

MORRIS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MORRISTOWN HIGH SCHOOL, LEARNING COMMONS

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
OPEN SESSION

May 11, 2026  
6:30 P.M.  
7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER STATEMENT  
ROLL CALL

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING

Diana Agu  
Katie Cole  
Meredith Davidson  
Linda K. Murphy  
Sieglinde Pylypchuk  
Vivian Rodriguez  
Alan Smith  
Melissa Spiotta  
Beth Wall  
Christina Perry  
Garrett Gregor | Daisy Zheng

MORRIS PLAINS REPRESENTATIVE  
STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**Three Year District Goals: 2023-2026**

- Goal 1: Foster academic excellence through inclusive and culturally responsive teaching practices ensuring that all students regardless of background or ability receive equitable access to a rigorous curriculum and diverse learning objectives that prepare them for success in a global society.
- Goal 2: To create a cohesive community that builds upon our combined strengths to offer more opportunities to learn within and beyond our curriculum resulting in more well-rounded experiences and students.
- Goal 3: Make facility investments that improve our academic ROI (return on investment).
- Goal 4: Strengthen and foster meaningful pathways within the Morris School District and the greater community to create informed and intentional partnerships.
- Goal 5: Explore career pathways through self-discovery and real-life experiences so all students are prepared for their transition from high school.

**Morris School District Board of Education Goals: 2024**

- Goal 1: Improve and Enhance Board of Education Performance and Effectiveness
- Goal 2: Improve Board of Education Engagement with School, District, and Community Stakeholders

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT  
PRESIDENT'S REPORT  
STUDENT COMMITTEE REPORT

PRESENTATIONS

**Retiree Recognition**

PUBLIC COMMENT  
BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS  
BUSINESS AGENDA  
NEW BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
ADJOURNMENT

1 Hour (3 minutes per person)

***EXECUTIVE SESSION***

Motion #1 AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, while the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) requires all meetings of the Morris School District Board of Education to be held in public, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine (9) types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in "Executive Session," without the public being permitted to attend, and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that three (3) issues are permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) to be discussed without the public in attendance and shall be discussed during an Executive Session to be held on May 11, 2026 at 6:30 P.M, and

WHEREAS, the nine (9) exceptions to open public meetings set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) are listed below, and next to each exception is a box which will be marked when the issues to be privately discussed fall within that exception, and after each exception is a space where additional information that will disclose as much information about the discussion as possible without undermining the purpose of the exception shall be written:

"(1) Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law, State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from public discussion." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality are: Student Matters

"(2) Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is:

"(3) Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is:

"(4) 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." The collective bargaining contract(s) discussed are between (1) the Board and the Morris School District Administrators Association.

"(5) Any matter involving the purchase 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." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is:

"(6) 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." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is:

"(7) 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." The parties to and docket numbers of each item of litigation and/or the parties to each contract discussed are and the nature of the discussion, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is:

"(8) 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 Co. v. New Jersey Expressway Authority, 124 N.J. 478 (1991), the employee(s) and nature of the discussion, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality are:

"(9) 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." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is:

WHEREAS, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be sixty (60) minutes after which the public meeting of the Board shall (select one)  reconvene and immediately adjourn or  reconvene and proceed with business where formal action will be taken.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Morris School District Board of Education will go into Executive Session for only the above stated reasons; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) will be made public at a time when the public's interest in disclosure is greater than any privacy or governmental interest being protected from disclosure.

**MINUTES**

Motion #1 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education, approve executive session minutes from the regular business meeting of:

April 27, 2026

Motion #2 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education, approve minutes from the regular business meeting of:

April 27, 2026

**POLICY**

**DISTRICT**

***SECOND READING***

Motion #1 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve for second reading the following new/revised bylaws/policies/regulations:

<b>Policy</b>	<b>Regulation</b>	<b>Title</b>
<a href="#">5111</a>	N/A	Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students
<a href="#">5516</a>	N/A	Use of Electronic Communication Recording Devices & Internet Enabled Devices
<a href="#">6362</a>	N/A	Contributions to Board Members and Contract Awards
<a href="#">6422</a>	<a href="#">R6422</a>	Budget Transfers
<a href="#">6423</a>	N/A	Expenditures for non-employee activities, meals and refreshments
<a href="#">6424</a>	<a href="#">R6424</a>	Emergency contracts
<a href="#">6470</a>	<a href="#">R6470</a>	Payment of Claims
<a href="#">6480</a>	N/A	Purchase of Food Supplies
<a href="#">6510</a>	N/A	Payroll Authorization
<a href="#">6511</a>	N/A	Direct Deposit
<a href="#">6660</a>	N/A	Student Activity Fund
<a href="#">6740</a>	<a href="#">R6740</a>	Reserve Accounts
<a href="#">6820</a>	N/A	Financial Reports
<a href="#">6830</a>	N/A	Audit and comprehensive Annual Financial Report
<a href="#">6832</a>	N/A	Conditions of Receiving State Aid

**DISTRICT**

***RESIDENCY RESOLUTION***

Motion #2 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the parents/guardians of the students in the list on file were provided with a Notice of Initial Determination of Ineligibility for a free education in the Morris School District ("MSD") based upon the administration's review of their domicile/residency status; and

WHEREAS, they were notified of the right to request a hearing before the Board of Education to demonstrate that the students are entitled to attend school in the MSD; and

WHEREAS, they did not request such a hearing; and

WHEREAS, they have provided no documentation to support the students' eligibility for a free education in the MSD.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the students in the list on file are not eligible to receive a free education in the MSD and the administration is authorized to provide the parents/guardians with a Notice of Final Ineligibility, which will include the rate of tuition that may be assessed against them, along with information regarding their right to appeal this determination to the Commissioner of Education.

***DISTRICT***

***MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENTS***

***THE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF MORRIS***

Motion #3 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement between The Education Association of Morris and the Morris School District for the contract term of July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2030 as on file in the Human Resources and Business Administrator's office.

***DISTRICT***

***MORRIS SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS' ASSOCIATION***

Motion #4 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement between The Morris School District Administrators' Association and the Morris School District for the contract term of July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2030 as on file in the Human Resources and Business Administrator's office.

