

**MORRIS HILLS REGIONAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**
48 Knoll Drive, Rockaway, NJ 07866

MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING
Monday, February 23, 2026
6:30 p.m., BOE Virtual (Weather)

I. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

[MINUTES]

Mr. Wieczerszak asked everyone to rise at 6:30 P.M. and requested a meeting roll call.

II. ROLL CALL

Meeting Roll Call	
Michael Bertram	Present
Christie D'Asti	Present
Frank Francia	Present
Barbara C. Levy	Present (6:43 PM)
William Maher	Absent
Patrick Napolitano	Present
William Serafin	Present
Michael Wieczerszak	Present
Theresa Yeager	Present

Others in Attendance	
Nicholas Norcia	Present
Nisha Zoeller	Present
Danielle Matovski	Present
Alicia Valverde-Mesa	Absent
Dan Haug	Present
Ryan MacNaughton	Present
Todd Toriello	Present
Dezaray Semer	Absent
MK SGA Pres. Anaya Shah	Absent
MH SGA Pres. Keion Andrews	Absent

III. OPENING STATEMENT - NOTICE OF MEETING

"Adequate notice of this meeting was advertised in the Daily Record and The Citizen on January 09, 2026. In addition, it was mailed to the municipal offices at Denville Township, Rockaway Borough, Rockaway Township, and Wharton Borough for posting; mailed to the Morris County Clerk's Office; posted in the lobbies of Morris Hills and Morris Knolls High School, and the Board of Education building on January 6, 2026."

[MINUTES]

Mr. Wieczerszak read the opening statement.

IV. PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

A. Approval to accept the minutes:

- 1) [January 6, 2026](#)
- 2) [January 26, 2026](#)

[MINUTES]

Mr. Wieczerszak requested a motion to move the foregoing.

Motion By:	Mr. Serafin	Seconded By:	Mr. Napolitano
AYES: Mr. Bertram, Mrs. D'Asti, Mr. Francia, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Serafin, Mrs. Yeager, and Mr. Wieczerszak			
NAYS: n/a			
ABSTAIN: n/a			Final Resolution: Motion Carried

V. CORRESPONDENCE

[MINUTES]

No matters for correspondence.

VI. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

[MINUTES]

Mr. Norcia presented the Chief School Administrator's report. Mr. Norcia also shared that the wrestling team made it to States, the upcoming musicals, and touched on the budget meeting and the revised state aid release. Mr. Norcia expressed his appreciation to the B&G team for their efforts during the recent storms.

VII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

[MINUTES]

No students present.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT STATEMENT

"Please know that the Board of Education recognizes and respects your right to make public comments under Federal and State law, as well as Board Bylaw 0167. This is not a dialogue between the commenter and the Board. This is an opportunity for the Board to hear comments from the community. Questions regarding District operations or procedures should be directed to the appropriate administrative staff."

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Consistent with the Bylaw, public comment is limited to five minutes. The board may interrupt, warn, or terminate public comment when the statement is too lengthy, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant. Further, the Board may request anyone to leave its meeting if that person does not observe reasonable decorum. Again, we respect your right to public comment, but please be aware of this caution and warning, the rights of other persons, and the Board's rights concerning your comments."

[MINUTES]

Mr. Wieczerszak read the public comment statement.

IX. FIRST PUBLIC PORTION - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

[MINUTES]

No public comment.

X. FIRST BOARD DISCUSSION PERIOD

[MINUTES]

No board discussion.

XI. AGENDA

A. Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation (Items 1-1)

1. Approval of the use of the facilities requests by the following priority groups III, IV, and V:

Priority	Requestor/Activity	Permit
V	Gabrielle Giarratano / NJ Gamer Symphony Orchestra Spring 2026 Concert	2601-0017

[MINUTES]

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AYES: Mr. Bertram, Mrs. D'Asti, Mr. Francia, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Serafin, Mrs. Yeager, and Mr. Wieczerszak			
NAYS: n/a			
ABSTAIN: n/a			Final Resolution: Motion Carried

B. Finance (Items 1-11)

1. Acceptance of the following reports:

Name	Month / Year
a. Treasurer's Report	January 2026
b. Board Secretary's Report	January 2026

2. Ratification of Payments:

Type	Month / Year
a. Accounts Payable Detail	January 2026
b. Agency AP Summary	January 2026
c. Accounts Payable Voids	January 2026

3. Ratification of Budget Transfers w/ no over expenditure lines:

Type	Month / Year
a. Budget Transfer Summary	January 2026
b. Budget Transfer Detail	January 2026

4. Ratification of Special Services Evaluation and Related Services as follows:

OUTSIDE PLACEMENT – SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026

Student	School	Placement / Start Date	Cost (Prorated)
ODP96381	Essex Valley School	01/30/2026	\$43,326.00

SPECIAL SERVICES EVALUATIONS & RELATED SERVICES - SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026

Student	School	Eval./Service	Provider/Services	Cost
20263309	MK	Vocational Evaluation	Jewish Vocational Services	\$1,050.00

