

BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE

ADOPTION OF SCHOOL BUDGET

TO BE HELD ON

**THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2018, AT 7:30 PM
AT THE GEORGE INNESS ATRIUM
141 PARK STREET, MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY**

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE
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141 PARK STREET, MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. Call to Order at 7:32 pm

- II. Statements
 1. Meeting Notice

Let the minutes reflect that adequate notice of this meeting has been approved in the following manner:

1. On Monday, March 12, 2018 a copy of said notice was posted on the public bulletin board in the first floor main hall of the Board of Education building, 22 Valley Road and was filed with the Township Clerk. The time, date and location of this meeting were accurately set forth therein.

2. On Thursday, March 15, 2018 a copy of said notice was posted in the Montclair Times and the Herald News. The time, date and location of this meeting were accurately set forth therein.

“Please be advised that this meeting is considered a public meeting under the law and may be taped, broadcast, used or reproduced in ways and in mediums beyond the control of the Board of School Estimate. Individual statements and opinions expressed are solely those of the speakers and do not necessarily represent the Montclair Board of School Estimate.

Please keep in mind that if you directly disclose personally identifiable information or personally sensitive data regarding yourself or others during this public meeting, this information may be collected and used by others. Accordingly, the Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments

regarding students and employees of the Board of Education and the Board of School Estimate are discouraged. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded to them by the laws of New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility and will not be liable for any comments made by members of the public. Speakers should, therefore, carefully evaluate their statements for individual consequences under the law, and should obtain any appropriate professional advice prior to speaking.”

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Roll Call

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x	
Councilor Hurlock	x	
Councilor McMahon	x	
Jessica de Koninck	x	
Laura Hertzog	x	

V. Discussion of the Proposed 2018-2019 School Budget

VI. Receive Comments and/or Questions from the Public Concerning the Proposed 2018-2019 School Budget

VII. Review and Approval of Minutes

Councilor Hurlock moved to approve the following minutes:

1. Public Hearing held on Monday, April 9, 2018

Seconded by Councilor McMahon and approved by a vote of 4-0-1

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Rich McMahon	x			
William Hurlock	x			

Jessica de Koninck	x			
Laura Hertzog			x	

Councilor Hurlock moved to approve the following minutes:

2. Public Hearing held on Thursday, April 12, 2018

Seconded by Councilor McMahon and approved by a vote of 5-0

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Rich McMahon	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
Laura Hertzog	x			

VIII. Resolution: Acknowledge Receipt of Certificate From the Montclair Board of Education to the Montclair Board of School Estimate Relating to the 2018-2019 Operating Budget

Councilor Hurlock moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education forwarded the attached Certificate to the Board of School Estimate relating to the School District Budget for the 2018-2019 school year,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of School Estimate acknowledges receipt of the Certificate (attached).

CERTIFICATE

FROM THE

MONTCLAIR BOARD OF EDUCATION

TO THE

BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE
OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

Resolution adopted by the Montclair Board of Education at a conference meeting held on Wednesday, March 28, 2018, at the George Inness Annex, 141 Park Street, Montclair, New Jersey, relating to the school district budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

Seconded by Councilor McMahon and approved by a vote of 5-0

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Rich McMahon	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
Laura Hertzog	x			

- IX. Resolution: Acknowledge Receipt of Certificate From the Montclair Board of Education to the Montclair Board of School Estimate Relating to Authorization of School Bonds for Capital Purposes

Councilor Hurlock moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education forwarded the attached Certificate to the Board of School Estimate relating to the Authorization of School Bonds for Capital Purposes for the 2018-2019 school year,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of School Estimate acknowledges receipt of the Certificate (attached).

CERTIFICATE

FROM THE

MONTCLAIR BOARD OF EDUCATION

TO THE

BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE
OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

Resolution adopted by the Montclair Board of Education at a conference meeting held on Wednesday, March 28, 2018, at the George Inness Annex, 141 Park Street, Montclair, New Jersey, relating to Authorization of School Bonds for Capital Purposes.