**EDUCATIONAL MATTERS**

**DISTRICT**

***HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, AND BULLYING REPORT***

Motion #1 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accept the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying report for the period ending, April 27, 2026.

**DISTRICT**

***FIELD TRIPS***

Motion #2 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and the Board Curriculum Committee, the Board of Education approves the following additional Field Trips:

 District K-8 Field Trip

**DISTRICT**

***COMMUNITY SCHOOL 2026-2027 SUNRISE/SUNSET TUITION RATES***

Motion #3 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and the Board Curriculum Committee, the Board of Education approve the Community School Sunrise/Sunset Program [tuition rates](#) for the 2026-2027 school year.

**PUPIL SERVICES**

***DISTRICT***

***OUT OF DISTRICT ROSTER***

Motion #1 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves placements and instructional services for students with disabilities, including those received by the district and those attending schools for which tuition is charged, for the month of May as noted in the detailed listing maintained on file in the Board Secretary's office.

***EXPLANATION:***

Students with IEPs whose needs cannot be met in the programs that exist within the district are placed in outside private and public schools for students with disabilities. Attendance is monitored monthly in order to ensure students are enrolled as agreed and IEPs are being followed. Case managers make at least two visits per school year for each student enrolled in one of these schools, including one visit that involves the convening of an IEP Team to complete an annual review of the student's IEP. In order to preserve confidentiality, all students are identified only by their local and/or state identification numbers in any listing that is maintained outside the Office of Pupil Services.

**HUMAN RESOURCES**

***ABOLISH/ESTABLISH POSITION(S) 2025-2026***

Motion #1 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education abolish and establish the following position(s) for the 2025-2026 school year:

<b>ABOLISH</b>	<b>ESTABLISH</b>	<b>Effective date</b>
<b>9-12</b>		
(2) 0.5 Custodian, MHS	1.0 Custodian, MHS	05/12/26

***ABOLISH/ESTABLISH POSITION(S) 2026-2027***

Motion #2 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education abolish and establish the following position(s) for the 2026-2027 school year:

<b>ABOLISH</b>	<b>ESTABLISH</b>	<b>Effective date</b>
<b><i>DISTRICT</i></b>		
1.0 Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Services and Bilingual Education, CO	1.0 Director of Special Education, CO	07/01/26

***RESIGNATION(S)/TERMINATION(S)/RETIREMENT(S) 2025-2026***

Motion #3 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the resignation(s), termination(s) and/or retirement(s) of the following staff according to the effective date and reason shown:

<b>PK-8</b>	
Faraci, Kathryn 1.0 Special Ed., AV	June 30, 2026 Resigned
Mitchell, Jennifer 1.0 Special Ed., SX	June 30, 2026 Resigned
<b>9-12</b>	
Amorin, Paola .86 Class IV Secretary (Attendance), MHS	May 11, 2026 ( <i>Revised date</i> ) Resigned
Klein-Poma, Rita 1.0 Bilingual Math, MHS	June 30, 2026 Resigned
Phillips, Melissa 1.0 Nurse, MHS	June 30, 2026 Resigned

**RESIGNATION(S)/TERMINATION(S)/RETIREMENT(S) 2026-2027**

Motion #4 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the resignation(s), termination(s) and/or retirement(s) of the following staff according to the effective date and reason shown:

<b>PK-8</b>	
Urgino, Roland 1.0 Music, AV/SX	July 1, 2026 Retired

**APPOINTMENT(S) 2025-2026 \*/\*\***

Motion #5 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following to the position/s stated at the annual salary rates and effective date/s shown, and further that the Board of Education approve the submission to the County Superintendent applications for emergency hiring, pending approval of all Human Resource documents and/or requirements and each applicant's attestation that s/he has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et seq.; 18:39-17 et seq.; 18A:6-4.13 et seq.:

			In Place of:
<b>PK-8</b>			
Perez Zavala, Alba 0.5 Custodian, AH	\$21,000	03/23/26-06/30/26	Ospina DeRuiz, M. Retired
<b>DISTRICT</b>			
Cardenas Jachero, Marcus 1.0 Grounds, B&G	\$42,000	05/11/26-06/30/26	Employee #5464
Mantilla, Mark 1.0 Bus Driver, Transportation	\$42,525 \$35/hour 6.75 hrs/day 180 days/year	04/27/26-06/30/26	Employee #7181
Santander, Rosa 1.0 Bus Aide, Transportation	\$17,100 \$19/hour 5 hrs/day 180 days/year	05/11/26-06/30/26	Employee #7392 LEAVE REPLACEMENT

\* Pending probationary period

\*\* Pending completion of paperwork

***JOB DESCRIPTION(S) 2026-2027***

Motion #6 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following job descriptions:

- (1) [Coordinator of Special Education \(K-5\)](#) (revised)

***DISTRICT***

***SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS 2025-2026***

Motion #7 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following name(s) be added to the list of substitutes, and approve all Morris School District Substitute Teachers to also provide service as Teacher Assistant, ABS, and Lunchroom Playground Aide as assigned for the 2025-2026 school year, and further that the Board of Education approve submission to the County Superintendent application for emergency hiring and each applicant's attestation that s/he has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et seq., 18A:6-4.13 et seq.:

**Bus Driver**

Betancourt Ruiz, Daniela (eff. 05/01/2026)

**Teacher**

DiMella, Nicole (eff. 05/04/2026)

Dunham-Thomas, Jennifer (eff. 05/11/2026)

Hajbi, Rula (eff. 05/01/2026)

Sieman, Lindsey (eff. 05/11/2026)

***EXPLANATION:*** Upon the submission of approved timesheets, staff will be compensated at the approved substitute rates.

