

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONTVALE, NEW JERSEY
REGULAR PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 30, 2018**

The Board of Education of the Borough of Montvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, entered Regular Public Meeting Session on Monday, April 30, 2018 in the Instructional Media Center of Fieldstone Middle School at 47 Spring Valley Road, Montvale NJ. President Rossig called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. Roll call showed the following to be present: Mrs. Bagdat, Mr. Carvelli, Mr. DiFiore, Mrs. Foley, Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn and Mr. Rossig. Mrs. Baskin was absent. Also present were Dr. Petersen, Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Wasserman, Board Secretary/Business Administrator; and no members of the public.

Mr. Rossig read the **Open Public Meetings announcement** as follows:

"The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Board of Education of the Borough of Montvale has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted by Borough Hall/Montvale Public Library, the Board Secretary's Office, posted on the district web site, and such notice given to *THE RIDGEWOOD NEWS* and *THE RECORD*."

COMMENTS BY THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Mr. Rossig announced that no smoking is allowed and that pre-approval of audio or video recording by the public is required.

PRIVATE SESSION

Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn introduced motion 4.1 as follows, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Bagdat and was unanimously approved.

Motion 4.1 **WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act and the Montvale Board of Education reserve the right within the constraints of State Law to sit in Private Executive Session, and

WHEREAS, there now exists a need for this Board of Education to meet in Executive Session, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Montvale Board of Education recess into Executive Session to discuss exempt matters as follows:

Superintendent's Report of Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying
Personnel – Non-tenured Staff Evaluations, New Hires, Employee Stipends,
MEA Negotiations

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the public will be informed

1. When the Board reconvenes to the Regular Meeting business portion of this meeting this evening; or
2. At a later date, undetermined at this time.

RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION at 8:11 p.m.

At 8:11 p.m. the Board returned to public session. Roll call showed the following to be present: : Mrs. Bagdat, Mr. Carvelli, Mr. DiFiore, Mrs. Foley, Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn and Mr. Rossig. Mrs. Baskin was absent. Also present were Dr. Petersen, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Wasserman, Board Secretary/Business Administrator; and six members of the public. The Board President restated the open public meetings announcement and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. He welcomed the public and invited them to sign the attendance sheet, if they so chose. He announced that no smoking is allowed and that pre-approval of audio or video recording by the public is required.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Petersen commended the Memorial School students, Mrs. Feather, Mrs. Escoffrey and all the staff who participated in making the Memorial Spring Concert and Art Show so phenomenal. The Path of Kindness was lovely. The whole evening was well orchestrated and well received by all in attendance.

District Enrollment – In April, Memorial School had 529 students, down 3 from March. Fieldstone had 472 students, down 1 from March. Overall district enrollment was 1001, 4 less than March.

Presentation: **2018-2019 Public Budget Hearing**

by

Dr. Darren Petersen and Mrs. Andrea Wasserman

Dr. Petersen and Mrs. Wasserman reviewed a presentation on the state of the district and the budget plans for the 2018-2019 school year. The Board and public asked a few questions to Dr. Petersen and Mrs. Wasserman on the proposed budget.

HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS

No members of the public wished to be heard.

BOARD BUSINESS

Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn introduced motions 8.1 through 8.3. Mr. DiFiore seconded the motions which were unanimously approved.

MINUTES

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be accepted, as written, the minutes of the following
8.1 meetings:

March 5, 2018

March 19, 2018

HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, BULLYING

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be affirmed the Superintendent of School's decisions
8.2 and resulting consequences, if any, in response to reported acts of harassment,
intimidation and/or bullying as itemized in executive session.

EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICE (EUS) AWARD FOR INSURANCE BROKER SERVICES/RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT SERVICES

Motion 8.3 **WHEREAS**, the Montvale Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) desires to retain the services of a Risk Manager/Insurance Consultant in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(2) and (10); and

WHEREAS, Treadstone Risk Management LLC (hereinafter referred to as “Treadstone”) submitted a qualifications proposal to provide risk & insurance management services; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds the fee structure submitted by Treadstone in its proposal to be favorable; and

WHEREAS, based on the qualifications and technical knowledge of Treadstone and the fee structure, the Board desires to award a Risk Manager/Insurance Consultant contract to Treadstone; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(10) authorizes the Board to award a contract for insurance consultant services without public bidding, in accordance with the procedures established for an extraordinary unspecifiable service (hereinafter referred to as “EUS”), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(2); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Treadstone shall be appointed to provide risk management/insurance consultant services and that a contract for such services shall be awarded for the following reasons:

1. The fee structures proposed are most acceptable to the Board, price and other factors considered.
2. Experience and resources necessary to perform the contract have been demonstrated.
3. Reputation and responsibility of the Risk Manager/Insurance Consultant are satisfactory, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The Board hereby appoints Treadstone to provide risk management/insurance consultant services subject to the execution of an Agreement to be reviewed by the Board Attorney. All necessary documentation shall be placed on file with this resolution and a Notice of Award shall be published in the official newspaper of the Board, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The Board authorizes the Board President and the Business Administrator/ Board Secretary to execute the Agreement and any other documents and to take all actions necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

Mr. Rossig asked Mrs. Wasserman to review the EUS process and the selection process for the insurance broker/risk manager for the District. Mrs. Wasserman explained the process.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Foley introduced motion 9.1 through 9.13, which motions were seconded by Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn. Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn abstained from voting on Motion 9.11. On a roll call vote, all members present and non-abstaining, voted Aye.

NEW CONTRACT AWARD – FMS INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC TEACHER

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved an award of contact, subject to Chapter 116, 9.1 P.L. 1986, to Justin Nietzer, Fieldstone Middle School Instrumental Music Teacher, for the period September 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, with compensation at BA, Step 1, \$53,467, in accordance with the Board/MEA Agreement, subject to revision upon ratification/approval of a successor Agreement,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Justin Nietzer be approved for two shadow days between 5/1/18-6/22/18 at \$85/day.

NEW CONTRACT AWARD – FMS INDUSTRIAL ARTS TEACHER

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved an award of contact, subject to Chapter 116, 9.2 P.L. 1986, to Jason Simodejka, Fieldstone Middle School Industrial Arts Teacher, for the period September 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, with compensation at MA, Step 9, \$63,865, in accordance with the Board/MEA Agreement, subject to revision upon ratification/approval of a successor Agreement.

CHAPERONES- MEMORIAL SCHOOL CONCERT

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved payment to the following chaperones 9.3 for the Memorial School Spring Chorus Concert on April 26, 2018 at the rate of \$62 as per the Board/MEA Agreement:

Erica Ripston	Nina Fasano
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ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION - KINDERGARTEN SUPERVISION

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be additional compensation awards for Memorial 9.4 lunchroom aides Leslie Braunstein, Debbie Stefanelli, Joyce Priestner, Linda Zurich, Kristen Librino, and Kristen Rothschild to assist with Kindergarten supervision during incoming Kindergarten screening on May 2, 2018, with compensation at their current hourly rate.

ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

Motion **RESOLVED**, that Nicole Damion and Clarisse Nicol be approved for their 9.5 preparation and presentation at the Staff Professional Development Day for 3 hours each on March 26, 2018, with compensation at \$35/hr.

