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Vision Statement

"The Monroe Township Board of Education commits itself to all children by preparing them to reach their full potential and to function in a global society through a preeminent education."

Mission Statement

"The Monroe Public Schools, in collaboration with the members of the community, shall ensure that all children receive an exemplary education by well trained, committed staff in a safe and orderly environment."

AGENDA
PUBLIC MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2011
7:00 P.M.
HIGH SCHOOL

(PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES AND PAGERS DURING THE MEETING)
(Recording Board Meetings)**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Lew Kaufman, Board President
Mr. Marvin I. Braverman, Board Vice President
Mr. Ken Chiarella
Mr. Mark Klein
Ms. Kathy Kolupanowich
Mr. John Leary
Ms. Kathy Leonard
Mr. Lou Masters
Mr. Ira Tessler

JAMESBURG BOARD MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE

Ms. Patrice Faraone

STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Reena Dholakia
Mr. Jonathan Kim

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 March 18, 2011:

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

5. STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS' REPORT

6. 2011/2012 FINAL BUDGET PRESENTATION, PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND ADOPTION

7. SECOND READING, PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF THE REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE

8. PUBLIC FORUM*

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATIONS

I. Enrollment

	2/28/11	1/31/11	Increase+ Decrease-	2/28/10	Difference
Applegarth School	862	863	-1	805	+57
Barclay Brook School	495	495	0	538	-43
Brookside School	681	683	-2	670	+11
Mill Lake School	667	666	+1	678	-11
Oak Tree	835	835	0	758	+77
Woodland School	514	513	+1	516	-2
Monroe High School	1647	1649	-2	1607	+40
Total Elementary & Secondary	**5701**	**5704**	**-3**	**5572**	**129**

Note: correction of High School enrollment from the February 16, 2011 Board Agenda

Monroe High School	1649	1661	-12	1606	+43

I. Enrollment Cont'd

Out of District Placements

	Monroe			Jamesburg		
School	***Feb.***	***March***	***Difference***	***Feb.***	***March***	***Difference***
Academy Learning Center	13	13		1	1	
Bridge Academy	1	1				
Cambridge	1	1				
Center School	2	2				
Center for Lifelong Learning	0	1	Plus 1			
Childrens Center of Monm.	1	1		1	1	
Collier	3	3				
CPC Upper	4	4		1	1	
East Mountain	1	1				
Eden	2	2		1	1	
Ewing High School	0	1	Plus 1			
Harbor School	2	2				
KIVA				1	1	
New Roads Parlin	5	5		1	1	
New Roads Somerset	1	1				
Matheny School				1	1	
Mercer Elementary	1	1				
Mercer High School	2	2				
Mercer Cty Reg. Day	2	2				
Midland	2	2		1	1	
Millstone WW/Plainsboro	1	1				
Morris Union Jointure DCL	1	1				
Newgrange School	1	1				
Oakwood School	1	1				
Princeton Child Develop Inst.	1	1				
Rugby	1	1		1	1	
School for Hidden Intellig.	1	1				
Schroth School	1	1				
Spotswood High School				1	1	
UMDNJ	1	1		1	1	
Total	52	54		11	11	