***DISTRICT***

***SUBSTITUTE REAPPOINTMENTS 2026-2027***

Motion #8 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the substitute reappointments for the 2026-2027 school year below and approve all Morris School District Substitute Teachers to also provide service as Teacher Assistant, ABS, and Lunchroom Playground Aide as assigned for the 2026-2027 school year, and further that the Board of Education approve submission to the County Superintendent application for emergency hiring and each applicant's attestation that s/he has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et seq., 18A:6-4.13 et seq.:

**Athletic Trainer**

Geary, Jennifer

**Bedside Instructor**

Flynn, Katharyn

Kenny, Joan

Manno, Linda

Stropnick, Nancy

Vieira, Lindsay

Williams, Juanita

**Buildings & Grounds**

Campbell, Mark  
Cardenas Jachero, Marcos  
Castro, Doris  
Ciardi, Eric  
Dallas, Robert  
Guaman Zhumi, Luisa  
Jean-Louis, Juvens  
Nonez, Reginald  
Ospina Henao, Gloria  
Palma Quiridumbay, Joselin

Perez Gonzalez, Juan  
Perez Gonzalez, Pedro  
Quintero Grisales, Martha  
Ramirez Rios, Carlos  
Resterpo Agudelo, Yogira  
Singh, Manpreet  
Smith, Brandon  
Tacuri Morocho, Nelly  
Vergara Salazar, Sixta

**Bus Aide**

Gonzalez, Gleny  
McKay, Betty  
Santander, Rosa

**Bus Driver**

Betancourt Ruiz, Daniela  
Caceres, Yeymi  
Chandia Velozo, Danny  
Eike, Tyler  
Griffith, David  
Higgs, Aaron  
Jones, Bryan  
Kawoczka, Harry

Lopez, Jair  
McNeal, Karee  
Mejia Canas, Guillermo  
Moore, Maurice  
Ramirez, Marisol  
Riano, Johanna  
Rodriguez, Raymundo

**Lunchroom/Playground Aide**

Alberto, Margherita  
Arias Jaramillo, Alejandea  
Asberry, Alicia  
Bernard, Dania  
Caceres Silva, Gabriela  
Crawford, Jeanne  
Daniels, Vulana  
Guanin Rodriguez, Luis  
Haley, Shurliana  
Jean-Louis, Jean  
Johnson, Bridgette  
Johnson, Pernita  
Kitchens, Ana  
Lyons, Amy  
Mendez Lopez, Gloria

Merchan Moya, Anabela  
Mihalko-Lieto, Cynthia  
O'Grady, Zina  
Ortiz, Luz  
Quintero Rodriguez,  
Edelmira  
Reaves, Melvin  
Robinson, Rose  
Shaw, Maria  
Sifers, Tiffany  
Simmons, Frances  
Suarez, Marllory  
Sutcliffe, Stephanie  
Waddington, Ana  
Zinckgraf, Susan

**Nurse**

Barilla-Kay, Diane  
Barna, Donna  
Lewis, Janis

Marchese, Angela  
McDonald, Sharon  
Nolan, Chelsea

Pappas, Alexa

Scibetta, Melissa

**Secretary**

Gagliardi, Elissa  
Monahan, Margaret  
Niehenke, Ana  
Nolan, Jennifer  
Peck, JoAnn  
Revello, Jennifer

Skibiell, Paulette  
Taylor, Angela  
Thompson, Karen  
Torres, Jessica  
Weissman, Susan

**Security Monitor**

Harris, Aaron

**Teacher**

Acosta Capellan, Pablo  
Aiken, Aaron  
Ali, Amna  
Allen, Shawn  
Anderson, Laura  
Andrew, Lesley  
Angulo, Yamilet  
Arora, Shelja  
Babcock, Pamela  
Baksa, Victoria  
Bellog, Michelle  
Benitez, Otilia  
Billy, Thomas  
Blank, Elizabeth  
Boradia, Heny  
Bourne, Sara  
Boyd, Laura  
Boyd, Robert  
Bozza, Matthew  
Bragin, Nikolai  
Bressler, Matthew  
Brutzman, Philip  
Cabrera, Rosalba  
Cahill, Emma  
Carmichael, Kathryn  
Caro, Amanda  
Carter, Ebony  
Chalker, Marcia  
Chavis, Jamal  
Clark, Alexander  
Cobb, Masin  
Cofield, Marianne  
Coleman, Meredyth  
Collins, Heather

Combs, Lauren  
Conte, Janice  
Corinaldi, Laurie  
Costello, Evelyn  
Crawford, Jeanne  
Cregan, Cari  
Cristao, Pauliana  
Crowley, John  
Curley, Meredith  
Davis, Maureen  
DePaolo, Michael  
Diaz, Nailah  
Dicob, Neely  
Dimeo, Ekaterina  
Dunham-Thomas, Jennifer  
El-Hassan, SarahNajeh  
Ezeji, Kennedy  
Fagan, Devon  
Fagan, Trisha  
Feehan-Babcock, Noel  
Feeney, Lisa  
Fenton, Elizabeth  
Flynn, Katharyn  
Fontes, Ana  
Furphey, Katherine  
Gamarra, David  
Ganley, Patrick  
Gingrich, Regina  
Goldberg, Rachel  
Gogarty, Allison  
Gonzalez, Consuela  
Guerriero, Esperanza  
Gustavsen, Claudia  
Guttridge, Marta

Hajbi, Rula	Opena, Paul
Hamfeldt, Tomasina	Opipari, Carolyn
Handel, Madeline	Opipari, Gessica
Harris, Aaron	Parish, Daniel
Harris, Kathleen	Parrillo, Joseph
Hasenbein, Christine	Peck, JoAnn
Heldt, Catherine	Pelletier, Elise
Heusel, Michele	Pica, Gianna
Higgins, Allison	Pozer, Kyle
Hodge, Elainna	Prevete, Kathleen
Hovis, Charles	Price, Kristen
Johnson Jr., Edward	Ramirez, Sheryl
Jolton, Isabel	Rangel, Teresa
Jorge, David	Reath, Claire
Kardaras, Barbara	Reddington, Catherine
Kaur, Jagdeep	Revello, Jennifer
Kelly, Catherine	Richardson, Noah
Kelly, Christopher	Rios, Armando
Kenny, Joan	Rocco, Jennifer
Khan, Saman	Rodgers, Julie
Kneppar, Divina	Rodriguez, Alfredo
Kratochvill, Carol	Roedel, Sara
Lambright, Jada	Rojas, Cori
Levy, Phyllis	Romanowski, Grace
Lopez, Libia	Rosado-Arce, Anidia
Lopinto, Daniel	Ruiz, Samantha
Malkin, Kevin	Saldana, Yvette
Mangano, Hunter	Scheer, Elizabeth
Manno, Linda	Schneider, Barbara
Markouris, Anna	Shaw, Tyronica
Marum, Scott	Shea, Rory
Mayo, Shelly	Sieman, Lindsey
McKeown, John	Silva, Elias
McKeown, Linda	Silva, Matthew
Mesias, Phyllis	Skibiell, Paulette
Messineo, Nicholas	Smith, Brandon
Mihalko-Lieto, Cynthia	Solomon, Gregory
Milich, Gregory	Stornetta, Marcia
Monahan, Margaret	Strain, Nicholas
Montes, Janayla	Stroh, Katherine
Moran, Charles	Stropanicky, Nancy
Morla, Nathan	Talambedu, Radha
Mulvihill, Danielle	Taylor, Angela
Murphy, Renee	Thomas, Megs
Muzzo, Andrew	Thompson, Karen
Myers, Selia	Tompson, Steven
Nolan, Jennifer	Tonini, Anthony
Omar, Ahlam	Torre, Anthony

Torres, Jessica  
 Townsend, Michael T.  
 Unger, Jesse  
 Vance, Gerran  
 Vasquez Baldassari, Oscar  
 Vazquez Pica, Carlos  
 Verma-Arora, Preeti  
 Vieira, Lindsay  
 Viscarra, Carmen  
 Volonnino, Lauren  
 Waddington, Ana  
 Walker, Brianna  
 Walsh, James  
 Wargo, Michael

Weiss, Gloria  
 Weissman, Susan  
 Wells, Tyler  
 White, Ryley  
 Wild, Deborah  
 Williams, Dionne  
 Williams, Naomi  
 Woodson, Kia  
 Xenitelis, Alexa  
 Yeoh, Andrew  
 Zaragoza, Elizabeth  
 Zeris, Lauren  
 Zeug, Rachael

**Volunteer**

Chu, Ross (Marching Band)  
 Ananko, Shaun (Urban Farm)  
 Fama, Madelyn (Urban Farm)  
 Haupt, Kimberly (Urban Farm)  
 Weaver, Marley (Urban Farm)

***LEAVE(S) OF ABSENCE 2025-2026***

Motion #9 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve a leave of absence to the following staff members under the conditions stated and effective dates shown:

<b><i>PK-8</i></b>		
Employee #4476	05/04/26-05/07/26	Military *
<b><i>9-12</i></b>		
Employee #8084	04/28/26-05/11/26	Administrative *

\* With pay/with benefits

**DISTRICT**

***REAPPOINTMENT AND SALARIES OF ADMINISTRATORS' ASSOCIATION 2026-2027 \****

Motion #10 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the reappointment of the Morris School District Administrators' Association staff for the 2026-2027 school year as filed with the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Human Resources offices.

\* Salaries are contingent upon and subject to change pending the ratification of a formal agreement.

***DISTRICT***

***REAPPOINTMENT AND SALARIES OF CERTIFICATED STAFF 2026-2027 \****

Motion #11 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the certificated staff reappointment and salaries for the 2026-2027 school year as on file with the School Business Administrator and Human Resources Office.

\* Salaries are contingent upon and subject to change pending the ratification of a formal agreement.

***DISTRICT***

***REAPPOINTMENT AND SALARIES OF NON-CERTIFICATED STAFF 2026-2027 \*/\*\****

Motion #12 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the non-certificated staff reappointment and salaries for the 2026-2027 school year as on file with the School Business Administrator and Human Resources Office.

\* Salaries are contingent upon and subject to change pending the ratification of a formal agreement.

\*\* Denotes probationary period

***DISTRICT***

***REAPPOINTMENT AND SALARIES OF NON-REPRESENTED ADMINISTRATORS 2026-2027***

Motion #13 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the reappointment of the non-represented staff for the 2026-2027 school year as filed with the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Human Resources office.

\* Salaries are contingent upon and subject to change pending the ratification of a formal agreement.

***DISTRICT***

***REAPPOINTMENT AND SALARIES OF NON-REPRESENTED STAFF 2026-2027***

Motion #14 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the reappointment of the non-represented staff for the 2026-2027 school year as filed with the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Human Resources office.

\* Salaries are contingent upon and subject to change pending the ratification of a formal agreement.

***DISTRICT***

***REAPPOINTMENT AND SALARIES OF SUPERVISORY SUPPORT STAFF 2026-2027***

Motion #15 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the supervisory support staff reappointment and salaries for the 2026-2027 school year as filed with the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Human Resources office.

\* Salaries are contingent upon and subject to change pending the ratification of a formal agreement.

**EXTRA PAY REVISION 2025-2026**

Motion #16 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following extra-pay positions (**revisions in bold**) for the 2025-2026 school year:

<b>MORRISTOWN HIGH SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR</b>		
<b>POSITION</b>	<b>STAFF MEMBER</b>	<b>TOTAL SALARY</b>
<b>9-12</b>		
PK-5 Helping Teachers - Normandy Park	Krickus, Melissa (08/27/2025-05/13/2026)	<b>3,361.00</b>
PK-5 Helping Teachers - Normandy Park	Mahony, Sarah	<b>\$4,369.00</b>

**EXTRA PAY 2026-2027**

Motion #17 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following extra-pay positions for the 2026-2027 school year:

<b>DISTRICT COORDINATOR EXTRA PAY</b>		
<b>POSITION</b>	<b>STAFF MEMBER</b>	<b>TOTAL SALARY</b>
<b>DISTRICT</b>		
Advanced Placement Instructional	Rooney, Kevin	\$10,000
Bilingual (K-5)	Myers, Kolleen	\$8,500
Gifted and Talented (K-8)	Lewis-Lahey, Anthony	\$8,500
Math (6-12)	Kemp, Christiana	\$8,500
Social Studies (K-12)	Bozza, Amy	\$8,500

**9-12**

**AP EXAM PROCTORS 2025-2026**

Motion #18 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following AP Exam Proctors for the 2025-2026 school year (**revisions in bold**)