COMPENSATION FOR LOST PREP TIME

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved compensation to the following for loss of 9.6 preparation periods with compensation as per the Board/MEA Agreement:

Name	Dates	Per Session Comp
Allie Engleberg	April 19, 2018	\$ 20.00
Amanda Hough	March 19, 2018	\$ 20.00
Bernadette Ficarra-Morello	March 16, 2018	\$ 20.00
Carol Pittarelli	March 22, 2018; April 12, 17,	\$ 100.00

	20 & 23, 2018	
Chelsea Cummings	March 2, 2018 & April 23, 2018	\$ 40.00
Clarisse Nicol	April 19, 2018	\$ 20.00
Cristina Schlemm	March 5, 2018	\$ 20.00
Diana Polifroni	March 1 & 2, 2018	\$ 40.00
Donna Simon	March 6, 2018; April 16, 23, 2018	\$ 60.00
Edward Hasse	April 18 & 23, 2018	\$ 40.00
Erica Ripston	April 19, 2018	\$ 20.00
Jennifer Iida	March 16, 2018	\$ 20.00
Jim Freeman	April 13, 2018	\$ 20.00
John McGinley	March 16, 2018; April 16, 2018	\$ 40.00
Kristian Diore	March 2, 2018; April 17, 2018	\$ 40.00
Lauren Carcich	April 10, 23, 2018	\$ 40.00
Lindsay Alvarez	March 2, 2018	\$ 20.00
Lisa Neville	March 16, 2018	\$ 20.00
Marlene Wynkoop	March 16, 19, 23, 2018; April 10, 19, 25, 2018	\$ 120.00
Maureen McLaughlin	March 16 & 23, 2018; April 20, 2018	\$ 60.00
Patrice Edelstein	March 23, 2018; April 19, 25, 2018	\$ 60.00
Susanne Burkel-McNaught	April 17, 2018	\$ 20.00
Tenley Escoffery	April 13, 2018	\$ 20.00

NURSE FOR SUMMER 2018 ESSENTIAL LEARNING

Motion **RESOLVED** that there be approved a contract with Region II (Pascack Valley Regional High School District LEA) for Vita Rotella to provide nursing services for the summer 2018 Summer Essential Learning and Enrichment Institute at a cost of \$1,653 from July 2, 2018-July 27, 2018.

STUDENT TEACHER/INTERN PLACEMENTS

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved student teacher/intern placement/student observers for the 2018-2019 school year:

Student	School	Co-operating Teacher	Start Date
Alexandria Spellman	Ramapo College	Doris Bartel	9/6/18 – 12/14/18 practicum 1/2/19 – 5/17/19 student teaching

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - BAYADA NURSING 2018-19

Motion **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education enter into a professional services agreement with Bayada Nursing to provide nursing services as required by student’s IEP for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 at the rate of \$52.00/hour for RN Services or \$45.00/hour for LPN services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education enter into a

professional services agreement with Bayada Nursing for substitute nursing services for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 at the rate of \$52.00/hour for RN services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School Business Administrator be authorized to sign the contracts on behalf of the district.

FIELD TRIP DESTINATION

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved the following location as destinations
 9.10 for educational field trips during the 2017-2018 school year:
 Wegman's, Montvale, NJ

EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL

Motion **WHEREAS**, the Board of Education is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 to
 9.11 adopt policy and approve travel expenditures by district employees and board members using local, State, or Federal funds to ensure that travel is educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education acknowledges that on-going professional development is critical to the instructional needs of the district or may further the efficient operation of the school district, and providing said training may require travel expenses;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorize employee and Board Member attendance in informational programs directly related to, and within the scope of the listed job title's current responsibilities, and/or training opportunities as follows with payment of expenses, if applicable, based on the federal travel regulations provided that such expenses are within the annual maximum travel expenditure amount:

Date	Employee	Workshop	Cost (Not to Exceed)
5/11/18	Polifroni, Diana	Supporting Children with Down Syndrome	\$45.70
4/18/18	Polifroni, Diana	Differentiating Sensory from Behavior	\$271.86
5/11/18	Albourn, Stephanie	Solutions for Success Supporting Children with Down Syndrome and other Developmental Disabilities	\$45.77
5/11/18	Guertin, Danielle	Solutions for Success Supporting Children with Down Syndrome and other Developmental Disabilities	\$47.81
6/28/18	Engleberg, Allie	NJ Coalition for Inclusive Education	\$125.00
6/28/18	Delli Santi, Julianne	NJCIE Annual Summer Inclusion Conference	\$125.00
6/28/18	Worthington, Ashley	NJCIE Annual Summer Inclusion Conference	\$125.00
4/16/18	McCormack, Gina	Emotional Intelligence for Academic Achievement: The Power of the Teacher/Student Relationship	\$300.00
6/6/18-6/8/18	Wasserman, Andrea	NJASBO Annual Conference	\$898.00
6/1/18	McGauley-Eichhorn, Debra	NJSBA School Security & Safety Conference	\$169.00
5/18/18	Westervelt, GERALYN	Judy Freeman Winners	\$233.80

APPROVAL OF NEW JERSEY STATE HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved the participation in the New Jersey State
 9.12 Health Benefits Program to provide health benefits for school district employees for
 calendar year 2018 at the established rates (see attached).

APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO DELTA DENTAL BENEFITS PROGRAM

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved an amendment to the contract between the
 9.13 Montvale Board of Education and Delta Dental of New Jersey that states “If the
 employee is hired 9/1 (or the day defined as the beginning of the school year),
 coverage is effective on the date of hire. If the employee is hired on any other date,
 the waiting period is 60 days.”

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montvale School District authorizes
 the Board President and Board Secretary to sign the amendment to the agreement.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

**Mr. Carvelli introduced motions 10.1 through 10.6, which motions were seconded by
 Mrs. Bagdat. On a roll call vote, all members present voted Aye.**

VOUCHER PAYMENTS

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved/ratified for payment vouchers in the total
 10.1 amount of \$1,925,815.31 as follows:

General Fund

Appendix “A” Checks #8954 & Book \$1,629,454.10
 Transfers for 3/15 and 3/30 Payrolls, Reimb.
 For Group Life Ins.; Wire Transfer for State
 Health Benefits; and Wire Transfer to CM
 Unemployment Acct.

Appendix “A-1” Checks #8955-9046 \$290,214.98

Student Activities Fund

Appendix “A-2” Checks #2323-2342 \$6,146.23

APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved line item appropriation transfers to the
 10.2 2017-18 budget as follows:

From	Account	To	Account	Amount	Explanation
11-000-213-100-1-01	Nurse Salaries	11-000-222-106-1-01	Library Aide Salaries	\$8,000	Transfer of position
11-000-213-500-1-00	Health Travel	11-000-213-600-2-13	Health Supplies FMS	\$250	Additional supplies required
11-000-251-330-1-01	Contracted Services	11-000-252-340-1-01	Biz Off Purch Services	\$50,000	Realign expense to correct account
11-000-251-330-1-01	Contracted Services	11-000-261-420-4-63	MS Contr Ser Maint	\$10,000	Maintenance services required for building ops
11-000-251-330-1-01	Contracted Services	11-000-261-420-4-62	FMS - Cont Ser Maint	\$3,000	Maintenance services required for building ops
11-000-251-330-1-01	Contracted Services	11-000-261-610-4-62	Maint of Plant FMS	\$1,000	Maintenance supplies required for building ops
11-000-262-100-1-01	Salary-Operations	11-000-262-100-1-02	Overtime - Absences	\$1,800	Additional OT

11-000-251-330-1-01	Contracted Services	11-000-263-420-4-63	Grounds MES	\$1,000	Snow plowing
11-190-100-320-3-00	District Asthetic	11-190-100-320-1-27	Internet Cont Serv	\$200	Purchased services
11-190-100-640-3-00	Textbooks Memorial	11-190-100-610-3-52	MS New Equip Inst	\$3,000	Flood replacement furniture
11-190-100-610-3-39	MS AV Video Computer	11-190-100-610-3-52	MS New Equip Inst	\$2,000	Flood replacement furniture
11-213-100-610-2-11	Resource Ctr FMS	11-213-100-610-3-11	Resource Ctr MS	\$1,000	Leveled Reading Kit
11-204-100-610-3-11	LD MS Supplies	11-213-100-610-3-11	Resource Ctr MS	\$500	Leveled Reading Kit

BOARD CERTIFICATION – FEBRUARY

Motion 10.3 **RESOLVED**, that the Montvale Board of Education approve the following reports as of February 28, 2018: The Board Secretary Report and The Cash Report, attached as Appendix “B” to the minutes of this meeting..