II. Home Instruction

Student#	Reason	Grade	Teachers	School	Start date	End date	Hours per week
78387	Med/504	8	Somerset Med. Center	AMS	10/8/2011		5
81240	504/Med	7	Cundari,Murphy	AMS	10/12/2010		5
85835	Med	K	Children's Hosp.	K	10/13/2010		5
78774	504/Med	8	Weiner	AMS	10/26/2010		5
83089	504/Med	3	Embrace Kids Found.	ML	9/20/2010		5
85782	Med	1	For Keeps Program	ML	10/28/2010		5
85140	Med/IEP	12	Olszewski	HS	11/17/2010		2
50015	Med	12	Lyons,McKenzie,DiMeola,Ballard	HS	11/21/2010		10
81283	Med	8	Summit Oaks Hosp.	AMS	10/19/2010		5
77897	Med	9	UMDNJ	HS	11/17/2010	1/31/2011	10
86582	Med	10	Wall,Lyons,Riggi,	HS	12/14/2010		10
81545	Med	10	Schwartz,Drust,goldstein,Specht,Ogin,	HS	12/3/2010		10
83539	SUS	11	Quindes,Demeola,Friedman,Mackenzie	HS	12/7/2010	1/27/2011	10
50089	Med	12	Minter,Ongaro,Quest,Latwis	HS	12/13/2010		10
82564	Med	12	Fleischer	HS	12/3/2010	2/27/2011	10
79109	Med/IEP	4	Ciccarella,Colucci	WL	12/2/2010		10
83151	Med	4	Midd. Ed. Serv. Comm.	WL	1/10/2011		5
81564	SUS	9	Ongaro	HS	1/20/2011	2/20/2011	2
85936	SUS	9	Lobello,Simmons, Latwis, Olszweski	HS	1/18/2011	2/26/2011	10
85905	SUS	9	Drust,Lobello,Ongaro,Bigos,Lyons	HS	2/1/2011		8
85157	Med	6	For Keeps Program	OOD	2/3/2011		10
85634	SUS	10	Hardt,Romano,Olzsewski,Rose	HS	1/31/2011		10
40523	SUS	12	Hommer	HS	2/1/2011	2/28/2011	2
85515	Med	1	Papandrea	ML	2/1/2011		5
85026	Med	9	Professional Ed. Serv.	HS	3/22/2535		10
78519	Med	8	Univ. Behavorial Care	AMS	2/7/2011		10
86528	Med	3	Quinn	OT	1/28/2011		5
85968	SUS	9	Dougherty	HS	1/21/2011	2/15/2010	2

III. Fire Drill

Applegarth School ---------- February 17, 2011
Barclay Brook School---------- February 17 and 18, 2011
Brookside School ---------- February 17, 2011
Mill Lake School ---------- February 17, 2011
Oak Tree School ---------- February 15, 2011
Woodland School ---------- February 7, 2011
Monroe High School ---------- February 11, 2011

Lockdown

Applegarth School ---------- February 25, 2011
Barclay Brook School---------- -------- February 24, 2011
Brookside School ---------- February 25, 2011
Mill Lake School ---------- February 28, 2011
Oak Tree School ---------- February 25, 2011
Woodland School ---------- February 23, 2011
Monroe High School ---------- February 25, 2011

IV. Personnel

The Superintendent will recommend that the Board approve the Personnel Report following discussion in closed session.

V. 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 approve the attached list of request for Field Trips.

C. It is recommended that the Board approve the attached list of Student Teacher Placements.

D. It is recommended that the Board approve the attached list of Student Suspensions for the month of February 2011.

E. It is recommended that the Board approve the 2011 Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Officials.

F. **2010-2011 Violence/Substance Abuse/Estimated Violence/Vandalism Costs** previously reported for the period 9/1/10 through 3/22/11 ----$807.81

Date	**School**	**Incident**	**Cost to District**
3/2/11	MTHS	fight	n/a
3/3/11	MTHS	assault	n/a
3/17/11	Brookside	assault	n/a

G. It is recommended that the Board approve the following new Bylaws, Policies and Regulations for a first reading:

Bylaw 141.2	Board Member and Term – Receiving District
Policy 2132	School District Goals and Objectives
Reg. 2440	Summer Session
Policy 2461	Special Education/Receiving Schools
Policy 5561	Use of Physical Restraint

H. It is recommended that the Board approve the revision of the following Bylaws, Policies, and Regulations:

Policy 1230	Superintendent's Duties
Policy 1522	School Level Planning
Policy 2440	Summer Session

I. It is recommended that the Board approve the abolishment of the following Policy and Regulation:

Policy 2414	Programs and Services for Pupils in High Poverty and in High Need Schools Districts
Reg. 2414	Programs and Services for Pupils in High Poverty and in High Need Schools Districts

