

<p style="text-align: center;">MOUNTAINSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT BEECHWOOD SCHOOL - 1497 WOODACRES DRIVE, MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092 DEERFIELD SCHOOL - 302 CENTRAL AVENUE, MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092</p>
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I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

Mr. Bill Dillon	_____
Mr. Michael Goodwin	_____
Dr. Dana Guidiciopietro	_____
Mr. Jordan Hyman	_____
Mrs. Vivian Pupo	_____
Mrs. Candice Schiano	_____
Mr. Carmine Venes	_____

III. Executive Session - Resolution (Attachment #1)

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidiciopietro _____
Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

❖ Legal/Personnel

IV. Close Executive Session and Reconvene Public Session

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidiciopietro _____
Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

V. Flag Salute

VI. Approval of Minutes

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidiciopietro _____
Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

- ❖ Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 16, 2025
- ❖ Minutes of the Executive Session of September 16, 2025

VII. Correspondence

VIII. Public Participation - Agenda Items Only

In accordance with Board Policy 0167, Public Participation in Board Meetings, in the event it appears the public comment portion of the meeting may exceed 30 minutes, the presiding officer may limit each statement made by a participant to three (3) minutes' duration.

IX. President's Report

X. Superintendent's Report

- ❖ State Testing Spring 2025 Results for NJSLA and DLM
- ❖ Week of Respect, and School Violence Awareness Week
- ❖ District Updates

XI. Business Administrator's Report

- ❖ Audit Presentation for the 2024-25 school year by Nisivoccia

XII. Berkeley Heights Liaison Report

XIII. Administration

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidici Pietro _____
Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the 2024-2025 New Jersey Department of Education School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act for Beechwood and Deerfield Schools. (Attachment #2)
2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the 2025-2026 Nursing Services Plan. (Attachment #3)
3. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the annual Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and M-1. (Attachment #4)
4. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the revised job description as attached. (Attachment #5)
5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Beechwood and Deerfield Schools September 2025 safety and security drill reports.
6. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Deerfield School Bus Evacuation Drill. (Attachment #6)

XIV. Budget and Finance

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Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
 RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidici Pietro _____
 Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

1. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the list of budget transfers for the month of September 2025. (Attachment #7)
2. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Board approve the payment of the bill list dated September 18, 2025, through October 15, 2025. (Attachment #8)
3. **WHEREAS**, the Board has received the Financial Reports of the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of September 2025, and the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for the month of September 2025 ; and

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary, Dana Sullivan, certifies that subject to the approval of budget transfers appended to these minutes, payment of the claims set forth in the accompanying bill list will not result in the over expenditure of any budget line item appropriation, as modified to date set forth in the level of detail contained in the Reports of the Board Secretary for September 2025:

RESOLVED THAT, the Board accepts the Treasurer Report for the month of September 2025 and the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary for September 2025 as submitted and certified (Attachment #9).

4. Move to approve an agreement for Joint Transportation Services between Morris-Union Jointure Commission and the Mountainside Board of Education for Transportation for the 2025 extended school year. (Attachment #10)
5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve non-resident annual tuition rates as follows:

Grade Level/Program	2024-2025 School Year	2025-2026 School Year
Preschool - Kindergarten	\$13,484	\$15,191
Grades 1-5	\$15,809	\$15,824
Grades 6-8	\$16,728	\$15,991
Learning Language Disabled	\$28,773	\$39,723

6. **RESOLVED THAT**, the Mountainside Board of Education, accepts the FY 2024-2025 audit, and approves the submission of the A.C.F.R. (Annual Comprehensive Financial Report) as presented by the firm Nisivoccia.
7. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the cooperative agreement between the Mountainside Board of Education and Berkeley Heights for a middle school wrestling program. (Attachment #11)

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8. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a contract with Bryant, Gemza, Keenoy and Kozlik LLP, to conduct a send/receive feasibility study, in the amount of \$18,000.
9. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept a donation from Mountainside PTO, in the amount of \$30,000, to be used as follows:
 - Beechwood - \$15,000 - Chromebooks/Cart, Art Cabinet, Legos
 - Deerfield - \$15,000 - Landscaping by APR Room, Art Tables
10. Move to approve in accordance with MBOE policy 6471, School District Travel, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the travel, professional development requests, and related expenses itemized in (Attachment #12). This travel is deemed educationally necessary and fiscally prudent, and all travel expenditures shall be directly related to and within the scope of the staff member’s current responsibilities and the district’s Professional Development Plan. All reimbursements shall be made in accordance with state guidelines 18A:11-12.

XV. Personnel

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
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 Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

New personnel employment appointments are contingent upon the required state and federal criminal history background checks (in accordance with N.J.S.A. CH 116, P.L. 1986), required certification, and completion of employee paperwork).

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of **Cynthia Vasquez**, Spanish Teacher, effective immediately. (Attachment #13)
2. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of the following new hires for the 2025-2026 school year (Attachment #14):

Name	Loc.	Position	Salary/Step	Start	End
Tamara Nopo-Munoz	DF	Paraprofessional	\$28.08/hour Step 1	Approx. 10/20/25	6/30/26
Franceline Stedile	BW	Lunch aide	\$16/hour	TBD	6/30/26
Anna Polichronis	BW	Lunch aide	\$16/hour	TBD	6/30/26

3. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following staff for 2025-2026 School Year Stipend Positions, contingent upon student enrollment for those student activities subsidized in accordance with Board Policy 2436, Activity Participation Fee Program.

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Staff Member	Position	Rate
Eric Stoddard	Boys' Co-Coach Basketball	\$3,189 (1-2 yr. rate)
Madison Phillips	Boys' Co-Coach Basketball <i>*this is revised from previous approval as asst. coach</i>	\$3,644 (3+ yr rate)
Shannon Keegan	Chess Club <i>(extra section added due to high enrollment)</i>	\$36.00/session <i>NTE 30 sessions</i>

4. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the addition of the following to the 2025-2026 Substitute Teacher List, pending paperwork and successful criminal background check. (Attachment #15)

Substitute's Name	Certification	Rate
Ava Messler	Sub Cert. (pending)	\$115/day
Kylie Donofrio	Sub Cert (pending)	\$115/day
Lukas Antico	Substitute Custodian	\$19.12/hour

5. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a salary adjustment for **Kelli Castro**, to reflect increased responsibilities for the 2025-2026 school year. (Attachment #16)
6. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, **Ian Stambaugh**, a Governor Livingston High School Student, to volunteer as a mentor for the 2025-2026 school year for Robotics Club.

XVI. Curriculum

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
 RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidici Pietro _____
 Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, field trips as detailed to the Board of Education.

XVII. Policy

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
 RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidici Pietro _____
 Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____

1. Move to approve upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following policies for the second reading and adoption:

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Bylaw 0174	Legal Services	Revised/Mandated
Bylaw 0177	Professional Services	Revised/Mandated
P & R 1570	Internal Controls	Revised/Mandated
P 2422	Statutory Curricular Requirements	Revised/Mandated
P 5339.01	Student Sun Protection	New/Mandated
P & R 5513	Care of School Property	Revised

XVIII. Old Business

XIX. New Business

XX. Committee Reports

XXI. Public Participation

XXII. Adjournment

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

RC: Dillon _____ Goodwin _____ Guidici Pietro _____
Hyman _____ Pupo _____ Schiano _____ Venes _____