

MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

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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, JANUARY 15, 2014

7:00 P.M.

MONROE TOWNSHIP 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

Ms. Amy Antelis
Ms. Michele Arminio
Mr. Marvin Braverman
Mr. Ken Chiarella
Mr. Lew Kaufman
Ms. Kathy Kolupanowich
Mr. Thomas Nothstein
Mr. Doug Poye
Mr. Anthony Prezioso

JAMESBURG BOARD MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE

Mr. Robert Czarneski

STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Cori Haider

Ms. Francesca Speranza

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 9, 2013:

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. PRESENTATION – BROOKSIDE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL

7. PUBLIC FORUM*

8. REVISED PUBIC MEETING SCHEDULE

9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Public Board of Education Meeting, December 18, 2013

Closed Session Meeting, December 18, 2013

Public Board of Education Meeting January 2, 2014

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

11. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT/RECOMMENDATIONS**I. Enrollment**

	<u>12/31/13</u>	<u>11/30/13</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>12/31/12</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Applegarth School	346	346	0	285	+61
Barclay Brook School	405	403	+2	438	-33
Brookside School	481	482	-1	539	-58
Mill Lake School	396	395	+1	431	-35
MTMS	1456	1455	+1	1389	+67
Oak Tree	616	617	-1	572	+44
Woodland School	496	498	-2	518	-22
Monroe High School	<u>1959</u>	<u>1961</u> **	<u>-2</u>	<u>1893</u>	<u>+66</u>
Total Elementary & Secondary	6155	6157	-2	6065	+90

**Revised HS number. HS student enrollment for November was reported as 1964 on the December agenda.

I. Enrollment (cont'd)

<u>School</u>	Monroe			Jamesburg		
	<u>Dec.</u>	<u>Jan.</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Dec.</u>	<u>Jan.</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Academy Learning Center	11	11		1	1	
Bridge Academy	2	2				
Cambridge	0	0				
Center School	2	2				
Center for Lifelong Learn	1	1				
Childrens Center of Monm.	1	1		2	2	
Collier	1	1		1	1	
CPC Upper	1	1				
East Mountain	0	0		1	1	
Eden	2	2		1	1	
Harbor School	1	1				
Hawkswood School	1	1				
Lakeview School	1	1				
New Roads Parlin	2	2				
New Roads Somerset	1	1				
Mercer Elementary	1	1				
Mercer High School	3	3				
Middlesex County Acad.	0	0		1	1	
Millstone WW/Plainsboro	1	1				
Morris Union Jointure DCL	1	1				
Newgrange School	2	3	Plus 1			
Newmark High School	1	1				
Nuview Academy	0	0		1	1	
Princeton Child Develop Inst.	1	1				
Raritan Valley Academy	0	0		1	1	
Rugby	1	1		1	1	
School for Hidden Intellig.	1	1				
Schroth School	2	2				
Search Day Program	1	1				
UMDNJ	2	3	Plus 1			
Total	44	46		10	10	

II. Home Instruction

No.	School	Grade	Reason	Home Instructor	Date Started
77917	MTHS	12	CST	Ed. Svc. Commission	9/9/2013
79109	OOD	7	CST	G. Schnitzer	9/9/2013
85782	WD	4	CST	Price-Labenski	9/9/2013
85038	OOD	11	CST	Reiff, Lyons, Wolk, Hardt, Drust	9/11/2013
78609	MTHS	10	Illness	Reiff, Mazur, Di Meola, Ed. Svc. Commission, Gorham	9/16/2013
86443	BB	K	CST	Sadik, Ed. Svc. Commission	9/30/2013
78521	MTHS	12	SUS	Schwartz, Roth, Ongaro, S. Wall	9/30/2013
77859	MTHS	12	Illness	Princeton Healthcare, Education, Inc.	9/24/2013
85936	MTHS	12	Admin	M. Hardt, Lyons, Mazur	10/8/2013
77903	MTHS	12	CST	Ongaro, Pepe, Rose, Wolverton	10/10/2013
78774	MTHS	11	504	Dougherty, Francis, Massaro, Abruzzese	10/24/2013
78140	MTHS	11	504	Sran, Roth, Neues, Romano	10/24/2013
88089	MTHS	9	Illness	Lyons, Kudrak, Riggi	10/29/2013
83914	WES	5	Illness	Clark	10/29/2013
85153	OOD	12	CST	Fennessy	11/14/2013
70506	MTHS	12	Illness	Wetzel, N. Gross, Docherty	11/26/2013
87381	MTHS	10	SUS	C. Pepe	12/4/2013
83183	MTMS	8	Illness	Pace, Heyl, Viskoki, Ed. Svc. Commission	12/16/2013
83679	BES	5	Illness	Rubenstein	12/17/2013
80826	MTHS	10	Illness	Ballard, M. Hardt, Stapenski	12/19/2013

