

**The Board of Education of Moorestown Township
Moorestown, New Jersey
Public Agenda
Video Conference
September 15, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.**

I. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Moorestown Township Board of Education is called to order. This meeting is called in conformance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” with adequate notice provided as follows:

- A. Notice filed with the Courier Post on July 1, 2020
- B. Notice filed with the Burlington County Times on July 1, 2020

II. Moment of Silence

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Roll Call

Mr. Jack Fairchild
Mrs. Dria Law
Mrs. Katherine Mullin
Ms. Lauren Romano
Dr. Mark Snyder
Mr. Mark Villanueva
Mr. David A. Weinstein

Mrs. Caryn Shaw, Vice President
Dr. Sandra Alberti, President

Mr. John Comegno, Esq., Solicitor
Dr. Scott McCartney, Superintendent
Mr. James M. Heiser, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Ms. Carole Butler, Director of Curriculum and Instruction
Dr. David Tate, Director of Special Education
Mrs. Debora Belfield, Director of Personnel
Mr. Jeffrey Arey, Director of Instructional Technology

V. Routine Matters

A. Minutes

Approval of minutes for the following meetings attached as Exhibit #21-36:

June 30, 2020 Executive Session	August 12, 2020 Special Meeting
June 30, 2020 Special Meeting	August 18, 2020 Executive Session
July 28, 2020 Executive Session	August 18, 2020 Regular Meeting
July 28, 2020 Special Meeting	September 3, 2020 Special Meeting

Moved by: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

B. Communications

C. Educational Highlights –Superintendent’s Monthly Report

- 1. General Updates
 - o Retirement Recognition
 - Leandra Parsons
 - Zoe Morrow
 - o School Openings
 - In-Service Days

D. Student Board Representatives

E. Board Committee Reports – Questions and Comments

F. Public Comment

1. Open Public Comment

MOTION:

A motion is requested to open the floor for public comment.

Moved by: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

2. Public Comment on Agenda Items

3. Close Public Comment

MOTION:

A motion is requested to close the floor for public comment.

Moved by: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

VI. Reports to the Board

A. Business Administrator/Board Secretary

- 1. **Financial Reports of the Board Secy. (preliminary) – June, 2020 – Exhibit #21-37**
- 2. **Treasurer’s Report – April, 2020 – Exhibit #21-38**

Resolution of Board of Education’s Monthly Certification Budgetary Major Account/Fund Status:

BE IT RESOLVED:

Board Secretary’s monthly certification budgetary line item status:
 Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, I certify that no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the District Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.
 Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, we certify that after review of the Secretary’s monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate District officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

3. Approval of Budget Transfers

I recommend approval of the budget transfers for the month of May, 2020 attached as Exhibit #21-39.

4. Approval of Bills

I recommend approval of the bills, in the amount of \$5,121,061.45 attached as Exhibit #21-40.

Approval of Items 1 – 4:

Moved by: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

VII. Recommendations of the Superintendent

A. Policies and Procedures

1. First Reading

The Policy Committee has reviewed the file codes listed in the attached exhibit and recommends the following Policies be entered on first reading:

- Policy 1648.03 Restart and Recovery Plan – Full Time Remote Instruction
- Policy 2431.03 Heat Participation Policy for Student-Athlete Safety
- Policy 2622 Student Assessment
- Policy 5111 Eligibility of Resident/Non-Resident Students
- Regulation 5111 Eligibility of Resident/Non-Resident Students

MOTION:

I recommend that the Board enter on first reading the Policies listed above as Exhibit #21-41.

2. Second Reading

The Policy Committee has reviewed the file codes listed in the attached exhibit and recommends the following Policies and Regulation be entered on second reading:

- Policy 1648 Restart and Recovery Plan
- Policy 1648.02 Remote Learning Options for Families
- Policy 1649 Federal Families First Coronavirus (Covid-19) Response Act

MOTION:

I recommend that the Board enter and adopt on second reading the Policies and Regulation listed above as Exhibit #21-42.