Position: AP Exam Proctor  
 Staff: **Barrera, Claudia \***  
**Brown, Renee \***  
**Caruso, Sandra \***  
**Cheikes, Ellen \***  
 Flynn, Katharyn  
**Kenny, Kristina \***  
**Meyer, Siobhan \***

**Norton, Michael \***  
 O'Mahoney, Grace  
**Phinn, Vincent \***  
**Pichardo, Oshaira \***  
 Solomon, Gregory  
**Streiff, Cherie \***  
 Stroh, Katherine  
**Tate, Monica \***  
 Votapek, Olivia  
**Weisenseel, Kate \***

Rate:

	AM Session	PM Session
Standard Time	\$125	\$125
Extended Time	\$145	\$145

\*to be paid for hours outside contracted work day

**EXPLANATION:** Upon submission of an approved timesheet, AP Exam Proctors will be paid through test fees and local funds.

***DISTRICT***

***COMMUNITY SCHOOL 2025-2026***

Motion #19 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following Summer Music Academy effective June 29, 2026 -July 24, 2026. This will include pre-camp meetings, the camp season and post-camp cleanup. Hours will be assigned as needed.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>HOURLY RATE</b>
Beadle, Tim	Summer Music Teacher	\$50
Havington, Andrew	Summer Music Teacher	\$50
Malko, Lindsey	Summer Music Teacher	\$50
Morla, Nathan	Summer Music Teacher	\$50
Ocasio, Ariel	Summer Music Teacher	\$50

**EXPLANATION:** Upon submission of an approved timesheet, staff will be paid as outlined above. Salaries to be paid out of collected tuition.

***DISTRICT***

***MISCELLANEOUS - (PER DIEM ADMINISTRATOR) 2025-2026 \****

Motion #20 that, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education Approve the following individuals for the purpose of managing schools in the absence of the School Administrator at the rate of \$550 per day:

Doty, David - Per Diem Administrator  
Term: 5/12/2026 to 6/30/2026  
Limited to an average of 3 days per week

**EXPLANATION:** Upon submission of an approved timesheet, Per Diem Administrator will be compensated as outlined above.

\*pending completion of paperwork

***DISTRICT***

***MISCELLANEOUS - (PER DIEM ADMINISTRATOR) 2026-2027 \****

Motion #21 that, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education Approve the following individuals for the purpose of managing schools in the absence of the School Administrator at the rate of \$550 per day:

Doty, David - Per Diem Administrator  
Term: 7/1/2026 to 9/1/2026  
Limited to an average of 3 days per week

**EXPLANATION:** Upon submission of an approved timesheet, Per Diem Administrator will be compensated as outlined above.

\*pending completion of paperwork

***DISTRICT***

***UNRECOGNIZED POSITION TITLE(S) 2026-2027***

Motion #22 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following Unrecognized Position Titles as approved by the Executive County Superintendent pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:9B-5.5 for the 2026-2027 school year:

- Executive Director of Technology

***DISTRICT***

***NON-REPRESENTED EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS 2026-2027***

Motion #23 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the reappointment of the following staff for the 2026-2027 school year, pending approval by the Executive County Superintendent.

LoFranco, Anthony - School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

***ALL SUMMER EMPLOYMENT PENDING FUNDING AND ENROLLMENT SUMMER  
DISTRICT***

***PK-12 SPECIAL EDUCATION EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR 2026 \****

Motion #24 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and the Board Curriculum Committee, the Board of Education approve PK-12 Special Education Extended School Year staff as follows: **(Revisions in bold)**.

Program: PK-12 Special Education Extended School Year  
Position: Extended School Year Special Education Program - Staff  
Description: Provide IEP-mandated extended school year services to students with disabilities.  
Date: June 30, 2026  
July 1, 2026 - July 31, 2026 (ESY Program)  
*(excludes July 3, 2026)*  
Set up date: Tuesday, June 30, 2026  
Funding: Local  
Staff:

**Teachers - \$50/hour (as per contract language)**

Adamo, Sarah  
Aiello, Dina  
Baldassari, Michelle  
Bisulca, Tracy  
Bozzi, Amy  
Bruskin, Jennifer  
Cabrera, Rosalba  
Cardona, Daniela  
Castiglia, Toni Marie  
Castro, Meg  
Dawson, Stacy  
Haith, Seynabou  
Halker, Jennifer  
Heldt, Catherine  
Herbert, Meghan  
Kersey, Warren  
LoDolce, Blake  
McMahon, Catherine  
Mortimer, Annmarie  
O'Brien, Matthew  
Patten, Kelly  
Ratner, Alyssa  
Shaw, Bianca  
Shaw, Tyronica  
Wilcox-Avalos, Catherine

**Substitute Teachers - \$50/hour (as per contract language)**

Abreu, Angelica  
Benson, Alison  
Bowman, Sasha

Bruskin, Jennifer  
Beeck, Chelsea  
Bueno, Nathalia  
Cardona Castano, Laura  
Chavis, Jamal  
Curley, Meredith  
Diaz, Nailah  
Diehl, Christopher  
Ekstroem Knudsen, Jonathan  
Escobedo, Nicole  
Ferrer, Mercy  
Gingrich, Regina  
Higgins, Hunter  
Kardaras, Barbara  
Karger, Rebecca  
Martell, Marlene  
Mesias, Phyllis  
Opipari, Carolyn  
Opipari, Gessica  
Parish, Daniel  
Rangel, Teresa  
Ratner, Alyssa  
Recarte, Melissa  
Romano, Julia  
Stroh, Katherine  
Xenitelis, Alexa  
Walker, Brianna  
Weiss, Gloria  
Wright, Matthew

**Assistant Behavior Specialists - \$29/hour**

Baran, Christine  
Beeck, Chelsea  
Benson, Alison  
Berry-Brown, Kendra  
Bueno, Nathalia  
Cardona Castano, Laura  
Celis, Maria  
Chavis, Jamal  
Curley, Meredith  
Degidio, Sarah  
DeLillo, Heather  
Diaz, Nailah  
Diehl, Christopher  
Ekstroem Knudsen, Jonathan  
Facchini, Maria  
Gagliardi, Elissa  
Gaynor, Alison

