# MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION Skillman, New Jersey 08558

Meeting, Tuesday, March 27, 2018 7:00 p.m. Executive Session 7:30 p.m. Public Session Upper Middle School Media Center

# AGENDA FOR REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

#### 2017-2018 District Goals

Goal 1: Maximize the social-emotional and academic growth of every student

Goal 2: Ensure a learning environment that promotes excellence

Goal 3: Strengthen stakeholder relationships to support and enhance student learning

Goal 4: Optimize operational and financial resources to enhance student experience

#### OPENING OF THE MEETING

Call to Order – Board President

<u>Statement of Open Meeting and Public Participation</u> - In accordance with the State's Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing notice of meeting on January 10, 2018, and March 23, 2018. 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.

It is the School Board's intention to conclude this meeting no later than 10:00 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It is recommended that the Board convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing items related to personnel, harassment, intimidation and bullying incidents, and negotiations with the Montgomery Township Education Association. When the need for confidentiality no longer exists, the matters will be disclosed to the public.

## RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION – 7:30 p.m.

#### SALUTE THE FLAG

## **PRESENTATIONS**

- 2018 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards in New Jersey
- Upper Middle School Mentoring Program
- Instructional Technology Budget Presentation
- Preliminary Budget Presentation 2018-19

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

#### NEW BUSINESS FROM BOARD/PUBLIC

Members of the public are allotted one opportunity to bring any new/old business to the Board for up to a maximum of five (5) minutes per speaker. All comments or questions must be directed to the board president. The board president may need to refer an issue to the superintendent if the particular issue has not been handled through the appropriate chain of command within the school district before coming to the board for a response. All responses will be provided at the end of this session.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u> – It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the following Board Meeting(s):

1.	February 13, 2018	<b>Executive Session Meeting</b>
2.	February 13, 2018	Workshop and Business Meeting
3.	February 27, 2018	Executive Session Meeting
4.	February 27, 2018	Business Meeting

<u>ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE</u> – It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the correspondence as follows:

1. Email dated 2/26/18 from A. Wirsul regarding request some follow up, observations, etc.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public are allotted one opportunity to address the Board regarding the **Action Agenda** for up to a maximum of five (5) minutes during this period of the meeting. All comments or questions must be directed to the board president. The board president may need to refer an issue to the superintendent if the particular issue has not been handled through the appropriate chain of command within the school district before coming to the board for a response. All responses will be provided at the end of this session.

# **ACTION AGENDA**

# 1.0 <u>ADMINISTRATIVE</u>

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the administrative items as follows:

- 1.1 <u>Routine Monthly Reports</u> Accept the following reports:
  - a. Student Control Report
  - b. Fire/Security Drill Report
  - c. Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) Report
- 1.2 <u>Policy Second Reading</u> Accept and adopt the following policies and regulations following a second reading:

0169.02	Board Member Use of Social Networks
5460.1R	High School Transcripts
7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools
7510R	Use of School Facilities
8550	Unpaid Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Service Charges
8630	Bus Driver/Bus Aide Responsibility
8630R	Emergency School Bus Procedures
9242	Use of Electronic Signatures

# 2.0 <u>CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION</u>

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the curriculum and instruction agenda as follows:

## 2.1 Out-of-District Placements 2017-2018

Approve the following Out-of-District Placements for the 2017-2018 school year:

		TUITION			
Pupil ID	School	Dates	ESY	RSY	Total for Year
100590	Woods Services Inc. 1:1 Aide - Voided	1/10/18 - 6/30/18		-\$22,230.00	-\$22,230.00
105191	Garfield Park Academy	3/5/18 - 6/22/18		\$20,684.30	\$20,684.30
102327	Somerset County Vo-Tech TOPS - Withdrawn	3/16/18 - 6/20/18		-\$8379.92	-\$8379.92
104777	Somerset Secondary Academy	2/26/18-6/30/18		\$12,458.33	\$12,458.33