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5. Ratification of the following Professional Services for the 2026-2027 school year:

Vendor Name	Description of Service	Rate(s) / Amount
Atlantic Health System / Atlantic Sports Health	Pre-Participation Physicals	\$30 / \$50 / \$10,000

6. Approval of the following shared services agreements for the 2026-2027 school year:

District	Provider	Service	Cost
Wharton Board of Education	Morris Hills Regional District	Child Study Team	\$458,808.00
Wharton Board of Education	Morris Hills Regional District	Custodial	\$516,828.00
Rockaway Borough School District	Morris Hills Regional District	Child Study Team	\$405,768.00

7. Approval to dispose of the following through GovDeals:

Item Description	Qty.	Reason	Location	Requestor	FA Tag #
008R13041 Xerox Staple Cartridge	13	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
108R01487 Yellow Imaging Drum	1	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
108r01484 Black Imaging Drum	1	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
108R01485 Cyan Imaging Drum	1	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
108R01486 Magenta Imaging Drum	1	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
008R13303 Fuser Web Assembly	1	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
106R03536 Black Toner	33	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
106R03537 Yellow Toner	32	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
106R03538 Cyan Toner	28	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
106R03539 Magenta Toner	27	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
108R01121 Imaging Kit	1	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
115R00135 110V Fuser	1	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
013R00686 Drum Cartridge	1	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
008R08102 Waste Container	4	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
108R01124 Waste Cartridge	11	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
108R03586 Toner Cartridge	4	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
Dell assorted laptops for parts	26	End of Life	MK Technology		n/a
Assorted iPads	17	End of Life	MK Technology		n/a
HP Chromebooks for parts	14	End of Life	MK Technology		n/a
Assorted iPads	28	End of Life	MK Technology		n/a
Eurolight LC2412 DMX Lighting Console	1	End of Life	MK Auditorium	K.Kasper	n/a
Tote Vision lcd-842HD	6	Upgrade	MK Auditorium	K.Kasper	n/a
Audio Tecnica ATW-R3100D	1	Upgrade	MK Auditorium	K.Kasper	n/a
CE263AC Magenta Toner	2	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
CE261AC Blue Toner	4	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
CE262AC Yellow Toner	3	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
Assorted Dell Monitors	40	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
A1418 Apple All-in Ones	4	Fleet Updated	District		n/a
Van # 7 Plate S2-H833	1	End of Life	Transportation	R.Wallace	00003533
Van # 9 Plate S2-H835	1	End of Life	Transportation	R.Wallace	00003535

8. Approval of the following ESEA Grant Fund carryover for the 2025-2026 school year:

Title	Original 25-26	Prior Year Carryover	Revised 25-26 Budget
Title I	\$104,635.00	\$8,429.00	\$113,064.00
Title II	\$42,184.00	\$2,590.00	\$44,774.00
Title III	\$18,207.00	\$425.00	\$18,632.00
Title III Imm.	\$5,631.00	\$1,477.00	\$7,108.00
Title IV	\$10,000.00	\$2,902.00	\$12,902.00
Totals	\$180,657.00	\$15,823.00	\$196,480.00

9. Approval of a Satellite Hosting Partnership Agreement between the Morris Hills Regional District Board of Education and the Morris County Vocational School District, for the Math, Science, and Engineering Academy, effective July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2031.

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10. Approval of a Satellite Hosting Partnership Agreement between the Morris Hills Regional District Board of Education and the Morris County Vocational School District, for the Academy of the Performing Arts, effective July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2031.

11. RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE MORRIS HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY APPROVING, ON FIRST READING, A REFUNDING SCHOOL BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF ALL OR A PORTION OF ITS OUTSTANDING SCHOOL ENERGY SAVINGS OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, DATED APRIL 3, 2019
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE MORRIS HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, as follows:

Section 1. The Refunding Bond Ordinance attached hereto as Exhibit A is hereby approved. Bond Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to publish the required notice of public hearing for the Refunding Bond Ordinance in the form and at the time required by N.J.S.A. 18A:24-61.4.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on February 23, 2026, by the following roll call vote.

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Motion By:	Mrs. Yaeger	Seconded By:	Mr. Napolitano
AYES: Mr. Bertram, Mrs. D'Asti, Mr. Francia, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Serafin, Mrs. Yeager, and Mr. Wiecezrak			
NAYS: n/a			
ABSTAIN: n/a			
			Final Resolution: Motion Carried

C. Curriculum, Extended Education, Athletics, and Student Activities (Items 1-11)

- Approval to increase the number of incoming ninth-grade students permitted to change schools through the Intra-District Lottery Program for the 2026 - 2027 school year from 15 to 76, with no allowance for backfilling declined seats.
- Approval of Stronge Evaluation Inter-Rater Reliability Training for district administrators on June 18, 2026, for \$4,700.00.
- Approval of International Exchange student #STU07126R1SR to attend Morris Knolls High School for the 2026-2027 school year through the Pan Atlantic Foundation.
- Approval of the following Academy for the Performing Arts Guest Artists and fees:

Program	Artist(s)	Description	Total Fee
Vocal Performance Academy	Amy Shoremount-Obra	Spring Recital Master Class: April 21-22, 2026 2 Sessions	\$550.00
Theatre Academy	Austin Rappold	Acting on Camera / Videography: February 24 - 27, 2026 4 Sessions	\$1,100.00
Dance	Sam Behrens	Jazz Master Class: March - April 2026 1 Session	\$175.00 <i>(paid out of Dance Arts Honor Society funds)</i>
Dance	Lauren Sahu	Dance Team: March - April 2026 1 Session	\$175.00 <i>(paid out of Dance Arts Honor Society funds)</i>
Dance	Danielle Torres	Repertory: March - June 1, 2026 10 Sessions	\$1,700.00 <i>(paid out of Dance Arts Honor Society funds)</i>

5. Approval of the following Guest Speakers for the 2025-2026 school year:

Class	Guest	Description	Date	Total Fee
Public Speaking	Mark Mellini	Mark Mellini, Engineer/Supervisor at Picatinny Arsenal, will discuss career and interview skills, the importance of mentorship and clear communication in leadership, and how to prepare for public speaking engagements.	March 9, 2026	\$0
Service Learning	Ted Opderbeck	Ted Opderbeck, TEEEM Director of Social Impact, will speak about TEEEM's initiatives and meet with students to brainstorm ideas regarding social entrepreneurship initiatives to support their projects.	February/March 2026	\$0

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Band	Dr. William Stowman	Dr. William Stowman, Distinguished Professor of Music and Chair of the Department of Music at Messiah University, will run clinics for the Band students at Morris Hills High School.	March 9 & 10, 2026	\$0
Theater Arts/District Theatre Day	Danielle Torres	Danielle Torres will present Fundamentals of Precision Jazz/Rockette Technique during District Theatre Day.	April 21, 2026 (snow date: April 23, 2026)	\$200.00
Theater Arts/District Theatre Day	James & Renee Lavin	James and Renee Lavin will present a Fundamentals of Movement Workshop during District Theatre Day.	April 21, 2026 (snow date: April 23, 2026)	\$200.00
Theater Arts/District Theatre Day	Ben Yates	Ben Yates will present an Architecture of Presence Workshop during District Theatre Day.	April 21, 2026 (snow date: April 23, 2026)	\$200.00
Aviation	Will Gallo	Will Gallo, FAA Air Traffic Controller, will speak about the ATC career path to Aviation students.	March/April 2026	\$0
Aviation	Scott Dickerson	Scott Dickerson, private pilot, will speak about his experiences to Aviation students.	March/April 2026	\$0
Aviation	Brandon Jennings	Brandon Jennings, member of the American Airlines Cadet Academy, will present to all Aviation classes.	February 24, 2026	\$0

6. Approval of Athletic Trips for [Morris Hills High School](#) and [Morris Knolls High School](#) for March 2026.
7. Ratification of January 2026 Athletic schedule changes for [Morris Hills High School](#) and [Morris Knolls High School](#).
8. Approval of the NJDOE Elevate High Quality WBL Grant Submission with a potential award of \$15,000.
9. Ratification of the following Field Trips:

Name / School	Dept./ Trip #	Location / Date	Field Trip Summary	Cost to Student	Est. BOE Cost
Jodie Adessa / MK Parent Chaperone	APA AT-07911	Allendale, NJ 1/25/2026 CHANGED TO: 2/1/2026	Academy for Performing Arts Songbirds (APA Choir) will be preparing for a performance and presenting it at the ICHSA Varsity Vocals Competition.	\$0.00	MHRD buses*
Bryan Gallagher / MK Anthony Vasile / MK Christopher Cervona / MK Joseph Kelly / MK ADDED: BRUCE CAMPBELL / MH MARK DIGENNARO, SR. / MH	Varsity Football AT-08061 (MK) ADDED: AT-08482 (MH)	East Rutherford, NJ 2/13/2026	Morris Knolls AND MORRIS HILLS High School Varsity Football team members will participate in the Worthy of Love Fest at MetLife Stadium. ADDED: MORRIS HILLS HS	\$0	MHRD buses*

