

**MENDHAM TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BROOKSIDE, NEW JERSEY
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STAFF DEVELOPMENT ROOM
(MEETING IS BEING HELD VIRTUALLY,
NO IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE WILL BE ALLOWED)
REGULAR SESSION MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021, 7:30 PM**

I. Call to Order

II. Flag Salute

III. Roll Call of the Board of Education

Mrs. Gretchen Holquist	President
Mr. Andrew Christmann	Vice President
Mr. Peter Dumovic	
Dr. Rekha Mandel	
Mrs. Joan Mody	
Mr. Aadithya Thayyar	
Mr. Robert Wowk	

IV. Sunshine Law

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of 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, Mendham Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the Mendham Township Board of Education Office, sent to the Clerk of Mendham Township, and the Observer Tribune and the Daily Record. This is an official meeting.

V. Superintendent's Report

- District Updates, News, and Events
- Suspension, Truancy, and Emergency/Fire Drill Reports (*Attachments*)

VI. Board Secretary's Report

VII. Board President's Report

VIII. Correspondence

IX. Committee Reports

- **Ad Hoc Committees**

X. Consent Items

Approval of Minutes

Work Session Minutes: February 16, 2021

Regular Session Minutes: February 23, 2021

Approval of Executive Minutes: February 16, 2021

Curriculum and Instruction

Operations and Finance

1. **Certification Reports**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education certify pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:19-4, does certify that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9 and N.J.S.A. 18A:17-36, after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial reports for the month of February 2021 that no major accounts and fund balances in the 2020/2021 budget have been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

2. **Board Secretary's Report**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the February 2021 Board Secretary's Reports.

3. **Treasurer's Report**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the February 2021 Treasurer's Reports.

4. **February 2021 Transfer Reports**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the February 2021 transfer report.

5. **March 2021 Bills List**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the final March 2021 Bills List. This includes payroll checks N0261 through N0263, N0264 through N0268.

Fund 10	\$ 49,997.97
Fund 11	\$1,833,773.43
Fund 20	\$ 9,410.01
Fund 60	\$ 8,757.81
Fund 80	\$ <u>300.00</u>
Total:	<u>\$1,902,219.22</u>

6. **Use of District Facilities**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the following use of facility applications for the 2020 - 2021 school year with the right to cancel based on school events and needs:

Organization	Location	Dates	Times	Responsible Party
GRIT 360 Basketball	<u>MS</u> Gyms	Thursdays 03/25/21, 04/08/21, 04/15/21, 04/22/21, 04/29/21, 05/06/21, 05/13/21, 05/20/21, 05/27/21, 06/03/21, 06/10/21, 06/17/21, 06/24/21 Friday 04/16/21 Saturday 04/17/21	5:00pm - 9:00pm 5:00pm - 9:00pm 9:00am - 2:00pm	Kerry Foderingham

* Subject to change due to conflicts with Mendham Township School events.

7. **District Travel**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Board of Education approves the listed travel events in agreement with Chapter 53, Public Law 2007, NJSA 18A:11-12, NJAC 6A:23A-1. All mileage will be reimbursed at the maximum NJ Circular 08-19-OMB rate (currently \$0.35 per mile).

Program Name	Date	Employee	Event Cost	Total Cost
YogArt: Infuse SEL practices into the Art Room (Virtual 6:00pm-7:00pm)	03/03/21 03/10/21 03/17/21 03/24/21 03/31/21 04/07/21 04/14/21 04/21/21 04/28/21	Sarah Bizarro	\$40.00	\$40.00
Solution - Focused Workshop (Virtual)	03/12/21 03/19/21	Alexandria Perrotta	\$97.00	\$97.00
NJ School Counselor Conference (Virtual)	04/16/21	Hillary Clark	\$20.00	\$20.00

8. **Transportation Agreement - Morris Plains School District for the 2021 - 2024 School Years** (Attachment)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the joint transportation agreement between Mendham Township Board of Education and the Morris Plains School District for a three (3) year period effective July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024.

9. Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to 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 solicit bids from electric power suppliers for electric generation services through an energy aggregation program. NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.*, and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act (citation) and the regulations promulgated thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Mendham Township School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS and is eligible thereby to obtain electric generation services for its use through a contract awarded to electric power suppliers following said bid for electric generation services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will issue a Request for Bids for electric generation services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to 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.*; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale electric market, Participating Units will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award a contract for Electric Generation Service to a supplier(s) whose prices will provide estimated savings to the Participating Unit, based on its previous electric usage;

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

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all-electric power needed for its use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) through the electric power supplier(s) awarded said contract for a term not to exceed two years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all-electric power needed for its use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) from the electric power supplier(s) awarded the 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 Districts of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future) for a term not to exceed two years and at prices determined by the Lead Agency to provide estimated 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 rebid to obtain electric generation services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System if energy market conditions do not lead to a successful bid, dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. Any recession of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such recession.