- 2.2 <u>Subscription Approval</u> Approve the Fireplace, Inc. annual software subscription to SMORE at a cost of \$499.00 for the period February 2018 through February 2019 to be funded by the ESEA Title IIA Grant.
- 2.3 <u>Educational Research Project</u> Approve Lia Camuto, Supervisor, Pupil Services K-4, to conduct an Educational Research Project in accordance with Policy 3245.
- 2.4 <u>Chapters 192/193 Funding 2017-18</u> Approve additional funding under the provisions of Chapters 192/193, Nonpublic Auxiliary and Handicapped Services, in the amount of \$714.00 for the 2017-18 school year to be allocated as follows:

		Year to Date
Chapter 192 Compensatory Education	\$0.00	\$1,772.00
Chapter 192 E.S.L.	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Chapter 192 Total	\$0.00	\$1,772.00
Chapter 193 Exam and Classification	\$0.00	\$20,743.00
Chapter 193 Corrective Speech	\$714.00	\$5,178.00
Chapter 193 Supplementary Instruction	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$6,344.00
Chapter 193 Total	\$714.00	\$32,265.00
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**Grand Total** \$34,037.00

# 3.0 FINANCE

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the finance agenda as follows:

- 3.1 <u>Financial Reports</u> As prepared by the School Business Administrator and Treasurer of School Moneys which are in agreement, and presented by the Superintendent, approve the following reports as of February 28, 2018:
  - Board Secretary's Report
  - Treasurer's Report
  - Investment Report
  - Food Services Report
- 3.2 <u>Ratification of Transfers</u> ratify the transfer of funds among the general, special revenue and capital projects funds' line items as of February 28, 2018.
- 3.3 Receipt of Certification from Board Secretary Pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.12 (c) 3, I, Annette M. Wells, certify that as of February 28, 2018 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23-2.12 (a).

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- 3.4 <u>Certification of Board of Education</u> Pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2-12 (c) 4, we certify that as of February 28, 2018 after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial reports, in the minutes of the board each month that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.12 (b).
- 3.5 Approval of Monthly Bills for March approve the monthly bills as follows:

General Operating	\$6,707,627.56
Food Services	\$169,513.47

- 3.6 <u>Travel Reimbursement 2017/2018</u> approve the Board member and/or staff conference and travel expenses as per the attached list.
- 3.7 <u>Approve the Adjustment for Increase in Budgeted Health Care Costs for the 2018-19</u> <u>Budget</u> – approve the following resolution regarding the use of health care adjustment for the 2018-19 budget:

WHEREAS, the Montgomery Township Board of Education has the ability to exceed the 2% cap permitted on the general fund local tax levy increase through the use of health care adjustment for the 2018-19 tentative budget; and

WHEREAS, \$1,211,197 is available; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery Township Board of Education has determined that \$1,095,925 is needed to balance the general fund for the 2018-19 tentative budget in order to maintain existing programs, implement mandated programs and remain in alignment with the district's mission and vision within the upcoming school year; and

WHEREAS, the 2018-19, NJ Department of Education Budget Guidelines require the Board of Education to formally adopt a resolution when using a health care adjustment in the 2018-19 tentative budget; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery Township Board of Education is going above the 2% local tax levy cap with the additional health care adjustment of \$1,095,925.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Montgomery Township Board of Education approves the need for \$1,095,925 in health care adjustment to be applied to the 2018-19 local tax levy general fund.

3.8 A. <u>Adoption of the 2018-2019 Tentative Budget</u> – that the Board of Education adopt the 2018-2019 tentative budget as follows:

General Fund Current Expense	\$85,132,948
General Fund Capital Outlay	\$ 172,855
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 1,186,900
Debt Service Fund	\$ 8,298,736
<b>Total Tentative Budget</b>	\$94,791,439

B. <u>Amount to be Raised for Taxes – General Fund</u> – that the Board of Education acknowledge that \$75,930,287 be raised for General Funds for the ensuing school year (2018-2019).