**MONTCLAIR BOARD OF EDUCATION DETERMINING TO
RAISE MONEY FOR SCHOOL CAPITAL PROJECTS THROUGH
THE ISSUANCE OF SCHOOL BONDS**

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of the Township of Montclair in the County of Essex, New Jersey (sometimes herein referred to as the “Montclair Board of Education”) has determined pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-18 that it is necessary to sell school bonds to raise money for the capital purposes and in the estimated amounts described in the Statement attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education intends to seek school facilities aid in the form of debt service aid and now requires funding for the projects to commence preliminary planning to develop the plans and specifications and the applications to the Department of Education for its approvals of the projects; and

WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education has determined to deliver the attached Statement to each member of the Board of School Estimate to request them to fix and determine the amount necessary for the projects as set forth therein and to certify such amount to this Board of Education and to the Township of Montclair pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-19;

WHEREAS, this Board of Education will prepare and deliver to each member of the Board of School Estimate an amended Statement once it receives the preliminary eligible cost and final eligible cost letters for the projects from the Department of Education; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, as follows:

Section 1. This Board of Education hereby determines that it is necessary to sell school bonds to raise money in the amount of \$4,859,950 for the capital projects described in the Statement attached hereto;

Section 2. The Business Administrator is hereby directed to send a certified copy of the this resolution and the Statement attached hereto to each member of the Board of School Estimate and to request them to fix and determine the amount necessary for the projects as set forth therein and to certify such amount to this Board of Education and to the Township of Montclair pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-19;

Section 3. The Business Administrator is further authorized, together with other appropriate Board representatives under his direction, to make applications for project approval and a determination of eligible project costs and, upon receipt of the preliminary and final eligible cost letters from the Department of Education, to revise the Statement in accordance therewith, and to send the revised Statement to each member of the Board of School Estimate.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

The Board of Education of the Township of Montclair in the County of Essex, New Jersey (sometimes herein referred to as the “Montclair Board of Education”) has determined and states pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-18 that it is necessary to sell school bonds in the amount of \$4,859,950 to raise money for the capital purposes and in the estimated amounts, including financing, work, materials and incidental costs, described below:

Purpose and Amount Needed for Project – PER ATTACHED SCHEDULE

TO BE INCLUDED IN REVISED STATEMENT:

SCHOOL FACILITIES AID

This Board of Education has applied to the State Department of Education for approval of the Projects in accordance with the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-1 et seq. (the “School Facilities Act”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder, N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1.1 et seq. (the “Regulations”), and by letters dated _____, 2018, the Commissioner of Education has approved the Projects;

Of the \$4,859,950 determined necessary for the Projects, the Commissioner of Education has determined that (1) \$_____ (with _____ allocated to _____ school , _____ allocated to _____ school and (repeat for each school)) constitutes final eligible costs of the Projects for the purpose of determining funding under the School Facilities Act, (2) the Projects include \$_____ {include allocations by school if necessary} for school construction elements in addition to the facilities efficiency standards developed by the Commissioner of Education or not otherwise eligible for State support pursuant the School Facilities Act (excess costs); and (3) the State debt service aid percentage will equal 40% of the annual debt service due with respect to the final eligible costs of the Projects.

This is to certify that at a public meeting of the Montclair Board of Education held on Wednesday, March 28, 2018, at 6:00 pm at the George Inness Annex, 141 Park Street, Montclair, New Jersey, attended by seven Board members, the attached resolution was duly adopted.

Board Members voting “aye” were:

Laura Hertzog

Jevon Caldwell Gross

Jessica de Koninck

Joseph Kavesh

Anne Mernin
Eve Robinson
Franklin Turner

Board Members voting “nay” were:

None

Board Members absent were:

None

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Education of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, has hereunder set his hand and affixed the seal of said Board this nineteenth day of April, 2018.