10. Approval of the following Field Trips:

Name / School	Dept./ Trip #	Location / Date	Field Trip Summary	Cost to Student	Est. BOE Cost
Lindsay Bischer / MH Parent Chaperone	JSA AT-08367	Bridgewater, NJ 2/28/2026	Morris Hills High School JSA members will compete in the NJ District Qualifier for Congressional Debate at Bridgewater-Raritan High School.	\$100.00	MHRD buses*
Lora Santucci / MH Shane Johnson / MK Parent Chaperone	Academic Decathlon AT-08594	Washington Township, NJ 2/28/2026	Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School Academic Decathlon students will compete in the state competition at Westwood Regional High School.	\$0	MHRD buses*
Nickolas Maloupis / MH Parent Chaperones	Chess Club AT-08533	Scotch Plains, NJ 2/28/2026 & 3/1/2026	Morris Hills High School Chess Club students will compete in the NJ High School Championship, sponsored by the NJ State Chess Federation, at Union County Vocational Technical School.	\$40.00	\$0
Christopher Carrano / MK Stephanie Fasano / MK Anthony Vasile / MK 15 Staff Assistants Nurse	Special Education AT-08484	Rockaway, NJ 3/5/2026	Morris Knolls High School Independent Living Skills students will work on social skills, academic skills learned in the classroom and life skills during a trip to Dick's Sporting Goods and PetSmart.	\$0	MHRD buses*

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Anthony Vasile / MK Christopher Cervona / MK Erik Leonhardt / MK Brian Bollette / MH Bryant Wanamaker / MH Andres Diaz / MH Erick Gill / MH Benjamin Smolinski / MH William Livingston / MH	Wrestling N/A	Atlantic City, NJ 3/11 - 3/14/2026	Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School Wrestling teams will compete in the State Wrestling Tournament.	Cost of meals	Lodging: \$4,990.00 (\$2,495.00 per school) Mileage: \$1,150.56 (\$127.84 per coach) Tolls/Parking: \$900.00 (\$100.00 per coach) Meals: \$2,142.00 (\$238.00 per coach)
Christopher Carrano / MK 6 Staff Assistants Nurse	Special Education AT-08485	Rockaway, NJ 3/11/2026	Morris Knolls High School Independent Living Skills students will work on social skills, academic skills learned in the classroom and life skills during a trip to Quick Check (Group #1).	\$0	MHRD buses*
Stephanie Fasano / MK Anthony Vasile / MK 10 Staff Assistants Nurse	Special Education AT-08486	Rockaway, NJ 3/25/2026	Morris Knolls High School Independent Living Skills students will work on social skills, academic skills learned in the classroom and life skills during a trip to Quick Check (Group #2).	\$0	MHRD buses*
Eric Mindrebo / MK Keith Heinemann / MK	Athletics AT-08380	Wharton, NJ 3/25/2026	Morris Knolls High School Baseball and Softball team members will travel to Dwyer Elementary and work with staff to run stations for their "opening day" activities.	\$0	MHRD buses*
Danielle Stauss / MH Lewis Gabriele / MH Nicholas Livigne /MH Samora Brice / Dist. Dominique Dixon / MH Parent Chaperones	Art AT-08515	Newark, NJ 4/6/2026	Morris Hills High School AP Art History, AP Studio, and 3D/Mixed Media/Cartooning students will visit The Newark Museum of Art.	\$17.00	\$30.00 + MHRD buses*
Holly Bridge / MH Peter Adams / MH	Social Studies AT-08605	Morristown, NJ 4/9/2026	Morris Hills High School Sociology students will tour the Morris County Correctional Facility and speak to corrections officers about their job responsibilities. Students will stop for lunch at the Morristown Diner.	\$0	MHRD buses*
Holly Bridge / MH Tracy Hornby / MH	Social Studies AT-08606	Morristown, NJ 4/10/2026	Morris Hills High School Sociology students will tour the Morris County Correctional Facility and speak to corrections officers about their job responsibilities. Students will stop for lunch at the Morristown Diner.	\$0	MHRD buses*
Allyson Moreno / MH Kerri Schweizer / MH	Winterguard AT-08470	Bethlehem, PA 4/19/2026	Morris Hills High School Winterguard members will compete in the Championships at Lehigh University.	\$0	MHRD buses*
Michelle Lis / MK	Interact Club AT-08379	Rockaway & Denville, NJ 4/22/2026	Morris Knolls High School Interact Club members will visit Lincoln Elementary School and Lakeview Elementary School to help with Earth Day activities.	\$0	MHRD buses*
Harold Fahrre / MH Rebecca Jacobson / MH Eleta Milovic / MH	English AT-08481	New York, NY 4/29/2026	Morris Hills High School Theatre Arts students and ITS students will view <i>Every Brilliant Thing</i> on Broadway at the Hudson Theatre.	\$65.00	\$195.00 + MHRD buses*
Michelle Uhler / MH Erin Morgan / MK Dominique Dixon / MH Richard Hartsuiker / MH Daniel Schwartz / MK Brett Izsa / Dist. Kristen Markowski / MK 10 parent chaperones Nurse	Music Trip#AT-07257	Toms River & Jackson, NJ April 24, 2026 CHANGED TO: MAY 1, 2026	Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School Concert Choir, Band, and String Ensemble students will have the opportunity to play for collegiate ensemble directors as adjudicators at Toms River High School and will perform at Great Adventure.	\$100	MHRD buses*