Motion 10.4 **RESOLVED**, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 [c]4, the Montvale Board of Education certifies that as of February 28, 2018, after review of the Board Secretary's monthly financial reports [appropriations section], and upon consultation with the appropriate district official, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

2018-19 SCHOOL BUDGET AND TAX LEVY

Motion 10.5 **WHEREAS**, the preliminary 2018-19 budget was adopted at a public meeting of the Board of Education on March 19, 2018, and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing on the 2018-19 budget has been held on this date and all persons desiring to be heard were heard, and

WHEREAS, the 2018-19 budget includes allowable health care adjustments of \$232,000 to offset health care costs, now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Borough of Montvale does hereby adopt the proposed Budget for the 2018-19 school year as follows:

Current Expense	\$17,720,212
Federal Grants	\$304,282
Debt Service	\$616,084
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$18,640,578</u>

AND BE IT RESOLVED, that the amount to be raised by local property taxes for the 2018-19 school year be \$16,037,355 for current expense, including an adjustment for Health Care Costs in the amount of \$232,000 and \$586,084 for debt service.

AND BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2018-19 budget includes a withdrawal of funds from Capital Reserves of \$300,000 for the purpose of the Memorial School Paving Project and the Memorial School First/Second Grade Wing Renovation,

AND BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board as required by N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, acknowledges the maximum travel allowance for the 2017-18 school year was

\$82,880 of which \$45,089 has been expended as of February 28th, and hereby establishes \$77,245 as the maximum travel expenditure for the 2018-19 school year.

DONATION-MONTVALE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be accepted with appreciation the following grant from
10.6 the Montvale Educational Foundation:

Memorial Elementary School CARES
(Character Education Program),
in the amount of \$15,600.00,
MEF Grant Number PNG #392
Requested by: Steven Pellegrino

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board Secretary send a letter of thanks on behalf of the Board for this generous donation.

The Board expressed its appreciation to the MEF for the generous donation.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Mr. Bagdat introduced motions 11.1 through 11.3, which motions were seconded by Mrs. Foley. On a roll call vote, all members present voted Aye.

RENEW CONTRACT SCHOLASTIC BUS

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved renewal of the transportation contract with
11.1 Scholastic Bus Company to provide home to school transportation for the 2018-19 school year with a 1.51% increase as compared to 2017-18 as follows:
Routes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 per day increase per vehicle of \$3.19
Route 10 (FMS Late Bus) per day increase per vehicle of \$1.03

ACES – AWARD OF BID COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES 2018-2023

Motion **WHEREAS**, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to
11.2 as “ACES”), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as “NJSBA”), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from electric power suppliers for electric generation services through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the “Public School Contracts Law”, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.*, and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 *et seq.* (“EDECA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Montvale School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain electric generation services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to electric power suppliers following said bids for electric generation services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2023 hereinafter referred to as “Effective Period”) issue one or more Requests for Bids for electric generation services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale electric market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Electric Generation Service in each service territory to one or more electric power suppliers that submit bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous electric usage and utility provided Basic Generation Service rates; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said electric generation services to electric power suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic generation service; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period through any electric power supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law;

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs’ Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for electric generation services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

NOW, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period from the electric power supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for electric generation services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase electricity at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the Districts relative to the price charged for basic generation service by the electric public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain electric generation services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2023 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission or expiration of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ASBESTOS ABATEMENT