Moved by: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

B. Educational Program

1. Special Education Out-of-District Placements 2020-21

The following Moorestown student with special needs is recommended for placement in the appropriate out-of-district programs and schools as mandated in the Individualized Education Programs (IEPs).

MOTION:

I recommend that the Board approve the student with special needs at the placement listed on Exhibit #21-43 for the 2020-21 school year at the location indicated at the approved tuition rates with transportation provided.

2. Special Education In-District Placements 2020-2021

The following students with special needs have been recommended for placement in a Moorestown Township Special Education Program. The sending district will bear the cost for tuition, 1:1 aide (if needed) and provide transportation.

MOTION:

I recommend that the Board approve the students with special needs listed on Exhibit #21-44 for placement in a Moorestown Township Special Education Program for the 2020-21 school year at the appropriate rate of tuition with transportation provided by the sending districts. The sending district will bear the cost for a 1:1 aide if needed.

3. Special Education Services Contract

MOTION:

I recommend the Board approve the agreement attached as Exhibit #21-45 with My Own Two Hands, LLC to provide orientation and mobility services and Teacher of the Visually Impaired services to a student with an Individual Education Plan.

4. Special Education Services Contract

MOTION:

I recommend the Board approve the agreement attached as Exhibit #21-46 with Brett DiNovi & Associates, LLC to provide consulting and school-based services for students with an Individual Education Plans.

5. Consulting Service Agreement

MOTION:

I recommend that the Board approve the agreement attached as Exhibit #21-47 with Kathy Darrow to provide consulting services for students with special needs.

6. Consulting Service Agreement

MOTION:

I recommend that the Board approve the agreement attached as Exhibit #21-48 with Family First, LLC to provide consulting services for students with special needs.

Approval of Items 1 – 6:

Moved by: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

C. Finance and Business

1. Travel Expenditures Approval Requests

The State of New Jersey has enacted P.L.2007, c.53, An Act Concerning School District Accountability. Section 15 of the Act addresses “Travel Expenditures” paid by the school district.

MOTION:

I recommend that the Board approve the travel expenditures requests attached as Exhibit #21-49.

2. Approval of State Contract and Consortium Vendor Purchases

MOTION:

I recommend the Board approve NJ State Contract Interlocal Agreement and consortium purchases as per attached Exhibit #21-50.

3. Donations

MOTION:

I recommend the Board accept the following donations:

- \$150 from AbbVie Employee Engagement Fund to be used at South Valley Elementary School

4. Grant Application

The Moorestown Township Public Schools’ Digital Divide Grant application for 2021 requires Board of Education approval. The grant allocation total is \$188,392.00

MOTION:

I recommend that the Board hereby authorize the submission of the Digital Divide application for Fiscal Year 2021, and accepts the grant award of these funds upon the subsequent approval of the FY 2021 Digital Divide application.

5. Nonpublic Aid Programs

MOTION:

I recommend that the Board approve the nonpublic aid programs required consultation conference forms attached as Exhibit #21-51 with ordering and implementation to occur, pending state appropriation of funds.

Approval of Items 1 – 5:

Moved by: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

D. Employee Relations

Subject to background checks as required by P.L. 1986 c116 and P.L. 1971, c.437 (C.9:6-8.8 et seq.), for the 2020-2021 school year.

1. Appointments

Administrative Staff

No actions recommended at this time.

