

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC BOARD MEETING
HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2009, AT 6:30 P.M.
141 PARK STREET, MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

A. The meeting opened at 6:35 p.m. and the following statement was read:

Let the minutes reflect that adequate notice of this meeting has been approved in the following manner:

1. On June 10, 2009, notice of this meeting was faxed to the Montclair Times, The Herald and News, and the Star-Ledger. The time, date, and location of this meeting were accurately set forth therein.
2. On this same date a copy of said notice was filed with the Township Clerk and was posted at the public bulletin board in the first floor main hall of the Board of Education Building, 22 Valley Road.
3. Copies have also been mailed to all persons who have requested same at no cost.

B. RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:36 p.m. Shirley Grill moved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b), the Montclair Board of Education may exclude the public from that portion of a public meeting at which the Board discusses any of the matters described at N.J.S.A. 10:4-(b) (1) – (9);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education shall forthwith enter into closed session to discuss the following matters concerning: Personnel matters covered by the attorney-client privilege; and matter rendered confidential by state or federal law: Personnel Matters, Personnel Report & Addendum, Out-of-District Placements, and Settlement Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said discussion maybe disclosed to the public when the reasons for discussing and acting upon it in closed session no longer exist.

Seconded by Ronald Riddick and approved by a vote of 7-0.

At 6:38 p.m. the Board went into executive session.

C. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Personnel Matters
2. Personnel Report
3. Out-of-District Placements
4. Settlement Agreement to Resolve A.C.'s Educational Program

D. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Ronald Riddick moved that the Board shall return from executive session; seconded by Shirley Grill and approved by a vote of 7-0.

The Board returned to open session at 7:45 p.m.

E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance occurred at 7:45 p.m.

F. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
John Carlton	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Shirley Grill	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Robert Kautz	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Leslie Larson	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Shelly Lombard	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Ronald Riddick	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Carmen Taylor	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>

Staff Members Present	6
Members of the Public	10
Members of the Press	1

G. MINUTES

Ronald Riddick moved to approve the minutes of the Public Board meeting held Monday, June 15 and July 29, 2009 seconded by Robert Kautz and approved by a vote of 7-0.

H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Start of School Updates

Dr. Alvarez welcomed everyone to the start of a new school year. He noted that Felice Harrison will present a short power point presentation which is a tribute to staff members that have served the district for 25 years or more, staff members who are no longer with the district and those who have received special awards.

2. Tribute to Staff

Felice Harrison presented the tribute that was shown to all staff at the convocation. As Dr. Alvarez stated, the tribute honored staff that have been served the district for 25 years or more, staff members who are no longer with the district and those who have received special awards.

John Carlton spoke about our magnet schools and noted that our magnet schools were started due to a court order and that we are still under that court order. He noted that this system has evolved in a terrific way and that while there may be additional costs due to busing, most busing in Montclair is required by the state and is independent of the magnet system. He added that enrollment has grown almost 2000 students since 1987 as our district has become very popular in the field of education.

With regard to the new school, Mr. Carlton informed everyone that the District Management Council will be looking at different models for special education and for ways to bring out-of-district students back in district since there will be additional space available. He also noted that the Council will be looking at starting times etc. and this information will be presented to the public as it becomes available.

Dr. Alvarez stated the goal of the new school is to reduce class size, bring special education out-of-district students back into the district and to find a permanent home for Renaissance School. He stated that construction of the new school on Elm Street is on schedule and that the new school is scheduled to open in September 2010. He noted that the committee will be making a recommendation to the Board for the configuration of the new school and as of now have proposed the following three recommendations:

1. Continue the original design - move Rand School to the new facility and Renaissance School to the Rand building.
2. Keep Rand School as a K-2 or K-3 school; therefore decreasing class size and create the new facility as a grade 3 or 4 to grade 8, which would accommodate the current Renaissance enrollment.
3. Design a K-8 school, which would allow for fewer transitions for students.

Dr. Alvarez stated the committee is lead by Julie Cerf and Will Adkins and they are exploring cost and efficiency options of these plans. The Committee is planning on making their presentation to the Board at a December meeting so that the impact on the budget can be incorporated in the upcoming budget.

Dr. Alvarez noted that the school year got off to a great start and thanked the staff for their effort. He stated that we have 490 kindergarten students this year, a little less than anticipation but more than we had ten years ago.

Dr. Alvarez informed the Board that Kirwan, an institute at Ohio State University, is working with Montclair with regard to the attendance zones and using socio-economics to assign students to our magnet schools. He noted that they used census data and hope to have a presentation on retaining a healthy magnet school system for Montclair in November.