III. Fire Drills/Lockdown Drills

Applegarth School-----	December 2, 2013
Barclay Brook School -----	December 3, 2013
Brookside School -----	December 4, 2013
Mill Lake School -----	December 4, 2013
Monroe Middle School-----	December 4, 2013
Oak Tree School -----	December 4, 2013
Woodland School -----	December 2, 2013
Monroe High School -----	December 20, 2013

Lockdown

Applegarth School-----	December 11, 2013
Barclay Brook School-----	December 12, 2013
Brookside School -----	December 6, 2013
Mill Lake School -----	December 16, 2013
Monroe Middle School-----	December 19, 2013
Oak Tree School -----	December 17, 2013
Woodland School -----	December 13, 2013
Monroe High School -----	December 16, 2013

IV. Personnel

- A. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of **Ms. Rosemarie Armstrong**, World Language Coordinator and Spanish Teacher at the High School, effective February 17, 2014.
- B. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of **Ms. Cara Calichio**, paraprofessional at Applegarth, effective January 17, 2014.
- C. It is recommended that the Board approve an extended medical leave of absence to **Ms. Jacqueline Ray**, Bus Driver in the Transportation Department, retroactive November 25, 2013 through February 6, 2014 in accordance with Article 17, Paragraph B.2 in the collective negotiations agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014. It is further recommended that this leave shall be without pay except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Ray may be entitled.
- D. It is recommended that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Jackie Koslowitz**, paraprofessional at the High School, effective January 2, 2014 through January 10, 2014 in accordance with Article 17, Paragraph B.2 in the collective negotiations agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014. It is further recommended that this leave shall be without pay except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Koslowitz may be entitled.

- E. It is recommended that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Diane Arcaro**, paraprofessional at Woodland, effective January 13, 2014 pending further action of the Board (for a period of approximately 2-3 months) in accordance with Article 17, Paragraph B.2 in the collective negotiations agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014. It is further recommended that this leave shall be without pay except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Arcaro may be entitled.
- F. It is recommended that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Karen Wasdin**, teacher of grade 1 at Barclay Brook, effective January 28, 2014 through March 11, 2014 in accordance with Article 17, Paragraph B.2 in the collective negotiations agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014. It is further recommended that this leave shall be without pay except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Wasdin may be entitled.
- G. It is recommended that the Board approve a medical leave of absence to **Ms. Jeannine Morse**, teacher of grade 4 at Applegarth School, effective January 15, 2014 through January 27, 2014 in accordance with Article 17, Paragraph B.2 in the collective negotiations agreement between the Monroe Township Board of Education and the Monroe Township Education Association covering the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014. It is further recommended that this leave shall be without pay except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Morse may be entitled.
- H. It is recommended that the Board approve a maternity leave of absence to **Ms. Eileen Simmonds**, Special Education teacher at the High School, effective January 31, 2014 through February 2, 2015 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, 2011 through June 30, 2014. It is further recommended that this leave shall be without pay except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Simmonds may be entitled.
- I. It is recommended that the Board approve a maternity leave of absence to **Ms. Bonnie Essig**, School Nurse at Applegarth, effective March 17, 2014 through June 30, 2014 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, 2011 through June 30, 2014. It is further recommended that this leave shall be without pay except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Essig may be entitled.
- J. It is recommended that the Board approve a maternity leave of absence to **Ms. Mary Howroyd**, Special Education teacher at MTMS, effective March 11, 2014 through June 30, 2014 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, 2011 through June 30, 2014. It is further recommended that this leave shall be without pay except to the extent of any sick days to which Ms. Howroyd may be entitled.

