MERCHANTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA
DECEMBER 15, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER **TIME:_____**

I, Daniel Licata, Board President, call this meeting to order under the Open Public Meeting Act at 7:00 p.m. Sunshine List: The Merchantville Board of Education meeting is called to order. The board of education is in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act," Board of Education located at 130 S. Centre Street, Merchantville, New Jersey, and advertised in The Retrospect, Borough Hall, Merchantville School and the Reading Center at Merchantville School.

II. 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.

III. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Aaron	Mr. Carcanague	Mrs. Gaskins
Mr. Honigfeld	Mr. Iannucci	Mrs. Kroot
Mr. Licata	Mrs. Meisner	Mrs. Perno

IV. OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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V. APPROVAL OF THE MINIUTES – Motioned by_____, seconded by_____

- Regular Meeting Minutes November 17, 2022

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- Recognition of retiring Board members – Jenn Perno and Mark Iannucci
- Nov 2022 Election Results
  Aaron – 744 votes, Dela Rosa – 98 votes, Marchessault – 88 votes
- Re-Organization Date – Jan 5, 2022
- Discussion of 2023 BOE Meeting Dates

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Board Governance Discussion – Welcoming New Trustees (Chapter 4)

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Finance and Facility Committee – December 12 Meeting
- Personnel and Education Committee – December 12 Meeting
- Policy and Community Relations – December 12 Meeting
- Haddon Heights Liaison Update

IV. CSA REPORT

- Use of Facility Report: December - January
- Emergency Drills: Nov 7, 2022 Fire Drill (12:22) and Nov 21, 2022 Bomb Threat Drill (9:30)
- November 2022 Monthly Report
- School Choice Update – Waiting List has been created after our lottery on Dec 8, 2022

XI. CSA RECOMMENDATIONS

Motioned by_____, seconded by_____ **ROLL CALL**

RECOMMEND that the Merchantville Board of Education approve items 1 - 3:

(1) That the Board of Education approve a review of the Merchantville School District Remote Learning Plan for 2023-2024.

(2) That the Board of Education approve the Merchantville Annual Pre-School Operation Plan for the 2022-2023 school year.

(3) That the Board of Education approve the Social Studies Curriculum for Grades Kindergarten through 8th grade.

Motioned by_____, seconded by_____ **ROLL CALL**

RECOMMEND that the Merchantville Board of Education approve items 4 - 5:

(4) That the Board of Education approve adding the following people to the 2022-2023 Substitute teacher list: Christopher Kitchen and Olivia Bechtel

(5) That the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator for attendance at the following Professional Development Workshops:

Attendee	Event	Place of Event	Date	Cost
Andrea Gleeson	Strengthening your Special Needs Students' Executive Functioning Skills	Cherry Hill, NJ	Jan 23, 2023	$279

XII. BUSINESS OFFICE RECOMMENDATIONS

Motioned by_____, seconded by_____ **ROLL CALL**

RECOMMEND that the Merchantville Board of Education approve items A through C:

A. Warrants

The attached bill lists:

- Warrants – December 2022 **(Attachment A1)**

B. Void Check

To approve voiding of the following warrant account check:

#6293 06/23/2022 $1,718.35 BCSSSD

C. Budget Calendar

To approve the 2023-2024 budget calendar **(Attachment C1)**

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XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION **TIME:**_____

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Merchantville Board of Education has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the

Public; and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of this Board of Education will reconvene at the conclusion of closed session, at approximately _____ p.m. this evening.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Merchantville Board of Education will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

_____Any matter which, by express provision of Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from discussion in public (Provision relied upon: _____);

_____Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government;

_____Any matter the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy;

_____Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public body (Specify contract: _____);

_____Any matter involving the purpose, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed;

_____Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection;

_____Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law;

_____Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer (If pending or anticipated litigation, the matter is: _____

_____)

(If contract negotiation the nature of the contract and interested party is _____

_____)

Under certain circumstances, if public disclosure of the matter would have a potentially negative impact on the District's position in the litigation or negotiation, this information may be withheld until such time that the matter is concluded or the circumstances no longer present a potential impact);

__ ____Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting (Subject to the balancing of the public's interest and the employee's privacy rights under *South Jersey Publishing*, 124 N.J. 478, the employee(s) and nature of discussion is _____ _____) ;

_____Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act of omission for which the responding party bears responsibility;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) may be made public at a time when the Board Attorney advises the Board of Education that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the School District or any other entity with respect to said discussion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education, for the aforementioned reasons, hereby declares that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place and hereby directs the Board Secretary to take the appropriate action to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

I, _____, Board Secretary do hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Merchantville Board of Education at their meeting held on _____.

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Board Secretary

Indicate whether action will or will not be taken after executive session.

*Motion by:*_____ *Seconded by:*_____ *Approved:*_____

XV. RESUMPTION OF PUBLIC PORTION **TIME:**_____

*Motion by:*_____ *Seconded by:*_____ *Approved:*_____

XVI. ADJOURNMENT **TIME:**_____

*Motion by:*_____ *Seconded by:*_____ *Approved:*_____