Montgomery portion \$74,042,277
 Rocky Hill portion \$1,888,010

C. <u>Amount to be Raised for Taxes – Debt Service</u> – that the Board of Education acknowledge that \$7,090,564 be raised to support the debt service budget for the ensuing school year (2018-2019).

Montgomery portion \$7,049,456Rocky Hill portion \$41,108

- D. <u>Advertise Tentative Budget for Public Hearing</u> that the Board of Education authorize the advertisement of the tentative budget in the <u>Courier News</u> in accordance with the form suggested by the State Department of Education and according to law and establish that the public hearing be held in the Upper Middle School media center on April 24, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2018-19 school year.
- 3.9 <u>Approval of the Adoption of Estimated Tuition Rates for 2018-2019</u> establish the following estimated tuition rates for the 2018-2019 school year:

Integrated Preschool	\$ 3,500
Kindergarten	\$11,564
Grades 1-5	\$15,157
Grades 6-8	\$14,317
Grades 9-12	\$14,941
Learning Language Disabled (LLD)	\$27,745
Autistic	\$78,630
Preschool Disabled (PSD)	\$58,317
Moderate Cognitive Impaired	\$22,176

# 3.10 <u>Approval of Resolution – School District Accountability – A-5</u>

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:

2017-18 Budget	\$20,000
2017-18 Expenditures through 2/28/18	\$10,042
2018-19 Projected Budget	\$20,000

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 2017-18 school year and the 2018-19 school year:

Total amount budgeted for travel and conferences 2017-18	\$248,435
Total amount expended July 1, 2017 – Feb. 28, 2018	\$ 44,021
Total amount budgeted for travel and conferences 2018-19	\$185,911

3.11 <u>Establishment of Maximum Dollar Limits for Professional Services</u> – Approve the following maximum dollar limits from the general fund for professional services for the 2018-19 fiscal year:

Professional Service	<b>Dollar Amount</b>
Legal	\$200,000
Auditing	\$27,000
Architecture/Engineering	\$25,000
School Physician	\$20,000
Educational Services Consultants	
(evaluations, O.T., P.T., speech, etc.)	\$909,651
Financial Advisor	\$1,050

3.12 <u>Appointment of Professional Service</u> – approve the appointment of Phoenix Advisors as Financial Advisor for Continuing Disclosure Agent services for \$850 base fee and \$200 initial setup fee for each new bond issue set up during the year for the 2018-2019 school year.

3.13 <u>Non Public Chapter 192/193 Agreement with SCESC 2018-2019</u> - approve the following nonpublic instructional services agreement:

THIS AGREEMENT is made the first day of July 2018 between the Somerset County Educational Services Commission, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as SCESC and the Montgomery Township School District in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the Public School District.

WHEREAS, the SCESC, by authority of its Board of Directors, acting on approval of the State Board of Education, is capable of providing New Jersey's Chapter 192 and Chapter 193 programs to eligible students enrolled full time in nonpublic elementary and secondary schools in New Jersey. Chapter 192 programs provide nonpublic school students with auxiliary services such as compensatory education, English as a second language, and home instruction. Chapter 193 programs provide nonpublic school students with remedial services such as evaluation and determination of eligibility for special education and related services, supplementary instruction, and speech-language services.

WHEREAS, the SCESC services are in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:46-6, 8, 19.1 et seq. (Laws of 1977, Chapter 193), N.J.S.A. 18A:46-1 et seq. (Laws of 1977, Chapter 192), and the Rules and Regulations governing auxiliary services to nonpublic schools; and

WHEREAS, the Public School District is under obligation to provide said services to all eligible students attending nonpublic schools/facilities within its district; and

WHEREAS, the Public School District has by Resolution of its Board, agreed with the SCESC to provide said services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:46-19.7 and N.J.S.A. 18A:46A-7 as authorized by the Public School District;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree to as follows:

- 1. The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be in effect for one (1) year from July 1, 2018 through and including June 30, 2019.
- 2. All services will be provided based on available state funding and the economical allocation of staffing resources available.
- 3. SCESC will provide the Auxiliary Services in Compensatory Education, English as a Second Language, Supplemental Instruction, Corrective Speech and/or Home Instruction for eligible students at nonpublic schools/facilities.
  - a. COMPENSATORY EDUCATION will be provided to students who meet the established State requirements. Every eligible student will be assessed, and an Individual Student Improvement Plan (I.S.I.P.) will be developed, instruction will be based on the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards/Common Core, provided per session as applicable to the student, and as long as the funding is

- available based on the Commission's calendar. Progress reports will be distributed twice per year. Student instructional services shall be scheduled for a minimum of thirty (30) minutes per week, based on the Commission's nonpublic services calendar.
- b. ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE will be provided to students who meet the established State requirements. Every eligible student will be tested and assessed with a state approved Language Assessment Battery, an Individual Student Improvement Plan (I.S.I.P.) will be developed, and instruction will be based on the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards/Common Core, provided per session as applicable to the student, and as long as funding is available, based on the Commission's calendar. Progress reports will be distributed twice per year. Student instructional services shall be scheduled for a minimum of thirty (30) minutes per week, based on the Commission's nonpublic services calendar.
- c. SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION will be provided to students examined and classified by a Child Study Team under N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.5. Every eligible student will receive instruction based on the Individual Student Plan (I.S.P.), provided per session as applicable to the student, and as long as the funding is available, based on the Commission's calendar. Progress reports will be distributed as per State guidelines during the year. Student instructional services shall be scheduled for a minimum of thirty (30) minutes per week based on the Commission's nonpublic services calendar.
- d. CORRECTIVE SPEECH will be provided to students who meet established requirements under N.J.A.C. 6A:14-3.6. Every eligible student will receive instruction based on the Individual Student Plan (I.S.P.) provided per session as applicable to the student, and as long as funding is available, based on the Commission's calendar. Student instructional services shall be scheduled for a minimum of thirty (30) minutes per week, based on the Commission's nonpublic services calendar.
- e. HOME INSTRUCTION will be given in lieu of regular classroom instruction to an eligible student who is enrolled full time in a nonpublic school and is unable to attend school for 10 consecutive school days or 15 cumulative school days or more during the school year due to temporary or chronic health condition or need for treatment which precludes participation in their usual educational setting. The teacher providing the instruction will be appropriately certified for the subject and grade level in which instruction is given pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:16-10.1(b).
- 4. SCESC will provide the auxiliary services in examination and classification to nonpublic school students who are identified by a nonpublic school as having potential learning problems. Examinations and/or classifications will be conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:14-3.3(c) by appropriate certified personnel.

- 5. Nothing contained herein shall prevent a Public School District from electing to provide all of the above services for any individual nonpublic school student within its District boundaries.
- 6. All nonpublic transportation funding will be allocated according to State guidelines.
- 7. For the Auxiliary services of Compensatory Education, English as a Second Language, Supplemental Instruction and Corrective Speech services described in this Agreement, the Public School District agrees to pay to SCESC a sum equal to 10% of the funding that is allocated for the contract year by the State Department of Education for Auxiliary Services to Nonpublic Schools pursuant to the provisions of the Laws of 1977, Chapter 192 and 193, based on the active roster of students, which will be considered the official enrollment, and provided to the Public School District through monthly invoices of services rendered.
- 8. For the Auxiliary services of Examination and Classification, and Home Instruction described in this Agreement, the Public School District agrees to pay to SCESC a sum equal to 100% of the funding that is allocated for the contract year per pupil by the State Department of Education for Auxiliary Services to Nonpublic Schools pursuant to the provisions of the Laws of 1977, Chapter 192 and 193 when services are rendered. The SCESC will submit monthly billing of services rendered.
- 9. The SCESC, as per New Jersey Department of Education guidelines effective October 7, 2003, will retain 6% of the total monthly invoice as reimbursement for programming, supervision and administrative expenses associated with the Chapter 192/193 program implementation. The SCESC shall be required to provide service only to the extent of the amount of state aid received.
- 10. It is the responsibility of the nonpublic school to notify the SCESC in writing when a student has exited and is no longer on the active roster within 10 (ten) business days.
- 11. The Public School District agrees to pay SCESC within sixty (60) days following receipt of invoices for such services.
- 12. The Project Completion Report for Chapter 192/193 services shall be prepared by SCESC and submitted to the Public School District by July 30.
- 13. In the event a Public School District fails to remit funds to the SCESC within the time schedule set forth above, SCESC shall have the right to discontinue services without further notice.
- 14. The SCESC shall act as agent for the Public School District in the distribution, collection, processing and preparation of the Request for Additional Funding Under the Provisions of Chapter 192/193 required by the State Department of Education for the implementation of said services pursuant to the laws of 1977, Chapters 192/193. The SCESC Business Administrator may act as the local district's agent