- K. It is recommended that the Board approve the return to work of **Ms. Maureen Prusakowski**, Bus Driver in the Transportation Department, effective January 6, 2014.
- L. It is recommended that the Board approve the following chaperones at MTMS for the Denny More Show on January 31, 2013 for 3 hours each at the non-instructional rate (\$44.85):

Nancy Markwell
 Shirley Siniscalchi
 Linda Magee
 Bonnie Brenner

- M. It is recommended that the Board approve the following personnel at MTMS for the 7th and 8th grade play on March 13, 14, 15, 2014:

Drama Director	Janet Kaufman	\$3004
Music Director	Nina Schmetterer	\$1700
Set Design	Holly Jarusiewicz	\$834
Backstage Assistant	Nicole DiLorenzo	\$1200
(2 nd) Backstage Assistant	Theresa Anthony	\$600
Costume Coordinator	Michelle Murphy	\$800
Assistant Music Director	Joyce Kay	\$1700 (non-employee)
Choreographer	Emily Portune	\$1700 (non-employee)
Stage Manager	Bonne Martin	\$1000 (non-employee)

- N. It is recommended that the Board approve the following teacher as a substitute for the After School Basic Skills program for the 2013-2014 school year:

Brookside
 Nancy Mills

- O. It is recommended that the Board approve the following certificated staff on the following Step on guide:

Employee	School	Position	Salary Guide	Account No.	Dates	Reason for hire
Frances Pallante	Brookside	Teacher of Handicapped – Self Contained	Step 1 BA \$48,568 pro rated	11-214-100-101-000-093	1/2/14-6/30/14	Change in start date – leave replacement
Carre Tringali	High School	Language Arts	Step 1 BA \$48,568 pro rated	11-140-100-101-000-070	3/21/14-6/30/14	Leave replacement

Lauren Scarpa	Oak Tree	Basic Skills	Step 1 MA \$48,568 pro rated	11-130-100- 101-000-060	1/17/14- 3/4/14	Leave replacement position
Rosemarie Armstrong	HS	Teacher of Spanish	17% additional contract	11-140-100- 101-000-070	1/2/14- 2/15/14	Additional section until Retirement replacement starts
Melissa Mazur	HS	Teacher of Spanish	17% additional contract	11-140-100- 101-000-070	1/2/14- 2/17/14	Additional section until Retirement replacement starts
Kathryn Tervo	HS	Teacher of Spanish	17% additional contract	11-140-100- 101-000-070	1/2/14- 2/17/14	Additional section until Retirement replacement starts
Natasha Carannante	HS	Teacher of Spanish	17% additional contract	11-140-100- 101-000-070	1/2/14- 2/17/14	Additional section until Retirement replacement starts
Anthony Carannante	HS	Teacher of Spanish	17% additional contract	11-140-100- 101-000-070	1/2/14- 2/17/14	Additional section until Retirement replacement starts
Manjit Sran	HS	Alternate HS Assessment Math	Hourly instructional rate \$53.87 not more than 68 hours	11-140-100- 101-000-070	1/13/14- 4/11/14	AHSA formerly SRA
Nicole Gross	HS	Alternate HS Assessment Language Arts	Hourly instructional rate \$53.87 not more than 68 hours	11-140-100- 101-000-070	1/13/14- 4/11/14	AHSA formerly SRA