Emidio D’Andrea
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Seconded by Councilor McMahon and approved by a vote of 5-0

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Rich McMahon	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
Laura Hertzog	x			

X. Resolution: Adoption of the 2018-2019 Budget

Laura Hertzog moved to approve the following resolution:

THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE
Montclair, New Jersey

WHEREAS, NJSA Title 18A:22-14 requires that the Board of School Estimate fix and determine by official action the amount of money necessary to be appropriated for the use of the public schools in the district for ensuing year and,

WHEREAS, NJAC 6:19-5.2 requires that if the amount of money appropriated by the board of school estimate is less than the amount proposed by the board of education, the board of school estimate shall present to the board of education, the governing body and the county superintendent a statement of the specific line-item reductions made by the board of school estimate, along with a certification that the board of school estimate has reviewed the budget proposed by the board of education and deems the revised budget sufficient for provision of a thorough and efficient system of education and that the reductions will not adversely affect the stability of the district given the need for long term planning and budgeting,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of School Estimate, after careful study and due deliberation, has reviewed the 2018-2019 school district budget and decided to fund a Separate Proposal in the amount of \$50,000 for the purpose of Additional School Security at Special Events for the 2018-2019 school year thereby increasing the tax levy; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of School Estimate, after careful study and due deliberation, does hereby approve a Fiscal Year 2018-2019 school district tax levy in the amount of One Hundred and Fifteen Million, Nine Hundred Forty-One Thousand, Two Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars (\$115,941,279) which is comprised of originally requested tax levy, \$115,891,279, plus the Separate Proposal, \$50,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of School Estimate does hereby certify said amount to the governing body of the Township of Montclair pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-19, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Secretary is hereby instructed to prepare two certificates of this action, one to be sent to the Board of Education of the Township of Montclair, and the other to the Council of the Township of Montclair.

Seconded by Councilor Hurlock and approved by a vote of 5-0

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Rich McMahon	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
Laura Hertzog	x			

XI. Resolution: Authorization of School Bonds for Capital Purposes

Councilor Hurlock moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has submitted a request for capital funds for school purposes pursuant to NJSA Title 18A:22-18; and

WHEREAS, said purposes relate to raising funds for capital improvements, equipment replacements, play area shading, athletic field reconditioning, turf field replacement and district wide security as detailed on the attached list; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has estimated the cost thereof of Four Million, Seven Hundred Fourteen Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$4,714,975), plus Section 20 costs of One Hundred Forty Four Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$144,975) related to the issuance of bonds; and

WHEREAS, the projects requested meet the standards for capital projects pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18:A-21-1; and

WHEREAS, the projects are included in the district's Long-Range Facility Plan that was previously submitted to the New Jersey State Department of Education;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that after careful study and due deliberation, the Board of School Estimate does hereby fix and determine the amount to be raised as Four Million, Eight Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$4,859,950), including Section 20 costs related to the issuance of bonds as attached; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of School Estimate does authorize funding for the total cost of the project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of School Estimate does hereby certify said amount to the governing body of the Township of Montclair pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-19; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board Secretary is hereby instructed to prepare two certificates of this action, one to be sent to the Board of Education of the Township of Montclair, and the other to the Council of the Township of Montclair.

