MERCHANTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2007-2008 BUDGET AND REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING –MARCH 27, 2007
PUBLIC AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER
The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the rights 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 provisions of this Act, the Merchantville Board of Education have caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the Courier Post, Borough Hall, and The Merchantville Reading Center.

ROLL CALL

_____ Mr. Bohn	_____ Mr. Kabel	_____Mrs. Zeiders
_____ Mr. Doran	_____ Mrs. Hartson-Stine	____ Mr. Honigfeld
_____ Mr. Morrone	_____ Mr. Velten	

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG
I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT
Audience members attending are permitted to voice their opinions on school-related topics at specified times during the regular meeting. These times are included in the printed agenda for the meeting. Members of the public are encouraged to speak during the public portion of the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING
Motion to open the public hearing on the budget.

BUDGET PRESENTATION

OVERVIEW OF THE 2007-2008 BUDGET

Motion for the board of education to approve to close the public hearing.

Motion for the board of education to approve the budget resolution - will be distributed.

COMMUNICATIONS

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

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MINUTES
It is recommended that the board of education approve the following minutes:

Regular Board Meeting	February 27, 2007
Special Budget Meeting	March 10, 2007
Regular Board Meeting	March 13, 2007
Special Budget Meeting	March 20,2007

BUSINESS OFFICE/BOARD SECRETARY
February 2007 Revenue Summary and Budget Summary are attached.

PAYMENTS
It is recommended that the board of education approve the following payments:

P 56	March bill run	$194,251.57
P 57	Manual ck. – voting ballots	505.21

APPROVE TO ACCEPT DIVIDEND CHECKS
It is recommended that the board of education approve the following dividend checks received on the 2005 insurance polices from Utica National Insurance Group**:**

Policy #002318510 $ 417.24 - Automobile

Policy #002318184 $4,601.23 – General Liability

TRANSFERS
It is recommended that the board of education approve the following transfers made in January and February 2007:

FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	REASON
11 000 100 566	11 204 100 106	18,100.00	To cover salary for a new aide hire.
11 000 100 565	11 213 100 101A	280.00	To cover substitute salaries – resource room.
11 000 100 565	11 240 100 320	300.00	To cover interpreters services
11 000 100 566	11 000 216 320	2600.00	To cover shortages in special services line.
11 000 100 565	11 000 217 100A	280.00	To cover substitute salaries – one on one aides line.
11 000 100 565	11 000 219 320	600.00	To cover shortages in support services line.
11 000 100 565	11 000 219 592	200.00	To cover miscellaneous services in CST account.
11 000 100 565	11 000 240 105	1000.00	To cover substitutes salaries –

			front office.
11 000 262 620	11 000 270 518	18,500.00	To cover special education transportation costs.
11 000 100 566	11 000 291 270	21,670.00	To cover employee benefits – new hires.
11 000 100 565	11 000 291 280	6,400.00	To cover tuition reimbursements to staff members.
11 000 270 511	11 000 270 512	500.00	To cover transportation costs for co-curricular.
11 000 291 290	11 000 270 512	900.00	To cover transportation costs for co-curricular.
11 000 291 290	11 000 270 518	8,000.00	To cover special education transportation costs.
11 000 291 260	11 120 100 101	950.00	To cover salaries for staff member movement on the salary guide.
11 000 291 260	11 204 100 101A	140.00	To cover substitutes in self contained classroom.
11 000 291 260	11 130 100 101	680.00	To cover salary for staff member's movement on the salary guide.
11 000 291 260	11 000 213 100	600.00	To cover salaries in resource room.
11 000 291 260	11 000 218 390	1,300.00	Too cover charges for test scoring.
11 000 262 800	11 000 262 490	560.00	To cover rental equipment for repairs in gym area.
11 000 230 590	11 000 230 339	6,700.00	To cover legal fees.
11 000 230 895	11 000 230 339	3,100.00	To cover architects fees.
11 000 251 330	11 000 230 339	1,000.00	To cover legal fees.
11 000 261 420	11 000 230 339	3,200.00	To cover legal fees.
11 190 100 610	11 000 218 600	1,100.00	Test material
11 000 100 562	11 000 100 565	5,280.25	To cover tuition for a new placement.
11 000 100 566	11 000 100 565	2,570.00	To cover tuition for a new placement.
11 190 100 610	11 000 218 600	75.00	To cover testing material.
11 190 100 610	11 000 219 600	450.00	CST material.
11 000 291 250	11 000 230 339	8,805.00	To cover architects and attorney fees.
11 000 291 270	11 000 230 339	2,500.00	To cover architects and attorney fees.
11 150 100 500	11 000 240 105	200.00	To cover subs in the front office.

CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDED That the Board of Education approve the additional substitute candidates submitted by Source-4-Teachers to be utilized as per our service plan agreement for school year 2006 – 2007.
Action of the Board_____

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RECOMMENDED That the Merchantville Board of Education approve the Archway / Just Kids Program contract with the Merchantville School District to provide before and after school child care services for the 2007 - 2008 school year.
Action of the Board _____

RECOMMENDED That the Board of Education approve the following Field Trips:

Font Hill Museum /	
Moravian Tile Museum	- 49 Students
(5th Grade Art-A-Facts)	- 3 Teachers
April 24, 2007	- 2 Chaperons
(Paid by PTA)	
Franklin Institute	- 32 Students
(3rd Grade Field Trip)	- 2 Teachers
April 27, 2007	- 6 Chaperons
Statute of Liberty / Ellis Island	- 32 Students
(6th Grade Field Trip)	- 6 Teachers
May 1, 2007	- 2 Chaperons
Independence Hall /	
Walking Tour of Philadelphia	- 41 Students
(5th Grade Field Trip)	- 2 Teachers
May 2, 2007	- 8 Chaperons
Brandywine Battlefield / Museum	- 36 Students
(4th Grade Art-A-Facts)	- 2 Teachers
May 8, 2007	- 4 Chaperons
Philadelphia Zoo	- 32 Students
(2nd Grade Field Trip)	- 2 Teachers
May 11, 2007	-10 Chaperons
Johnson's Farm	- 48 Students
(Kindergarten Grade Field Trip)	- 2 Teachers
May 18, 2007	- 5 Chaperons
Princeton Museum	- 32 Students
(3rd Grade Art-A-Facts)	- 2 Teachers
May 18, 2007	- 6 Chaperons
Downey Park	- 94 Students
(Band, Choir, Safety Patrol)	- 2 Teachers
May 31, 2007	- 15 Chaperons

Action of the Board _____

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When addressing the Board of Education, please respect the following procedure:

1. Be recognized by the Board President.
2. State your full name and address before commenting.
3. Identify the resolution on which you will be commenting.
4. Wait to be recognized before making your comment(s).
5. Limit your comments to the specific resolution.

RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

It is recommended that the Board of Education adjourn, by Resolution, into Executive Session, from which the general public is excluded, to discuss, personnel, or any other matter appropriate for this session. The results of this session will be made public immediately after, or as soon thereafter, as a decision is reached, if permitted by law.

RESUMPTION OF PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

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