by filing for Additional Funding Under Provisions of Chapters 192/193. The Public School District will provide the SCESC access to the NJ DOE Homeroom for submission of the requests.

- 15. Due to the wide variation in district school calendars, the SCESC will develop and adhere to their master calendar for teacher scheduling.
- 16. The SCESC will coordinate the Annual Consultation meeting between the Public School District and its nonpublic schools according to the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education.
- 17. During the performance of this contract, SCESC and the Public School District agree to the following affirmative action:
  - a. The SCESC and the Public School District, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation. The SCESC and the Public School District will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The SCESC and the Public School District agree to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- 3.14 <u>Non Public IDEIA Agreement with SCESC 2018-2019</u> approve the following nonpublic instructional services agreement:

THIS AGREEMENT shall be in effect from July 1, 2018 until June 30, 2019 between the Somerset County Educational Services Commission, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as SCESC and the Montgomery Township School District in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the Public School District.

The District agrees to pay the Commission the monthly amount of the Nonpublic School IDEA proportionate share grant funding in support of the Nonpublic School Individuals With Disabilities Education Act. The following payment schedule is hereby agreed to: 100% of the monthly services as defined below plus any other additional fees for services allowable by law with prior District approval. No other funding is due the Commission in order to operate this program.

In the event the District fails to remit the funds according to the schedule indicated above, the Commission retains the right to postpone service under this contract until funds are released.

The parties agree that if the District shall no longer be eligible for funding pursuant to the Nonpublic School Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, or if such funding shall terminate, either party may terminate this agreement.

It is understood that the Commission will provide services to all of the eligible Somerset County nonpublic schools identified by the District's grant application and as authorized by the District. Also, the SCESC will coordinate the Annual Consultation Meeting between the District and its nonpublic schools, according to the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education.

The Commission will provide an annual report of I.D.E.A. funded services, equipment and/or technology and provide input into the grant process for each school served.

Speech (per student on active roster/per month) \$110.00 Supplemental (per student on active roster/per month) \$100.00

3.15 <u>Resolution/New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program</u> – approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program has been authorized in the Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2018-2019; and

WHEREAS, Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Aid shall be paid to school districts and allocated for nonpublic school pupils in a manner that is consistent with the provisions of the federal and state constitutions; and

WHEREAS, said program requires the Board of Education in each public school district in New Jersey to provide technology to all students attending a nonpublic school located in the public school district; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the chief school administrator of the public school district or designee to confer with the administrator of each participating nonpublic school within the district to advise the nonpublic school of the limit of funds available and to agree upon the technology to be provided to the nonpublic school within the limits of the funds that are available for the nonpublic school; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the public school district to send written verification that conferences were held with each nonpublic school administrator to the County Superintendent, along with a copy of each agreement, prior to the State's deadline; and