Gingrich, Regina  
Griffith, June  
Guzman, Daniela  
Hammond, Aatifa  
Higgins, Hunter  
Jones, Marisa  
Kardaras, Barbara  
Karger, Rebecca  
Kinney, Minsu  
McCormack, Margaret  
McElwee, Jermaine  
Mesias, Phyllis  
Mestell, Jonathan  
Meza, Luz  
Opipari, Gessica  
Parish, Daniel  
**Pelletier, Elise**  
Phinn, Vincent  
Rangel, Teresa  
Rogers-Martin, Dayhahnae  
Romano, Julia  
Sanchez-Barragan, Laura  
Simmons, Frances  
Stroh, Katherine  
Swiontikowski, Joseph  
Terhune, Wendy  
**Titus-Thermitus, Carline**  
Toler, Michelle  
Xenitelis, Alexa  
Walker, Brianna  
Weiss, Gloria  
Wright, Matthew  
Zuluaga, Andrea

**Substitute Assistant Behavior Specialists - \$29/hour**

Clark, Bridget  
Clark, Katherine  
Dowman, Dashone  
**Gupta, Sheela**  
Opipari, Carolyn  
**Romero, Jehimy**  
**Tirri, Kristina**  
Townsend, Michael

**ESY Staff - 1/140th of monthly salary up to \$65/hour per contract language**

Corona, Beverly  
Ecker, Francesca

Grifonetti, Kara  
Kenny, Janice  
Lagonigro Fazari, Maria  
Maloney, Kristy  
Monahan, David  
Silvers, Jessica  
Talledo-Bracamonte, Daniela

**ESY Staff Substitutes- 1/140th of monthly salary up to \$65/hour  
per contract language**

Beeck, Jean  
Caamano-Hussein, Christina  
Eriksen, Carolyn  
Griffiths, Kaitlyn  
Nitling, Alexis

\* Salaries are contingent upon and subject to change pending the ratification of a formal agreement.

**BUSINESS MATTERS**

**DISTRICT**

**Financial Reports**

- Motion #1 **Financial Reports of the Secretary to the Board of Education**  
that the Board of Education approve the following financial report as on  
file in the Business Administrator's office for the month of **March 2026**  
Fund 10 -- General Fund  
Fund 20 -- Special Revenue Fund  
Fund 30 -- Capital Projects Fund

**Statement of Cash Balances**

that the Board of Education accept the Statement of Cash Balances for the month of **March 2026** which is reconciled with the Board Secretary's Reports by fund for that month.

- Motion #2 Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (c) 3, we certify that as of **March 2026** after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- Motion #3 Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (c) 4, I certify that as of **March 2026** no budgetary line item account has been over-extended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (b).

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Business Administrator/Board Secretary **May 11, 2026**  
Date

**DISTRICT**

**BUDGET TRANSFERS**

- Motion #4 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education .  
approve the Budget Transfers as on file in the Business Administrator's Office for the  
2025-2026 budget through **March 2026**.

**BILLS LIST 2025-2026**

- Motion #5 that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education  
approve the attached 2025-2026 bills list for the period ending:

**April 30, 2026** (payroll)  
**May 11, 2026**  
**May 12, 2026** (NACHA)

***DISTRICT***

**TUITION RATES**

Motion #6 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approve the annual estimated tuition rates for the 2026 – 2027 school year for Pre-School - Grade 12 Classes.

**REGULAR CLASSES**

Pre-School	\$ 17,028.00
Kindergarten	\$ 18,112.00
Grades 1-5	\$ 19,421.00
Grades 6-8	\$ 20,116.00
Grades 9-12	\$ 19,643.00

**SPECIAL CLASSES**

LLD Mild to Moderate	\$ 27,512.00
LLD Severe	\$ 24,744.00
Multiple Disabled	\$ 72,351.00
Autism	\$ 63,928.00
Pre-School Disabled	\$ 53,340.00

**SPECIAL CLASSES – ESY (21-day program)**

LLD Mild to Moderate	\$ 3,210.00
LLD Severe	\$ 2,887.00
Multiple Disabled	\$ 8,441.00
Autism	\$ 7,458.00
Pre-School Disabled	\$ 6,223.00

***PK-8***

***PEEA PROVIDER CONTRACTS 2026-2027***

Motion #7 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following agreements to provide high quality preschool services, in accordance with Preschool Expansion Education Aid (PEEA):

Robert C. Grant Head Start Center  
The Greater Morristown YMCA: (Angela's Place, Richard Blake Center, The Y-Zone)  
Cornerstone Family Programs - Neighborhood House  
Temple B'Nai Or  
Kiddie Academy, Cedar Knolls  
Madison Area YMCA F.M. Kirby Children's Center  
Primrose School of Morristown  
Children on the Green

## **EXPLANATION**

Morris School District receives PreSchool Education Expansion Aid (PEA) funding from the New Jersey Department of Education. Funds are used to offset costs of preschool classrooms at Lafayette Learning Center, as well as for preschool classrooms with community providers. The contracts are State templates. The Board has approved this budget as presented at the 2026-2027 public budget hearing. Agreements are on file in the Business Administrator's Office.

## ***DISTRICT***

### ***Food Service Management Company Agreement 2026-2027***

#### ***Pomptonian Food Service***

Motion #8 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board has concluded that the proposal submitted by Pomptonian Food Service is the most advantageous to the School District, price and other factors considered;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Morris Board of Education approve and award a contract for School Food Service Management for the 2026-2027 school year, in the third renewal year of the 4 year renewal option, to Pomptonian Food Service located at 155 Passaic Ave, Suite 210, Fairfield, NJ 07004. It is the recommendation of the Business Administrator that the Morris School District, Board of Education award the contract to Pomptonian Food Service (hereinafter referred to as the "FSMC"), subject to the following contractual provisions:

The FSMC shall receive, in addition to the costs of operation, a fee of \$0.23149 per reimbursable meal and meal equivalent to compensate the Food Service Management Company for administrative and management costs. This fee shall be billed monthly as the cost of operation. The district guarantees the payment of such costs and fee to the FSMC. The 2026-2027 Total Cost of the Contract is projected to be \$2,555,857.87 as found on the Response and Projected Operating Statement (Form 23)

The number of National School Lunch Program, and if applicable, Breakfast Program, At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program and After School Snacks Programs, meals served to children shall be determined by actual count. A "Meal Equivalent" provided by the FSMC is determined by dividing the total of cash receipts, other than from sales of National School Lunch Program, and if applicable, Breakfast Program, At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program and After School Snacks Programs, meals, or Cash Equivalents, by the Equivalency Factor. The Equivalency Factor used to determine the number of Meal Equivalents served by the FSMC shall be the amount of \$4.70.