J. It is recommended that the Board approve the following student and placement:

Student	School	Per Diem Rate	Dates
#83539	Middlesex County Academy	Corrected rate of $168.00 per diem (Classified rate/Out-of-District)	1/18/11 -3/25/11

10. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATIONS

BOARD ACTION

A. BILL LIST

It is recommended that the bills totaling $9,138,190.49 for February 2011 be ratified by the Board. The bills have been reviewed by the Chairperson of the Finance Committee and certified by the Board Secretary.

B. BILL LIST – NEW HIGH SCHOOL (BOND SERIES 2004)

It is recommended that the bills totaling $661,328.92 for February 2011 be ratified by the Board. The bills have been reviewed by the Chairperson of the Finance Committee and certified by the Board Secretary.

C. .BILL LIST – NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (BOND SERIES 2006)

It is recommended that the bills totaling $1,035.00 for February 2011 be ratified by the Board. The bills have been reviewed by the Chairperson of the Finance Committee and certified by the Board Secretary.

D. BILL LIST – NEW HIGH SCHOOL (BOND SERIES 2008)

It is recommended that the bills totaling $557,825.13 for February 2011 be ratified by the Board. The bills have been reviewed by the Chairperson of the Finance Committee and certified by the Board Secretary.

E. 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 February 2011, 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 Board Secretary certifies that the February 2011 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).

F. TRANSFER #8

It is recommended that members of the Board of Education approve Transfer #8 as presented for fiscal year 2010/11. A copy is attached hereto.

G. PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENT

1. It is recommended that members of the Board of Education approve Union County Educational Services Commission to complete home instruction for our students who are hospitalized at a fee of $55. per hour for the 2010/11 fiscal year.

H. AMENDMENT TO DELTA DENTAL AGREEMENT

It is recommended that members of the Board of Education approve the attached amendment to the agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and Delta Dental of New Jersey Inc. Please refer to attachment for supplemental information.

I. STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education authorize Michael C. Gorski, Business Administrator/Board Secretary to purchase playground equipment for the New Monroe Township High School Falcons Nest classroom from Landscape Structures under NJ State Contract #A59057.

J. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPLICATION APPROVAL

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education acknowledge that the application for a Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) certificate for Michael C. Gorski, CPA has been approved by the Division of Local Government Services.

K. AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE

It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt the following resolution authorizing Michael C. Gorski, CPA, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, as the district's Qualified Purchasing Agent.

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3(a) and (c), the Monroe Township Board of Education (sometimes "Board") may grant the Business Administrator of the Board, as the Board's Purchasing Agent, the authority, responsibility and accountability for the purchasing activity of the Board and the authority to prepare advertisements, to advertise for and receive bids, and to award contracts as permitted by law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3(a) and (c) the Board, by a general delegation of power, may establish a bid threshold in an amount not to exceed $36,000 if the Purchasing Agent is qualified pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9(a) and (c); and

WHEREAS, Michael C. Gorski, CPA, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, is the Board's Purchasing Agent and is qualified pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(a) and (c) and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a) and (c), the Board, by a general delegation of power, may grant the Purchasing Agent the authority to award any contract the cost or price of which, in the aggregate, is less than 15 percent of the bid threshold, without advertisement for bids and without solicitation of competitive quotations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3(a) and (c) and N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-37(a), the Board, by a general delegation of power, may grant the Purchasing Agent the authority to award any contract: (1) the cost or price of which amounts, in the aggregate, to less than the bid threshold but to greater than 15 percent thereof, or (2) that is exempt from the public bidding requirements as provided in N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5 (except for professional

services and work performed by employees of the Board) without advertising for bids but after solicitation of at least two competitive quotations (if practicable) as required by law; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Monroe Township Board of Education pursuant to the aforesaid statutes as follows:

(1) The bid threshold for the Board is hereby established to be $36,000.00.