WHEREAS, it shall be the responsibility of each public school district to provide the agreed upon technology which may include equipment, software, professional development and/or maintenance of equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Educational Services Commission (SCESC) has agreed to administer the responsibilities associated with this program for the purpose of greater cost effectiveness through joint purchasing and centralized administration,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montgomery Township School District (District) enter into an agreement with the SCESC, whereby the SCESC will administer the Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program for nonpublic schools located within the boundaries for the 2018-2019 school year and are awarded funding and as authorized by the District, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCESC will coordinate the Annual Consultation Meeting between the District and its nonpublic schools, according to the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District pay the State-approved administrative percentage (5% in 2017-2018) of the allocation for the Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program to cover the SCESC's cost for administering the program. The SCESC will invoice the District for technology items as expended in accordance with the Guidelines for Administering the New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program and State-approved administrative percentage of the total amount spent as reimbursement for administrative expenses associated with the Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program. No other funding is due the Commission in order to operate this program.

## 3.16 Resolution/New Jersey Nonpublic Textbook Program – approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, 18A:58-37-1 et seq., as amended by Chapter 121, Laws of 1984, requires that the state and local community purchase and loan textbooks upon individual request to all students enrolled in grades kindergarten through 12 in nonpublic schools located within the local school district; and,

WHEREAS, no Board of Education is required to expend funds for the purchase and loan of textbooks in excess of the amounts provided in state aid; and,

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Educational Services Commission (SCESC) has agreed to administer the purchasing and processing of nonpublic school textbooks for local public school districts for the purpose of greater cost effectiveness through joint purchasing and centralized administration;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montgomery Township School District enters into an agreement with the SCESC whereby the SCESC will administer a nonpublic textbook program for those eligible students attending nonpublic schools located within the county for the 2018-2019 school year, in accordance with 18A:58-37-1

et seq, and as authorized by the District. The SCESC will coordinate the Annual Consultation Meeting between the District and its nonpublic schools, according to the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montgomery Township School District agrees to pay the total amount allocated by the State for the New Jersey Nonpublic School Textbook Program and a 6% administrative fee not to be paid through State program funds to the SCESC by August 31, 2018 or 30 days after State funding is announced, whichever is first. The 6% administrative fee will be waived if all other nonpublic program services for the District are provided by the SCESC. Any unexpended funds will be refunded to the local district.

3.17 <u>Nonpublic School Nursing Services 2018-2019</u> – approve the following nonpublic instructional services agreement:

THIS AGREEMENT is made the first day of July 2018 between the Somerset County Educational Services Commission, hereinafter referred to as SCESC and the Board of Education of Montgomery Township School District, County of Somerset and State of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the Public School District.

WHEREAS, the SCESC, by authority of its Board of Directors, acting on approval of the State Board of Education, is capable of providing auxiliary services and any other service or supply provided under the grant guidelines to eligible students attending nonpublic schools; and

WHEREAS, the SCESC services are in accordance with Chapter 226, Laws of 1991, and the Rules and Regulations governing nursing services to nonpublic schools; and

WHEREAS, the Public School District is under obligation to provide said services to all eligible nonpublic schools within its district to assure equal access to specified nursing services; and

WHEREAS, the Public School District has by Resolution of its Board, agreed to contract with the SCESC to provide said services pursuant to said legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. The terms of this Agreement shall be in effect from July 1, 2018 until June 30, 2019.
- 2. The SCESC will provide services for pupils in grades K-12 who are enrolled full time in the nonpublic school within the limitation of State funds and according to State guidelines.
  - a. Nursing services for pupils in grades K-12 who are enrolled full time in the nonpublic school. The services shall include:

- 1. Assistance with medical examinations including dental screening;
- 2. Screening of hearing;
- 3. Maintenance of student health records and notification of local or county health officials of any student who has not been properly immunized;
- 4. Scoliosis examinations of students between the ages of 10 and 18;
- 5. The extension of emergency care provided to public school students to full time nonpublic school students who are injured or become ill at school or during participation on a school team or squad pursuant to NJAC 6A:16-1.4 and 2.1(a)4. These health services include:
  - a. The emergency administration of epinephrine via epipen pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40 12.5;
  - b. The care of any student who becomes inured or ill while at school or during participation in school-sponsored functions;
  - c. The transportation and supervision of any student determined to be in need of immediate care; and
  - d. The notification to parents of any student determined to be in need of immediate medical care.