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Kelly Lestrangle / MK Heather Olson / MK Anthony Vasile / MK Heather Jensen / MK 12 Staff Assistants Nurse	Special Education AT-08463	Bridgewater, NJ 5/13/2026	Morris Knolls High School SOAR students will apply multidisciplinary academic and social skills in a community setting at a Somerset Patriots game.	\$10.50	\$168.00 + MHRD buses*
Adam Trollinger / MK	Science AT-08376	Bridgewater, NJ 5/28/2026	Morris Knolls High School AP Chemistry students will be exposed to college introductory chemistry topics in a real-world setting with real-world applications during a visit to Henkel. Students will stop for lunch at Bridgewater Commons.	Cost of lunch (optional)	MHRD buses*
Mary Kelson / MK Stephan Zdanowicz / MK	Varsity Club AT-08382	Rockaway, NJ 5/29/2026	Morris Knolls High School Varsity Club members will represent Morris Knolls High School at the Dennis O'Brien School to assist with their Field Day.	\$0	MHRD buses*

*Per the MHRD Transportation Trip Rate Guide

11. Approval of the following Staff Conferences:

Name / School	Location / Date	Conference	Account	Est. District Cost	Est. Employee Reim.*
Brenda Gupta / MH Alyssa Radigan / MK Neil Charles / Dist. Nisha Zoeller / Dist.	Park Ridge, NJ 2/24/2026	NJDOE: NJGPA -- Adaptive, NJSLA - Adaptive, and NJSLA - Science Training	26-11-000-218-580-000-03 (B.G.) 26-11-000-218-580-000-04 (A.R.) 26-11-000-252-580-291-11 (N.C.) 26-11-000-221-580-000-12 (N.Z.)	\$150.00	\$150.00
Jihanne Radzieski / MH Meghan Burgin / MH	Newark, NJ 2/25/2026	NJIT: Teacher Prep for College Access - Dual Enrollment PD Session	26-11-190-100-580-802-03 (J.R. and M.B.)	\$46.24	\$46.24
Tanya Stevenson / MK	New York, NY 2/26/2026 & 2/27/2026	NECTFL: Northeast Conference for Teachers, for Languages, and for Cultures	26-11-190-100-580-104-04	\$257.68	\$257.68
Jenna Miller / MH	Online 3/3/2026 - 3/5/2026	Teen Mental Health First Aid - Instructor Training	N/A	\$0	\$0
Laura Foley / MK	Online 3/12/2026, 3/19/2026, 3/26/2026 4/16/2026 4/23/2026 4/30/2026 5/7/2026	NJDOE: New Jersey Student Learning Standards Committee	N/A	\$0	\$0
Lauren Sherburne / MH Jenny Malin / MK Lori Vertucci / MK	Online 3/12/2026 - 4/23/2026	Harvard Graduate School of Education: Leading Teacher Teams: Promoting Growth Through Effective Collaboration - Asynchronous	26-11-000-223-580-000-03 (L.S.) 26-11-000-223-580-000-04 (J.M.) (L.V.)	\$1,197.00	\$0
Debbian Simpson / MK	Mahwah, NJ 3/16/2026	NJCEC 2026 Spring Conference: Empower, Engage, Elevate: Unlocking Student Potential Together	26-11-190-100-580-805-04	\$216.79	\$26.79
Tanya Stevenson / MK Amanda Sachenski / MK Ana Oliva / MK	New Brunswick, NJ 3/18/2026	FLENJ Annual Conference 2026	26-11-190-100-580-104-04 (T.S., A.S., A.O.)	\$115.05	\$115.05
Rae Ann Wallace / Dist.	Atlantic City, NJ 3/25/2026 - 3/27/2026	2026 STS of NJ Pupil Transportation Conference	26-11-000-270-580-000-08	\$1,149.72	\$599.72
Joy Mazur / MK	Online 3/26/2026	TEEEM Virtual Professional Learning Day	N/A	\$0	\$0
Kelly Burrows / MK	East Brunswick, NJ 3/28/2026	Northeastern University: NJ School Nurses at the Heart of Student Success	26-11-000-213-580-000-04/ 26-11-402-100-580-000-04	\$241.49	\$42.49

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Lauren Jackson / MH Mark DiGennaro, Jr. / MH	Denville, NJ 4/7/2022	Morris County Work Based Learning/Work Study Roundtable	N/A	\$0	\$0
John Romano / MH	New Brunswick, NJ 5/20/2026	NJTESOL Conference 2026 - Presenter	26-20-241-200-500-000-03	\$318.14	\$43.14
John Hrynyk / MK	Online 6/2/2026 - 6/8/2026	College Board: AP Psychology Reader	N/A	\$0	\$0
Kevin Kane / MK	Online 6/3/2026 - 6/9/2026	College Board: AP US Government Reader	N/A	\$0	\$0
Kathryn Cullen / MK	Newark, NJ 6/11/2026	Crisis Prevention Institute: Non-Violent Crisis Intervention	26-11-000-219-580-292-06	\$2,527.20	\$28.20

**Estimated Employee Reimbursement may include Lodging, Meals, Mileage, Parking, Tolls, Baggage, Taxis, etc.*

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AYES: Mr. Bertram, Mrs. D'Asti, Mr. Francia, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Serafin, Mrs. Yeager, and Mr. Wieczerszak			
NAYS: n/a			
ABSTAIN: n/a			
			Final Resolution: Motion Carried

D. Community Relations (Items 1-2)

- Approval of the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying investigation [results](#) as received and affirmed by the Chief School Administrator.
- Approval to accept a monetary donation in the amount of \$250.00 from the Rotary Club of Denville to the APA Choir Program.

