

MONTCLAIR PUBLIC SCHOOLS



MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

PUBLIC BOARD MEETING HELD ON

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014, AT 6:30 PM
AT THE MONTCLAIR HIGH SCHOOL
100 CHESTNUT STREET, MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-12, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education adjourns to closed session to discuss:

- a matter rendered confidential by federal or state law;
- material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy;
- a collective bargaining agreement and/or negotiations related to it;
- pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation and/or matters of attorney-client privilege;
- specific prospective or current employees unless all who could be adversely affected request an open session; and/or

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the minutes of this closed session be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

MINUTES FOR THE PUBLIC BOARD MEETING
HELD MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014 AT 6:30 PM
MONTCLAIR HIGH SCHOOL
100 CHESTNUT STREET, MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

- A. RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION
- B. EXECUTIVE SESSION
- C. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:48 P.M.
- D. STATEMENTS
 - 1. Meeting Notice
- E. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- F. ROLL CALL

	PRESENT	ABSENT
David Cummings	x	
Jessica de Koninck	x	
David Deutsch	x	
Robin Kulwin	x	
Leslie Larson	x	
Shelly Lombard		x
Anne Mernin	x	

Staff Members	30
Members of the Public	45
Members of the Press	2

G. MINUTES

Leslie Larson moved to approve the following minutes:

1. Public Board Meeting held on September 22, 2014
2. Public Board Meeting held on September 27, 2014

Seconded by Robin Kulwin and approved by a vote of 6-0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				x
Anne Mernin	x			

H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. MPS District Strategic Plan, Goal 1, Strategies 1-9
2. Student data, security and privacy

I. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Board will allow time for the public to comment on agenda and non-agenda items.

J. BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS

- 3. Board Comments
- 4. Committee Reports

- a. Community Engagement and Outreach

K. PUPIL SERVICES

- 1. Resolution Re: Approval of Out-Of-District Placements

Leslie Larson moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends that the Board approves the actions contained in the attached Out-of-District Placements for the 2014-2015 school year.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the attached lists.

Note: Tuition amounts listed below are based on full-year costs due to the need to estimate if attendance dates have not yet been determined. Actual costs will be reflected on contract when it is issued. All tuition amounts are as approved by the New Jersey Department of Education.

Student ID	School	Amount
010743	Holmstead School	48,299.40
008499	Cornerstone	\$76,560
	Youth Consultation Services Ft.	

015290	Lee (To Board 6/16/14 CPC Behavioral Healthcare \$71,750) <i>Savings of</i> <i>\$18,050</i>	\$53,699
025149	Essex County Vo Tech	\$4,455
072278	Essex County Vo Tech	\$4,455

MSW/OutDistrict/ODBoardOCT.6,2014

Seconded by Robin Kulwin and approved by a vote of 6-0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				x
Anne Mernin	x			

2. Resolution Re: Contract with Advantage Educational Consultants

Jessica de Koninck moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5 states in part “Any purchase, contract or agreement...may be made, negotiated or awarded by the Board of Education by resolution at a public meeting without public advertising for bids...”, and

WHEREAS, the nature of these contract awards generally relate to the provision of professional services, and

WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education is in need of professional services for reading consultation, and

WHEREAS, Advantage Educational Consultants will provide reading services for 18 hours per week at \$75.00/hr. to be used at the District’s discretion at a cost of \$1,350 per week for 36 weeks, from September 30, 2014 through June 2015 – Total cost \$48,600

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair School District will contract with Advantage Educational Consultants. Funding Source – Special Education IDEA Budget – Early Intervening Services.

Seconded by Robin Kulwin and approved by a vote of 6-0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			

David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				x
Anne Mernin	x			

3. Resolution Re: Award of Contract for Professional Services – Speech and Nursing Services 2014-2015 School Year

Jessica de Koninck moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5 states in part "Any purchase, contract or agreement...may be made, negotiated or awarded by the Board of Education by resolution at a public meeting without public advertising for bids...", and

WHEREAS, the nature of these contract awards generally relate to the provision of professional services, and

WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education is in need of professional services for nursing services for Montclair Public School students,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education, after careful study and due deliberation, does hereby appoint the firm of Delta-T Group for a period effective July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 at the rate of \$43.25/hr. for nursing services and, \$85.00/hr. for speech services.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Chief Operating Officer shall be authorized to issue a contract to Delta-T Group.

