MERCHANTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES - MAY 25, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the Merchantville School District was held on Tuesday, May 25, 2010, at 7:30 p.m., in The Reading Center at Merchantville School.

The board president, Ms. Hartson-Stine, called the public hearing to order at 7:30 p.m., at which time the following statement was read:

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 The Community Library.

The board president led the group in the pledge to the flag.

Members Present: Mr. Kabel, Mr. Iannucci, Ms. Engelke, Mr. Morrone, Ms. Perno (8:15 p.m.) and Ms. Hartson-Stine

Members Absent: Mr. Barnett, Mr. Bohn, and Mr. Doran

Also Present: Mr. Christian Swanson, Chief School Administrator
Ms. Loretta Mansolino, Recording Secretary

No open public comment.

FINALIZED 2010-2011 BUDGET
Borough's Motion

R10-58

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY RECOMMENDATION OF BOROUGH COUNCIL FOR 2010-2011 SCHOOL BUDGET OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the proposed 2010-2011 School Budget and separate proposal of the Board of Education of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden and State of New Jersey, were defeated at the annual election held on April 20, 2010; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 22-37, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville has met and consulted with the Board of Education of the Borough of Merchantville at a meeting and desires to certify the amount deemed necessary to provide a through and efficient education; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville that certain revisions be made to the 2010-2011 School Budget of the Board of Education of the Borough of Merchantville; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 17th day of May, 2010, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden and State of New Jersey, as follows:

That the amounts to be included in the taxes to be assessed, levied and collected in the School Budget of the Board of Education of the Borough of Merchantville are:

TAX LEVY

General Fund - Original		$ 4,089,057.50
Reduction	$	.00
General Fund - Certified		$ 4,089,057.50

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the revised General Fund Budget to be raised from Local Tax Levy in the amount of $4,089,057.50 is sufficient to provide a through and efficient system of schools in the Borough of Merchantville.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Board of Education of the Borough of Merchantville, the Camden County Board of Taxation, the Merchantville Tax Assessor and two copies to the Camden County Superintendent of Schools.

THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE

BY:_____
FRANK M. NORTH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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DENISE BROUSE, BOROUGH CLERK

I, **DENISE BROUSE**, Borough Clerk for the Borough of Merchantville, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the Resolution of the Borough of Merchantville adopted at meeting of said Borough of Merchantville on May 17, 2010 and that said Resolution was passed by a majority vote of the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville.

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DENISE BROUSE, BOROUGH CLERK

Borough's motion to accept #R10-58 was moved by Mr. Brickley, and seconded by Mr. Brennan.
Roll call vote:
Yes (4) Mr. Alloway, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Brickley and Ms. Fields
Noes (0) Abstain (0) Motion carries.

APPROVE NOT TO APPEAL BOROUGH'S BUDGET RESOUTION

Moved by Mr. Kabel, and seconded by Ms. Engelke, for the board of education to approve the Borough's Council Resolution as submitted, with no appeals, for the 2010-2011 School Budget.
Roll call vote:
Ayes (5) Ms. Engelke, Mr. Kabel, Mr. Iannucci, Mr. Morrone and Ms. Hartson-Stine
Noes (0) Abstain (0) Motion carries.

BUDGET RESOLUTION:

Moved by Ms. Engelke, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, for the board of education to approve the following Budget Resolution and the submission of the budget to the proper agencies.

***WHEREAS*,** the Merchantville Board of Education submitted the 2010-2011 budget to the legal voters of the Merchantville Borough on April 20, 2010 for approval,
and

WHEREAS, the budget was defeated at the polls by seven (7) votes, and

WHEREAS, the Merchantville Board of Education met with representatives of the Merchantville Borough Council to review the budget and agree on budget reductions,
and

WHEREAS, the Merchantville Borough Council have met and passed a resolution to maintain the 2010-2011 budget as presented to the Merchantville voters and to certified the General Fund Tax Levy to be collected for the 2010-2011 school year in the amount of $ 4,249,096.00,

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*,** that the Merchantville Board of Education accepts the Borough Council's resolution as prepared by the Merchantville Borough Council in the amount of no decrease.

Account Number	Amount	Description of Reductions
None	None	None

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Merchantville Board of Education directs the Business Administrator to make no adjustments to the 2010-2011 budget and forward the documents to the proper agencies.

APPROVE 2010-2011 BUDGET FOR SUBMISSION TO PROPER AGENCIES

Roll call vote:
Ayes (5) Ms. Engelke, Mr. Kabel, Mr. Iannucci, Mr. Morrone and Mrs. Hartson-Stine
Noes (0) Abstain (0) Motion carries.

OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

School Budget	-	203	Yes	210	No
Edward Bohn	-	287	votes		
Mark Iannucci	-	272	votes		
Jennifer Perno	-	273	votes		
Total Registered Voters	-	2631			
Turnout	-	15.89%			

PRESENTATION

Mr. Waldron, junior high teacher, presented a brief overview of eighth grade end-of-year behavior contract (a copy was distributed to all members) containing the requirements for a student to participate in Graduation Exercises.

Moved by Mr. Morrone, and seconded by Mr. Iannucci, for the board of education to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Education to participate in the State's Race to the Top Grant Project
Approved by unanimous voice vote.

A draft of the Board's goals and objectives for the next school year will be presented at the next meeting.

COMMITTEES

Personnel – Met prior to the start of the board meeting.
Mr. Swanson updated the members present on some outstanding issues regarding: Tenure, RIF (Reduction in Force), Kindergarten, etc.

