Board of Education Meeting
August 3, 2017

REVISED AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. OPENING STATEMENT

This is a public meeting of the Board of Education of the Morris-Union Jointure Commission. Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with PL1975, Chapter 231, in that a special notice was made in conformance with Section 13 of the Act.

III. FLAG SALUTE

IV. WELCOME AND OATH OF OFFICE

A warm welcome to our new Board of Education member:

Dr. Scott Rubin, Superintendent, Cranford

V. ROLL CALL

Dr. Edwin Acevedo, Long Hill Township
Dr. Christine Burton, Millburn
Mr. June Chang, Summit
Mr. Michael A. Davino, Springfield
Dr. Margaret Dolan, Westfield
Ms. Jennifer Fano, Randolph Township
Dr. Tom Ficarra, School District of South Orange-Maplewood
Mr. Pedro Garrido, Roselle Park
Mr. Edward Grande, Clark
Dr. Margaret Hayes, Scotch Plains-Fanwood
Ms. Elizabeth Jewett, Watchung Hills Regional High School
Dr. Michael LaSusa, School District of the Chathams
Dr. Nancy Lubarsky, Mountainside
Mr. Nick Markarian, Bernards Township
Dr. David Miceli, New Providence
Dr. Matthew Mingle, Warren Township
VI. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Move the approval and adoption of the Minutes of the June 15, 2017 Board of Education meeting.

{Attachment M 1}

VIII. CLOSED SESSION

Move the adoption of the following resolution:

This body shall, following completion of the above agenda items, discuss in closed session, pursuant to Section 7B of the Open Public Meetings Act, specific matters which may generally be described as follows:

- Personnel
- HIB Investigation

The minutes of the discussion in closed session of aforementioned matters may be disclosed to the public on or after final determination of action has been reached.

IX. FINANCE


{Attachment F 1}
B. Ratification of the actions of the School Board Secretary who paid bills and met financial obligations for May 1, 2017 through May 31, 2017.

Move to ratify the action of the School Board Secretary of the Morris-Union Jointure Commission who paid bills and met financial obligations with respect to the attached bill lists and General Account, effective May 1, 2017 through May 31, 2017 pursuant to the action of the Morris-Union Jointure Commission Board of Education June 15, 2017.

{Attachment F 2}

C. Move the approval and authorization of the School Board Secretary to pay bills and meet financial obligations for August 4, 2017 through September 8, 2017.

D. Move the acceptance of the report of the School Board Secretary and the report of the Treasurer of School Moneys through May 31, 2017.

{Attachment F 3}

E. Resolved: Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12(c)4, we certify that as of May 31, 2017, 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 overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.2(c) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

{Attachment F 4}

F. Move to approve the Specialty Classroom Use Agreement between the Morris-Union Jointure Commission and the Summit Board of Education for the 2017 – 2018 school year.

{Attachment F 5}

G. Move to approve the contract between NJ Swim, Chatham, NJ and the Morris-Union Jointure Commission for the use of the Tokash Aquatic Center located at the DLC – Warren
facility from September 4, 2017 through June 12, 2018 at the rate of $74,120.00.

{Attachment F 6}

H. Move to approve the transportation contracts for the 2017 Extended School Year Program.

{Attachment F 7}


{Attachment FR 1}


{Attachment FR 2}

**X. ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION**

A. AASA’s Discover China Program – Janet Fike

B. Update on the Reconfiguration of the DLCs Janet Fike and Mike Davison

C. Move the approval to accept the “Preparing Students with IEPs for Life in the Community, Integrated Employment, and Post-Secondary Success” grant in the amount of $323,015.00, beginning September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018 (Year 2 of 3 Year Grant).

{Attachment AO 1}

D. Move to approve NJASA Conferences of the School Administrator Residency Program for Jason Parenti in the amount of $1,750.00 for the 2015 – 2016 school year.

{Attachment AO 2}

E. Move to approve the Fee for Service Agreement Between Morris-Union Jointure Commission and Watchung Borough
Public School District for One (1) In-District Teacher Assistant for the 2017 Extended School Year.