The per meal management fee of \$0.23149 will be multiplied by total meals.

The FSMC guarantees that the return to the District from the Food Service Program for the school year will be \$105,000. If the annual operating statement shows a return of less than \$105,000, Pomptonian Food Service will pay the difference between the actual and the guaranteed amount. Financial terms of the Contract are based upon the assumptions as stated in Section II A, Paragraph 8, and Section BBB (Guarantee Conditions and Assumptions) in the Contract. If there is a change in conditions, including, without limitation, changes to the preceding assumptions, the parties agree to enter negotiations concerning the impact of such changes, and the financial terms of the Contract, including any guarantee, shall be adjusted accordingly.

***DISTRICT  
AGREEMENTS  
SHEPARD SCHOOL***

Motion #9 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education Approve an agreement, between the Morris School District and The Shepard School of Morristown, to provide a school meal Program for the 2026-2027 school year beginning July 1, 2026.

**EXPLANATION**

This is an annual agreement between the Morris School District and Shepard. MSD will provide lunches to Shepard at a rate of \$5.05 per meal.

***Grow It Green***

Motion #10 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the agreement with Grow It Green Morristown, to continue the gardening program that benefits the children of the district through the programs offered by Grow It Green.

**EXPLANATION**

This was discussed at the May Finance Committee meeting. This is a 5 year term agreement, July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2031. Agreement is on file in the office of the Business Administrator.

***DISTRICT  
LEASE PURCHASE FINANCE***

Motion #11 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE MORRIS SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY DETERMINING TO FINANCE ACQUISITION OF TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, VEHICLES AND OTHER RELATED EQUIPMENT BY MEANS OF AN EQUIPMENT LEASE PURCHASE FINANCING IN AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$1,500,000, AUTHORIZING AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS IF NECESSARY, DELEGATING THE AWARD OF THE BID, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE LEASE AND RELATED DOCUMENTS AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE TRANSACTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Morris School District (the "School District"), in the County of Morris, New Jersey, is created and is charged by law with the

responsibility to provide a system of public education within the school district over which the Board has jurisdiction and to acquire and install equipment therefor; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined to fund the acquisition of passenger buses, including related equipment, financing and incidental or related costs (the "Equipment"), by means of an equipment lease purchase financing for a term that does not exceed six (6) years pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:20-4.2(f) and N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et. seq.*; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has selected the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission as financial advisor (the "Financial Advisor") and McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, as special counsel (the "Special Counsel") for the purpose of advising and assisting with the proposed lease purchase financing of the Equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the procedures set forth in N.J.S.A 18A:18A-1 *et. seq.* (the "Public School Contracts Law") and the regulations promulgated thereunder, a notice of the bid will be published if required and bids or quotes (hereinafter simply referred to as "bids") are scheduled to be returned to the Business Administrator, who, with the assistance of the Special Counsel and the Financial Advisor, will determine the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to purchase the Lease (as hereinafter defined) from the Board (hereinafter referred to as the "Purchaser"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board will enter into a lease purchase agreement (the "Lease") and other related documents with the Purchaser in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 to finance the Equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to authorize the delegation of the award of the bid to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and further authorizes the Board President, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Financial Advisor and Special Counsel to prepare and to execute the Lease and certain other documents and agreements necessary or incidental to the transactions contemplated thereby;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE MORRIS SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY** as follows:

Section 1. The Board hereby determines to finance the Equipment by means of a lease purchase financing in a principal amount not exceeding \$1,500,000 in accordance with the requirements of the Public School Contracts Law. The lease shall be for a period not to exceed five years and the interest portion of rent shall be calculated at a rate per annum not in excess of the rate set forth in the legally responsive bid producing the lowest yield. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Financial Advisor, the Special Counsel and other appropriate representatives of the Board (the "Professionals") are hereby authorized to prepare the necessary timetables, bid documents and other related documents as may be necessary and to take other steps necessary to prepare for and to implement the proposed financing.

Section 2. The Board hereby authorizes the publication of a request for bid if required in accordance with the Public School Contracts Law or the solicitation of quotes in order to prepare for the proposed transaction.

Section 3. The Board President and/or the Business Administrator/Board Secretary are authorized to award the bid and the Lease in accordance with the terms of this resolution to the lowest bidder in accordance with the bid proposals or quotes submitted to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, which winning bid proposal or quote will be retained on file in the office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary. The Purchaser's interest rate will be held fixed for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of the bid or such longer period as recommended by the Financial Advisor. If the closing does not occur within such thirty (30) day or longer period from the date of the bid, the interest rate will be calculated in accordance with the index rate recommended by the Financial Advisor as set forth in the bid specifications.

Section 4. The Board President and/or the Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver the Lease, an agent or an escrow agreement, an assignment agreement, if necessary, and such other documents as may be necessary to consummate the transaction in a form approved by Special Counsel. Specifically, the Board authorizes the Board President or the Business Administrator to establish an escrow account for the deposit of the Lease proceeds and to direct the deposit and investment of the Lease proceeds in the escrow in accordance with the requirements of law. The Business Administrator is also authorized to pay any agreed upon fees in connection with the transaction including any escrow agent fee. The Board President and/or Business Administrator are also authorized and directed to take on behalf of the School District such other actions as shall be necessary and appropriate to accomplish the lease purchase financing for the Equipment in accordance with the terms of the Lease and this resolution and pursuant to the terms of the agreements and instruments authorized to be prepared hereby and to accomplish the performance of the obligations of the School District in respect thereto.