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Motion By:	Mrs. D'Asti, Chair.	Seconded By:	Mr. Bertram
AYES: Mr. Bertram, Mrs. D'Asti, Mr. Francia, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Serafin, Mrs. Yeager, and Mr. Wieczerszak			
NAYS: n/a			
ABSTAIN: n/a			
			Final Resolution: Motion Carried

E. General - NONE

F. Personnel (Items 1-2)

- Consider accepting, with regret, the resignation of the following personnel for the purpose of retirement:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Eff. Date
Morgan, Erin	Assistant Principal	MK	F-0004-00-01A	27-11-000-240-103-000-04	8/31/2026
Feakins, Bruce	Teacher of Technology	MH	V-0003-18-03A	27-11-140-100-101-000-03 67% 27-70-990-100-101-000-03 33%	10/31/2026

- Consider accepting the resignation of the following personnel:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Eff. Date
Saba, Albeira	Custodian-2nd Shift	MH	BB-0003-22-13A	26-11-000-262-100-000-03	1/30/2026
Beach, Michael	Assistant Football Coach	MK	X-0004-28-12A	27-11-402-100-100-947-04	2/23/2026

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Mr. Wieczerszak requested a motion to move the foregoing.

Motion By:	Mr. Napolitano, Chair.	Seconded By:	Mr. Serafin
IN FAVOR: Mr. Bertram, Mrs. D'Asti, Mr. Francia, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Serafin, Mrs. Yeager, and Mr. Wieczerszak			
OPPOSED: n/a			
ABSTAIN: n/a			
			Final Resolution: Motion Carried

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F. Personnel Continued (Items 3-9)

3. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2025-2026 school year the following leaves of absence:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Effective Dates <small>(all dates are on or about)</small>			
					Sick and/or Personal	FMLA / NJFLA	Unpaid	Return to Work
Cullen Kathryn	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-16-13A	26-11-212-100-101-000-04	From: 2/17/26 To: 2/9/26	From: 3/18/26-6/30/26 To: 3/2/26-5/31/26		From: Start of 26-27 Sch. Year To: 6/1/26
Curcio, Jolyn	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-36-03A	26-11-204-100-101-000-04 83% 26-11-213-100-101-000-04 17%	8/26/24	10/17/24	1/4/25	From 3/16/26 To: Start of 26-27 Sch. Year
Opalewski, Carla	Special Education Staff Assistant	MK	Y-0004-00-14A	26-11-000-217-100-000-04	1/27/26	3/9/26		On or before 4/22/26
Melnyczuk, Jessica	Teacher of Mathematics	MH	V-0004-09-06A	26-11-140-100-101-000-04	10/3/25	1/5/206	Revised: 3/30/26	From: 4/7/26 To: Start of 26-27 Sch. Year

4. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2025-2026 school year the change to the appointment of staff and payment of stipend for the following 1/6 positions:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Stipend <small>(*prorated)</small>	Effective Dates <small>(all dates are on or about)</small>
Fisher, Maryanne	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-16-13A	26-11-212-100-101-000-04	MA+30, \$18,981* + \$417* Longevity	From: 2/17/26-6/30/26 To: 2/9/26-5/29/26
Lestrangle, Kelly	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-16-13A	26-11-212-100-101-000-04	MA+30, \$18,981*	From: 2/17/26-6/30/26 To: 2/9/26-5/29/26
Vasile, Anthony	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-16-13A	26-11-212-100-101-000-04	BA+30, \$17,314*	From: 2/17/26-6/30/26 To: 2/9/26-5/29/26
Giorgianni, Gina	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-16-13A	26-11-212-100-101-000-04	MA+30, \$18,981*	From: 2/17/26-6/30/26 To: 2/9/26-5/29/26
Fasano, Stephanie	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-16-13A	26-11-212-100-101-000-04	BA, \$16,896*	From: 2/17/26-6/30/26 To: 2/9/26-5/29/26
Kaufman, Reid	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-16-13A	26-11-212-100-101-000-04	MA+30, \$18,981*	From: 2/17/26-6/30/26 To: 2/9/26-5/29/26
Sills, Elizabeth	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-36-03A	26-11-204-100-101-000-04 83% 26-11-213-100-101-000-04 17%	MA+30, \$18,981	From: 8/26/25-3/13/26 To: 8/26/25-6/30/26
Burlick, Diana	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-36-03A	26-11-204-100-101-000-04 83% 26-11-213-100-101-000-04 17%	MA+30, \$18,981	From: 8/26/25-3/13/26 To: 8/26/25-6/30/26
Metzger, Susan	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-36-03A	26-11-204-100-101-000-04 83% 26-11-213-100-101-000-04 17%	MA+30, \$18,981 + \$517 Longevity	From: 8/26/25-3/13/26 To: 8/26/25-6/30/26
Conti, Constance	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-36-03A	26-11-204-100-101-000-04 83% 26-11-213-100-101-000-04 17%	MA+30, \$18,981	From: 8/26/25-3/13/26 To: 8/26/25-6/30/26
Falconi-Shubert, Nicole	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-36-03A	26-11-204-100-101-000-04 83% 26-11-213-100-101-000-04 17%	MA+30, \$18,981 + \$650 Longevity	From: 8/26/25-3/13/26 To: 8/26/25-6/30/26
Manjorin, Amanda	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-36-03A	26-11-204-100-101-000-04 83% 26-11-213-100-101-000-04 17%	MA+30, \$18,981 + \$1,133 Longevity	From: 8/26/25-3/13/26 To: 8/26/25-6/30/26
Predenkoski, Lisa	Teacher of Math	MK	V-0004-09-06A	26-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30, 18,981* + \$1,133* Longevity	From: 10/3/25-3/27/26 To: 10/3/25-6/30/26
Lubrecht, Lynn	Teacher of Math	MK	V-0004-09-06A	26-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30, 18,981* + \$1,133* Longevity	From: 10/3/25-3/27/26 To: 10/3/25-6/30/26
Hobson, Christina	Teacher of Math	MK	V-0004-09-06A	26-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30, 18,981* + \$1,133* Longevity	From: 10/3/25-3/27/26 To: 10/3/25-6/30/26
Mihalik, Ann Marie	Teacher of Math	MK	V-0004-09-06A	26-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30, 18,981* + \$650* Longevity	From: 10/3/25-3/27/26 To: 10/3/25-6/30/26
Plucinsky, Kyle	Teacher of Math	MK	V-0004-09-06A	26-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30, 18,981*	From: 10/3/25-3/27/26 To: 10/3/25-6/30/26

5. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2025-2026 school year the appointment of staff and payment of salary of the following non-certified positions, subject to receipt of required documentation:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Step / Salary <small>(*prorated)</small>	Effective Dates <small>(all dates are on or about)</small>
Furlong, Tierni	Assistant Girls Lacrosse Coach	MK	X-0004-28-84A	26-11-402-100-100-947-04	\$6,713	3/16/26-6/30/26
Berkheiser, Melissa	Assistant Boys Track & Field Coach	MK	X-0004-28-74A	26-11-402-100-100-947-04	\$6,713	3/16/26-6/30/26

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Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Step / Salary (*prorated)	Effective Dates (all dates are on or about)
Haynes, Thomas	Assistant Baseball Coach	MH	X-0003-28-53A	26-11-402-100-100-947-03	\$6,713	3/16/26-6/30/26

6. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2025-2026 school year the appointment of the following Student Teacher:

Name	College	Assignment	School	Dates
Turgeon, Yves	Caldwell University	Teacher of Mathematics	Morris Hills	2/24/26 - 6/12/26

7. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2025-2026 school year the appointment of the following Substitute employees:

Name	Substitute Position	Position #	Distribution #	Period	Certificate	Rate
Grove, Karen	Substitute Teacher	FF-0901-00-01A	26-11-140-100-101-000-09	2/24/26-6/30/26	Teacher Certificate	\$130/day
Treier, Daniel	Substitute Teacher	FF-0901-00-01A	26-11-140-100-101-000-09	2/24/26-6/30/26	County Certificate	\$120/day
Colasurdo, Michael	Substitute Teacher	FF-0901-00-01A	26-11-140-100-101-000-09	2/24/26-6/30/26	County Certificate	\$120/day

8. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2025-2026 school year the appointment of staff and rate of pay for the following positions:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution #	Period (all dates are on or about)	Add'l Info.	Stipend	Job Code
Olson, Heather	Homebound Instructor	Dist.	99-0000-61-000	26-11-150-100-101-292-03/04	2/1/26 - 6/30/26	As needed	\$45/Hr.	HOMEH HOMEK
Russo, Shari	Homebound Instructor	Dist.	99-0000-61-000	26-11-150-100-101-292-03/04	2/1/26 - 6/30/26	As needed	\$45/Hr.	HOMEH HOMEK
Pino, Samantha	Homebound Instructor	Dist.	99-0000-61-000	26-11-150-100-101-292-03/04	2/1/26 - 6/30/26	As needed	\$45/Hr.	HOMEH HOMEK
Jackson, Lauren	Homebound Instructor	Dist.	99-0000-61-000	26-11-150-100-101-292-03/04	2/1/26 - 6/30/26	As needed	\$45/Hr.	HOMEH HOMEK
Schweizer, Shannon	Avid Interviews - Check-In	MH	99-0000-61-000	26-11-140-100-101-000-03	From: 2/12/26 To: 2/11/26 & 2/12/26	As needed	Per diem Hourly OT rate	OT
Uhler, Michelle	Pit Musician	MH	99-0000-60-000	26-11-401-100-100-160-03	3/2/26 - 3/7/26 (2 sessions on 3/7/26)	7 sessions max.	\$100 per session	DAILY
Hartsuiker, Richard	Pit Musician	MK	99-0000-60-000	26-11-401-100-100-160-04	3/7/26 - 3/14/26 (2 session on 3/14/26)	7 sessions max.	\$100 per session	DAILY
Schwartz, Daniel	Pit Musician	MK	99-0000-60-000	26-11-401-100-100-160-04	3/7/26 - 3/14/26 (2 session on 3/14/26)	7 sessions max.	\$100 per session	DAILY
Izsa, Brett	Pit Musician	MK	99-0000-60-000	26-11-401-100-100-160-04	3/7/26 - 3/14/26 (2 session on 3/14/26)	7 sessions max.	\$100 per session	DAILY
Uhler, Michelle	Pit Musician	MK	99-0000-60-000	26-11-401-100-100-160-04	3/7/26 - 3/14/26 (2 session on 3/14/26)	7 sessions max.	\$100 per session	DAILY

9. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2025-2026 school year the appointment of a volunteer advisor as follows:

Name	Position	School
Murphy, Jeanine	Volunteer Spring Musical Advisor	Morris Hills
DeLoreto, Morgan	Volunteer Softball Coach	Morris Knolls
Curcio, Jolyn	Volunteer Softball Coach	Morris Knolls
File, David	Volunteer Spring Track & Field Coach	Morris Knolls

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Mr. Wiczerzak requested a motion to move the foregoing.

Motion By:	Mr. Napolitano, Chair.	Seconded By:	Mr. Serafin
AYES: Mr. Bertram, Mrs. D'Asti, Mr. Francia, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Serafin, Mrs. Yeager, and Mr. Wiczerzak			
NAYS: n/a			
ABSTAIN: n/a			
			Final Resolution: Motion Carried

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Ms. Levy joined the virtual meeting.

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G. Policy (Item 1-1)

1. Consider authorizing for the first reading the following Policies and Regulations:

Number	Title	New or Revised
a. Policy 1552	Sexual Harassment - Staff	New
b. Regulation 1552	Sexual Harassment - Staff	New

[MINUTES]

Mr. Wieczerszak requested a motion to move the foregoing.

Motion By:	Mr. Bertram, Chair.	Seconded By:	Mr. Serafin
AYES:	Mr. Bertram, Mrs. D'Asti, Mr. Francia, Ms. Levy, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Serafin, Mrs. Yeager, and Mr. Wieczerszak		
NAYS:	n/a		
ABSTAIN:	n/a		
			Final Resolution: Motion Carried

G. Policy Continued (Item 2-3)

2. Consider authorizing for the second reading the following Bylaw:

Number	Title	New or Revised
a. Bylaw 0142.2	Nepotism	Revised

[MINUTES]

Mr. Wieczerszak requested a motion to move the foregoing.

Motion By:	Mr. Bertram, Chair.	Seconded By:	Mr. Napolitano
AYES:	Mr. Bertram, Mrs. D'Asti, Mr. Francia, Ms. Levy, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Serafin, Mrs. Yeager, and Mr. Wieczerszak		
NAYS:	n/a		
ABSTAIN:	n/a		
			Final Resolution: Motion Carried

3. Consider authorizing the first reading of the abolishment of the following Policies:

Number	Title	Action
a. Policy 3362	Sexual Harassment - Teaching Staff Members	Abolish
b. Policy 4352	Sexual Harassment - Support Staff	Abolish

[MINUTES]

Mr. Wieczerszak requested a motion to move the foregoing.

Motion By:	Mr. Bertram, Chair.	Seconded By:	Mr. Napolitano
AYES:	Mr. Bertram, Mrs. D'Asti, Mr. Francia, Ms. Levy, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Serafin, Mrs. Yeager, and Mr. Wieczerszak		
NAYS:	n/a		
ABSTAIN:	n/a		
			Final Resolution: Motion Carried

XIV. SECOND PUBLIC PORTION - ANY ITEM

[MINUTES]

No public comment.

XV. SECOND BOARD DISCUSSION

[MINUTES]

No board discussion.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

A. Approval to adjourn the regular meeting.

[MINUTES]

Mr. Wieczerszak requested a motion to move the foregoing.

Motion By:		Seconded By:	
AYES:	Mr. Bertram, Mrs. D'Asti, Mr. Francia, Ms. Levy, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Serafin, Mrs. Yeager, and Mr. Wieczerszak		
NAYS:	n/a		
ABSTAIN:	n/a		
			Final Resolution: Motion Carried

[MINUTES]

The board adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Danielle Matovski
Board Secretary