(2) Michael C. Gorski, CPA is duly authorized to award contracts that amount in the aggregate, to less than $5,400.00 (which is 15 percent of the bid threshold of $36,000.00) without advertisement for bids and without solicitation of competitive quotations; and

(3) Michael C. Gorski, CPA is duly authorized to seek competitive quotations for and to award contracts as provided by law that either:

(a) amount, in the aggregate, to less than $36,000.00, but to greater than $5,400.00; or

(b) are exempt from the public bidding requirements pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5 (except for professional services and work performed by Board employees).

(4) Michael C. Gorski, CPA is duly authorized to purchase any goods or services pursuant to a State contract that amounts, in the aggregate, to less than $36,000.00 without prior approval of the Board. All such purchases made through State contracts will be approved by the Board on a retroactive basis at least once each school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution supersedes all prior resolutions on these subjects.

L. ASBESTOS ABATEMENT DESIGN AT APPLEGARTH MIDDLE SCHOOL

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve McCabe Environmental to provide AHERA design and monitoring services for asbestos abatement at Applegarth Middle School. Three firms responded to the request for proposal. Please refer to attachment for supplemental information.

M. NEW HIGH SCHOOL FIBER CABLE INSTALLATION

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve Change Order No. E-4 to the contract between the Monroe Township Board of Education and Tru-Val Electric Corporation in the amount of $420,101.35 for Tru-Val Electric to furnish, deliver and install audio visual technology, internet technology components, and electrical power wiring for same as well as added electric at stairwell, courtyard, and Food Labs range system.

N. NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION INSURANCE GROUP ERIC NORTH SUBFUND APPLICATION FOR 2011 SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM BOARD RESOLUTION TO APPLY

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the submission of grant application for the 2011 Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group's ERIC NORTH Subfund for the purposes described in the application, in the amount of $20,801.00 for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

O. BID AWARD – SALE OF DISTRICT EQUIPMENT

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the bid in regard to the sale of District IT equipment. Please refer to the attached bid analysis for supplemental information.

P. BID AWARD – GROUNDS CARE MAINTENANCE

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education award the following bids as related to Grounds Care Maintenance: Base Contract with hourly rates for special projects & Alternate LS1 New Leaf Lawn & Landscape and Alternate TA-1 Contract Annual Turf Applications to Growing Concern, Inc. Please refer to the attached bid analysis for supplemental information.

Q. INTERNAL REVENUE PREMIUM CODE SECTION 125 PLAN

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the attached Premium Only Internal Revenue Code Section 125 Plan as related to using pre-tax benefit dollars through payroll deduction to pay for benefits available through the District. Please refer to attached document for supplemental information.

R. BID AWARD

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education award the bid for Wrestling Mats and Wall Padding to Resilite Sports Product, Inc. Please refer to attached bid analysis for supplemental information.

S. BID AUTHORIZATION – NEW HIGH SCHOOL SITE FENCING

It is recommended that members of the Board of Education authorize Michael C. Gorski, CPA, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Purchasing Agent to advertise for and solicit bids for site fencing at the New Monroe Township High School.

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

T. SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND GENERAL RELEASE

It is recommended that members of the Board of Education approve the Settlement Agreement and Release between the Monroe Township Board of Education and Pauline Lochan.

MICHAEL C. GORSKI
Prepared by

March 23, 2011
Date

11. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

13. OTHER BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

14. 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):

Personnel: Negotiations – Monroe Township School Administrators Association

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

15. PUBLIC FORUM *

16. NEXT SCHEDULED PUBLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2011 – 7:00 PM - AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

17. 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.

** 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 recorder(s), still or movie camera(s), or videotape camera(s) only when notice of such intended use has been given to the Board Secretary one day in advance of the meeting. No more than three camera(s) may be in use at any time, and any camera must be operated in an inconspicuous location in the meeting room.

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.