

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONTVALE, NEW JERSEY**

**BUDGET HEARING and REGULAR PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 24, 2017**

The Board of Education of the Borough of Montvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, entered Regular Public Meeting Session on Monday, April 24, 2017 in the Instructional Media Center of Fieldstone Middle School, Spring Valley Road, Montvale NJ. President Rossig called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Roll call showed the following to be present: Mrs. Baskin, Mr. Carvelli, Mr. DiFiore, Mrs. Foley, and Mr. Rossig. Mrs. Bagdat arrived at 6:44 p.m. and Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn arrived at 6:48 p.m. Also present were Dr. Petersen, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Wasserman, Board Secretary/Business Administrator; and five members of the district's administrative team.

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

Mr. DiFiore introduced motion 4.1 as follows, which motion was seconded by Mr. Carvelli 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, Compensation & Stipends,
Retirements, Leave of Absence Request
Legal – Update

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 8:02 p.m.

At 8:02 p.m. the Board returned to public session. Roll call showed the following to be present: Mrs. Bagdat, Mrs. Baskin, Mr. Carvelli, Mr. DiFiore, Mrs. Foley, Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn and Mr. Rossig. Also present were Dr. Petersen, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Wasserman, Board Secretary/Business Administrator; and 15 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 and PRESENTATIONS

Science Presentation –Mrs. Katz and students from the fourth grade demonstrated how the students participate in STEM learning opportunities in the classroom. The students used household items such as spaghetti and gum drops to build structures. It was educational for the Board Members and public to see how creative the students were.

Budget Presentation – Dr. Petersen and Mrs. Wasserman presented on the current State of the District and the Proposed Budget for 2017-18. The presentation is available on the district's website. Dr. Petersen and Mrs. Wasserman answered questions from the Board on the proposed budget on a variety of topics including how the 2% tax levy increase was being used, why the number of sections was being reduced from 2nd to 3rd grades, and further explanation of the planned capital projects for the upcoming school year.

Superintendent's Report – The District's Spring Newsletter was distributed to the community highlighting many of the exciting things taking place in the district. The state mandated lead testing was completed over spring break; the results will be shared with the public when they are received. PARCC testing began April 24 and will continue into May. Dr. Petersen thanked the district's Administrative Staff for all they do throughout the district. Upcoming events in school include Memorial's Spring Concert on April 27; Kindergarten Grandparents/Special Person day on April 28; Arbor Day Celebration on April 28; zSpace Cyber Laboratory visit to Memorial on April 28, and Fieldstone's School Play on April 28 and April 29. The Board Retreat will take place on May 15. District enrollment remains consistent with last month at 997 students.

HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS

No members of the public wished to be heard.

BOARD BUSINESS

Mr. Carvelli introduced motions 8.1 through 8.4, which motions were seconded by Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn and were unanimously approved.

MINUTES

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

March 6, 2017

March 13, 2017

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.

CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE

CALENDAR 2017-18, APPENDIX "A"

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved the updated 2017-18 employment calendar
8.3 for custodial and maintenance personnel as listed on Appendix "A".

CLERICAL/OFFICE PERSONNEL

CALENDAR 2017-18, APPENDIX "A-1"

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved the updated 2017-18 employment calendar
8.4 for clerical/office personnel as listed on Appendix "A-1".

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Baskin introduced motions 9.1 through 9.12, which motions were seconded by Mrs. Foley. On a roll call vote, all members present voted Aye.

RETIREMENT - P. ALLEN

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be accepted, with appreciation and regret, the
9.1 resignation for retirement purposes of Patricia Allen, Teaching Assistant at Memorial School, effective April 21, 2017.

JOB DESCRIPTION – ASSISTANT TO THE NURSE

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be accepted, the job description for Assistant to the Nurse.
9.2

Mrs. Bagdat questioned if this was a new description and Dr. Petersen explained the position did not previously have a description, so one was being added.

LEAVE WITHOUT PAY

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved an extension to the unpaid leave of absence
9.3 for personal reasons to Lisa Rudd through May 31, 2017.

