

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Skillman, New Jersey 08558

Meeting, Wednesday, March 2, 2011
7:00 p.m. Public Session
Upper Middle School Media Center

SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING

OPENING OF THE MEETING

Call to Order – Board President

Statement of Open Meeting and Public Participation – In accordance with the State’s Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing notice of meeting on February 25, 2011. Notice was provided to Board of Education Members, Montgomery Township Clerk, Rocky Hill Borough Clerk, Public Library, Township Posting, School Posting, PTSA Officers, Courier News, Princeton Packet, Trenton Times and The Star Ledger.

The Board reserves the right to enter into Executive Session during all meetings of the Board of Education.

This meeting is being tape-recorded for the purpose of Board review and future reference and to assist in the preparation of minutes.

SALUTE THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

ACTION AGENDA

3.0 NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

3.1 A. Adoption of the 2011-2012 Tentative Budget – that the Board of Education adopt the 2011-2012 tentative budget as follows:

General Fund Current Expense	\$69,354,973
General Fund Capital Outlay	\$ 245,826
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 910,945
Debt Service Fund	<u>\$ 7,567,180</u>
Total Tentative Budget	\$78,078,924

B. Amount to be Raised for Taxes – General Fund – that the Board of Education authorize the Board Secretary to place on the ballot for the April 27, 2011 school election the following question:

RESOLVED, that there should be raised for General Funds \$64,486,634 for the ensuing school year (2011-2012).

- Montgomery portion \$63,080,265
- Rocky Hill portion \$ 1,406,369

C. Amount to be Raised for Taxes – Debt Service – that the Board of Education acknowledge that \$6,510,488 be raised to support the debt service budget for the ensuing school year (2011-2012).

- Montgomery portion \$6,487,797
- Rocky Hill portion \$ 22,691

3.2 Approval of the Adoption of Estimated Tuition Rates for 2011-2012 - establish the following estimated tuition rates for the 2011-2012 school year:

Kindergarten	\$ 9,465
Grades 1-5	\$12,562
Grades 6-8	\$11,861
Grades 9-12	\$12,240
Learning Language Disabled (LLD)	\$35,316
Autistic	\$34,993
Preschool Disabled (PSD)	\$19,718

3.3 Approval of Resolution – School District Accountability – A-5

Whereas, the State of New Jersey has enacted P.L. 2007, An Act Concerning School District Accountability (A-5) requiring boards of education to annually approve the total amount of funds budgeted for travel and conferences for all faculty, staff, administration and board members, and

Whereas the ACT became effective on March 15, 2007 and requires prior approval of all travel and conference costs before they are incurred, and

Whereas, such travel expenditures shall include, but not be limited to, all costs for transportation, meals, lodging and registration and conference fees to and for the travel event,

Whereas, the board of education must establish an annual maximum per employee for regular business travel and that annual maximum is established in board policy 6471 as \$1,500 where prior board approval is not required, and

Whereas, the board of education elects to exclude travel expenditures by federal funds from the maximum travel expenditure amount and acknowledges the following travel costs for federal programs:

2010-11 Budget	\$48,437
2010-11 Expenditures through 2/28/11	\$15,819
2011-12 Projected Budget	\$50,000

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following budget and expended amounts are acknowledged and costs of travel and conferences through the use of local and state funds are approved for the 2010-11 school year and the 2011-12 school year:

Total amount budgeted for travel and conferences 2010-11	\$132,735
Total amount expended July 1, 2010 – Feb. 28, 2011	\$17,269
Total amount budgeted for travel and conferences 2011-12	\$64,302

- 3.4 Establishment of Maximum Dollar Limits for Professional Services – Approve the following maximum dollar limits for professional services for the 2011-12 fiscal year:

<u>Professional Service</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>
Legal	\$300,000
Auditing	\$30,000
Architecture/Engineering	\$100,000
School Physician	\$15,000
Educational Services Consultants (evaluations, O.T., P.T., speech, etc.)	\$475,000
Financial Advisor	\$25,000

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

ADJOURNMENT