{Attachment AO 3}

F. Move to approve the Fee for Service Agreement Between Morris-Union Jointure Commission and Watchung Borough Public School District for One (1) In-District Physical Therapist for the 2017 Extended School Year.

{Attachment AO 4}

G. Move to approve the Fee for Service Agreement Between Morris-Union Jointure Commission and Watchung Borough Public School District for One (1) In-District Occupational Therapist for the 2017 Extended School Year.

{Attachment AO 5}

H. Move to approve the Fee for Service Agreement Between Morris-Union Jointure Commission and Springfield Board of Education for One (1) In-District Speech/Language Specialist for the 2017 – 2018 School Year.

{Attachment AO 6}

I. Move to approve the attendance at conferences requested by staff members as listed on the attached Request for Attendance at Conference Report.

{Attachment AO 7}


{Attachment AO 8}

K. Move the approval of the Morris-Union Jointure Commission’s School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act (ABR).

{Attachment AO 9}
L. Move to approve the Community-Based Instruction Contract for Elmwood Park for the 2017 – 2018 School Year.

{Attachment AO 10}

M. Move to approve the revised 2017 – 2018 State Contract Vendor List to reflect additions, deletions, new contract numbers, and contract expiration dates.

{Attachment AO 11}

N. Move to approve the submission of the Waiver Application to the New Jersey Department of Education to permit credentialing for substitute teachers and other positions where the criminal history clearance letter has not been received.

{Attachment AO 12}

O. Move to approve the Leader to Leader administrative fee in the amount of $800.00 to be paid to the Foundation for Educational Administration (FEA)/NJ-L2L Program for Matthew Fernandez, Vice Principal, Developmental Learning Center – Warren.

P. Review: Superintendent’s Report on HIB Investigations, Trainings, and Programs

{Attachment AOR 1}

Q. Review: Superintendent’s Report on Violence, Vandalism, and Substance Abuse (including HIB)

{Attachment AOR 2}


{Attachment AOR 3}

XI. STAFF APPOINTMENTS FOR 2017 EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM

A. Move the appointment of the following staff member(s) for the 2017 extended school year program:
1. Alana Aranjo will serve as Teacher of the Handicapped/Students with Disabilities, DLC – Warren, 1.0 FTE, BA, Step 1, at a rate of $243.99 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

2. Arielle Baeza will serve as Teacher Assistant, DLC – Warren, 1.0 FTE, 60 credits, Step 1, at a rate of $142.17 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

3. Daniella Benitez will serve as a School Bus Attendant, Transportation, as needed, at a rate of $13.13 per hour, effective July 19, 2017 through August 31, 2017 (existing position).

4. Viviana Cruz Ramirez will serve as School Bus Attendant, Transportation, as needed, at a rate of $13.13 per hour, effective July 6, 2017 through August 31, 2017 (existing position).

5. Christine Dernbach-Bitler will serve as Speech/Language Specialist, DLC – New Providence, MA, Step 1, at a rate of $342.52 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

6. Danielle Fusco will serve as Teacher Assistant, DLC – Warren, 1.0 FTE, BA, Step 1, at a rate of $157.19 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

7. Alexis Gadd will serve as Teacher Assistant, DLC – New Providence, 1.0 FTE, BA, Step 1, at a rate of $157.19 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

8. Chana Goldberg will serve as Speech/Language Specialist, DLC – Warren, MA, Step 1, at a rate of $342.52 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

9. Teresa Hernandez will serve as Teacher Assistant, DLC – Warren, 1.0 FTE, BA, Step 1, at a rate of $157.19 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

11. Maria Jardim will serve as School Bus Attendant, Transportation, as needed, at a rate of $13.13 per hour, effective July 31, 2017 through August 31, 2017 (existing position).

