hours per week of home based behavioral therapy for a student with disabilities:

Marrano, Marisa - Assistant Behavior Specialist, PS

EXPLANATION: Upon submission of approved timesheets, she will be compensated at her hourly rate.

EXTRA PAY REVISION(S) 2009-2010

Motion #16 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following extra-pay position revision:

POSITION	STAFF MEMBER	YRS SVC	PTS.	SALARY	INCR.	TOTAL SALARY
CO-CURRICULAR - MHS						
Drama						
Stage Manager	Kenner, Barry					\$3,457

COMMUNITY SCHOOL 2009-2010

Motion #17 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following Sunrise/Sunset substitutes:

Morris, Linda	\$13.00/hr
Pooler, Jamie	\$13.00/hr
Robinsky, Denise	\$13.00/hr

EXPLANATION: Salaries to be paid from collected tuitions.

Motion #18 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following Sunrise/Sunset rate change:

Meza, Ingris	from \$16.00/hr to \$18/00/hr
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EXPLANATION: Salaries to be paid from collected tuitions.

Motion #19 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following Sunrise/Sunset staff:

Bellinger, Laurie	\$13.00/hr
Francella, Laura	\$ 9.00/hr

EXPLANATION: Salaries to be paid from collected tuitions.

Motion #20 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following Community School staff:

Priola, Claudine	PSAT instructor	\$325.00
Wilpert, Marya	PSAT instructor	\$325.00
Wood, Kathleen	PSAT instructor	\$425.00
Mataj, Krisula ®	Lifeguard	\$15/hour

EXPLANATION: Salaries to be paid from collected tuitions.

MHS SUMMER BUILDING COVERAGE REVISION 2008-2009/2009-2010

Motion #21 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve compensation to the following MHS Security Monitors for summer security coverage at MHS from 6/23/09 through 9/2/09 (revised dates):

Andrade, Nilsa	Meredith, Carolyn
Bell, Beverly	Singleton, Melissa
Blanchard, John	Vincent, James
Edmondson, Chris	Womble, James
McDaniels, Ronald	

EXPLANATION: This coverage is essential in controlling and directing the traffic in the school during summer hours (7:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m./3:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m. - evening and Friday hours would vary as needed). Upon submission of approved timesheets, they will be compensated at their regular hourly rate.

CURRICULUM/HUMAN RESOURCES

MODEL LITERACY STRATEGIES 2009-2010

Motion #22 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following staff member for ELL/Bilingual literacy strategies:

Program:	K-5 Model Literacy Strategies
Description:	Present model literacy strategies to Bilingual/ELL staff
Dates:	September 2009 – June 2010
Participating Staff:	One teacher for up to 20 hours
Funding Source:	Local funds
Rate:	Per contract language
<u>Teacher:</u>	
Welter, Debra	

K-5 REPORT CARD REVISION 2009-2010

Motion #23 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following additional staff members (**in bold**) for this curriculum development activity:

Program:	K-5 Report Card
Description:	Committee members will be presenting the new report card to the community and at HSA meetings.
Dates:	September 2009 – June 2010
Participating Staff:	K-5 Report Card Committee teachers for up to 10 hours each
Funding Source:	Local funds
Rate:	Per contract language
<u>Report Card Committee Teachers:</u>	
Blumstein, Randy	Hong, Lei-Han
Clark, Lora	Schranck, Tom
Ferraiolo, Elizabeth	Weitz, Jennifer
Ferrer, Mercy	Weitz, Rachelle
Fierro, Sharon	Whitcomb, Janice

EXPLANATION: This was reviewed by Curriculum Council and the Board Curriculum Committee and recommended to the Superintendent for Board approval. Educational program development proceeds according to the District's principles of program development; i.e., research-oriented inquiry, collaborative work, consensus building, opportunities for dialogue.

