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AGENDA
PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2008
7:00 P.M.
HIGH SCHOOL

(PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES AND PAGERS DURING THE MEETING)

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Kathy Kolupanowich, Board President
Mr. Lew Kaufman, Board Vice President
Ms. Amy Antelis
Mr. Marvin I. Braverman
Mr. Joseph Homoki
Mr. John Leary
Ms. Kathy Leonard
Ms. Rita Ostrager
Mr. Ira Tessler

JAMESBURG BOARD MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE

Ms. Patrice Faraone

STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Melissa Bonamici

Ms. Upasana Natarajan

4. STATEMENT (BOARD PRESIDENT)

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 by having the date, time and place thereof posted January 4, 2008:

At all Schools,
Home News Tribune,
Cranbury Press, and
Filed with the Clerk of the Municipality.

5. 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 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):

- a. Personnel – Paid leave of Employee #000708
- b. Personnel – Employment status of Employee #002267
- c. Negotiations – Negotiations between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Administrators’ Association
- d. Negotiations – Negotiations between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township District Supervisors’ Association

The discussion conducted in closed session can be disclosed to the public at such time as the matters have been resolved.

6. PRESENTATION BY ROSS HABER, PRESIDENT OF ROSS HABER ASSOCIATES, INC. AS RELATED TO A PROPOSED 2008/09 Pre-K – 6 ATTENDANCE ZONES PLAN

7. PRESENTATION: SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT SPONSOR SALES

8. PUBLIC FORUM *

9. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

I. Personnel

The Superintendent will recommend that the Board approve the personnel report following discussion in Executive Session.

II. Board Action

- A. It is recommended that the Board approve the attached list of requests for Staff Professional Development.
- B. It is recommended that the Board create an additional bus mechanic position due to the increase in the bus fleet.
- C. It is recommended that the Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials .
- D. It is recommended that the Board approve the submission of the attached grant application for IDEA Part B and IDEA Preschool for the 2008 fiscal year for the amounts indicated:

Basic	\$794,499
Pre-School	42,821

- E. **2007-2008 Violence/Substance Abuse/Estimated Violence/Vandalism Costs** previously reported for the period 7/1/07 through 1/8/07\$0

<u>Date</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Incident</u>	<u>Cost to District</u>
12/11/07	MTHS	simple assault	
12/12/07	MTHS	substance abuse	

10. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

BOARD ACTION

A. ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION RESOLUTION

It is recommended that members of the Board of Education adopt the attached resolution regarding the Annual School Election scheduled for Tuesday, April 15, 2008.

B. SCHOOL ELECTION – APRIL 15, 2008

- a. It is recommended that members of the Board of Education designate the following public places to post election notices:

Barclay Brook School
 Brookside School
 Woodland School
 Mill Lake School
 Applegarth School
 Monroe High School
 Board of Education Building
 Municipal Library
 Monroe First Aid Squad Building
 Monroe Township Community Center
 Monroe Township Fire & EMS Facility
 Township of Monroe Municipal Building in the Office of the Clerk of the Municipality

- b. It is further recommended that the Board of Education approve the following polling places:

Applegarth School
 Rossmoor Clubhouse
 Clearbrook Cultural Center
 Woodland School
 Brookside School
 Monroe Township Community Center
 Monroe Township First Aid Building
 Concordia Clubhouse
 Whittingham Towne Center
 The Ponds Clubhouse
 Monroe Township Library

Encore Monroe
 Monroe Township Fire & EMS Facility
 Monroe Village
 Regency Clubhouse

C. TRANSFER #4

It is recommended that members of the Board of Education approve Transfer #4 as presented for fiscal year 2007/08. A copy is attached hereto.

D. PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

EXEMPT SERVICES – Awarded without competitive bidding as provided for under the provisions of the Public School Contract Law:

1. It is recommended that members of the Board of Education approve Bergen County Special Services School District, Hospital Program to provide home instruction for hospitalized students at the rate of \$52.00 per hour for fiscal year 2007/2008.
2. It is recommended that members of the Board of Education approve EPIC Management, Inc. to provide pre-construction, construction, and closeout phase management services as related to the new high school in accordance with the provisions of the attached proposal.

E. TRAVEL EXPENDITURE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Monroe Township Board of Education is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 to adopt policy and approve travel expenditures by district employees and board members using local, State, or Federal funds to ensure that travel is educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that the training and informational programs sponsored by New Jersey School Board Association (NJSBA) and set forth below are directly related to and within the scope of board members' duties; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that the training and informational programs sponsored by NJSBA and set forth below are directly related to and within the scope of the listed job title's current responsibilities and the board's professional development plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that participation in the NJSBA training and informational programs requires school district travel expenditures and that this travel is critical to the instructional needs of the district and/or furthers the efficient operation of the district; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that the school district travel expenditures to NJSBA programs are in compliance with State travel guidelines as established by the Department of the Treasury and within the guidelines established by the Federal Office of Management and Budget; except as superseded by conflicting provision of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education finds that a mileage reimbursement rate equal to that of the Federal Internal Revenue Service mileage reimbursement rate is a reasonable rate; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that participation in the NJSBA training and informational programs are in compliance with the District policy on travel; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the attendance of the school board member listed at the following NJSBA training and informational programs, and the cost of attendance including all registration fees, and statutorily authorized travel expenditures, provided that such expenditures are within the annual maximum travel expenditure amount; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Monroe Township Board of Education authorizes in advance, as required by statute, attendance at the following NJSBA training program and/or informational event:

Program Name	Date	Cost	Board Member
NJSBA Develop Your Boardmanship Skills at MRESC in Piscataway	1/26/08 9:00AM – 4:00 PM	\$125.00 Plus mileage reimbursement	Rita Ostrager

F. SALE OF DISTRICT EQUIPMENT/VEHICLES

It is recommended that members of the Board of Education approve the bids in regard to the sale of the following district equipment and vehicles:

- 3 iMacs
- 1988 Dodge Snow Commander Pick-up; Vin – 1B7KW2455JS797621
- 1984 Dodge Snow Commander Pick-up; Vin – 1B7KW34WXES372030
- AB Dick Printing Press – Model 9849

Please refer to the attached bid forms for supplemental information.

G. MIDDLESEX COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS CONTEST APPLICATION GRANT

It is recommended that members of the Board of Education acknowledge the Middlesex County Environmental Awareness Contest Application Grant for the 2007/2008 school year and acknowledge receipt of a check in the amount of \$1,000.00 as related to the grant. Please refer to the attached documents for supplemental information.

The above action authorizes the Business Administrator to sign and administer contracts and/or purchase orders.

WAYNE HOLLIDAY
Prepared by

JANUARY 9, 2008
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11. STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS' REPORT

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Curriculum/Co-Curriculum Activities/Athletics
Finance/Buildings & Grounds/Transportation
New High School Action Committee
Community Relations
Policy
Technology
Library Board Representative
Human Relations Commission Board Representative
Municipal Recreation Board Representative
Jamesburg Board of Education Representative
Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission Board Representative

13. OTHER BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

14. PUBLIC FORUM *

15. NEXT SCHEDULED PUBLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2008 – 7:00 P.M. – HIGH SCHOOL

16. ADJOURNMENT

* 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.