MERCHANTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC AGENDA
DECEMBER 11, 2007

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. Doran	_____ Mr. Loue	_____ Mrs. Perno
_____ Mr. Honigfeld	_____ Mr. Morrone	_____ Mr. Bohn
_____ Mr. Kabel	_____ Mr. Velten	_____ 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

Audience members attending Board of Education Meetings 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.

CAFETERIA UPDATE

Mr. Bill Gerichter, cafeteria consultant, will update the board on the cafeteria operation.

COMMUNICATIONS

OLD BUSINESS

It is recommended that the board of education approve the second reading and approval of policy #3541.33 – Transportation Safety.

Update - Board self-evaluation report

Update – Privately Owned Vehicle Policy #3541.31

Update - #6153 – Field Trips

Update – Negotiations Candidates

Update – MEA request for a scatter gram on all member's salaries and benefits.

Update – School Finance Conference – December 8, 2007.

Update –2007-2008 Budget Information

Update – 2008-2009 Budget Information

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NEW BUSINESS

COMMITTEES

Buildings and Grounds
Update on the meeting and inspection of the boilers with Bradley personnel.

Carroll Will
Update on the December 4,2007 committee meeting.

Community Relations

Curriculum and technology

Discipline

Finance

High School

Personnel

Planning

Policy

Library

CCESC

BUSINESS OFFICE

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

P 21	11-15 Payroll	147,268.82
P 22	11-30 Payroll	140,164.57
P 20	Payroll adjustment	27.00
P 23	Tuition – Katzenbach	3,550.00

Transfers
It is recommended that the board of education approve the following transfers:

11 190 100 500	600.00	11 401 100 500	200.00
		11 000 230 340	150.00
		11 000 251 340	250.00
11 000 291 270	1125.00 Health benefits	11 000 291 260 W/C audit bill	1125.00

Transportation Jointure
It is recommended that the board of education approve to renew the transportation contract *(renewal #5)* with Safety Bus Service, Inc., Pennsauken, New Jersey, for the 2007-2008 school year. This contract covers the transporting of Merchantville students to/from Pennsauken High School. The contract totals $37,245.46, and the details follow:

Route #1	$103.46 per diem	$18,622.73
Route #2	$103.46 per diem	$18,622.73

FYI – Last year's contracted amount was $35,816.40.

It is recommended that the board of education approve to accept the IDEIA-2008 funds, approved by the Office of Grant Management on November 21, 2007, totaling $153,224.00. Outlined as follows:

	Public	Non-Public	Total
Basic	$107,733.	$38,903	$146,636.
Pre-School	5,647.	941.	6,588.
Total			$153,224

CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS
(To be distributed.)

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