MISSION STATEMENT

We are committed to achieving the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards at all grade levels and providing a safe and supportive environment where educators inspire, empower, and encourage students to excel.

VISION STATEMENT

Students will become life-long learners, critical thinkers, and creative problem solvers who achieve success as honorable members of society.

SPECIAL MEETING on March 4, 2013, Cambridge Park School, One Crest Way, Aberdeen, NJ.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Dr. Delaney called the Special Meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Dr. Delaney read the following Statement:

"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 agreed upon. In accordance with the provision of this act, the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Board of Education advertised this meeting on February 20, 2013 in the Asbury Park Press and February 23, 2013 in the Star Ledger. This notice was sent to the Municipal Clerks of the Borough of Matawan and the Township of Aberdeen, and the Matawan-Aberdeen Joint Free Public Library. The notice was also placed on the district's web site."

IV. ROLL CALL

Present: Dr. Jeff Delaney - President Ms. Anissa Esposito - Vice President

Mr. Dennis Daniels

Dr. Todd Larchuk

Mr. James Macomber

Ms. Tara Martinez

Ms. Joelle Nappi

Absent: Ms. Kathleen Gentile

Also Mr. David M. Healy, Superintendent of Schools

Present: Dr. Marc Natanagara, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

Ms. Carole Morris, Interim Director of Personnel

Mr. Patrick S. DeGeorge, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Mr. David Palumbo, Asst. to the Business Administrator/Asst. Board Secretary

Mr. David Ruben, Board Counsel

Dr. Delaney stated there will an additional agenda item for Comments from the Public Related to any Additional Matters.

V. <u>FINANCE/TRANSPORTATION</u>

Mr. DeGeorge presented the 2013-2014 tentative budget to the Board via a power point presentation.

There was a Board discussion followed by questions from the Board regarding various aspects of the budget:

Dr. Larchuk inquired about the banked cap, fund balance and health benefits.

Ms. Martinez asked about the timing of the budget presentation and when Board members usually receive their budget information.

Ms. Esposito was concerned with the sequestration of funds if the government doesn't reach an agreement and how it could possibly impact the District's budget.

Ms. Nappi questioned what "no net decrease" in staff meant. She also inquired about administrative costs and the reappropriation of funds for Basic Skills/ESL costs to the grants.

It was moved by Mr. Daniels, seconded by Ms. Esposito and approved by a unanimous roll call vote to approve the following item:

Adoption of Tentative Budget for 2013-2014

BE IT RESOLVED that the tentative budget be adopted for the 2013-2014 School Year using the 2013-2014 state aid figures and the Secretary to the Board of Education be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Monmouth County Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

	General <u>Fund</u>	Special Revenues	Debt <u>Service</u>	<u>Total</u>
2013-2014 Total Expenditures	\$64,745,927	\$961,450	\$2,438,305	\$68,145,682
Less: Anticipated Revenues	18,539,818	<u>961,450</u>	<u>17,752</u>	19,519,020
Taxes to be Raised	\$46,206,109	<u>\$0</u>	\$2,420,553	\$48,626,662

And to advertise said tentative budget in the Asbury Park Press in accordance with the form suggested by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing for the 2013-2014 budget be held at the Administration Building located within the Cambridge Park Elementary School, One Crest Way, Aberdeen, New Jersey on March 21, 2013 at 7:00 PM.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATING TO BOARD AGENDA ITEM

There was an opinion that instead of using almost \$6 Million for Capital Projects, some of that money should be used to offset any tax increase to the public.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATING TO ANY ADDITIONAL MATTERS

There were no comments from the public.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Be It Resolved, that a closed session be convened for the purpose of discussing Confidential Personnel Matters. The subject matter of these discussions will be disclosed to the public when the reason for confidentiality subsides.

It was moved by <u>Ms. Esposito</u>, seconded by <u>Ms. Martinez</u>, that the Board convene in Executive Session and approved by a unanimous voice vote at <u>8:02 PM.</u>

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:40 PM.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Daniels, seconded by Mr. Kenny and a unanimous roll call vote the Board adjourned the meeting at 9:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick S. DeGeorge.

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary