MERCHANTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA –
MAY 22, 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 has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the Retrospect, The Courier Post, Borough Hall, and Community Library.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Kabel_____	Mr. Honigfeld_____	Mr. Velten_____
Mr. Doran_____	Mr. Morrone_____	Mrs. Zeiders_____
Mr. Loue _____	Mr. Bohn_____	Mrs. Hartson-Stine_____

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

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COMMUNICATIONS

OLD BUSINESS

Pending - Business Administrator's Contract

Pending - Repair/replacement of the carpet in the Library

Placement of an Ad for tuition-in student.

2007-2008 Calendar and 2007-2010 Technology Plan are listed under CSA's recommendations.

NEW BUSINESS

MINUTES

It is recommended that the board of education approve the minutes from the April 24, 2007 Reorganization Meeting.

BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

The April 2007 revenue summary and a budget summary are attached.

It is recommended that the board of education approve and accept the:

Board Secretary's Report – Treasurer's Report - Certification
For March 2007

Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of March 2007. The Board Secretary certifies that no line item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23-2.11 (a) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Treasurer's Report in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of March 2007. The Treasurer's Report and Secretary's report are in agreement for the month of March 2007 Board Secretary in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A: 23 – 2.11 (a) 2 certifies that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts or revenue sources.

Board of Education Certification – pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A: 23 – 2.11 (a) 4, we certify that after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major accounts or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23 – 2.11 (a) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

May 22, 2007

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Henry Bermann, RSBA

BOILER MAINTENACE RENEWAL

It is recommended that the board of education renew the Annual Preventive Maintenance Agreement covering the district' boilers with Bradley-Sciocchetti Inc. for the 2007-2008 school year.

Coverage	$2,815.00
Discounted hourly rates for additional services:	
Straight Time	96.00
Overtime	134.00
Sunday/Holiday	170.00

Represents an approximate 5.3% increase from the prior year.

PAYMENTS

It is recommended that the board of education approve the following payments.

P 64	Merchantville Agency Account	14.02
P 65	Bill Run	209,755.69
P 66	Payroll – 4/15	138,011.91
P 67	Payroll – 4/30	138,628.91
P 68	Bill Run	276,682.86
P 69	Tuitions – deducted from state aid	9,205.40
P 71	Payroll – 5/15	140,134.13

TRANSFERS

It is recommended that the board of education approve the following transfers for the months of March and April 2007.

FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION
11 000 100 566	11 000 100 565	504.00	Special educ. –tuition out
11 000 240 300	11 000 240 105	850.00	Substitutes – front office
11 000 100 566	11 000 100 562	500.00	Special educ. – tuition out
11 000 291 270	11 000 230 339	2500.00	Legal services
11 190 100 610	11 000 218 600	400.00	Testing material
11 000 217 320	11 000 219 320	300.00	Special services
11 000 217 320	11 000 219 592	30.00	Misc. expenses – special services
11 000 230 585	11 000 230 590	1100.00	Election fees
11 000 262 610	11 000 262 620	200.00	Energy costs
11 000 291 270	11 000 291 220	3500.00	Board payment-social security
			& medicare for PERS & TPAF ex. Com. Payments

RENEWAL - INSURANCE TRUST AND PRESCRIPTION AND DENTAL RATE APPROVALS

It is recommended that the board of education renew Grinspec Group Insurance Trust Agreement for the following district benefit programs for the 2006-2007 school year:

Prescription and Dental Plans

And, to approve the monthly rates:

Prescription rates for the 2007-2008 school year at a 10% increase:

Monthly Single Coverage	$	183.62
Monthly Parent/Child Coverage	$	305.83
Monthly Husband & Wife Coverage	$	323.29
Monthly Family Coverage	$	445.48

(2006-2007 – increase was 9%)

Dental rates for the 2007-2008 school year at a 3% increase:

Monthly Single Coverage	$	32.96
Monthly Parent/Child Coverage	$	56.02
Monthly Husband & wife Coverage	$	56.02
Monthly Family Coverage	$	86.17

(2006-2007 – increase 0%)

RENEWAL – UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER AT PRINCETON'S CONTRACT

It is recommended that the board of education renew the contract with the University Medical Center at Princeton to provide occupational and physical therapy to a district

student, at The Katzenbach School for the Deaf, as mandated in the child's IEPs (Individualized Education Programs) for the 2007-2008 school year; new rates effective September 2007:

Occupational therapy	$75.00	per hour (currently $75.00 per hr.)
Physical therapy	$75.00	per hour (currently $72.00 per hr.)

RENEWAL – GCA SERVICES GROUP'S CUSTODIAL CONTRACT

It is recommended that the board of education renew the current contract agreement with GCA Services Group, Inc., to provide custodial services for the district. This two (2) year renewal includes a yearly cost adjustment of 3%.

CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDED That the Board of Education approve the submission of the revised Merchantville School District Technology Plan (2007 – 2010).

RECOMMENDED That the Board of Education approve the 2007 – 2008 School Calendar as presented.

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

The Falls	- 29 Students
(NJHS / Student Council)	- 3 Teachers
June 1, 2007	- 0 Chaperon
(Entire Trip Paid by NJHS & Student Council)	

Puppet Theatre / Betsy Ross House	- 66 Students
(1st & 2nd Grades / Art-A-Facts)	- 9 Teachers
June 1, 2007	- 0 Chaperon
(Entire Trip Paid by PTA)	

Franklin Institute (King Tut Exhibit)	- 109 Students
(6th, 7th, & 8th Grades / Art-A-Facts)	- 2 Teachers
June 5, 2007	- 11 Chaperons
(Paid by PTA & Carroll Will)	

YMCA Camp Ockanickon	- 38 Students
(4th Grade Environmental Ed)	- 4 Teachers
June 5, 2007	- 4 Chaperons

Adventure Aquarium	- 20 Students
(Gifted & Talented Field Trip)	- 2 Teachers
June 7, 2007	- 1 Chaperons

Adventure Aquarium	- 37 Students
(1st Grade Field Trip)	- 2 Teachers
June 8, 2007	- 6 Chaperons

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

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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 CLOSED SESSION

It is recommended that the Board of Education adjourn, by Resolution, into Closed Session, from which the general public is excluded, to discuss, personnel, negotiations, 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