12. Gregory Lear will serve as Certified Pool Operator, DLC – Warren, as needed, at a rate of $50.00 per hour, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

13. Alissa Martinez will serve as Teacher Assistant, DLC – Warren, 1.0 FTE, 60 credits, Step 1, at a rate of $142.17 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

14. Irina McRoberts will serve as School Bus Attendant, Transportation, as needed, at a rate of $13.13 per hour, effective July 1, 2017 through August 31, 2017 (existing position).

15. Brian Pullen will serve as Teacher Assistant, DLC – Warren, 1.0 FTE, BA, Step 1, at a rate of $157.19 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

16. Jacqueline Rodgers will serve as Teacher of the Handicapped/Students with Disabilities, DLC – Warren, 1.0 FTE, BA, Step 1, at a rate of $243.99 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

17. Nerlyn Salazar Tavarez will serve as School Bus Attendant, Transportation, as needed, at a rate of $13.13 per hour, effective July 31, 2017 through August 31, 2017 (existing position).

18. Chelsea Sebastian will serve as Teacher Assistant, DLC – Warren, 1.0 FTE, BA, Step 1, at a rate of $157.19 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).
19. Allison Skrec will serve as Teacher Assistant, DLC – Warren, 1.0 FTE, BA, Step 1, at a rate of $157.19 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

20. Amir Thomas will serve as School Bus Attendant, Transportation, as needed, at a rate of $13.13 per hour, effective July 18, 2017 through August 31, 2017 (existing position).

21. Kiara Walker will serve as School Bus Attendant, Transportation, as needed, at a rate of $13.13 per hour, effective July 18, 2017 through August 31, 2017 (existing position).

22. Margaret Wood will serve as School Bus Attendant, Transportation, as needed, at a rate of $13.13 per hour, effective July 6, 2017 through August 31, 2017 (existing position).

23. Alexandra Zaller will serve as Teacher Assistant, DLC – Warren, 1.0 FTE, BA, Step 1, at a rate of $157.19 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

B. Move the approval of additional positions for the following staff member(s) for the 2017 extended school year program:

1. Suzanne Alpizar will serve as Certified Teacher Assistant Substitute, DLC – Warren, as needed, at a rate of $50.00 per day (in addition to the per diem ESYP contract), effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

2. Suzanne Alpizar will serve as Certified Teacher Assistant Substitute - Hourly, DLC – Warren, as needed, at a rate of $6.67 per day (in addition to the per diem ESYP contract), effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

3. Colleen Fachet will serve as ABA Home Program – Teacher Assistant, DLC – New Providence, as needed, at a rate of $44.18 per hour (in addition to the per diem ESYP contract), effective July 1, 2017 through August 31, 2017 (existing position).
4. Manuel Gomez will serve as Certified Pool Operator, DLC – Warren, as needed, at a rate of $50.00 per hour (in addition to the per diem ESYP contract), effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

5. Manuel Gomez will serve as Assistant Pool Operator, DLC – Warren, as needed, at a rate of $41.20 per hour (in addition to the per diem ESYP contract), effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

6. Gregory Lear will serve as Assistant Pool Operator, DLC – Warren, as needed, at a rate of $41.20 per hour, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

7. Christa Rossi will serve as Occupational Therapist, DLC – Warren/Field, for four (4) hours in the Field, at a rate of $57.44 per hour (in addition to the per diem ESYP contract) effective June 26, 2017 through June 26, 2017 (existing position).

C. Move the approval of the change in daily rate due to receipt of transcripts for the following staff member(s) for the 2017 extended school year program:

1. John Stauffer, Teacher Assistant, DLC – Warren, from 60 credits, Step 1, $142.17 per day to BA, Step 1, $157.19 per day, effective June 27, 2017 through August 9, 2017 (existing position).

D. Move the approval of the revised appointment for the following staff member for the 2017 extended school year program:

1. Christa Rossi, Occupational Therapist,

E. Move to rescind the appointment for the following staff member(s) for the 2017 extended school year program:


XII. STAFF APPOINTMENTS FOR 2017 – 2018

A. Move to approve the payment of the perfect attendance stipend pursuant to MUJC Board Policy #4432, “Support Staff Members: Sick Leave,” MUJC Board Policy #3432, “Teaching Staff Members: Sick Leave - CNA” and MUJC Board Policy #3432A, “Teaching Staff Members: Sick Leave” in the amount of $200.00 for the period of February 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 for ten (10) month staff members and January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 for twelve (12) month staff members and as per the attached lists.

