

# **MONTCLAIR PUBLIC SCHOOLS**



## **PUBLIC BOARD MEETING HELD ON**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2019 AT 5:30 PM  
GEORGE INNESS ANNEX ATRIUM  
141 PARK STREET, MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY**

AGENDA FOR THE PUBLIC BOARD MEETING  
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The next public meeting of the Montclair Board of Education will be held on Monday, March 18, 2019 at 5:30 pm in the George Inness Annex Atrium at 141 Park Street. The meeting will go into closed session until approximately 7:30 pm when it will re-open to the public.

S. ADJOURNMENT

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**APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE AND TRAVEL**

**WHEREAS**, New Jersey Administrative Code N.J.A.C. 23B and Board of Education policy require approval of the Board of Education prior to expending Board of Education funds for travel and related expenses, and

**WHEREAS**, the travel must be directly related to the employee's or Board member's current responsibilities,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to the Montclair Board of Education that the following Board members and employees are approved for travel-related reimbursements for an amount up to the estimated cost indicated:

<b>CONFERENCE AND TRAVEL EXPENSES</b>						
CONFERENCE	<u>DATE</u>	<u>BOARD MEMBER/ EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>SCHOOL DEPT.</u>	<u>ESTIMATED COST</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
NJCCIC CYBER SYMPOSIUM/ NJCCIC	<b>3/20/19</b>	NICHOLAS VENI	TECH	\$0	THIS CONFERENCE WILL PROVIDE THE DISTRICT WITH PRACTICAL STRATEGIES, TACTICS, RESOURCES AND TOOLS TO HELP MANAGE CYBER RISK.	FREEHOLD, NJ
EQUITY LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM PART 2/ RUTGERS GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION	<b>3/13/19</b>	JOSEPH GRAHAM PATRICK KRENN JILL SACK LISA ROLLINS JENNIFER GOFORTH	CO	\$460.00 \$460.00 \$175.00 \$175.00 \$175.00	THIS SEMINAR WILL DISCUSS THE ETHNOGRAPHY OF CITIZENSHIP, RACE AND SCHOOLING.	NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ
BELS MEETING/DIGITAL ESCAPE ROOM WORKSHOP/ BELS	<b>5/13/19</b>	MICHELE MADDEN	MHS	\$0	WORKSHOP TO INCREASE DATABASE USAGE IN HIGH SCHOOL.	PARAMUS, NJ
COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL THERAPY CERTIFICATION/ PESI	<b>4/10, 11,12/19</b>	DEBRA POLIZZANO	WATCHUNG	\$0	THIS CONFERENCE WILL FOCUS ON THE MANY ASPECTS OF REGULATION OF EMOTIONAL DISORDERS.	PARSIPPANY, NJ
NATIONAL SUMMIT FOR EDUCATIONAL EQUITY/ NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR PARTNERSHIPS IN EQUITY	<b>4/28/19 – 5/2/19</b>	JOSEPH GRAHAM	CO	\$3377.00	THIS CONFERENCE WILL FOCUS ON THE TOOLS AND METHODS THAT SUPPORT TRANSFORMING EDUCATIONAL SPACES INTO ENVIRONMENTS THAT ADVOCATE EQUITY AS A MINDSET THAT IS	ARLINGTON, VA

					DEMONSTRATED THROUGH PRACTICES.	
GENESIS – USER GROUP MEETING/ FAIRLAWN BOE	<b>4/3/19</b>	JOSEPH PELLIGRINO	TECH	\$6.82	NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY	FAIRLAWN, NJ
CONTINUING THE MOMENTUM: SHARING OUR SUCCESSES AND ADDRESSING THE BARRIERS TO EQUITY/ NJCEE - NORTH	<b>3/5/19</b>	LSA ROLLINS	CO	\$25.00	THIS WORKSHOP WILL ENHANCE HER KNOWLEDGE ON HOW TO IMPROVE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP BY GETTING STUDENTS MORE INVOLVED IN LEADERSHIP IN THEIR SCHOOL.	DUMONT, NJ

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that reimbursement will be made for expenses that are in accordance with Board of Education policy and for which original receipts are submitted to the Business Office.

