



**MIDDLESEX COUNTY MAGNET SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Business/Public Meeting Minutes | March 13, 2024 | 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Jones, Board President called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Mr. Knehr, called the roll:

Present: Mr. Jones, Ms. Czarneski and Mrs. Faustini

Absent: Mr. Anderson and Mr. Tartara

Also Present: Mr. Diaz, Superintendent, Mr. Knehr, Board Secretary/Business Administrator, Mr. Bicsko, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Johnson, Director of Personnel, and Ms. Noble McDonnell, Board Attorney

Reading of Public Notice

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 the public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, the public notice of this meeting which included the time, date and location, was dispensed in the following manner:

- Posted on the bulletin board reserved for announcements in the Board Office, 112 Rues Lane, East Brunswick, NJ.
- Advertised in the Home News Tribune and the Courier News on November 8, 2023.
- Posted on the Middlesex County Magnet Schools website (www.mcmsnj.net) on November 2, 2023.
- Mailed to the four (4) duly appointed Board Members.

Correspondence

None

Presentations/Announcements:

None

MINUTES

1. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

February 13, 2024

Business-Public Meeting ([Minutes 2.13.2024](#))

POLICY ITEMS

2. APPROVE 1st READING/REVISION OF POLICY & REGULATIONS

That the Board of Education approves the 1st reading of the following policies and regulations, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

- [Policy 1140 Educational Equity Policies/Affirmative Action](#)
- [Policy 1530 Equal Employment Opportunities | Regulation 1530 Equal Employment Opportunity Complaint Procedure](#)
- [Policy 1550 Equal Employment/Anti-Discrimination Practices](#)

- [Policy 2260 Equity in School and Classroom Practices](#) | [Regulation 2260 Equity in School and Classroom Practices Complaint](#)
- [Policy 2411 Guidance Counseling](#)
- [Policy 3211 Code of Ethics](#)
- [Policy 5570 Sportsmanship](#)
- [Policy 5750 Equitable Educational Opportunity](#)
- [Policy 5841 Secret Societies](#)
- [Policy 5842 Equal Access of Student Organizations](#)
- [Policy 7610 Vandalism](#) | [Regulation 7610 Vandalism](#)
- [Policy 9323 Notification of Juvenile Offender Case Dispositions](#)
- [Policy 2423 Bilingual Education](#) | [Regulation 2423 Bilingual Education](#)
- [Policy 2431.4 Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussion and Head Injuries](#) | [Regulation 2431.4 Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussion and Head Injuries](#)
- [Regulation 2200 Curriculum Content](#)
- [District Social Media Policy](#)

PERSONNEL ITEMS

3. APPROVE/PERSONNEL ITEMS

That the Board of Education approves the following personnel actions, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

A. Resignations and Retirements							
Name	Nature of Action	Position	Loc	Salary	Step	Effective Date	Term Date
Debora Brown	Resignation	Teacher of Mathematics	PA	N/A	N/A	4/12/24	N/A

B. Leaves of Absence							
Name	Nature of Action	Position	Loc	Salary	Step	Effective Date	Term Date
Jessica Martinez Barrera	Unpaid FMLA NJFLA (Baby Bonding) Unpaid	Clerk	PA	N/A	N/A	3/28/24 4/15/24	4/12/24 7/5/24

C. Appointments/New Hires							
Name	Nature of Action	Position	Loc	Salary	Step	Effective Date	Term Date
Louis M Forgione	Substitute	Substitute	N/A	\$150/Day	N/A	3/14/24	N/A
Gene Gugliotta	Substitute	Substitute	N/A	\$150/Day	N/A	3/14/24	N/A
Karmela K. Hadjioannou	New Hire	Communications Specialist	CO	\$56,650	N/A	5/1/24	6/30/24
Laura Kornegay	Substitute	Substitute	N/A	\$150/Day	N/A	3/14/24	N/A
Sabrina Lopez Figueroa	New Hire	Teacher of Health & Physical Education	PI	\$65,417	B-3-8	5/13/24	6/30/24
Mark Mastrolia	New Hire	Cooperative Education Coordinator	PA	\$90,007	B-1-18	3/18/24	6/30/24
Lorraine A. Nardone	New Hire	School Nurse	PI	\$65,117	D-3-7	3/18/24	6/30/24