3. Staffing Report

Dr. Patterson presented information about staffing for the new school year. Dr. Patterson noted that this was a relatively low hiring year most likely due to the economic situation and the low number of retirements last spring. He stated that there was 20 new staff hired this year as follows:

30% minority	70% non-minority
40% male	60% female

Dr. Patterson also noted that all positions except one, due to a late termination date, are fully staffed and that most new staff members are at the high school.

4. Special Education Monitoring

Dr. Scagliotti reported special education monitoring is mandated by the Department of Education and in the spring and fall of 2007, we conducted a self assessment. He noted that a committee of administrators, teachers and parents was formed and reviewed the documents and were required to indicate where the district was not in compliance in nine specific areas. In January 2008, a board approved plan regarding the non-compliance items was submitted to the State. The State responded in April 2008 and indicated that we had one year to bring us into compliance; therefore State monitors visited our district in March and April 2009 to review what we had done. In July 2009, we received notice that Montclair is in full compliance but stressed that we must remain in compliance since the State can do an on-site visit or desk audit at any time.

Dr. Scagliotti reported that we received \$1.8 million in ARRA Funds and that the funds are to be used as follows:

\$113,000 for non-public services
\$290,000 for early intervention services
\$1.4 million for items not in the operating budget but to be used for evaluation of special education services.

He presented a detailed list of proposed expenditures for ARRA funds

Dr. Scagliotti stated his department and Department of Instruction have received many presentations regarding specific remediation programs and will utilize specific curriculum in many different areas. He also noted that five staff members, including Terry Trigg Scales and himself, will attend a training session - TESA (Teacher Expectation Student Achievement – this session will enable them to deliver a staff development program to other staff members with regard addressing students in the classroom. Dr. Scagliotti stated that he feels we should see progress within two years.

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Dr. Alvarez requested that Dr. Scagliotti prepare some description of what programs are going to be implemented.

5. Adequate Yearly Progress

Terry Trigg Scales presented preliminary results of testing as follows:

- Elementary schools' AYP remained the same as last year
- Mt Hebron – made 39 out of 41 possible indicators
(Student disability, economic disadvantage – language arts and math)
- Glenfield – made 38 out of 41 possible indicators
(student disability, economic disadvantage, African Americans-math)
- Renaissance – made 40 out of 41 possible indicators
(student disability – math)

Mrs. Terry-Trigg Scales stated that the good news is that Glenfield and Mt. Hebron maintained a “hold status” for two years and are no longer deemed as schools in need of improvement.

Mrs. Terry-Trigg Scales pointed out that it is important to note that students with disability include our out-of-district placement students and that we do not provide their daily instruction but are included in our test scores and noted that they work very closely with Child Study Team with regard to placement for the purpose of test scores.

6. ImPACT Testing

John Porcelli gave some background information regarding the Athletic Department. He noted that we are offering 33 sports at the high school, the largest number of programs in northern New Jersey. John wanted to acknowledge two of his trainers, Michele Chemidlin and LaDawn McClamb, both whom he credits for the concept and implementation of the program. He stated that the cost of the program is \$3,000 per year but that the Brain Injury Association is paying for half of the program and that the \$1500 yearly cost to the Montclair Board of Education is set for five years. He noted that we test approximately 800 athletes per year.

John Porcelli stated that the team doctor conducted a workshop for coaches on concussions last fall and is hoping to conduct a workshop for parents this fall. Mr. Porcelli introduced Michel Chemidlin and stated that she would give more details regarding this testing.

LaDawn McClamb explained that ImPACT Testing is a neuropsychologist test done on computer and tests visual, verbal memory, reaction time, processing speed and impulse control and takes approximately 30 – 40 minutes and that the test is broken into the following six modules:

- Word Recognition
- Design Memory
- X and O's – distraction test

Symbol Test
Color Matching
Three Letters

Michel Chemidlin presented noted that in addition to the medical information requested from the student, the composite scores are used as base line when an injury occurs. She noted that the test is good for years, they like to administer the test in a student's freshman and junior year, but new students are tested at anytime. Michele stated that they would like to be able to test students planning to participate in athletics at the end of their 8th grade and prior to pre-season practice.

Michele Chemidlin was questioned on the healing time for students for concussions and whether or not a doctor's note was needed. She responded that the healing time was different – usually one to two weeks for a mild concussion and that doctor's notes may be required depending on injury.

Dr. Alvarez questioned John Porcelli as to whether there is a specific sport guide available and about the availability of the athletic schedule.

John Porcelli responded that information is available in the student activity book, coaches have materials available and all information, as well as forms, are available on line. He also noted that the full athletic schedule is available on line and has been for approximately the last five years.

Dr. Alvarez wanted to inform everyone that the Board is continuing to track and update all information regarding the swine flu and the community should check the Board's website for latest updates.

I. BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS

John Carlton suggested that they take a few minutes and dwell on important issues; i.e. New school, enrollment, special education.

Robert Kautz stated that with regard to the new school, it will be opened on time and is within budget. He also stated that he was very excited about it and feels it will provide the district with a lot of flexibility. Mr. Kautz noted that the blue ribbon committee has been working on the utilization of the building and how it will fit into the reorganization plan.

Leslie Larson questioned whether there would be discussions and presentations regarding the new school prior to the open houses in January and February when parents pick schools for their children.

Dr. Alvarez responded that their goal is to have a presentation in December so parents will have ample time to make their decisions. He also noted that the first phase of the District Management Council's work is done and that we are preparing bid specifications to be sure that the implementation of suggested tools and the tracking is carried on.

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Ronald Riddick questioned whether numbers were tracked by the Council if we did not have magnet schools and if the town would then be segregated.

Dr. Alvarez responded that if we did not have magnet schools, the schools would definitely be segregated.

Leslie Larson noted that the Communications Committee had met regularly and agreed with Dr. Alvarez that it is the utmost importance for an open communication with community, staff and personnel.

Ronald Riddick commented that communication must be a two way street and that sometimes the Board does not hear about happenings in school when they occur. He feels that there should be better communication so that the Board can operate when an issue is happening and Central office can expedite settling the matter.

Leslie Larson added that she personally tries to go to one school review at every school and tries to attend coffee meetings with Dr. Alvarez so she can listen to concerns.

Shirley Grill stated that she met with Dr. Alvarez and the Board over the summer to set specific goals for the Superintendent. Some areas of importance were:

- Special Education – cost effectiveness
- Communication – major goal
- New School – major area
- High School – new principal

Shirley also suggested setting up a school community task force to review state school funding formulas and how they impact on taxes. She requested that anyone interested in serving on this committee should submit their name to the Board.

John Carlton commented that he would like to see how the state forms their funding formulas. He would like to see facilities committee formed to review the board's policy on use of school facilities, especially with regard to Woodman and Fortunato Fields. He stated that some community members do not realize that other public groups can use the facilities but that they must be responsible for cleaning up the field after use. He feels that if the fields are not cleaned up after use, a possible fee for custodial clean up should be imposed.

Mr. Carlton also stated that focus should be on class size and on customer service to the community.

First Reading of the Following Policy:

P-5141.21 Administering Medication

Board has 1st reading of this policy

Carmen Taylor questioned that she saw no where in the policy where the labeled medication container should be stored and was wondering if wording should be added to state the location.

Shelly Lombard questioned whether it is state policy that medication should be stored in nurse's office.

Dr. James Patterson responded that medication is stored in the nurse's office except when it is life threatening medication. Life threatening medication can be carried by the student and is allowed to self-medicate providing a doctor's note is received allowing such self-medication.

J. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – AGENDA ITEMS

None

K. COMMENTS

1. PTA –

Robin Kulwin noted that the PTA is ready for the new school year and emphasized the work of the PTA's for students and schools. Robin Kulwin wanted to thank Dr. Alvarez and the board members for their support with regard to the Little Read Program. She stated that this program was initiated by the public library and stressed the importance of reading to children. Robin thanked the board members for agreeing to read to our children and that Dr. Alvarez has declared Friday, October 2, 2009 as Little Read Friday.

2. MEA –

Dennis Murray stated that education is alive and well in Montclair. He noted that he was impressed as he visited the school buildings. Dennis told the Board that the teachers are a team and that one of their goals is to make sure that all students are treated as students and that all can learn. He also noted that a major goal of the MEA is to provide a mentoring program for all second and third year teachers and possibly a program to help fifth, sixth and seventh grade teachers to learn better practices.

L. GENERAL RESOLUTION

Shirley Grill moved to approve the following resolution:

- a. Resolution re: 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 classwork

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following field trips are approved:

SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS						
SCHOOL	DATE	GRD	TEACHER	DESTINATION	COST	PURPOSE
MHS	10-15-09	9-12	J.Fake	Intrepid Air & Space Museum, NY	\$10.00	Motivational & instructional on aircraft flight, development & employment.
MHS	11-12-09	10-11	D. Portas	Cold Spring Harbor Lab. NY	None	Human DNA fingerprinting using DNA, chip analysis. This lab examines ancient DNA polymorphism.
MHS	10-1-09	9-11	D. Portas	Bronx Zoo, NY	None	Workshop for students exploring wildlife careers including zookeeper and vet.
MHS	9-30-09	11	S. Vallillo	Shakespeare Theatre, Madison, NJ	\$16.00	Class will view performance of Hamlet which we read.
MHS	9-20-09 thru 9-22-09	12	J. Hall	YMCA Camp Bernie, Port Murray, NJ	\$20.00	The Peer Leadership Retreat is a component of the Peer Leadership Program
MHS	9-23-09	10-11	J. Hobbs	MSAN Conference, Shokie, Illinois	None	2009 Annual MSAN Student Conference
Rand	10-14-09	3	K. Timmons	Edgmer Rd. Montclair	None	Migration (monarchs, raptors, dragonflies)
Glenfield	10-23-09	6	M. Lofrano	Alstede Farms, Chester, NJ	\$35.00	Harvest Celebration, Community Building, First trip as a house
Glenfield	10-30-09	6	J. Belmonte	Pt. Murray, NJ	\$50.00	Reptile Study, action