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**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE USE OF COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING FOR THE SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS FOR AN ENERGY SERVICES COMPANY**

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Education of the Township of Montclair in the County of Essex, New Jersey (the "Board" when referring to the governing body and the "School District" when referring to the legal entity and territorial area governed by the Board) contracted with TRC Solutions ("TRC") pursuant to the Local Government Energy Audit Program to conduct an energy audit of all the School District schools, buildings and facilities, such audit has been completed and submitted to this Board by TRC, and the Board wishes to acknowledge receipt of such audit (the "Energy Audit") and its acceptance of the recommendations of TRC that energy savings opportunities are available that if implemented could result in annual energy and cost savings for the School District; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board now desires to implement an energy savings improvement program pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.6 and to enter into an energy savings services contract with an energy services company (an "ESCO") for the development and implementation of an energy savings improvement plan and installation of energy conservation measures in an effort to reduce energy costs of the School District; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.6(b)(1) and N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.1, the Board may use competitive contracting in lieu of public bidding for procurement of an ESCO; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.3(a), the Board is required to pass a resolution authorizing the use of competitive contracting; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.3(b), 4.4 and 4.5, the competitive contracting process, including the preparation of a request for proposals (the "ESCO RFP"), solicitation of proposals, and award of a contract based upon the methodology set forth in the aforesaid ESCO RFP, must be administered by the Board's purchasing agent, legal counsel or business administrator; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY**, as follows:

1. The Board hereby acknowledges receipt of the Energy Audit submitted by TRC and accepts their conclusion set forth in the Energy Audit that energy savings opportunities are available that if implemented could result in energy and cost savings for the School District.
2. The Board hereby authorizes a competitive contracting process for the solicitation of proposals for ESCO services in connection with the development and implementation of an energy savings improvement plan for the School District, including the distribution of the ESCO RFP in connection therewith. The Board further authorizes McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, as Special Counsel ("Special Counsel") to provide advice and assistance to the Board in connection with the energy savings improvement program

and authorizes Special Counsel and other appropriate representatives of the Board to assist the Business Administrator/Board Secretary in the preparation of the ESCO RFP for this purpose.

3. The President, Vice-President, Superintendent and/or Business Administrator/Board Secretary or any other appropriate officer or representative of the Board, are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents, to arrange for any required publications and to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or proper for implementation of the competitive contracting process contemplated by this resolution and the ESCO RFP. The execution by such officials and officers of any such documents, including changes, insertions or omissions, approved by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with the Board's Special Counsel, shall be conclusive, and no further ratification or other action by the Board shall be required with respect thereto.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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**APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO THE MONTCLAIR EARLY CHILDHOOD CORPORATION (MECC)**

BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Montclair Board of Education approves of the appointment of David Placek to serve as a member of the Montclair Early Childhood Corporation (MECC) for the term 2019-2022 or until the appointment and qualification of his respective successor.



## HIB Investigation Resolution for SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT –March 6th, 2019

- A. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation Involving SID # 019043 from 2/07/2019 for reason set forth in the Superintendent's Report to the Board and directs the Board Secretary/ School Business Administrator to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith.
  - a. Substantiated: Yes
  - b. Meeting with SAC, in school counseling
  
- B. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB Investigation Involving SID #982318 from 2/22/2019 for reason set forth in the Superintendent's Report to the Board and directs the Board Secretary/ School Business Administrator to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith.
  - a. Substantiated: Yes
  - b. Three-day in-school suspension; counseling

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**APPROVAL OF SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS**

**WHEREAS,** THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY REGULATIONS REQUIRE APPROVAL OF ALL SCHOOL RELATED FIELD TRIPS BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND,

**WHEREAS,** THE FIELD TRIP MUST BE DIRECTLY RELATED TO INSTRUCTION AND CLASS WORK,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** THAT UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE THE FOLLOWING FIELD TRIPS:

DATE OF TRIP	SCHOOL	GRD	TEACHER	DESTINATION	COST	PURPOSE	DURING SCHOOL HRS.
6/2019	Bradford	K	Cahill/Ehrmann/ O'Sullivan	Iris Gardens 474 U. Mountain Ave. Montclair, NJ	\$0	<b>Walking:</b> To observe insects, nature and plant life, to sketch and write about them.	Yes 2 hrs.
3/19/2019	Buzz Aldrin	7-8	Norat	Yogi Berra Museum Little Falls, NJ	\$20	Bringing the 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> grade students to this show would provide exposure to learn about life in the south during the 1960's and extend upon lessons done in class	Yes 3 hrs.
6/21/2019	Buzz Aldrin	6 & 7	McDonald	Funplex Rt. 10 West East Hanover, NJ	\$40	End of year trip for 6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> grades including STEM activities during the day	Yes 6 hrs.
3/13/2019	Glenfield	6	Quatorze	Montclair Film 505 Bloomfield Ave. Montclair, NJ	\$0	<b>Walking:</b> To encourage students to discover foreign films and to develop an active appreciation of Cinema all in the language they are studying	Yes 3 hrs.
3/14/2019	Glenfield	7	Quatorze	Montclair Film 505 Bloomfield Ave. Montclair, NJ	\$0	<b>Walking:</b> The students will attend "Festinema Junior 2019". The goal is to encourage students to discover foreign films.	Yes 3.5 hrs
3/6/2019	Hillside	4 & 5	D'Amico	Rutgers RAC New Brunswick, NJ	\$0	Halftime Show for March Madness	No 5 hrs.