Motion 11.3 **WHEREAS**, the Montvale Board of Education (“Board”) advertised for bids for the Asbestos Floor Tile Removal Project at Memorial School (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2018, the Board received bids for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the purported low bidder, Savic Construction Corporation (“Savic”), submitted a defective bid insofar as it failed to include a bid bond and consent of surety form from a surety company with a rate of not less than A- by A.M. Best Company as required by the bid specifications, which is a material, non-waivable defect, and

WHEREAS, the next purported low bidder, MTM Metro Corporation (“MTM”), also submitted a defective bid insofar as it failed to include a bid bond in the amount of 10% of the bid amount or \$20,000, whichever is less, which is a material, non-waivable defect; and

WHEREAS, the next low bidder, Unicorn Contracting Corporation, with a base bid in the amount of \$46,100, submitted a bid that is responsive in all material respects and it is the Board’s desire to award the contract for the Project to Unicorn Contracting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: (1) The Board hereby rejects Savic and MTM’s bids for being materially defective. (2) The Board hereby awards the contract for the Project to Unicorn Contracting for a total contract sum of \$46,100. (3) This award is expressly conditioned upon the contractor furnishing the requisite insurance certificate and labor and materials/performance bond as required in the project specifications, together with an AA201-Project Manning Report, and an executed Agreement, as prepared by the Board Attorney, within ten (10) days of the date hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Attorney is hereby directed to draft the agreement with the successful bidder consistent with this Resolution and with the terms contained in the bid documents approved by the Board for the Project. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute such

agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No committee reports were presented.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn thanked Memorial school for the wonderful Spring Concert. She shared how meaningful the Path of Kindness was, especially for the children. All the effort put into the evening was apparent and appreciated, particularly Mrs. Feather and Mrs. Escoffrey. It was a great community event.

COMMUNICATIONS

No communications were shared.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. DiFiore asked what were the plans to prepare for the upcoming residential units being built in Montvale. Mrs. Wasserman shared that funds were appropriated in the 2018-2019 budget for planning such as a demographic study and update to the Long Range Facilities Plan.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Carvelli asked about the baseball fields behind Memorial School. District administration, Borough administration, and representatives from MAL and Maser Consulting met earlier in the day to review the work completed to date and review plans for the remaining work. Everyone is working together to provide a safe environment for the community. The Board was concerned with the dugout on the T-Ball field encroaching on the school playground.

HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC

Ms. Skogland of 59 Spring Valley Road addressed the Board regarding the removal of a tree that bordered the Fieldstone parking lot and her property. Ms. Skogland informed the board the tree was on her property and should not have been removed without proper notice to the homeowner. She also shared concerns regarding the impact of the lighting around Fieldstone school and the impact to the neighbors.

Mrs. Foley left the meeting at 9:27 p.m.

Mr. Gurevich of 20 Main Street asked if the Board was planning to hire Class 3 Officers at the schools for the coming year. Dr. Petersen shared that the security focus in 2018-19 would be on the facilities. The discussion of a class 3 officer remains ongoing.

PRIVATE SESSION

Mrs. Bagdat introduced motion 18.1 as follows, which motion was seconded by Mr. DiFiore and passed unanimously at 9:36 p.m.

Motion 18.1 **WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act and the Montvale Board of Education reserve the right within the constraints of State Law to sit in Private Executive Session, and

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2. At a later date, undetermined at this time.

RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION

At 9:59 p.m. the Board returned to public session. Roll call showed the following to be present: Mrs. Bagdat, Mr. Carvelli, Mr. DiFiore, Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn and Mr. Rossig. Mrs. Foley, and Mrs. Baskin were absent. Also present were Dr. Petersen, Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Wasserman, Board Secretary/Business Administrator; and no members of the public. The Board President restated the open public meetings announcement.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. Bagdat introduced motion 20.1 as follows, which motion was seconded by Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn and passed unanimously.

Motion 20.1 **RESOLVED**, that this meeting be adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Wasserman
Board Secretary