MERCHANTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

September 13, 2016

I, Elliot Honigfeld, President, called this meeting to order under the Open Public Meetings Act at 7:30 p.m.

This is to advise the general public and to instruct that it be recorded in the Minutes, that compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act," the Merchantville Board of Education on September 13, 2016, caused to be posted at the Business Office of the 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.

ROLL CALL

Members Present	**Members absent**	**Also Present**
Mr. Fitzgerald		Mr. J. Scott Strong, CSA
Mrs. Foster		Mr. William H. Thompson, Consultant
Mr. Honigfeld		
Mr. James		
Mrs. Stocker		
Mr. Vitiello		
Mr. Plenn		
Mrs. Perno		

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT - None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

8/23/16 Minutes

Moved by James, and seconded Fitzgerald, for the board of education to approve the following board minutes:

Regular Meeting – August 23, 2016

Roll call vote: Motion carried: 8-0

NEW BUSINESS

Henry Kabel's Service

- Recommend that the Board of Education approve the statement of recognition of Henry Kabel's service to the Merchantville Board of Education

Loretta Mansolino's - Presentation of a plaque

- Recognition of Loretta Mansolino's years of service to Merchantville School
  - Presentation of a plaque from the Merchantville Board of Education

Vacancy Update – Deadline 9/30/16

- Board of Education Vacancy Update – Deadline has been extended until Sept 30

MOTION by Plenn, and seconded by Perno, to approve New Business
Motion carried: 8-0

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

COMMUNICATIONS – None

CSA Report

CSA REPORT

- New Teacher Introduction: Ms. Karen Baker (Art), Ms. Lindsay Brooks (Jr High Math), Mrs. Michelle Fiordaliso (Pre-K), Miss Rebecca Goff (4th grade), Ms. Meyde Mendoza (Spanish), Mr. Reggie Shearer (5th Grade ELA), Ms. Heather Wilson (BSI Math)
- QSAC 15-16 Initial Placement Guide

DPR Area	Initial Placement
Instruction and Program	48%
Fiscal Management	84%
Governance	82%
Operations	100%
Personnel	80%

*A District Improvement plan needs to be approved for Instruction and Program

- Update on School District Goal #1: Continue to develop curriculum to align with the state standards to maximize student success.
- Opening of School Update

CSA RECOMMENDATIONS

School Choice Program 17-18

1. Motioned by Plenn, seconded by Fitzgerald that the Merchantville Board of Education approve to continue to be part of the School Choice program for the 2017-2018 school year.
   Motion carried: 7-0-1 *Perno Abstained

Agreement between Merchantville BOE and Camden Co. Library Commission

2. Motioned by Stocker, seconded by Foster that the Board of Education approve the Agreement between the Merchantville Board of Education and the Camden County Library Commission. The original agreement is from 2014-2024 and is updated annually to reflect the cost of providing boiler service on Saturdays as needed throughout the school year.
   Motion carried: 8-0

Science Curriculum (Grade 6)

3. Motioned by Perno, seconded by Vitiello that the Board of Education approve the Science Curriculum (Grade 6) as completed by the assigned teacher in the summer of 2016.
   Motion carried: 8-0

Shared Service agreement by and between The Southern NJ Perinatal Cooperative and Merchantville BOE 16-17

4. Motioned by James, seconded by Foster that the Board of Education approve the shared services agreement by and between The Southern New Jersey Perinatal Cooperative and the Merchantville Board of Education for the 2016-2017 school year.
   Motion carried: 8-0

Improvement Plan – From the QSAC 15-16

5. Motioned by Fitzgerald, seconded by Perno that the Board of Education approve the District Improvement Plan based on the initial placement of 48% compliance in Instruction and Program from the QSAC 2015-2016 report.
   Motion carried: 8-0

Comprehensive Guidance Plan 16-17

6. Motioned by Foster, seconded by Fitzgerald that the Board of Education approve the Comprehensive Guidance Plan for the 2016-2017 school year.
Motion carried: 8-0

School Safety Plan 16-17

7. Motioned by Vitiello, seconded by Foster that the Board of Education approve the Merchantville School Safety Plan for the 2016 – 2017 school year.
Motion carried: 8-0

Richard Krouse – Volunteer Soccer coach 16-17

8. Motioned by Plenn, seconded by Foster that the Board of Education approve Richard Krouse as a volunteer soccer coach for the 2016-2017 soccer season.
Motion carried: 8-0

Field Trips

9. Motioned by Plenn, seconded by Foster that the Board of Education approve the following field trips. All funds for these trips are paid through the Marie J. Carroll Foundation, unless otherwise noted, and there are no costs incurred by the parents or the school district:

Place	Grade / Students	# Students	# Teachers	# Outside Chaperones	Month	Other Info
Voorhees State Park, Glen Gardner, NJ	Naturalist Club	45	3	3	Oct 2016	Caroll Will Funds pay for the first trip

Motion carried: 8-0

Business Office Recommendations - None

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS AND STAFF

The public is reminded that they should attempt to resolve problems and/or complaints through initial contact with the staff member or members involved therein, and the Chief School Administrator prior to petitioning the board of education. Complaints should only be brought to the board after the appropriate school staff has had a reasonable opportunity to resolve the problem at the employee level. Statements should be limited to topics to be address on the published agenda and limited in length to 5 minutes.

No executive session held.

Adjourn

Adjourn Moved by Perno, seconded by Plenn, that the board of education approve to adjourn this meeting. 9:25 p.m.

Motion carried: 8-0

Respectfully submitted,

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Greg Gontowski