{Attachment HR 1}

XIII. PERSONNEL ACTION

A. Move the approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the continuing expansion of the Developmental Learning Centers requires that the Morris-Union Jointure Commission hire certified and noncertified staff on an emergent basis, prior to the completion of the criminal history record check by the Commissioner of Education; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et seq. provides for the emergent hiring of employees for a period not to exceed three months, pending completion of a criminal history records check by the Commissioner of Education; and

WHEREAS, all new employed certified and noncertified candidates for employment have provided attestation that they have not been convicted of any disqualifying crime
pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et seq.,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Morris-Union
Jointure Commission Board of Education approves the
within Authorization for Emergent Hiring Pending
Completion of Criminal History Check and accompanying
roster of candidates for employment.

{Attachment HR 2}

B. Notification of family leave under FMLA for the following staff
member(s):

Meagan Wenger, Speech/Language Specialist, DLC –
Warren, from September 8, 2017 through October 13, 2017
(with health benefits from September 8, 2017 through
October 13, 2017).

C. Notification of family leave under FLA for the following staff
member(s):

Meagan Wenger, Speech/Language Specialist, DLC –
Warren, from September 8, 2017 through November 17,
2017 (with health benefits from September 8, 2017 through
November 17, 2017).

XIV. RESIGNATION

1. Wendy Chacon, School Bus Driver, Transportation, effective
June 16, 2017.

2. Demetrios Drivas, School Bus Attendant, Transportation,
effective July 14, 2017.

3. Charmaine Fairley, Substitute School Bus Attendant,
Transportation, effective June 23, 2017.

4. Kathleen Fanning, Transportation Dispatcher,
Transportation, effective August 18, 2017.

5. Michael Jaghab, Teacher Assistant, DLC – Warren, effective
July 10, 2017 (2017 extended school year program only).


XV. POLICY

A. Move to accept on the first reading the following policy and regulations:

#2461 Special Education/Receiving Schools (Program)
#R2461.01 Special Education/Receiving Schools – IEP Implementation (Program)
#R2461.02 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Suspension (Program)
#R2461.03 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Student Records (Program)
#R2461.04 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Special Education and Related Services (Program)
#R2461.05 Special Education/Receiving Schools – IEP Compliance (Program)
#R2461.06 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Appropriately Certified Staff (Program)
#R2461.07 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Termination of Placement (Program)
#R2461.08 Special Education/Receiving Schools – In-Service Training (Program)
#R2461.09 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Statewide and District-Wide Assessment Programs (Program)
#R2461.10 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Full Educational Opportunity (Program)
#R2461.11 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Staff Consultation (Program)
#R2461.12 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Length of School Day and Academic Year (Program)
#R2461.13 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Observation of Educational Programs (Program)
#R2461.14 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Amending Policies, Procedures, the Services Provided, or the Location of Facilities (Program)
#R2461.15 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Operation of an Extended Academic Year Program (Program)
#R2461.16 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Employment of a Full-Time Non-Teaching Principal (Program)
#R2461.17 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Submission of Fiscal Information and Obtaining Certificates (Program)
#R2461.18 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Notice to Department of Education Prior to Ceasing Operation or Change of Ownership (Program)
#R2461.19 Special Education/Receiving Schools – Behavior Modification Program (Program)

{Attachment PO 1}

XVI. NEW BUSINESS

XVII. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

A. Updated Committee Assignments

B. Congratulations to Renè Rovtar on her participation in the 2017 Nathan’s Hot Dog Eating Contest!

C. Randolph Township’s Transition Program

D. Millburn Student Organizes Coding Camp

XVIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

TOUR OF THE DLC – NEW PROVIDENCE