Jessica Romero-Dias	Substitute	Substitute	N/A	\$150/Day	N/A	3/14/24	N/A
Liam Michael Ryan	New Hire	Teacher of Agriculture	PI	\$67,417	D-1-8	3/18/24	6/30/24
Peristera Vikatos	Substitute	Substitute	N/A	\$150/Day	N/A	3/14/24	N/A

D. Transfers/Salary Changes

Name	Nature of Action	Position	Loc	Salary	Step	Effective Date	Term Date
N/A							

E. Extracurricular / Extra Pay - Athletic

Name	Nature of Action	Position	Loc	Salary	Step	Effective Date	Term Date
Peter Santiago	Sports - Baseball	Volunteer Assistant Coach	EB	N/A	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Julie Buonaguro	Sports - Softball	Volunteer Assistant Coach	EB	N/A	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Tyler Layton	Sports - Baseball	Volunteer Assistant Coach	PA	N/A	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Stephen Moir	Sports - Baseball	Volunteer Assistant Coach	PA	N/A	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Izabelle Acevedo	Sports - Softball	Volunteer Assistant Coach	PA	N/A	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Mike Perpente	Sports - Softball	Volunteer Assistant Coach	PA	N/A	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Joseph Sepelyak	Sports - Softball	Volunteer Assistant Coach	PA	N/A	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Chris Rosenberg	Sports - Baseball	Volunteer Assistant Coach	PI	N/A	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Dave Rosenberg	Sports - Baseball	Volunteer Assistant Coach	PI	N/A	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Michael Rosenberg	Sports - Baseball	Volunteer Assistant Coach	PI	N/A	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Sophia Petrillo (Pending CHR)	Sports - Softball	Volunteer Assistant Coach	WA	N/A	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24

F. Extracurricular / Extra Pay - Non-Athletic

Name	Nature of Action	Position	Loc	Salary	Step	Effective Date	Term Date
MariaChristina Mercogliano	After Hours Event (County Leadership Forum)	Culinary Arts Instructor	EB	\$41/hr. (4 hrs.)	N/A	3/19/24	N/A
Lauren Pulgarin	After Hours Events (County Leadership Forum)	Baking Instructor	EB	\$41/hr. (4 hrs.)	N/A	3/19/24	N/A
MariaChristina Mercogliano	After Hours Event (Performing Arts Grand Opening)	Culinary Arts Instructor	EB	\$41/hr. (11 hrs.)	N/A	3/22/24	N/A
Lauren Pulgarin	After Hours Event (Performing Arts Grand Opening)	Baking Instructor	EB	\$41/hr. (11 hrs.)	N/A	3/22/24	N/A
Stephen Moir	After Hours Event	Culinary Instructor	PA	\$41/hr.	N/A	3/22/24	N/A

	(Performing Arts Grand Opening)			(6 hrs.)			
Jennifer Rastelli	After Hours Event (Performing Arts Grand Opening)	Co-Op Coordinator	EB	\$41/hr. (6 hrs.)	N/A	3/22/24	N/A
Christian Rios	After Hours Event (Performing Arts Grand Opening)	Culinary Instructor	PI	\$41/hr. (6 hrs.)	N/A	3/22/24	N/A
Nikki Karas	Rescind Paid Assignment (previously approved at 9/13/23 BOE meeting)	Class Advisor- 11th Grade Class Advisor- 12th Grade Student Council	PA	N/A	N/A	N/A	2/28/24
Daniel Franke	Paid Assignment	Class Advisor- 11th Grade	PA	\$826	N/A	3/1/24	6/30/24
Yadelin Ramos-Vargas	Paid Assignment	Class Advisor- 12th Grade	PA	\$1,170	N/A	3/1/24	6/30/24
Elizabeth Dlugosz	Paid Assignment	Student Council	PA	\$848	N/A	3/1/24	6/30/24