Reinventing the School – Mr. Swanson will recommend membership in the committee. Will include: A board Ad-hoc committee, community members and staff members. First meeting will be scheduled in June, and meetings will continue through the summer.

APPROVE 4/27/10 MINUTES

MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Iannucci, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, that the board of education approve the following minutes:
Moved by Mr. Iannucci, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, that the board of education approve to amend this motion, as there is no quorum for the May 11, 2010 minutes.
Approve by unanimous voice vote.
Moved by Mr. Iannucci, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, that the board of education approve the April 27, 2010 Reorganization Meeting Minutes.
Approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVE PAYMENTS

BUSINESS OFFICE

Payments – Moved by Mr. Kabel, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, that the board of education approve the following payment:

P 58	April Bill Run	$335,313.32
P 60	April 30, 2010 Payroll	$173,607.98
P 61	Tuitions	$20,139.20
P 62	May 15, 2010 Payroll	$159,074.13
P 63	May 2010 Bill Run	$127,576.03

Approved by unanimous voice vote.
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Transfer of Accounts - Moved by Mr. Kabel, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, that the board of education approve the chief school administrator's recommendation to approve the following transfers of funds for the month of May 2010:

ACCOUNT	***AMOUNT***	***ACCOUNT***	***AMOUNT***
11 213 100 610 Supplies	800.00	11 213 100 101A Salary lines	800.00
11 000 100 562 Tuitions	323.62		
11 000 100 564 Tuitions	500.00		
11 000 100 566 Tuitions	5,600.00		
11 000 100 569 Tuitions	871.00		
11 000 251 340 Purchase of services	12,000.00	11 000 100 561 Tuitions	19294.62
11 000 213 100 Salaries	83.36	11 000 213 500 Purchase of services	83.36
11 000 230 530 Communication	1,500.00	11 000 230 331 Attorney Fees	1,500.00
11 000 230 530 Communication	1,000.00	11 000 230 590 Purchase of services	1,000.00

Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Approve Interlocal Agreement with the Pittsgrove Board of Education – Moved by Mr. Kabel, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, that the board of education approve the chief school administrator's recommendation to enter into an Interlocal Service Agreement with the Pittsgrove Township Board of Education for the 2010-2011 school year for the purposes of:

APPROVE CUSTODIAL SERVICES AGRMT.

*P*roviding custodial services for the district
Annual sum of the service is $156,074.67
Includes charges for: 1.20 person for day shift
3.00 people for night shift

Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Approve tuition-out contracts for the 2009-2010 school year- – Moved by Mr. Kabel, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, that the board of education approve the chief school administrator's recommendation to approve tuition-out contracts for the following student for the 2009-2010 school year.

APPROVE TUITION OUT CONTRACTS

Student No.	**School District**	**Term**	**Tuition Charges**
HL # 1	Maple Shade School District	April 8th to June 30th	$13,444.00 Pro-rated
HL #2	Maple Shade School District	April 8th to June 30th	$13,444.00 Pro-rated
HL #3	Camden City School District	Feb. 17th to June 30th	$5,380.40 Actual
HL #4	Camden City School District	Feb. 17th to June 30th	$5,380.40 Actual

Approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVE HOME-BOUND INSTRUCT

Approve Educational Services – Moved by Mr. Kabel, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, that the board of education approve the chief school administrator's and the child study team's recommendation to provide education services to one of the district's students (JM), for approximately 10 (ten) hours per week, at the homebound rate of $33.25 per hour. Princeton House, Summit Oaks Hospital and Brookfield Schools will provide contracted services.
Approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVE UMC @P O/T AND P/T SERVS.

Approve University Medical Center at Princeton's Contract - Moved by Mr. Kabel, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, that the board of education approve the chief school administrator's and the child study team's recommendation to renew the contract with University Medical Center at Princeton to provide occupational and physical therapy services to one of the district's tuition-out students (#TO #193), as mandated in the child's IEP. The therapy rates are $83.00 per session.
Approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVE HESS CORP. GAS CONTRACT

Approve Hess Corporation Contract through the ACES (Alliance for Competitive Energy Services) – Moved by Mr. Kabel, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, that the board of education approve to enter into a contract with The Hess Corporation, Woodbridge, NJ, to provide the district's natural gas supply. This contract runs from June 1, 2010 to May 31, 2012.
Approved by unanimous voice vote.

CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

APPROVE TRIPS

Moved by Ms. Engelke, and seconded by Mr. Iannucci, that the Board of Education approve the following Field Trips:

Playdrome Bowling Alley	- 32 Students
(DARE Graduation Field Trip)	- 2 Teachers
June, 2010	- 1 DARE Officer
Valet Day – Philadelphia, Pa.	- 4 Students
Safety Patrol Members	- 1 Teacher
June, 2010	- 1 Chaperon

Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Perno arrived.

APPROVE INTERN-SHIP FOR CIOCCO

Moved by Ms. Engelke, and seconded by Mr. Iannucci, that the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the chief school administrator to place a Learning Consultant Intern, Ms. Julie Westphal Ciocco, with Dr. Roth to complete assessment and consultation hours during the summer of 2010.
Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Gaskell, Chestnut Avenue – questioned and commented on the Board's Goals and Objectives – Race To The Top Grant – Students' performances - teaching standards, etc.

No closed session.

Moved by Mr. Iannucci, and seconded by Mr. Morrone, that the board of education approve to adjourn this meeting. 8:25 p.m.
Approved by unanimous voice vote.

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Loretta Mansolino, Recording Secretary

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