Professional Staff

- a. Stefanie Pagone, as a Long Term Substitute 6th Grade Teacher at the Upper Elementary School. Ms. Pagone has a BA from The College of New Jersey. She has been place on Column BA, Step 1 of the Teacher Salary Guide at a salary of \$50,000.00 prorated, effective on September 1, 2020 through November 17, 2020 (temporary leave replacement).
- b. Cynthia Rivas, as a Long Term Substitute Special Education Teacher at the Upper Elementary School. Ms. Rivas has a MA from Fairleigh Dickerson University. She has been place on Column BA, Step 1 of the Teacher Salary Guide at a salary of \$50,000.00 prorated, effective on September 1, 2020 through November 25, 2020 (temporary leave replacement).
- c. Nichole Dimitri, as a Long Term Substitute Special Education Teacher at the Middle School. Ms. Dimitri has a BA from Holy Family University. She has been place on Column BA, Step 1 of the Teacher Salary Guide at a salary of \$50,000.00 prorated, effective on or about September 21, 2020 through January 5, 2021 (temporary leave replacement).

Support Staff

- a. Katarina Thomason, as a Paraprofessional at the South Valley Elementary School. Ms. Thomason has been placed on Column Para EDUC, Step 3 of the 2020-2021 Paraprofessional Salary Guide at an hourly rate of \$14.73 (6.75 hours per day) for an annual salary of \$18,493.52 prorated, effective on or about September 21, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- b. Deborah Cirenza, as a Paraprofessional at the High School. Ms. Cirenza has been placed on Column Para AA/BS Step 1 of the 2020-2021 Paraprofessional Salary Guide at an hourly rate of \$12.83 (6.75 hours per day) for an annual salary of \$16,108.07 prorated, effective on or about September 21, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

- c. John Patterson, as a Paraprofessional at the High School. Mr. Patterson has been placed on Column Para +30 Step 1 of the 2020-2021 Paraprofessional Salary Guide at an hourly rate of \$12.43 (6.75 hours per day) for an annual salary of \$15,605.87 prorated, effective on or about September 21, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

2. Resignation

Administrative Staff

No actions recommended at this time.

Professional Staff

No actions recommended at this time.

Support Staff

- a. Lisandra Echevarria, a Bus Driver for the Transportation Department, effective September 1, 2020.

3. Change of Assignment/FTE

Administrative Staff

No actions recommended at this time.

Professional Staff

- a. Syreeta Lee, from a Kindergarten Teacher to a 1st Grade Teacher at the George Baker Elementary School, effective September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Support Staff

- a. Therese Getz, a Paraprofessional at the George Baker Elementary School, from .67 FTE to .71 FTE for an annual salary of \$10,805.21, effective September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- b. Nazneen Khan, a Paraprofessional at the George Baker Elementary School, from .67 FTE to .71 FTE for an annual salary of \$12,395.51, effective September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- c. Michelle Molz, a Paraprofessional at the George Baker Elementary School, from .67 FTE to .71 FTE for an annual salary of \$11,512.01, effective September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- d. Leslie Todd, a Paraprofessional at the George Baker Elementary School, from .67 FTE to .71 FTE for an annual salary of \$19,330.98, effective September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

4. Substitutes - Exhibit #21-52

5. Practicum Student - Exhibit #21-53

6. Movement on the Salary Guide - Exhibit #21-54

7. Bus Driver Referral Bonus - Exhibit #21-55

- 8. **SWAP Day Presenters** - Exhibit #21-56
- 9. **New Teacher Orientation Presenters** - Exhibit #21-57
- 10. **Adjustment to Curriculum Writing** - Exhibit #21-58
- 11. **Professional Development Presenters** - Exhibit #21-59
- 12. **Bus Duty** - Exhibit #21-60
- 13. **Saturday Detention** - Exhibit #21-61
- 14. **Co-Curricular** - Exhibit #21-62

Approval of Items 1 – 14:

Moved by: _____ Second: _____ Roll Call Vote: _____

VIII. Informational Only

A. Enrollment Information – September 8, 2020

	2019-2020	2020-2021
High School	1275	1296
Middle School	668	629
Upper Elementary School	913	859
Elementary School	<u>1119</u>	<u>1060</u>
Total	3975	3844

B. Old Business

C. New Business

D. Public Comment

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IX. Adjournment

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