The nursing services provided to nonpublic schools shall not include instructional services.

- 3. The SCESC shall purchase nursing supplies for nonpublic schools, if requested, with remaining funds after required nursing services are provided as per the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education and with authorization by the Public School District.
- 4. The SCESC shall contact the nonpublic schools within the district and determine the services they will require within the parameters of the law and limitation of funds.
- 5. The SCESC will coordinate the Annual Consultation Meeting between the Public School District and its nonpublic schools, according to the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education.
- 6. The Public School District agrees to pay to the SCESC a sum equal to the full funding that is allocated by the State Department of Education for nursing services to nonpublic schools within its district pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 226 Laws of 1991. Payment shall be made monthly during the school

year and forwarded to the SCESC within sixty (60) days after district's receipt of the SCESC's monthly invoice of services provided and supplies purchased. Nursing services (per 60 minute session) is \$34.00. The SCESC, as per New Jersey Department of Education guidelines effective October 7, 2003, will retain 6% of the payment as reimbursement for programming, supervision and administrative expenses associated with the Nonpublic School Nursing Services Program implementation. In the event a Public School District fails to remit funds to the SCESC, the SCESC shall have the right to give notice of discontinued services.

3.18 <u>Nonpublic Security Aid Program 2018-2019</u> – approve the following nonpublic services agreement:

WHEREAS, the Nonpublic Security Aid Program has been authorized in the Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2018-2019; and

WHEREAS, Nonpublic Security Aid shall be paid to school districts and allocated for nonpublic school pupils in a manner that is consistent with the provisions of the federal and state constitutions; and

WHEREAS, said program requires the Board of Education in each public school district in New Jersey to provide security services, equipment, and technology to the nonpublic schools located in the public school district; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the chief school administrator of the public school district or designee to confer with the administrator of each participating nonpublic school within the district to advise the nonpublic school of the limit of funds available and to agree upon the security to be provided to the nonpublic school within the limits of the funds that are available for the nonpublic school; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the public school district to send written verification that conferences were held with each nonpublic school administrator to the County Superintendent, along with a copy of each agreement, prior to the State's deadline; and

WHEREAS, it shall be the responsibility of each public school district to provide the agreed upon security which may include security services, equipment and technology; and

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Educational Services Commission (SCESC) has agreed to administer the responsibilities associated with this program for the purpose of greater cost effectiveness through joint purchasing and centralized administration,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the <u>Montgomery Township School</u> <u>District</u> (District) enters into an agreement with the SCESC, whereby the SCESC will administer the Nonpublic Security Aid Program for nonpublic schools located within the

boundaries for the 2018-2019 school year and are awarded funding and as authorized by the District, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCESC will coordinate the Annual Consultation Meeting between the District and its nonpublic schools, according to the provisions set forth by the State of New Jersey Department of Education, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCESC will invoice the District for security items as expended in accordance with the Guidelines for Administering the Nonpublic Security Aid Program. No other funding is due the Commission in order to operate this program.

3.19 Renewal of Contract/District Fire Alarm Testing, Maintenance and Repair (B17-05) – renew for the 2018-2019 school year the following bid; B17-05 of 2016-2017, awarded on July 19, 2016 and renewed on March 28, 2017 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42.

#### Vendor

Alarm & Communications
Technologies, Inc.

Wharton, NJ

July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019
Yearly Maint. \$26,553.00
Straight Time- \$105.00

Mon.-Friday, 8:00 AM-5:00 PM

After Hours and \$157.50

Weekends

Holidays \$210.00 Discount Off List: 20%

The renewal is at no increase to the Board of Education.