Section 5. The payment of rent or other monies due under the Lease shall be made only from the General Fund of the School District. Neither the Board, the School District nor any agency, department or political subdivision thereof, shall be obligated to pay any sum due under the Lease to the Purchaser from any taxing source unless an appropriation is made in a duly approved budget of the School District. The obligations of the School District shall not constitute indebtedness of the School District or the constituent municipalities or of any department, agency or political subdivision thereof. The Lease shall set forth the term of the lease purchase agreement for the Equipment, the rental payments to be paid by the School District in respect thereof and the dates on which such rent shall be due and payable.

Section 6. The Board hereby covenants that it will comply with any conditions subsequent imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in order to

preserve the exemption from taxation of interest on the Lease, including the requirement to rebate all net investment earnings on the gross proceeds above the yield on the Lease, if applicable. The Board authorizes the Business Administrator to act and determine on behalf of the Board whether the Lease will be designated as “bank qualified” within the meaning of Section 265 of the Code. The Board hereby declares its intent to issue the Lease in the expected maximum principal amount of the Lease set forth herein and to use the proceeds of the Lease to pay or to reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purpose for which the Lease is authorized herein. This resolution is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for the purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

Section 7. The references herein to officers of this School District and in actions taken on behalf of this Board include any interim, acting or successor officers holding those positions or the Vice President in the absence or unavailability of the Board President.

Section 8. Any action authorized herein taken prior to the adoption of this resolution is hereby ratified and deemed to be taken pursuant to this resolution.

Section 9. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

***DISTRICT***

***BIDS***

**Bid Award # 27-004 Lawncare**

Motion #12 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42, the bid for Lawncare, Bid #27-004, having been duly advertised and received on April 28, 2026, the award be made to TruGreen Limited Partnership, Randolph, New Jersey, for the 2026-2027 school year as set forth below:

	TruGreen Limited Partnership
BASE BID:	
Fertilization	\$19,481.70
Crabgrass Control	\$6,321.00
Broadleaf Weed Control	\$12,123.30
Vegetation Control	\$3,520.00
Total Base Bid	\$41,446.00

OPTIONS, PER ACRE:	
Surface Insect Control	\$115.00
Grub Control (Merit)	\$150.00
Lime (Pelletized)	\$150.00
Drive (for crab grass)	\$165.00

**BID Award # 27-011 Alexander Hamilton Security Vestibule Upgrades**

Motion #13 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42, Bid #27-011, Alexander Hamilton Security Vestibule Upgrades, having been duly advertised and received on April 23, 2026, be awarded to Tri-Plex Industries, Inc., South Amboy, NJ, for the 2026-2027 school year as set forth below:

Vendor	Base Bid
<b>Tri-Plex Industries</b>	<b>\$137,000.00</b>
Wallkill Group	\$178,178.00

***DISTRICT  
 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES 2026-2027***

Motion #14 WHEREAS there exists a need for professional services for 2026-2027 and funds are available for these purposes,

WHEREAS the Public School Contracts Law (Chapter 114, Laws of 1977) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for professional services without competitive bids be publicly adopted,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris School District Board of Education that the following be engaged as follows:

Atlantic Health System Behavioral Health Assessment Center	Student Behavioral Health Assessment	\$250/Assessment
Barbara C. Miller PT, PA	General Physical Therapy Consultation Services Direct Physical Therapy Services Physical Therapy Evaluations	\$132/hour

Progressive Therapy of NJ, LLC	BCBA Services: Functional Behavior Assessments  Behavior Treatment Plans, Classroom based consultations/staff training Behavior Technician services	\$125/hour  \$50/hour
Hillmar	Bilingual and monolingual speech-language, psychological, educational, social, BDI evaluations CST evaluations for Hearing impaired - speech-language, psychological, educational and social evaluations Occupational and Speech Therapy Services, Applied Behavior Services, Counseling Services, Participation in IEP meetings, Oral and written translation	See <a href="#">Hillmar Rate Sheet</a>
Go For Bodywork Manual Physical Therapy	Physical Therapy Services	\$114/hour
Grace Medical Group, LLC	Psychiatric Evaluations	\$1,500/evaluation
Creative Speech Solutions, LLC	Occupational/Speech Therapy Services Speech-Language Evaluation Clinic-Based Therapy Services	\$95/hour \$450/Evaluation <a href="#">CSS LLC 2026-27 Rate Sheet</a>

**DISTRICT**

***Nonpublic Transportation Services - 2025-2026 revised***

Motion #15 WHEREAS, in accordance with the statutes of 18A:18A-11, Boards of Education of two or more districts may provide jointly, by agreement, the transportation of pupils attending schools within or outside of the district:

WHEREAS, Morris School District and the following schools intend to enter into an agreement to provide certain transportation services for the following:

Assumption School  
Children on the Green  
Cornerstone Family Programs/Morristown Neighborhood House  
Peck School  
Richard F. Blake Children's Center  
Sisters of Charity of St. Elizabeth  
Unity Charter School  
**Greater Morristown YMCA**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary be authorized to pursue the said transportation jointure with above listed schools.
2. that the services provided by the Morris School District Board of Education shall be provided in accordance with the rules, regulations and policies as established by the Morris School District Board of Education.
3. that the cost of transportation, as apportioned to each participating district and computed by Morris School District, shall be in accordance with policy as established by the Morris School District Board of Education.
4. that the above listed schools will pay a management fee to Morris School District.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Morris School District Board of Education be authorized to enter into a transportation jointure for the 2025-2026 school year with the above listed schools.

***TRAVEL & REIMBURSEMENT***

Motion #16 that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, employees are attending conferences, conventions, staff training seminars or workshops as depicted on [attachment](#); and

WHEREAS, the attendance at stated functions was previously approved by the chief school administrator as work related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the attendees; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the functions was approved as critical to the instructional needs of the school district or furthering the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, the travel and related expenses particular to attendance at these functions are in compliance with the state travel payment guidelines established by the Department of Treasury and with guidelines established by the Federal Office of Management and Budget; be it

RESOLVED, that the board approves the travel and related expenses particular to attendance at these functions.