MERCHANTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC AGENDA
NOVEMBER 27, 2007

Room #105

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	_____ Mr. Bohn
_____ Mr. Honigfeld	_____ Mr. Morrone	
_____ 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.

It is recommended that the board of education approve to open the Public Hearing on all acts of Violence and Vandalism that occurred during the last school year.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

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SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

Ms. Jennifer Perno, Morris Street, will be sworn in as a new board member.

PRESENTATION

Mrs. Deborah Phelps, Guidance Counselor, on the students' performances on the ASK Tests taken during the spring of 2007 for grades 3 to 8.

COMMUNICATIONS

OLD BUSINESS

Update - Meeting with negotiation candidates.
Update – Mr. Gerichter's Cafeteria Review scheduled for the next board meeting.
Update - Transportation and Chaperon – policy and/or procedure.
Update - MEA request for a scatter gram on all member's salaries and benefits.
Update – November 20, 2007 Finance Meeting Report.

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NEW BUSINESS
Tuition Reimbursement Requests
Mrs. Patty Carr – Wilmington College
Mrs. Jeanne Leise – Rowan University

BUSINESS OFFICE
Board Secretary's Report – Treasurer's Report and Certifications

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

Board Secretary's Report – Treasurer's Report - Certification
For September and October 2007

Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the months of September and October 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 months of September and October 2007. The Treasurer's Report and Secretary's report are in agreement for the months of September and October 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.

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Henry Bermann, RSBA Date

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

P15	10-15- 07 Payroll	149,047.16
P 16	Tuitions deducted from state aid	459.70

P 17	10-31-07 Payroll	146,311.82
P 18	Tuitions deducted from state aid	459.70
P 20	Posting correction	27.00

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

10 000 100 56X Charter School tuitions	4,770.00 Reversal	11 000 100 562 Tuitions – other LEA's – special education	4,770.00
11 000 217 320 One on One special	900.00	11 000 216 800 Special services-other expenses	200.00
		11 000 251 340	100.00
		11 150 100 500	600.00
10 000 100 56X Charter School tuitions	3,700.00 Reversal	11 000 100 563 Tuitions –county vocational schools	3,700.00
10 000 100 56X Charter School tuition	15,300.00 Reversal	11 000 100 566 Tuitions - private schools – in state	15,300.00
10 000 100 56X Charter School tuitions	27,000.00 Reversal	11 000 100 565 Tuitions – special services school districts	27,000.00
10 000 100 56X Charter School tuitions	4,689.00 Reversal	11 000 100 567 Tuitions – private schools – in state	4,689.00
11 000 100 567 Tuition – private schools – in state	2,300.00	11 000 100 563 Tuition – county vocational schools	1,300.00
		11 000 100 569 Tuition – tuition other	1,000.00
11 000 100 565 Tuition – special services school districts	37,275.00	11 000 100 566 Tuition- private schools – in state	37,275.00
10 000 100 56X Charter School tuitions	5,000.00 Reversal	11 000 100 564 Tuitions – county vocational schools – special	5000.00
10 000 100 56X Charter School tuitions	4,689.00 Reversal	11 000 100 567 Tuitions – private schools – in state	4,689.00

11 000 230 610 Adm. – supplies	400.00	11 190 100 610 Gen'l account – Supplies	400.00

(FYI – All previous tuition transfers to Charter School Tuition Accounts were reversed to cover the district's three new tuition-out placements.)

Travel Expense Report
It is recommended that the board of education approve the Travel Expenses Form attached.

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