3.20 Resolution authorizing the purchase of Natural Gas Services through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services ("ACES") Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS – approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, 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 from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from natural gas suppliers for retail natural gas supply services including interstate transportation to the local natural gas distribution utility company (Natural Gas Supply Services) through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with 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. ("EDECA") and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery Township School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain natural gas services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to natural gas suppliers following said bids for natural gas services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2023, hereinafter referred to as "Effective Period") issue one or more Requests for Bids for natural gas services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale natural gas market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Natural Gas Supply Service in each service territory to one or more natural gas suppliers that submits bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous natural gas usage and utility provided Basic Gas Supply Service rates; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said Natural Gas Supply Services to natural gas suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic gas supply service; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all Natural Gas Supply Services for its own use during the Effective Period through any natural gas supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for natural gas supply services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all natural gas supply services needed for its own use during the Effective Period from the natural gas supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for natural Gas supply 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 natural gas 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 participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the

Lead Agency to provide savings to the districts relative to the price charged for basic gas supply service by the natural gas public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain natural gas services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2023 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

3.21 Resolution authorizing the purchase of Electric Generation Services through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services ("ACES") Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS – approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, 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 from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from electric power suppliers for electric generation services through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with 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. ("EDECA") and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery Township School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain electric generation services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to electric power suppliers following said bids for electric generation services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2023 hereinafter referred to as "Effective Period") issue one or more Requests for Bids for electric generation services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale electric market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Electric Generation Service in each service territory to one or more electric power suppliers that submit bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous electric usage and utility provided Basic Generation Service rates; and

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

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period through any electric power supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law;

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for electric generation services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period from the electric power supplier or suppliers awarded a 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 participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide 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 bid to obtain electric generation services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2023 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission or expiration of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

3.22 <u>Resolution for Participation in Coordinated Transportation for the 2018-19 School Year</u> – approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Montgomery Township Board of Education desires to transport special education, non-public, public and vocational school students to specific destinations; and

WHEREAS, the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the ESCNJ, offers coordinated transportation services; and

WHEREAS, the ESCNJ will organize and schedule routes to achieve the maximum cost effectiveness;

NOW THEREFORE, it is agreed that in consideration of pro-rated contract costs, plus an administration fee of 2% or 4% for member districts, or of 6% for non-member districts, as presented to the Montgomery Township Board of Education as calculated by the billing formula adopted by the ESCNJ's Board of Education. Said formula shall be based on a route cost divided by the number of students allocated to each participating district. The total amount to be charged to districts will be adjusted based on actual costs.

- I. The ESCNJ will provide the following services:
  - a. routes coordinated with other districts to achieve a maximum cost reduction while maintaining a realistic capacity and travel time;
  - b. monthly billing and invoices;
  - c. computer print-outs of student lists for all routes coordinated by ESCNJ;
  - d. all necessary interaction and communication between the sending district, receiving school, and the respective transportation contractors;
  - e. constant review and revision of routes;
  - f. provide transportation within three days or sooner after receipt of the written request; and

It is further agreed that the Montgomery Township Board of Education will provide the ESCNJ with the following:

- a. requests for special transportation on approved forms to be provided by the ESCNJ, completed in full and signed by authorized district personnel;
- b. withdrawal for any transportation must be provided in writing and signed by authorized district personnel; no billing adjustments will be made without this completed form and will become effective on the date the form is received;

- II. Additional Cost all additional costs generated by unique requests such as midday runs or early dismissals will be borne by the district. All such costs must first be approved by the Montgomery Township Board of Education.
- III. Length of Agreement this agreement and obligations and requirements therein shall be in effect between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019.
- IV. Entire Agreement this agreement constitutes the entire and only agreement between the parties and may be amended by an instrument in writing over authorized signature.
- 3.23 Receipt/Award of Bid Student Transportation Services School Related Activity (Bid <u>B18-12</u>) Bids were received on March 15, 2018 for student transportation services school related activity as follows:

No bids were received on Thursday, March 15, 2018 for bid B18-12, Student Transportation Services –School Related Activity.

# 4.0 PERSONNEL

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the personnel agenda following discussion in Executive Session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

**ADJOURNMENT**