Seconded by Robin Kulwin and approved by a vote of 6-0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				x
Anne Mernin	x			

4. Resolution Re: Nursing Services Plan – 2014-2015

Jessica de Koninck moved to approve the following resolution:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the attached Nursing Services Plan for the Montclair Public Schools per Title 6A:16-2.1,8b.

Seconded by Robin Kulwin and approved by a vote of 6-0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				x
Anne Mernin	x			

5. Resolution Re: Resolve 1200520 Educational Program

Leslie Larson moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the attorney for the Board of Education has forwarded Settlement Agreement regarding the matter of 1200520.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board Secretary is authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

Seconded by David Cummings and approved by a vote of 6-0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			

David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				x
Anne Mernin	x			

L. ACADEMIC OFFICE

1. Resolution Re: Approval of School Field Trips

Robin Kulwin moved to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS

WHEREAS, THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY REGULATIONS REQUIRE APPROVAL OF ALL SCHOOL RELATED FIELD TRIPS BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND,

WHEREAS, THE FIELD TRIP MUST BE DIRECTLY RELATED TO INSTRUCTION AND CLASS WORK,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING FIELD TRIPS ARE APPROVED:

School Field Trips								
DATE OF TRIP	SCHOOL	GRD	TEACHER	DESTINATION	COST	PURPOSE	DURING SCHOOL HRS.	Total # of Field Trips Scheduled by this/these Teacher(s) in 2014-2015
4/30/15	Bradford	K	Bailey/ Metzinger	Theatrework, MSU, 1 Normal Ave., Montclair, NJ	\$10	Walking Trip. The students are participating in an author study of Barbara Park, author of "June b. Jones"	Yes 3 hrs.	April-1 May-1
5/7/15	Bradford	K	Bailey/ Metzinger	Theatreworks, MSU, 1 Normal Ave., Montclair, NJ	\$10	Walking Trip. The students are participating in an author study of Harry Allard, author of "Miss Nelson is Missing".	Yes 3 hours	April-1 May-1
10/27/14	High School	11 & 12	Stambuli/ Verney	Eastwick College, 10 S. Franklin Tpk., Ramsey, NJ	\$0	Big Picture students will visit three campuses to learn about post-secondary options and increase academic motivation.	Yes 6 hrs.	Oct.-1
11/4/14	High School	10- 12	English	Stevens Institute, 1 Castle Point Terr., Hoboken, NJ	\$5	STEM/Weston students will experience an undergraduate presentation for admission application and tour of the different laboratories.	Yes 6 hrs.	Nov.-2
11/18/14	High School	10- 12	English	New Jersey Food Bank, 31 Terminal, Hillside, NJ	\$0	Weston Students will participate in community service hours for Weston, STEM and general education students.	No 3 hrs. (after school)	Nov.-2

School Field Trips								
DATE OF TRIP	SCHOOL	GRD	TEACHER	DESTINATION	COST	PURPOSE	DURING SCHOOL HRS.	Total # of Field Trips Scheduled by this/these Teacher(s) in 2014-2015
11/20/14	High School	11	Kalacheva	DelGarton School, 230 Mendham Rd. Morriston, NJ	\$20	German class students will attend. The lead singer of the group "Die Prinzen" will be performing. The students know the group and the songs. This will be a cultural experience.	Yes 4 hrs.	Nov.-1
12/9/14	High School	10-12	English/Hass	Liberty Science Center, 222 Jersey City Blvd., Jersey City, NJ	\$0	STEM students will experience hands on activities dealing with the electromagnetic spectrum,-- uses/benefits for war/medicine/society.	Yes 6 hrs.	<u>English</u> Nov.-2 Dec.-1 <u>Haas</u> Dec.-1
11/12/14	Hillside	4&5	Wills/Park	Nishuane School, 32 Cedar Ave, Montclair, NJ	\$0	Traveling Troup will perform. Community outreach and firsthand experience of historical American musical theatre.	Yes 2 hrs.	Nov.-6 Dec.-1
11/14/14	Hillside	4&5	Wills/Park	Montclair Senior Center, 110 Greenwood Ave., Montclair, NJ	\$0	Traveling Troup will perform. Community outreach and firsthand experience of historical American musical theatre.	Yes 2 hrs.	Nov.-6 Dec.-1
11/18/14	Hillside	4&5	Wills/Park	St. Joseph's Children's Hospital, Giggles Theater, 703 Main St., Paterson, NJ	\$0	Traveling Troup will perform. Community outreach and firsthand experience of historical American musical theatre.	Yes 2 hrs.	Nov.-6 Dec.-1
11/19/14	Hillside	4&5	Wills/Park	Care One @ Livingston, 68 Passaic Ave., Livingston, NJ	\$0	Traveling Troup will perform. Community outreach and firsthand experience of historical American musical theatre.	Yes 2 hrs.	Nov.-6 Dec.-1
11/20/14	Hillside	4&5	Wills/Park	JCC, 706 Northfield Ave., West Orange, NJ	\$0	Traveling Troup will perform. Community outreach and firsthand experience of historical American musical theatre.	Yes 2 hrs.	Nov.-6 Dec.-1
11/25/14	Hillside	4&5	Wills/Park	Temple Nertamid, 936 Broad St., Bloomfield, NJ	\$0	Traveling Troup will perform. Community outreach and firsthand experience of historical American musical theatre.	Yes 2 hrs	Nov.-6 Dec.-1
12/5/14	Hillside	4&5	Wills/Park	Rockefeller Center, NY, NY	\$0	Traveling Troup will perform. Community outreach and firsthand experience of historical American musical theatre.	Yes 4 hrs.	Nov.-6 Dec.-1
10/18/14	Mt. Hebron	7-9	Taylor	New Milford High School, 330 River Road, New Milford, NJ	\$0	Students will present their designed curriculum of agile design to a large community of teachers/learners at Edscape.	No	Oct.-1 Nov.-1
11/22/14	Mt. Hebron	6-8	Taylor	Clifton High School, Clifton, NJ	\$0	Robotics students will engage in an engineering competition to assess their ability to problem-solve, collaborate and	No	Oct.-1 Nov.-1