G. Perkins Grant - Federal Funds							
Name	Nature of Action	Position	Loc	Salary	Step	Effective Date	Term Date
Karmela Hadjioannou	Advisory Committee	Administrative Assistant to the Director of CTE	CO	\$1,750	N/A	2/1/24	6/30/24
Karmela Hadjioannou	WBL Platform Transeo/Pathways	Administrative Assistant to the Director of CTE	CO	\$1,750	N/A	2/1/24	6/30/24
Wendy Leonardo	Curriculum Writing	Teacher of Cosmetology	EB	\$41/hr. (3 hrs.)	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Stephen McGowan	COMP TIA Professional Learning	Teacher of Computer Science	PA	\$41/hr. (30 hrs.)	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24

H. Adult Education							
Name	Nature of Action	Position	Loc	Salary	Step	Effective Date	Term Date
Lee Neamand	Part-Time Employment	Staff Person on Duty	EB/PI	\$41/hr.	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24
Lee Neamand	Part-Time Employment	Substitute Evening School Principal	EB/PI	\$50/hr.	N/A	3/14/24	6/30/24

4. APPROVE/BAKING STUDENTS/2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

That the Board of Education approves the attached list of baking students for the 2023-2024 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent. ([Attachment](#))

BUSINESS AND FINANCE ITEMS & REPORT

5. 2024-25 BUDGET - [PRESENTATION](#)

6. BUDGETARY TRANSFERS ([Attachment A](#))

BE IT RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve the attached transfers in the 2023-24 budget.

7. ACCEPT THE SECRETARY AND TREASURER REPORT (Attachment B)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board Secretary, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3, does hereby certify that as of the date of the reports, January 31, 2024 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-1.10 (a); the monthly financial reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer; and further recommends, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 4, that the Board of Education certifies that no major account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (b), and that as of this report sufficient funds are available to meet the District’s financial obligations for the remainder of the year.

8. BILLS AND PAYROLL (Attachment C)

The Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approves the bills that are presented for payment in the amount of \$3,905,512.74 and the February 29, 2024 payroll presented for payment in the amount of \$1,283,332.09.

9. ADDITIONAL FIELD TRIP REQUESTS (Attachment D on file in the BOE Office)

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve the attached additional field trip requests for the 2023-2024 school year as recommended by the Superintendent.

10. FIELD TRIP AMENDMENTS – HIGH SCHOOL 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (Attachment E on file in the BOE Office)

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve the attached field trip amendments.

11. EVENING SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR (Attachment F on file in the BOE Office)

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve the attached list of evening school field trips not requiring transportation for the 2023-2024 school year.

12. APPROVE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, TRAVEL, AND REIMBURSEMENT

The Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approves the following professional development, travel, and related expenses particular to attendance at listed functions for mileage, registration fees, and other travel expenses according to the cost schedule. Reimbursement is subject to contractual provisions or is in accordance with the travel guidelines for school districts (18A:11-12 and 6A:23A-7) and state travel guidelines established by the Department of Treasury in NJOMB circular letter.

Staff/Board Member	Date	Workshop/Conference	Reg. Fee	Estimated Expenses						
				Mileage / Transport	Parking / Tolls	Lodging	Lodging Tax	Airfare / Train	Per Deim	Other
Andrew Bohackyj	3/19/24-3/20/24	Science Workshop	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Joseph Coyle	3/21/24	Impressions Expo	\$375.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Karen Fox	4/12/24	Speech Workshop	\$279.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Leni Hughes- Retro	3/4/24-3/6/24	DECA Chaperone	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$165.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$147.50	\$0.00
Karl J. Knehr	3/26/24	NJASBO Professional Development	\$125.00	\$37.50	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Karl J. Knehr	6/5/24-6/7/24	NJASBO Conference	\$500.00	\$50.57	\$50.00	\$300.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$147.50	\$0.00
Dawn Lystad	5/6/24-5/9/24	EASC Conference	\$395.00	\$46.53	\$75.00	\$840.00	\$292.20	\$496.28	\$517.50	\$0.00
Lee Neamand	5/6/24-5/9/24	EASC Conference	\$395.00	\$1.88	\$0.00	\$840.00	\$292.2	\$496.28	\$517.5	\$0.00
Jacqueline Pelcman	3/19/24-3/20/24	OpenSciEd Training	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Joan Thomas-Retro	3/4/24-3/6/24	DECA Chaperone	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75.00	\$165.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$147.50	\$0.00
Francine Thompson	3/26/24	NJASBO Professional Development	\$125.00	\$45.92	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