6/14/2019	Hillside	3	Scriffano/Bitar/Harris	Legoland Discovery Center 39 Fitzgerald St. Yonkers, NY	\$25	Students will attend 2 workshops. 1. Spin the Gears exploring gears and how they work, they'll learn about effort and force. 2. What an Experience – write stories will building characters and settings.	Yes 6 hrs.
6/22/2019	Hillside	4 & 5	D'Amico	Church Street Montclair, NJ	\$0	Business Expo	Yes 2 hrs.
3/10/2019	Montclair H.S.	9-12	Yanette/Barouch	Mount Olive H.S. 18 Corey Rd Flanders, NJ	\$40	Robotics Competition	No 10.5 hrs.
3/14/2019	Montclair H.S.	10-12	Cahayla	Montclair Public Library 50 S. Fullerton Ave. Montclair, NJ	\$0	Encourage students to develop, analytical, appreciation of French cinema differentiate among gears, analyze plot & characters.	
3/15/2019 & 4/27/2019	Montclair H.S.	9-10	Weber	FRBNY 33 Liberty Street New York, NY	\$0	Academic Competition	Yes 7.5 hrs.
3/16/2019 & 4/16/2019	Montclair H.S.	10-12	Weber	FRBNY 33 Liberty Street New York, NY	\$0	Academic Competition	Yes 7.5 hrs.
3/22/2019	Montclair H.S.	10-12	Walker/Lubitz	Kean University 1000 Morris Ave. Union, NJ	\$0	International Human Rights Conference: Hunger the Politics of food. This is the focus of our 4 <sup>th</sup> marking period in CSJ.	Yes 6 hrs.
4/3/2019 & 4/6/2019	Montclair H.S.	9-12	Yanette	Lehigh University 124 Goodman Dr. Bethlehem, Pa	\$275	Competition	Yes 2 hrs.
5/2/2019	Montclair H.S.	9-11	Baney	Brooklyn Museum	\$15	Study of Florida Kahlo "Appearance Can Be Deceiving".	Yes 6 hrs.
5/17/2019	Montclair H.S.	10-12	Panchekha	NJIT Newark 151 Warren St. Newark, NJ	\$0	Compete with other schools in Chemistry Olympics.	Yes 7 hrs.

6/7/2019	Montclair H.S.	10-12	Panchekha	Students 2Science 66 Deforest Ave. East Hanover, NJ	\$0	Pharma Day laboratory investigation using state of the art STEM equipment.	Yes 7 hrs.
3/12/2019	Nishuane	2	Garone/Cuthbert/ Bryant/DePasquale/ Martire/Wiedmann White/Wentzell	Hillside School 54 Orange Rd Montclair, NJ	\$0	Students will analyze and discuss events based on a visual performance presented by students at Hillside School.	Yes 3 hrs.
5/13/2019	Nishuane	2	Risimini/Eder	Yogi Berra's Museum 8 Yogi Berra Dr. Little Falls, NJ	\$20	Physical Education Standards 2.5.2A, 2.6.2.A and 2.5.4.A.1	Yes 4 hrs.
5/20/2019	Nishuane	2	Risimini/Eder	Yogi Berra's Museum 8 Yogi Berra Dr. Little Falls, NJ	\$20	Physical Education Standards 2.5.2A, 2.6.2.A and 2.5.4.A.1	Yes 4 hrs.
5/30/2019	Northeast	2	Maliszewski	Montclair Art Museum 3 S. Mountain Ave Montclair, NJ	\$0	Storytelling in Art constructing Identity in America. Native American collection related art making activity.	Yes \$0
5/31/2019	Northeast	2	Assuntino/Morris	Montclair Art Museum 3 S. Mountain Ave. Montclair, NJ	\$0	Storytelling in Art constructing Identity in America. Native American collection related art making activity.	Yes \$0
5/31/2019	Northeast	5	Wahlia/Maher/San Martin/	United Nations 46 & 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave. New York, NY	\$0	Part of our Global Studies magnet trip.	Yes 6 hrs.
3/22/2019	Watchung	3	Bassett/Sparacino/ Smith	Liberty Science Center 222 Jersey City Blvd. Jersey City, NJ	\$17.75	Students will be exposed to STEM activities and all activities will be aligned to our magnet theme.	Yes 5.5 hrs.
3/25/2019	Watchung	4	Berman/Hampton/ Palizzo	Liberty Science Center 222 Jersey City Blvd. Jersey City, NJ	\$0	Students will be exposed to STEM activities and all activities will be aligned to our magnet theme.	Yes 5.5 hrs.
4/15/2019	Watchung	K-2	Byron	Montclair State University 1 Normal Ave Montclair, NJ	\$0	Collaborative physical play day with the Physical Therapist and Physical Education teachers at MSU.	Yes 4 hrs.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** THAT THE FIELD TRIPS ARE APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY REGULATIONS.