School Field Trips								
DATE OF TRIP	SCHOOL	GRD	TEACHER	DESTINATION	COST	PURPOSE	DURING SCHOOL HRS.	Total # of Field Trips Scheduled by this/these Teacher(s) in 2014-2015
						effectively present information.		
10/15/14	Northeast	2-4	Villabos/Alday	Ochs Farm, 4 Ochs Lane, Warwick, NY	\$6.50	The students (spec. ed./self contained) are learning about plant life with an emphasis on apples for science. This trip will provide them with a hand-on real life experience.	Yes 6 hrs.	Oct.-1
11/5/14	Northeast	5	Dey	Veterans Hospital, 385 Tremont Ave., East Orange, NJ	\$0	The trip will foster community engagement while providing a performance venue for developing instrumentalists for students in the Bluehawks band.	Yes 4 hrs.	Nov.-1
10/9/14	Renaissance	8	Korofkin	Montclair Art Museum, 3 South Mountain Ave., Montclair, NJ	\$0	The Young Curators group at Renaissance will explore young curator's exhibition at the museum. The students view a show at the museum then create a show of their own work.	Yes 1 hr.	Oct.-1
1/16/15	Renaissance	6	Smith	Museum of Natural History, NY, NY	\$15	Students will explore African and Asian peoples exhibits as related to humanities studies.	Yes 6 hrs.	Sept.-1 Oct.-1 Nov.-1 Dec.-2 Jan.-1 Feb.-1

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT THE FIELD TRIPS ARE APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY REGULATIONS.

Seconded by Jessica de Koninck and approved by a vote of 6-0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				x
Anne Mernin	x			

M. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. Resolution Re: Approval of Personnel Report

Leslie Larson moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has recommended that the Board approved the actions contained in the attached Personnel Report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the Personnel Report of October 6, 2014, including the indicated individuals who have been hired under the Emergent Hiring Procedures as required by law.

Seconded by Robin Kulwin and approved by a vote of 5-0-1-0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings			x	
Jessica de Koninck	x			
David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				x
Anne Mernin	x			

N. OPERATIONS OFFICE

1. Resolution Re: Approval of Conference and Travel

Anne Mernin moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, New Jersey Administrative Code N.J.A.C. 23B and Board of Education policy require approval of the Board of Education prior to expending Board of Education funds for travel and related expenses, and

WHEREAS, the travel must be directly related to the employee's or Board member's current responsibilities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following Board members and employees are approved for travel-related reimbursements for an amount up to the estimated cost indicated:

CONFERENCE AND TRAVEL EXPENSES

<u>CONFERENCE/ SPONSOR</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>BOARD MEMBER/ EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>SCHOOL DEPT.</u>	<u>ESTIMATED COST</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Transforming Literacy Instruction in Elementary Education/ Scholastic	10/26-28/14	Liz Veneziano	Academic	\$0.00	Effectively developing students' language and literacy requires a comprehensive approach built for the unique needs of every student, school and district. The goal of this summit is to learn about effective research-based strategies to help create a sustained culture of literacy in school districts.	Coral Gables, FL
Transforming Literacy Instruction in Elementary Education/ Scholastic	10/26-28/14	Grace Ko	Academic	\$0.00	Effectively developing students' language and literacy requires a comprehensive approach built for the unique needs of every student, school and district. The goal of this summit is to learn about effective research-based strategies to help create a sustained culture of literacy in school districts.	Coral Gables, FL
Workshop 2014/ NJSBA	10/28-30/14	David Cummings Robin Kulwin Jessica de Koninck	CS	\$374.00 each	Training on negotiations, school law, policy, curriculum, technology, STEM, sustainability and other areas vital to effective school district leadership	AC, NJ
Workshop 2014 /NJSBA	10/28-29/14	Anne Mernin	CS	\$287.00	Training on negotiations, school law, policy, curriculum, technology, STEM, sustainability and other areas vital to effective school district leadership	AC, NJ
Beyond Bullying/ NJ Coalition	10/23-24/14	Marcy Goff	Bradford	\$249.00	Training for the anti-bullying specialist at Bradford	Kean U, NJ

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that reimbursement will be made for expenses that are in accordance with Board of Education policy and for which original receipts are submitted to the Business Office.

Seconded by Leslie Larson and approved by a vote of 6-0. *

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				
Anne Mernin	x			

*Mr. Cummings, Ms. De Koninck and Ms. Mernin each abstained with respect to their own travel and conference.

2. Resolution Re: Award of One (1) Temporary Quoted Route to the Below Listed School Bus Company for Unanticipated In-District Transportation for Special Needs Pupils for the 2014-2015 School Year

Jessica de Koninck moved to approve the following resolution:

Topic: New Jersey Administrative Code 6A:27-9.12 states that quotations may be sought after the opening of school for unanticipated transportation services.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, temporary transportation quotes were solicited for students attending the Bradford School. Requests for temporary quotes were solicited by a minimum of three bus companies and awarded to the bus company who provided the lowest quote. (*SEE BELOW*)

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education awards the following temporary contract to the Station Wagon Services Bus Company. Quote tabulation for the contract, period of up to; (see below)

ROUTE # E173 – 210.00X90 SCHOOL DAYS = \$18,900.00 (MAY NOT EXCEED BID THRESHOLD)

ROUTE – SCHOOL	D&M TOURS	STATION WAGON	TRANS ED
	RTE COST & AIDE COST	RTE COST & AIDE COST	RTE COST & AIDE COST
E173 ---BRADFORD	NO QUOTE	**170.00+40.00=210.00	NO QUOTE
TOTAL PER DIEM COST		210.00 per diem	

**lowest bidder

Seconded by Robin Kulwin and approved by a vote of 6-0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				x
Anne Mernin	x			

- Resolution Re: Approval and Submission of 2014-2015 New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) Statement of Assurance

Robin Kulwin moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, QSAC is the New Jersey Department of Education’s system of accountability which was adopted by the New Jersey Legislature in September, 2005, and

WHEREAS, QSAC provides for the evaluation of all school districts at least every three years in “five key components of district effectiveness” which are: Instruction and programs, personnel, fiscal management, operations management, and governance;

WHEREAS, Montclair Public Schools are scheduled for a comprehensive review this fall

WHEREAS, the initial phase of the QSAC comprehensive review for 2014-15 involves completion of a Statement of Assurance signed by the Chief School Administrator and approved by the Board of Education,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the submission of the 2014-15 attached Statement of Assurance to the Executive County Superintendent of the New Jersey Department of Education, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Superintendent and the Montclair Board of Education attest to the accuracy of the responses on the Statement of Assurance.

Seconded by David Cummings and approved by a vote of 6-0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings	x			
Jessica de Koninck	x			
David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				x
Anne Mernin	x			

O. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUTURE MEETING DATES

The next regular public meeting of the Montclair Board of Education will be held on Monday, October 20, 2014 and will open at 6:30 p.m. This meeting will be held in the auditorium of the Montclair High School, 100 Chestnut Street.

Vote to return to Closed Session at 11:00 p.m.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
David Cummings	x			

Jessica de Koninck	x			
David Deutsch	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
Leslie Larson	x			
Shelly Lombard				x
Anne Mernin	x			

P. ADJOURNMENT AT 11:38 P.M.