SUBSTITUTES

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved employment to the below list of individuals, as Substitutes, subject to Chapter 116, P.L. 1986, in the Montvale Public Schools during the 2016-17 school year with compensation at the Board approved rate:

9.4

Name	Position	Effective Dates
Michael Bartel	Substitute Teaching Assistant	04/25/17 – 6/30/17
Kevin Weydig	Substitute Teacher	04/25/17 – 6/30/17
Kevin Weydig	Substitute Teaching Assistant	04/25/17 – 6/30/17
Jake Steiner	Substitute Teacher	04/25/17 – 6/30/17
Jake Steiner	Substitute Teaching Assistant	04/25/17 – 6/30/17

COMPENSATION FOR LOST PREP TIME

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

9.5

Name	Dates	Per Session Comp
Allison Bizzoco	February 24, 2017	\$20.00
Amy Hennessy	March 3, 2017	\$20.00
	March 6, 2017	\$20.00
	March 22, 2017	\$20.00
	March 23, 2017	\$20.00
Amy Leon	March 13, 2017	\$20.00
	March 16, 2017	\$20.00
	March 30, 2017	\$20.00
	March 31, 2017	\$20.00
Amy Miller	February 24, 2017	\$20.00
	March 6, 2017	\$20.00
Andrew Del Mauro	March 21, 2017	\$20.00
	March 24, 2017	\$20.00
	April 4, 2017	\$20.00
Bonnie Faiella	March 6, 2017	\$20.00
Carol Pittarelli	March 7, 2017	\$20.00
	March 10, 2017	\$20.00
	March 13, 2017	\$20.00
	March 22, 2017	\$20.00
	March 24, 2017	\$20.00
	March 28, 2017	\$20.00
Clarisse Nicol	February 23, 2017	\$20.00
Debbie Katz	March 6, 2017	\$20.00
Diane Magarelli	March 6, 2017	\$20.00
Doris Bartel	February 24, 2017	\$20.00
Edward Hasse	April 4, 2017	\$20.00
	April 6, 2017	\$20.00
Geralyn Westervelt	March 9, 2017	\$20.00
Haley Schrek	February 24, 2017	\$20.00

Jack Sherick	March 3, 2017	\$20.00
	March 8, 2017	\$20.00
	March 23, 2017	\$20.00
	April 4, 2017	\$20.00
Jennifer Iida	February 24, 2017	\$20.00
Jessica Gutierrez	February 23, 2017	\$20.00
	March 6, 2017	\$20.00
Joan Bain	February 24, 2017	\$20.00
Joan Merwede	February 17, 2017	\$20.00
Jodi Levy	February 24, 2017	\$20.00
Karen Doran	March 3, 2017	\$20.00
	March 23, 2017	\$20.00
	April 3, 2017	\$20.00
Karen Matesic	February 24, 2017	\$20.00
	March 6, 2017	\$20.00
Karen Miles	March 8, 2017	\$20.00
	March 9, 2017	\$20.00
Kathryn LoPresti	February 24, 2017	\$20.00
Lindsey Jachens	February 24, 2017	\$20.00
	March 6, 2017	\$20.00
Marlene Wynkoop	February 24, 2017	\$20.00
Maureen McLaughlin	March 6, 2017	\$20.00
Suzanne Burkel	February 23, 2017	\$20.00
	February 24, 2017	\$20.00

ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be additional compensation awarded for the following
9.6 responsibilities:

Name	Compensation	Dates	Responsibility
Allison Bizzoco	\$35/hr.	March 27, 2017 (4 Hours)	Preparation/Presentation for Professional Development Day on March 27, 2017
Erica Ripston	\$35/hr.	March 27, 2017 (6 Hours)	Preparation/Presentation for Professional Development Day on March 27, 2017
Justin Jasper	\$35/hr.	March 27, 2017 (6 Hours)	Preparation/Presentation for Professional Development Day on March 27, 2017

CHAPERONES- MEMORIAL SCHOOL CONCERT

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved payment to the following chaperones
9.7 at the rate of \$62 as per the Board/MEA Agreement:

Name	Dates	Responsibility
Laurie D’Amaro	April 27, 2017	Chaperone, Memorial Grade 3 & 4 Concert
Erica Ripston	April 27, 2017	Chaperone, Memorial Grade 3 & 4 Concert

CHAPERONES - EIGHTH GRADE WASHINGTON, DC TRIP

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved payment to the following chaperones
9.8 for the Eighth Grade Washington, DC Trip, May 23-25, 2017, at the rate of \$200 per night as per the Board/MEA Agreement, funding to come from student participation fees:

Richard Jopp	Amy Hennessy	Jan Halder
AJ Aliprantis	Victor Conti	Karin Arigot
Jim Quaranto	Lauren Carcich	Kathy Passaro
Laurie Murrell	Kate Overgaard	

ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION

Motion **RESOLVED**, that Andrea Riotto, teacher assistant, be compensated at her current
9.9 hourly rate, to assist a special needs child to attend the evening Fieldstone Middle School Concert which was rescheduled to March 16, 2017, replacing Julie Homa.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - BAYADA NURSING 2017-18

Motion **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education enter into a professional services
9.10 agreement with Bayada Nursing to provide nursing services as required by student’s IEP for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 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, 2017 through June 30, 2018 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.

CO-CURRICULAR/INTER-SCHOLASTIC ADVISOR

Motion **RESOLVED**, that Roy Yokelson be approved as Assistant FMS Drama Director
9.11 for the 2016-17 school year with annual compensation of \$1,098.

EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL

Motion **WHEREAS**, the Board of Education is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12
9.12 to 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)
3/25/17	Rossig, Scott	NJ School Boards, BC Leadership Meeting	\$25
5/12/17	Westervelt, GERALYN	Judy Freeman’s Winners Workshop	\$233.49
3/29/17	Rhatigan, Kellie	Teaching Vocabulary in Meaningful and Powerful Ways, K-8	\$18.04
3/29/17	Jachens, Lindsey *** REVISED ***	Teaching Vocabulary in Meaningful and Powerful Ways, K-8 (previously approved on 3/13/17 but venue changed)	\$21.08
2/10/17	Valois, Pete	Pearson Regional Training for the PARCC	\$20.21
4/25/17	Wasserman, Andrea	NJASBO/Audit Program Update	\$105
6/7/17 – 6/9/17	Wasserman, Andrea	NJASBO Annual Conference	\$845
5/9/17 **date changed from 3/14/17	McLoughlin, Jackie	Social Work Ethics (previously approved on 3/13/17, but because of weather, date was changed)	\$55

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Mrs Bagdat introduced motions 10.1 through 10.9, which motions were seconded by Mrs. Foley. On a roll call vote, all members present voted Aye.

VOUCHER PAYMENTS

Motion 10.1 **RESOLVED**, that there be approved/ratified for payment vouchers in the total amount of \$1,684,560.76 as follows:

General Fund

Appendix “B”

Checks #7616 & 7618 and \$1,418,170.67
Book Transfers for March 15 & 30 Payrolls;
for PERS Approp.; for Ins. Premium and Wire
Transfers for SHB; and to CM Unemployment
Account

Appendix "B-1"
Student Activities Fund
 Appendix "B-2"

Checks #7619-7710
 Checks #2113-2123

\$265,786.60
 \$603.49

APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved line item appropriation transfers to the
 10.2 2016-17 budget as follows:

From	Account	To	Account	Amount	Explanation
20-231-100-500-1-10	Title I - Tuition Summer	20-231-200-320-1-00	Prch Serv Staff	\$5,000	NCLB Rollover
20-231-100-600-1-00	Title I - Supplies	20-231-200-320-1-00	Prch Serv Staff	\$2,297	NCLB Rollover
NA	NA	20-231-200-320-1-00	Prch Serv Staff	\$21,503	NCLB Rollover
NA	NA	20-240-100-610-1-00	Title III Supplies	\$5,003	NCLB Rollover
NA	NA	20-241-200-320-1-00	Title III Purch Services	\$229	NCLB Rollover
11-000-222-600-3-38	Library Books - MS	11-000-222-600-3-00	Other Library Matls - MS	\$260	Mem Library Materials
11-000-217-610-5-11	Extraord Serv Supplies	11-000-223-580-1-34	IR/CT - Conf/R&D	\$375	Prof Dev for Staff
11-000-230-600-1-42	Supt Off Supplies	11-000-230-340-1-00	Purch Tech Services	\$2,000	Fixed Asset Inventory
11-000-230-600-1-42	Supt Off Supplies	11-000-230-890-1-41	Election Expenses	\$25	Supt Off Misc
11-000-240-610-1-31	Copy Supplies Prin Office	11-000-240-610-2-11	Prin Office Supplies	\$400	Principal Office Supplies
11-000-261-420-1-63	Contract Bldg Maint	11-000-261-420-4-63	MS Contract Services	\$3,000	Professional Services
11-000-261-420-1-63	Contract Bldg Maint	11-000-261-420-4-62	FMS Contract Services	\$2,000	Professional Services
11-000-217-320-5-00	Extraord Serv Purch	11-000-261-421-1-62	Lead Testing	\$7,000	State Mandated Testing
11-000-261-100-1-01	Salary Maintenance	11-000-262-100-1-02	Custodial OT	\$1,000	Over Time
11-000-291-270-1-13	Health Dental Vision	11-000-262-610-4-46	Janitorial Supplies	\$10,000	Supplies
11-402-100-600-2-11	Athletic Supplies	11-402-100-600-2-16	Athletic Uniforms	\$4	Athletic Uniforms

BOARD CERTIFICATION - FEBRUARY

Motion **RESOLVED**, that the Montvale Board of Education approve the following
 10.3 reports as of February 28, 2017: The Board Secretary Report and The Cash Report, attached as Appendix "C" to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion **RESOLVED**, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 [c]4, the Montvale Board of
 10.4 Education certifies that as of February 28, 2017, 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.

2017-18 SCHOOL BUDGET AND TAX LEVY

Motion **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Borough of Montvale does hereby
10.5 adopt the proposed Budget for the 2017-18 school year as follows:

Current Expense	\$16,815,005
Federal Grants	\$286,676
Debt Service	\$624,222
<hr/> Total	<hr/> \$17,725,903

AND BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the amount to be raised by local property taxes for the 2017-18 school year be \$15,495,446 for current expense and \$594,222 for debt service.

SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH LIGHTPATH

Motion **RESOLVED**, that the Montvale School District enter into a three year service
10.6 agreement beginning July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020 for the provision of enterprise voice, internet, and a private fiber network for the monthly price of \$3,500.

CHAPTER 192/193

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved the Nonpublic School 192/193 Service
10.7 Agreement with Bergen County Special Services for the 2017-18 school year.

DONATIONS-MONTVALE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

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

3R's Day, in the amount of \$7,500.00,
MEF grant number **PNG #384**,

Digital Photography, in the amount of \$4,910.00,
MEF grant number **PNG #385**.

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

DONATION-MONTVALE PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be accepted with appreciation a donation of \$10,832 from
10.9 the Montvale Parent Teacher Organization's Suzanne Nemeroff Fund for new art tables at Memorial Elementary School,

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

FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Mr. DiFiore introduced motions 11.1 through 11.4, which motions were seconded by Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn. 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 2017-18 school year with a 0.30% increase as compared to 2016-17 as follows:
Routes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 @ \$216.69 day per vehicle
Route 10 (FMS Late Bus) @ \$ 67.95 per day

MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARTIAL ROOF REPLACEMENT

Motion **WHEREAS**, the Montvale Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the
11.2 “Board”) advertised for bids regarding the Partial Roof Replacement Project at Memorial Elementary School (hereinafter referred to as the “Project”);

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2017, the Board accepted bids for the Project;

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bid for this Project was submitted by Integrity Roofing, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as “Integrity”), with a total bid in the amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Forty Dollars (\$239,340); and

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by Integrity is responsive in all material respects and the Board is desirous of awarding the contract for the Project to Integrity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Board hereby awards the contract for the Project to Integrity Roofing, Inc. in a total contract amount of \$239,340.
2. 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 A-101, Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor, and an A-201, General Conditions of the Contract for Construction, 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.

MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ASBESTOS ABATEMENT

Motion **WHEREAS**, the Montvale Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the
11.3 “Board”) advertised for bids for the Memorial Elementary School Asbestos Abatement Project (hereinafter referred to as the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2017, the Board received bids for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bid for this Project was submitted by Savic Construction Corporation (hereinafter referred to as “Savic”), with a base bid in the amount of Twenty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$24,600); and

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by Savic is responsive in all material respects and it is the Board’s desire to award the contract for the Project to Savic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Board hereby awards the contract for the Memorial Elementary School Asbestos Abatement Project to Savic Construction Corporation in a total contract amount of Twenty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$24,600).
2. This award is expressly conditioned upon the contractor furnishing any requisite documents, the insurance certificate and labor and materials/performance bond as required in the project specifications, together with an AA201-Project Manning Report, an executed A-101-Standard Form of Agreement between Owner and Contractor, A-201-General Conditions of the Contract for Construction, as prepared by the Board Attorney .

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

MEMORIAL ASBESTOS ABATEMENT PROJECT MONITORING SERVICES

Motion **RESOLVED**, that the proposal from Westchester Environmental LLC for
11.4 Project Monitoring Services during the Asbestos Abatement in the third grade wing at Memorial Elementary School be accepted and authorized.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Foley introduced motion 12.1, which motion was seconded by Mrs. McGauley-Eichhorn and was unanimously approved.

BOARD POLICIES

Motion **RESOLVED**, that there be approved the following new and revised
12.1 Policies/Regulations as a 2nd reading:
5125 Student Records (Revised policy)
5118.2 Foster Care and Educational Stability (New policy)
5120 Assessment of Individual Needs (Revised policy)
9322 Public and Private Sessions (Revised policy)
9323 Worksession Meetings (Revised policy)
6171.4 Special Education (entire policy was revised)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No recent committee meetings occurred so no committee reports took place

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

Mr. Carvelli shared that he attended the Kindergarten orientation which was well attended and well received by the parents, particularly those with children entering the Montvale schools for the first time.

Mr. Carvelli also attended Memorial's Literacy Night with Gravity Goldberg. The event was very good but attendance was limited. The Board members recommended more marketing to the parents of future district sponsored parent events.

Mrs. Bagdat attended the Pascack Hills High School Fashion Show and expressed the Board's appreciation to the committee organizing the event for inviting the Board of the Montvale K-8 district.

Mrs. Bagdat attended the recent Mayor's town hall meeting which was interesting. The Board discussed the upcoming developments in Montvale and will continue to evaluate the impact of additional housing units on the schools.

Mrs. Bagdat left the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Rossig received an email from a member of the community with curriculum questions. The questions had been addressed by Dr. Petersen and Mr. Parks.

OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Wasserman reported that the turf replacement at Fieldstone is expected to begin June 22 and be completed by August 15.

Dr. Petersen shared that a homework survey was sent out to the community and over 300 responses had been received.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Foley spoke with the Board on the annual Torch Run for Special Olympics taking place this year on June 9, 2017. The Board discussed opportunities for student participation. Mrs. Foley and Dr. Petersen will coordinate with the school principals to inform the community of this event.

Dr. Petersen and Mrs. Wasserman attended the Borough's pre-construction meeting on the County Road Improvement. They reported that road work is anticipated to start in mid-May and to be completed by the end of August.

Mrs. Baskin questioned if websites were blocked from students on the school supplied chromebooks outside of school. Dr. Petersen will follow up on restrictions with Mr. Parks and Mr. Valois.

Dr. Petersen will be sending an email to the community regarding the television series call 13 Reasons Why about teen suicide.

Mr. Carvelli noted many students have digital devices and the district should consider communicating directly with the students about events concerning them, such as bus delays.

HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC

No members of the public wished to be heard.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mrs. Foley introduced motion 19.1 as follows, which motion was seconded by Mr. DiFiore and passed unanimously.

Motion **RESOLVED**, that this meeting be adjourned at 10:21 p.m.
19.1

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Wasserman
Board Secretary