P. It is recommended that the Board approve the following non-certificated staff on the following Step on guide:

Employee	School	Position	Salary Guide	Account No.	Dates	Reason for hire
Teresa Scogno	Transportation	Driver	Step 2 \$21.64/hr 6 hours/day	11-000-270-160-000-096	1/21/14-6/30/14 pending criminal history	Retirement replacement
Frances Yoffredo	Woodland	Spec. Ed. Para	Step 2 Spec. Ed \$13.62/hr plus \$1.00 toileting 7/hrs days	11-212-100-106-000-093	1/2/14-6/30/14	Transfer from Brookside
John Mazzola	High School	Workstation Specialist	Apple Technical Coordinator Certification \$1500	11-000-252-100-000-050	1/2/14-6/30/14	Salary Adjustment
Joseph Visicaro	High School	Workstation Specialist	Apple Technical Coordinator Certification \$1500	11-000-252-100-000-050	1/2/14-6/30/14	Salary Adjustment
Lucille Hussey	High School	Paraprofessional	Professional Development 4 credits \$100 annual stipend	11-213-100-106-000-093	11/5/13-6/30/14	Professional development stipend
Cathy McLaughlin	HS	Custodian	\$19.94+BS+ 2 nd shift 8 hrs/day	11-000-262-100-000-070	1/2/14-6/30/14	Transfer – retirement replacement
Vincent Stasi	MECA	Custodian	\$19.94 + 2 nd shift 4 hours per day	64-990-320-100-105-098	1/16/14-6/30/14	Transfer from Woodland – decrease in hours

MaryAnne Pipala	Mill Lake	Spec. Ed. Para	Step 1 Spec. Ed. \$13.52/hr + toileting \$1.00 3.75 hrs day	11-215-100-106-000-093	1/16/14-6/30/14	New position – transfer – required for compliance
Lori Konopacki	Mill Lake	Spec. Ed. Para	Step 1 Spec. Ed. \$13.52/hr + toileting \$1.00 3.75 hrs day	11-215-100-106-000-093	1/16/14-6/30/14	New position required for compliance
Laura Tessler	Oak Tree	Spec. Ed. Para	Step 1 Spec. Ed. \$13.52/hr + toileting \$1.00 3.75 hrs day	11-213-100-101-000-093	1/16/14-6/30/14	New position – personal para
Melissa Goretsky	Mill Lake	Spec. Ed. Para	Step 1 Spec. Ed. \$13.52/hr + toileting \$1.00 3.75 hrs day	11-204-100-106-000-093	1/16/14-6/30/14 pending criminal history	New position required for compliance
Bonnie DiBenedetto	Mill Lake	Spec. Ed. Para	Step 1 Spec. Ed. \$13.52/hr + toileting \$1.00 3.75 hrs day	11-204-100-106-000-093	1/16/14-6/30/14	New position required for compliance

Q. It is recommended that the Board approve the previously submitted list of substitutes for the 2013-2014 school year:

Trudy Marmarek
 Nahla Abraham
 Jeanne Barsa
 Julie Rimerman
 Alexander Guido
 Hollie Kaplan

Substitute Teacher
 Substitute teacher
 Substitute Teacher
 Substitute Teacher
 Substitute Teacher
 Substitute Teacher

V. BOARD ACTION

- A. It is recommended that the Board approve the previously submitted list of requests for Staff Professional Development.
- B. It is recommended that the Board approve the previously submitted list of requests for Field Trips.
- C. It is recommended that the Board approve the previously submitted list of Student Teachers for the 2013-2014 school year.
- D. It is recommended that the Board approve the previously submitted list of Student Suspensions for December 2013.
- E. **2013-2014 Violence/Substance Abuse/Estimated Violence/Vandalism Costs** for the period 12/18/13-1/13/14:

<u>Date</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Incident</u>	<u>Cost to District</u>
NONE			

- F. It is recommended that the Board appoint **Mr. Dominick Tringali**, as Deputy Shelter, Reception & Care Coordinator, Office of Emergency Management for the unexpired four (4) year term effective December 16, 2013 through December 31, 2015 retroactively. This voluntary unpaid position grants Mr. Tringali authority to open and make available the school district's facilities to provide shelter in the event of an emergency in conjunction with Mr. Jerry Tague, Shelter Reception and Care Coordinator.
- G. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the suspension with pay of teaching staff member employee no. 000408 effective January 8, 2014. This suspension shall continue at least until such time as the Board has received notification regarding the disposition of a pending matter involving employee no. 000408 and the Board has considered the Superintendent's further recommendation(s) related to employee no. 000408's employment by the Board. The Superintendent 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.
- H. It is recommended that the Board approve the revision of the following job description:

Security Guard
- I. It is recommended that the Board approve the student and staff participation in the U Got Brains Champion Schools Program. This program helps develop teen driving safety in a fun, interactive way utilizing social media, videos, blogs, traditional media and other means to help spread the word on teen safe driving. The winner of this Program will receive a driving simulator for the school valued at \$10,000.