MONTCLAIR BOARD OF EDUCATION
 CAPITAL PROJECTS
 2018-19 PROPOSED BUDGET

LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	PROJECT	SOFT COST	SUBTOTAL	SECT 20	TOTAL
BRADFORD	MASONRY COPING REPAIR	\$ 110,000	\$ 6,303	\$ 116,303	\$ 3,597	\$ 119,900
	METAL COPING/REPOINTING	\$ 92,400	\$ 8,771	\$ 101,171	\$ 3,129	\$ 104,300
BULLOCK	PLAY AREA SHADING	\$ 97,900	\$ 9,285	\$ 107,185	\$ 3,315	\$ 110,500
BUZZ ALDRIN	CORNICE REPAIR	\$ 411,400	\$ 26,313	\$ 437,713	\$ 13,537	\$ 451,250
	PARKING LOT REPAIR - EAST	\$ 34,100	\$ 5,476	\$ 39,576	\$ 1,224	\$ 40,800
	FRONT STEP REPAIR	\$ 20,900	\$ 4,320	\$ 25,220	\$ 780	\$ 26,000
EDGEMONT	CORNICE REPAIR	\$ 33,000	\$ 4,833	\$ 37,833	\$ 1,167	\$ 39,000
	CONCRETE STEP REPAIR	\$ 41,800	\$ 5,730	\$ 47,530	\$ 1,470	\$ 49,000
	WALKWAY REPAIR - ANNEX	\$ 44,000	\$ 5,955	\$ 49,955	\$ 1,545	\$ 51,500
GEORGE INNES	GYM/REAR STAIR REPLACEMENT	\$ 110,000	\$ 11,250	\$ 121,250	\$ 3,750	\$ 125,000
	BALUSTRADE REPAIR - MASONRY	\$ 91,300	\$ 8,707	\$ 100,007	\$ 3,093	\$ 103,100
GLENFIELD	KITCHEN MAKE UP AIR SYSTEM	\$ 154,000	\$ 10,900	\$ 164,900	\$ 5,100	\$ 170,000
	GYM FLOOR REFINISHING	\$ 43,500	\$ -	\$ 43,500	\$ 500	\$ 44,000
	CUPOLA REPLACEMENT	\$ 55,000	\$ 6,595	\$ 61,595	\$ 1,905	\$ 63,500
HILLSIDE	MASONRY REPOINTING	\$ 121,000	\$ 9,465	\$ 130,465	\$ 4,035	\$ 134,500
	STEP REPAIR	\$ 23,100	\$ 4,739	\$ 27,839	\$ 861	\$ 28,700
HIGH SCHOOL	MASONRY RESTORATION/WATERPROOFING	\$ 55,000	\$ 17,265	\$ 72,265	\$ 2,235	\$ 74,500
	ELEVATOR CAB REPLACEMENT	\$ 108,900	\$ 9,440	\$ 118,340	\$ 3,660	\$ 122,000
	STAIR FIRE DOOR REPLACEMENT	\$ 176,000	\$ 13,635	\$ 189,635	\$ 5,865	\$ 195,500
NISHUANE	MASONRY RESTORATION/WATERPROOFING	\$ 275,000	\$ 19,492	\$ 294,492	\$ 9,108	\$ 303,600
NORTHEAST	MASONRY REPOINTING - FRONT ENTRANCE	\$ 90,200	\$ 8,740	\$ 98,940	\$ 3,060	\$ 102,000
PRE K BUILDING	HEATING PLANT REPOINTING/BUNKER STRUCTURE	\$ 134,200	\$ 14,986	\$ 149,186	\$ 4,614	\$ 153,800
PRE K	GROUND FLOOR WATER DAMAGE	\$ 38,500	\$ 6,023	\$ 44,523	\$ 1,377	\$ 45,900
PLAYGROUND	EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT	\$ 93,500	\$ 8,738	\$ 102,238	\$ 3,162	\$ 105,400
RENAISSANCE	RETAINING WALL - COMPLETION	\$ 75,000	\$ 5,025	\$ 80,025	\$ 2,475	\$ 82,500
WATCHUNG	CHAIR LIFT REPLACEMENT	\$ 45,100	\$ 6,019	\$ 51,119	\$ 1,581	\$ 52,700
ATHLETICS	ATHLETIC FIELD RECONDITIONING - RENAISSANCE	\$ 99,000	\$ 8,670	\$ 107,670	\$ 3,330	\$ 111,000
	TURF FIELD REPLACEMENT - WATCHUNG	\$ 1,199,000	\$ 62,000	\$ 1,261,000	\$ 39,000	\$ 1,300,000
DISTRICT	SECURITY	\$ 500,000	\$ 33,500	\$ 533,500	\$ 16,500	\$ 550,000
		\$ 4,372,800	\$ 342,175	\$ 4,714,975	\$ 144,975	\$ 4,859,950

Seconded by Councilor McMahon and approved by a vote of 5-0

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Rich McMahon	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
Laura Hertzog	x			

XII. Adjournment at 7:59 pm

Jessica de Koninck moved to adjourn

Seconded by Councilor Hurlock and approved by a vote of 5-0

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Rich McMahon	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
Laura Hertzog	x			