GRADE 3 & 4 BAYER MSMS REVISION 2009-2010

Motion #24 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following revisions in participating staff and additional staff members (**both in bold**) for this curriculum development activity:

Program: Grade 3 & 4 Bayer MSMS (Making Science Make Sense)
Description: Preparation work by 3-5 science specialists for the 09-10 professional development sponsored by the Bayer Corp.
Dates: July 2009 – June 2010
Participating Staff: **Six** teachers for up to 15 hours each
Funding Source: Bayer Grant
Rate: Per contract language

Science Specialists:

Cahill, Jacob

Falduto, Ann

Lewis-Lahey, Anthony

Meyer, Gabrielle

Parrillo, Joseph

Russell, Robert

EXPLANATION: This was reviewed by Curriculum Council and the Board Curriculum Committee and recommended to the Superintendent for Board approval. Educational program development proceeds according to the District's principles of program development; i.e., research-oriented inquiry, collaborative work, consensus building, opportunities for dialogue.

ACHIEVEMENT GAP RESEARCH GROUP (AGRG) REVISION 2009-2010

Motion #25 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the additional staff members (**in bold**) for this revised curriculum development activity:

Program: Achievement Gap Research Group (AGRG)
Description: Ongoing research work for the 2009-10 year.
Dates: September 2009 – June 2010
Participating Staff: Fourteen teachers for up to 20 hours each
Funding Source: NCLB Title I or Title II
Rate: Per contract language

Achievement Gap Research Group (AGRG):

Ansari, Bilqis

Back, Hae In

Berek, Cheryl

Cantu, Maureen

Catanzaro, Dawn

Chang, Wendy

Cole, William

Green, Devan

Harris-King, Michelle

Macchia, Michelle

Rauchbach, Patricia

Russell, Kate

Sconiers, Randolph

Wiehe, Petra

ACHIEVEMENT GAP RESEARCH GROUP (AGRG) REVISION 2009-2010

EXPLANATION: This was reviewed by Curriculum Council and the Board Curriculum Committee and recommended to the Superintendent for Board approval. Educational program development proceeds according to the District's principles of program development; i.e., research-oriented inquiry, collaborative work, consensus building, opportunities for dialogue.

IPT BILINGUAL TESTING REVISION 2009-2010

Motion #26 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve additional hours (**in bold**) for the following staff member for K-5 IPT Bilingual

Testing:

Program: K-5 IPT Bilingual Testing

Description: Placement of K-5 bilingual students

Dates: 08/17/09–06/30/10

Participating Staff: One bilingual teacher for up to **30 hours**

Funding Source: Local

Rate: Per contract language

K-5 IPT Bilingual Teacher:

Kelly, Vanessa

GRADES K-12 MATH COMMITTEE REVISION 2009-2010

Motion #27 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following additional staff members (**in bold**) and the deletion of staff members (*in italics*) for the following curriculum development activity:

Program: Grades K-12 Math Committee

Description: Evening meetings for intensive cyclical review research.

Dates: September 2009 – June 2010

Participating Staff: K-12 Math teachers for up to 20 hours each

Funding Source: NCLB Title II or Local

Rate: Per contract language

Grades K-12 Math Committee Teachers:

Black, Adene

Bozza, Amy

Cahill, Marcy

Cataldo, Maria

Catanzaro, Dawn

Chamberlain, Bruce

Considine, Elaine

Dario, Christine

Esposito, Debra

Fascia, Tracey

Gutierrez, Lauren

Heagney, Hugh

Heiden, Marcia

Leslie, Jan

Loscalzo, Lisa

McLain, Carolyn

Pallino, John

Pietersen, Patricia

Rosso, Nicole

Scarpa, Sharon

Tudorowsky, Nina

Tulli, Nicole

GRADES K-12 MATH COMMITTEE REVISION 2009-2010

EXPLANATION: Math is beginning the State required Cyclical Review and the first year is the intensive curriculum research.

HUMAN RESOURCES (Motions #1-27)

Moved by Dr. Rieck, seconded by Mrs. Bangiola

AYES: Mrs. Bangiola, Mrs. Fornaro, Dr. Gallerstein, Ms. Horowitz, Mrs. Murphy,
Ms. McNeil, Ms. Pollak, Mrs. Rhines, Dr. Rieck

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mr. Gardner

BUSINESS MATTERS

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion #1 **Financial Reports of the Secretary to the Board of Education (Preliminary)**
that the Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the following financial reports in Appendix A for the month of **July, 2009.**

Fund 10 -- General Fund
Fund 20 -- Special Revenue Fund
Fund 30 -- Capital Projects Fund
Fund 40 -- Debt Service Fund

Financial Reports of the Treasurer of School Monies (Preliminary)
that the Board of Education accept the Board Treasurer's Report for the months of **July 2009** which are reconciled with the Board Secretary's Reports by fund for those periods.