Personnel and Human Resources

1. **Substitute Teachers** (*Attachments*)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the following substitute teachers, pending completion of paperwork, for the 2020 - 2021 school year at the current rate of \$92.00 per day.

Katherine LoVecchio, Laura Ryan

2. **New Hire Transportation Bus Aide - Carolyn Allen**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the appointment of Carolyn Allen, Transportation Bus Aide, at an hourly rate of \$24.17 per hour, two hours per day, not to exceed \$2,417.00, effective March 24, 2021, through June 9, 2021.

3. **Leave of Absence - Christopher Hemmings** (*Attachment*)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education hereby approves Christopher Hemmings, Middle School Custodian, for a medical leave of absence, having received doctor's certification, commencing March 5, 2021, under the Federal Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA), ending after two (2) weeks on March 19, 2021, while utilizing Eleven (11) sick days.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves Christopher Hemmings with an anticipated return to work date of March 22, 2021.

4. **Rescind: Unpaid Days Transportation Driver - Steven Molnar**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education rescinds the unpaid days for Steven Molnar, Transportation Driver's effective March 5, 2021.

Policy and Planning

1. Second Reading (Attachments)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves for second reading and adoption of the following policies and regulations:

P 0145	Board Member Resignation and Removal (M) (Revised)
P 0164.6	Remote Public Board Meetings During A Declared Emergency (M) (New)
R 1642	Earned Sick Leave Law (M) (Revised)
P 1643	Family Leave (M) (New)
P 3431.1	Family Leave (M) (Abolished)
P 4431.1	Family Leave (M) (Abolished)
P 3431.3	New Jersey Family Leave Insurance Program (Abolished)
P 4431.3	New Jersey Family Leave Insurance Program (Abolished)
P & R 5330.01	Administration of Medical Cannabis (M) (Revised)
P 7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools (M) (Revised)
R 7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools (M) (New)
P & R 7430	School Safety (M) (Abolished)
P 2415	Every Student Succeeds Act (M) (Revised)
P 2415.01	Academic Standards, Academic Assessments, and Accountability (M) (Abolished)
P 2415.02	Title I - Fiscal Responsibilities (M) (Revised)
P 2415.03	Highly Qualified Teachers (M) (Abolished)
P 2415.05	Student Surveys, Analysis, and/or Evaluations (M) (Revised)
P & R 2415.20	Every Student Succeeds Act Complaints (M) (Revised)
P 4125	Employment of Support Staff Members (M) (Revised)
P 6360	Political Contributions (M) (Revised)
P 8330	Student Records (M) (Revised)
P 9713	Recruitment by Special Interest Groups (M) (Revised)

XI. ACTION ITEMS

Personnel and Human Resources

1. Seasonal Custodians

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendham Township Board of Education approves the following Seasonal Custodians, effective Saturday, March 27, 2021 through Sunday, April 4, 2021 at the current rate of \$12.00 per hour.

Evelyn Minuche, Maria Tapia

XII. Discussion

XIII. Verbal Communications from the Public

The Board President, or Presiding Officer, will direct members of the public to speak in turn and shall have the right to limit the speaking time of individuals wishing to provide comment to the board as necessary. Board of Education

members provide public comment as a time to listen to the comments from attendees of the Board of Education meeting. Public comment shall not be a time for open dialogue with the speaker. Public comment shall not be a time for board members to answer questions posed to them from a speaker or comment on a speaker's concerns. Speakers shall provide their name, address, and direct their comments to the board and not to district staff or other audience members. Speakers shall not expect board members to answer questions during public comment. Questions shall be referred to the Superintendent, or his/her designee, for review, study and response. If appropriate, the board may request the issue be a discussion item at a future Board of Education meeting.

XIV. Adjourn to Closed EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975, also known as the Sunshine Law, authorizes a public body to meet in executive session under certain limited circumstances, and

WHEREAS, said the law requires the board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive or private session.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Mendham Township that it does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in executive session at this time to discuss a personnel matter. The matters discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a public meeting.

XV. Reconvene Open Regular Session Meeting

XVI. Adjournment