13. PROPOSED BUDGET 2024-25

WHEREAS the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education has determined that \$50,251,713 in general funds are required to operate the magnet schools during the 2024-25 school year; and

WHEREAS the Board of Education anticipates receiving Federal and State grant entitlement funds in the amount of \$3,024,210; and

WHEREAS the Board of Education has determined that capital project funds for various facility upgrades in the amount of \$6,500,000 is needed from the Middlesex County Board of Commissioners, through County Capital Funding.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Middlesex Magnet Schools proposed budget for the school year 2024-25, as follows:

General Fund Budget (Fund 10)	\$50,251,713
Special Revenue Fund Budget (Fund 20)	\$ 3,024,210
Capital Project Fund Budget (Fund 30)	\$ 6,500,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve the appropriation of \$314,993 in undesignated fund balance and \$1,035,007 in excess surplus from the 2022-23 audit as budgeted fund balance for the general fund in the 2024-25 budget statement.

14. PROPOSED RESOLUTION TO THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE – 2024-25 BUDGET

WHEREAS the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education has given careful consideration to the financial needs of the Middlesex County Magnet Schools for the school year 2024-25; and

WHEREAS the Board of Education has determined that \$50,251,713 in general funds will be needed to operate the Middlesex County Magnet Schools during the school year 2024-25; and

WHEREAS the Board of Education has determined that \$6,500,000 in capital project funds (County Capital Funding) are needed to upgrade Middlesex County Magnet Schools facilities, as follows:

	<u>Total Project Cost (Local)</u>
Interior Science Lab and CTE Renovations	\$ 1,150,000
Parking Lot Paving & Curbing	\$ 650,000
Roof & Mechanical Renovations	\$ 2,000,000
HVAC Interior Renovations	\$ 1,200,000
Variable Air Volume (VAV) Box Replacements	\$ 350,000
Bathroom Renovations	\$ 400,000
Replace intercom/clock/bell system	\$ 250,000
Equipment	<u>\$ 500,000</u>
Total County Capital Funding	\$ 6,500,000

WHEREAS the Board of Education has determined that \$27,178,728 from County appropriations and \$6,500,000 in capital project funds (County Capital Funding) will be needed in addition to State Aid, Federal Aid, Appropriated Fund Balance, and Miscellaneous Revenues.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education requests that the Board of School Estimate fix and determine that the amount of necessary funds from the Board of Commissioners of Middlesex County for the use of the Middlesex County Magnet Schools during the school year 2024-25, is as follows:

General Fund (County Appropriations)	\$27,178,728
Capital Project Funds (County Capital Funding)	\$ 6,500,000

15. MAXIMUM DOLLAR LIMITS – PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES 2024-25

WHEREAS the New Jersey State Department of Education has issued regulations (Chapter 23A) to promote fiscal accountability and efficiency; and

WHEREAS administrative code 6A:23A-5.2 requires that the Board of Education establish annually a maximum dollar limit for public relations and each type of professional service needed throughout the school year.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve and set the following maximum dollar limit for the 2024-25 school year, as follows:

Legal Services	\$ 175,000
Medical Inspectors	\$ 60,000
Audit Services	\$ 60,000
Architectural Services	\$2,200,000
Environmental Engineering	\$ 600,000
Security	\$ 360,000
Public Relations	\$ 150,000

16. TRAVEL MAXIMUM – BUDGET 2024-25

WHEREAS, the regulations (6A:23A-7.3) require that the Board of Education approve a maximum travel expenditures amount not to exceed for each budget year; and

WHEREAS, the regulations also require the District report on maximum amount established for the current budget year and the amount spent to date; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education establish the 2024-25 budget year travel maximum as \$60,500 and report that of the \$55,500 established for the 2023-24 budget, \$36,939 has been expended as of February 29, 2024.