Motion #2 Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (c) 3, we certify that as of **July 30, 2009,** after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (a) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motion #3 Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (c) 4, I certify that as of **July 30, 2009** no budgetary line item account has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (b).

Business Administrator/Board Secretary

September 14, 2009
Date

BUDGET TRANSFERS (09-10)

Motion #4 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve Budget Transfers for the 2009-2010 budget through **September 14, 2009.**

BILLS LIST (09-10)

Motion #5 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the attached 2009-2010 bills list for the period ending

**August 15, 29 & September 12, 2009 (Payroll)
September 14, 2009**

DONATION

Motion #6 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accept a donation backpacks and school supplies from AT & T of Morristown. A letter of appreciation will be sent to AT&T thanking them for their donation.

Motion #7 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accept a donation of \$104.03 to Hillcrest School from Target Stores as part of their “Take Charge of Education” School Fundraising Program.

PAYMENTS

Motion #8 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve a payment in the amount of \$5,657.68 to USA Architects for professional service work done on the Frelinghuysen Roof Upgrades through July 31, 2009 (Invoice #18754)

Motion #9 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve a payment in the amount of \$815.15 to USA Architects for professional service work done on the Morristown High School HVAC Upgrades through July 31, 2009 (Invoice #18753)

Motion #10 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve a payment in the amount of \$2,536.86 to USA Architects for professional service work done on the Frelinghuysen Electrical Upgrades through July 31, 2009 (Invoice #18755)

Motion #11 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve a payment in the amount of \$1,505.04 to Cubellis Architects for professional service work done on the Thomas Jefferson Classroom Renovations through July 31, 2009 (Invoice #080046SKAR – 0034970)

Motion #12 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve a payment in the amount of \$5,012.65 to Cubellis Architects for professional service work done on the Morristown High School Field Renovations through July 31, 2009 (Invoice #070854SKAR – 0035158)

Athletic Equipment Reconditioning

Motion #13 in keeping with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42, the bid for Athletic Equipment Reconditioning, 08-029, having been duly advertised and received on October 23, 2008, and awarded to Riddell, Elyria, OH, in the low bid estimated amount of \$18,309.13 for Morristown HS and \$2,930.47 for Frelinghuysen MS, shall be renewed for a first renewal at a 0% increase for the period ending June 30, 2010 from 2009-2010 Current Expense Funds.

TRAVEL & REIMBURSEMENT

Motion #14 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, employees are attending conferences, conventions, staff training seminars or workshops as depicted on attachment A: and

WHEREAS, the attendance at stated functions was previously approved by the chief school administrator as work related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the attendees; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the functions was approved as critical to the instructional needs of the school district or furthering the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, the travel and related expenses particular to attendance at these functions are in compliance with the state travel payment guidelines established by the Department of Treasury and with guidelines established by the Federal Office of Management and Budget; be it

RESOLVED, that the board approves the travel and related expenses particular to attendance at these functions.

BUSINESS MATTERS (Motions #1-14)

Moved by Dr. Rieck, seconded by Ms. Horowitz

AYES: Mrs. Bangiola, Mrs. Fornaro, Dr. Gallerstein, Ms. Horowitz, Mrs. Murphy,
Ms. McNeil, Ms. Pollak, Mrs. Rhines, Dr. Rieck

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mr. Gardner

NEW BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD

Dr. Rieck praised the administration for allowing the students to listen to the president's speech.

Ms. Pollak discussed the possibility of changing some committee meeting dates due to a conflict with some of the Tuesday evening meetings.

Board Retreat – October 12, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at Ms. Horowitz
Primary discussion at this time is goals

ADJOURNMENT (7:45 p.m.)

Moved by Dr. Rieck, seconded by Mrs. Murphy

AYES: Mrs. Bangiola, Mrs. Fornaro, Dr. Gallerstein, Ms. Horowitz, Mrs. Murphy, Ms.
McNeil, Ms. Pollak
Mrs. Rhines, Dr. Rieck

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mr. Gardner

Respectfully Submitted

Susan Young
Business Administrator/Board Secretary