- J. It is recommended that the Board approve the previously submitted new and revised Policies and Regulations for a first reading:

P1240 Evaluation of Superintendent (M) (Revised)
 R1240 Evaluation of Superintendent (M) (Revised)
 P3142 Nonrenewal of Nontenured Teaching Staff Member (Revised)
 R3142 Nonrenewal of Nontenured Teaching Staff Member (Revised)
 P3144 Certification of Tenure Charges (Revised)
 R3144 Certification of Tenure Charges (Revised)
 P3221 Evaluation of Teachers (M) (New)
 R3221 Evaluation of Teachers (M) (New)
 P3222 Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers and Administrators (M) (New)
 R3222 Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers and Administrators (M) (New)

 P3223 Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (M) (New)
 R3223 Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (M) (New)
 P3224 Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (M) (New)
 R3224 Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (M) (New)
 P4146 Nonrenewal of Nontenured Support Staff Member (Revised)
 R4146 Nonrenewal of Nontenured Support Staff Member (Revised)
 P7510 Use of School Facilities
 R7510 Use of School Facilities

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

Student No.	School	Tuition	Start Date
87717	Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care	\$320.62 per diem	12/23/13

12. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATIONS

BOARD ACTION

A. BILL LIST

It is recommended that the bills totaling \$6,406,983.03 for December 2013 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 \$9,766.00 for December 2013 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 HIGH SCHOOL (BOND SERIES 36)

It is recommended that the bills totaling \$17,895.72 for December 2013 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 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (BOND SERIES 2006)

It is recommended that the bills totaling \$8,877.02 for December 2013 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 December 2013, 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 December 2013 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 #3

It is recommended that members of the Board of Education approve the previously submitted Transfer # 3 as presented for fiscal year 2013/2014.

G. PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

1. It is recommended that members of the Board of Education approve WorkRight PT, Inc. 5 Patricia Court Lumberton, NJ 08048 to provide physical therapy for students placed in an out of district facility for the 2013-2014 school year at a rate of \$120.00 per session.

H. CODE OF ETHICS

It is recommended that members of the Monroe Township Board of Education acknowledge receipt of and acceptance of the New Jersey School Boards Association Code of Ethics.

I. BI-ANNUAL REPORTS

It accordance with N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(2) 4, it is recommended that members of the Board of Education approve the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Summary Reports for the six months ending December 31, 2013.

J. WEB FILTER SOFTWARE

It is recommended that the members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the previously submitted purchase agreement between Monroe Township School District and Trebron Company Inc. for the purchase of an Edgewave iPrism Web Filter.

K. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES

It is recommended that the members of the Monroe Township Board of Education approve the previously submitted revised schedule of Board of Education meeting dates.

L. TRAVEL EXPENDITURE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Monroe Township Board of Education is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18:11-12 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 the New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA) and set forth below are directly related to and with the scope of board members' and employees 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 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 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 with 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 to that of the State of New Jersey 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 listed number of school board members and district employees at the listed NJSBA training and informational programs, and the costs 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 Board of Education hereby approves the attendance of the listed number of school board members and district employees at the listed NJSBA training and informational programs, and the costs 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 programs and informational events:

New Jersey School Board Student Achievement Workshop – Dayton, NJ

Staff/Board Member	Date	Tolls & Mileage Reimbursement *(a)	Workshop Fee
Marvin Braverman	02/05/14	\$9.30	N/A

*(a) Mileage calculated at 15 miles one way at \$.31/mile.

13. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

14. OTHER BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS

15. 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):

Personnel Matters: Employee No. 000408

Student Matters: Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Incidents

Incident No.	Date	School	Student No.
23	12/20/2013	AS	87334
24	12/12/2013	HS	80850
25	1/9/2014	MTMS	81799, 82223, 79215

The discussion conducted in closed session can be disclosed to the public at such time as the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

16. PUBLIC FORUM*

17. NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING (To be determined after the adoption of the Revised 2014 Public Meeting Schedule)

18. 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 cameras 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.