17. PROPOSED RESOLUTION TO THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE – CONSTRUCTION OF A SCHOOL BUILDING - NEW MAGNET SCHOOL

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education requests that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of School Estimate fix and determine an estimated \$47,000,000 be appropriated by the Board of Commissioners of Middlesex County to design, develop, and construct a new Magnet School located on the premises of Middlesex College.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board acknowledges the total project budget is a rough estimate that may be updated and revised depending on cost estimates prior to the meeting of the Board of School Estimate.

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that the original project is also supported by a New Jersey Department of Education grant under the Securing our Children's Future Bond Act in the amount of \$23,137,500. The grant is awarded on a cost reimbursement basis and will offset Board of Commissioners Appropriation.

18. USE OF FACILITIES

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education authorize the following use of facilities:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Facility</u>
4/20/24	Woodbridge Academy (Model UN)*	Woodbridge	Cafeteria/Classrooms

*The Woodbridge Academy Model UN Club is sponsoring an in-house conference on a Saturday with approximately 150 people in attendance.

Outside Organizations

<u>Date</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Facility</u>
3/5/24 (retro)	Piscataway Police Department	Piscataway	Field
3/24/24	Teamwork Unlimited	Piscataway	Cafeteria
4/20/24 & 4/27/24	Middlesex College	Perth Amboy	Cafeteria

19. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES FOR BUILDING THINKING CLASSROOMS

WHEREAS, the District advertised and received proposals for Professional Development Services for Building Thinking Classrooms to be submitted on February 29, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

WHEREAS, the District evaluated each properly received proposal and determined that Rutgers Center for Mathematics, Science and Computer Education had the higher score and is the most advantageous to the district at the following rates:

Full day in person	\$2,500
Half day in person	\$1,250
Full day coaching	\$2,500
Half day coaching	\$1,250

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education award professional development services as indicated above to Rutgers Center for Mathematics, Science and Computer Education.

20. SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECT APPLICATION/SPECIFICATIONS

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education authorizes the submission of a School Facilities Project Application to the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities as an other capital project consistent with the long range facility plan for the following projects:

Partial Roof Replacement - East Brunswick Campus

21. FINAL SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS - CAPITAL PROJECT SEEKING CTE PROGRAM EXPANSION GRANT FUNDING UNDER THE SECURING OUR CHILDREN'S FUTURE BOND ACT (SOCFBA)

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education authorizes the submission of a Final School Facilities Project Specifications to the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities as a capital project seeking CTE program expansion grant funding under SOCFBA, consistent with the long range facility plan for the following project:

Construction of a School Building - New Magnet School

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve the submission of the review fee in the amount of \$42,900 with the final specifications.

22. FINAL SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS - OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education authorizes the submission of a School Facilities Project Final Specifications to the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities as an other capital project consistent with the long range facility plan for the following project:

Additions and Alterations - New Magnet School

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve the submission of the review fee in the amount of \$36,598.25 with the final specifications.

23. PURCHASE OF TECHNOLOGY SUPPLIES – CDW-G ([Attachment G](#))

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education award the purchase of the attached technology supplies to CDW-G for \$31,785.55 on the basis of the appropriate State Contract/Cooperative Purchasing Agreement, as indicated in the attachment.

24. PURCHASE OF VOCATIONAL PROGRAM SUPPLIES – GRAINGER ([Attachment H](#))

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education award the purchase of the attached vocational program supplies to Grainger for \$3,494.65 on the basis of New Jersey State Contract #19-FLEET-00566.

25. TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION PURCHASE - MRA INTERNATIONAL

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education award the purchase of technology equipment and installation to MRA International for \$38,073.00 on the basis of Bergen County Cooperative Agreement #22-24 as follows:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
East Brunswick BOE Office	Provide and install video conference system including LED/LCD monitors, projector, video equipment, cameras, microphones, and installation hardware for the Board Conference room.	\$38,073.00

26. PURCHASE OF CHARTER BUS SERVICE – ATHLETIC TRIPS – BASEBALL/SOFTBALL/TENNIS ([Attachment I](#))

WHEREAS Sealed proposals were received January 29, 2024 in response to newspaper advertising in the "Home News Tribune" and the "Courier News" for charter bus service for baseball/softball/tennis trips, as attached.

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education purchase charter bus service for baseball/softball/tennis trips to Road to Success for \$72,690.00 on the basis of lowest responsible bid.

27. PURCHASE OF CHARTER BUS SERVICE - SPRING FIELD TRIPS – DISTRICT ([Attachment J](#))

Sealed proposals were received February 13, 2024 in response to newspaper advertising in the "Home News Tribune" and the "Courier News" for charter bus service for spring field trips, as attached.

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education purchase charter bus service for spring field trips for Kingz Trans at \$2,700 and Coach USA at \$9,491 on the basis of lowest responsible bid.

28. CHANGE ORDERS - CAPITAL PROJECTS ([Attachment K](#))

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve the attached list of Change Orders for various Capital Projects previously awarded and currently under construction.

29. BUDGET MODIFICATION - ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT (ESEA) - ([Attachment L](#))

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve a budget modification for the 2023-24 Elementary and Secondary Education Act to reallocate funds as outlined in the attached Budget Summary.

30. APPLICATION FOR FUNDS – NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION - GRANTS FOR GROWING

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve application for funds from the National FFA Organization, as follows:

Project Title
 Grants for Growing Amount
 \$5,000
 Start: August 1, 2024
 End: June 30, 2025
 Project Manager: Adam Recktenwald

31. BUDGET MODIFICATION - CARL D. PERKINS SECONDARY ([Attachment M](#))

RESOLVED that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approve a budget modification for the 2023-24 Carl D. Perkins Secondary to reallocate funds as outlined in the attached Budget Summary.

OTHER MOTIONS

32. FIRE DRILLS/SECURITY DRILLS

That the Board of Education accepts the following fire/security drills, as recommended by the Superintendent. ([Attachment](#))

33. STUDENT SAFETY DATA SYSTEM

That the Board of Education accepts the following Student Safety Data System Report which was reported to the New Jersey Department of Education for Period 1 (September 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023), as recommended by the Superintendent.

School	Incident Total	Violence	Vandalism	Substances	Weapons	HIB Confirmed	Other Incidents Leading to Removal	HIB Alleged
Edison	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
East Brunswick	7	3	0	1	0	3	5	5
Perth Amboy	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
Piscataway	10	1	0	4	0	5	10	6
Woodbridge	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Total	19	5	0	5	0	9	18	11

34. ACCEPT HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION & BULLYING (HIB) INCIDENT REPORT & AFFIRM PREVIOUSLY REPORTED CASES

That the Board of Education accepts the HIB Incident Report and affirms the HIB cases previously reported to the Board of Education. ([Attachment](#))

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS REPORT (Satchell Haughton)

[Attached Report](#)

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY MOTIONS OR OTHER ITEMS

Anika Bukkapatnam, student at the Woodbridge campus gave the Board some updates on all the activities and highlights from the Woodbridge Academy Magnet School.

Pranav Joshi, student at the Edison campus also gave a report on highlights around the Edison Academy Magnet School.

Natalie Evans, NJ Skills USA State President and student at the East Brunswick campus invited all of the Board to attend any of the Skills USA competitions that our students will be competing in over the next few months.

APPROVE ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Jones and seconded by Ms. Czarneski that the Middlesex County Magnet Schools Board of Education approves all items on the consent agenda of the regular public meeting of March 13, 2024, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

On a Roll Call Vote:

On a roll call vote, Mr. Jones and Ms. Czarneski voted "aye." Mrs. Faustin abstained from the February 13, 2024 minutes and voted "aye," on all other items.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Czarneski and seconded by Mrs. Faustini that there being no further business the meeting be adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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