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						Socialization Exercises, Environmental Learning Activities
Renaissance	9-25-09	6	T. Smith	Sandy Hook, NJ	\$1.00	To study the classification of life and diversity of life in different environments as covered in science class.

Seconded by Shelly Lombard and approved by a roll call vote:

	AYE	NAY
John Carlton	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Shirley Grill	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Robert Kautz	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Leslie Larson	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Shelly Lombard	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Ronald Riddick	Abstain	<u> </u>
Carmen Taylor	X	<u> </u>

Shelly Lombard moved to approve the following resolutions:

- b. Resolution Re: Enrollment at the Essex County Vocational Technical Schools for the 2009-2010 School Year

WHEREAS, In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A23-3.1-(f)-(3), the Montclair Board of Education authorizes the awarding of contract with Essex County Vocational Technical Schools to provide General Vocational Education at \$5,911 per student and Special Vocational Education at \$9,104 per student for the 2009-2010 school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education awards the contract to the Essex County Vocational Technical Schools for these services and authorize the Board President and Board Secretary to execute the contracts.

- c. Resolution re: Approval Of French And Spanish Textbooks For The Middle School World Language Program

WHEREAS, the recommended textbooks have been selected by the Middle School World Language Teachers and endorsed by the Department of Instruction, and

WHEREAS, there is agreement that these textbooks are developmentally appropriate for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the adoption of the following French and Spanish textbooks published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt's Holt McDougal Division:

Bien Dit (2008)

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Avancemos (2007)

- d. Resolution re: Change of Use Application and Schematic Plans for Alterations to the Music Room at Watchung School

WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education desires to change a music room into a fourth-grade classroom at Watchung School,

AND WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education requests the approval to add a fourth-grade classroom to Watchung School,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the request to add a fourth-grade classroom. This complies with the New Jersey Administrative Code Section 6A:14 and N.J.A.C. 6A:26, Education Facilities,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the submission of the Application for a Change of Use with the Essex County Superintendent of Schools, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education authorizes the Board Architect, Richard Rigolo, to prepare all plans, specifications, drawings and necessary documents for the project.

- e. Resolution re: Approval of Conference and Travel Expenses

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' or Board member's current responsibilities,

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

CONFERENCE AND TRAVEL EXPENSES			
<u>CONFERENCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYEES</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
Cooperative Discipline	Edith Gutierrez-Hawbaker	\$1,155.00	To promote student growth by managing and motivating students and up-building self-esteem to make better choices.
Planet Art	Joanne Petrigliano	\$312.00	To attend annual art educators' conference and art administrators meetings.
TESA Coordinator Training	James Scagliotti Terry Trigg-Scales Aysha Ames Lydia Furnari	\$800.00 \$800.00 \$800.00 \$800.00	To gain knowledge to help to reduce bias in terms of gender and ethnicity in the classroom and increase positive learning climate at the same time.

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	Elyse Hoffman	\$800.00	
COSAC 27 th Annual Conference	Rebecca O'Sullivan Amanda Parsons	\$345.00 \$345.00	This conference will provide a variety of workshops covering up-to-date training and research about working with children with autism.
National Seminars and Confrontation	Sonya Rold Nina DeRosa	\$199.00 \$199.00	Yearly membership renewal to allow unlimited workshop attendance.
How to Handle Conflict and Confrontation	Sonya Rold Nina DeRosa	\$40.00 \$40.00	This workshop will assist in furtherance of efficient operation of the district in handling people of the public.
CMP8 Workshop	Sharon Hurwich Brian Fitzpatrick-Smith Howard Bousel Emmett Murphy	\$490.00 \$490.00 \$490.00 \$490.00	This workshop is to continue to improve the delivery of CMP2 Mathematics at Glenfield School.
EXP CMP7 Workshop	Cecil Vincent Pete Von Hoffman	\$280.00 \$280.00	This workshop is to improve the delivery of CMP2 Mathematics at Glenfield School.
CMP7 Workshop	Janine Harris	\$490.00	This workshop is to continue to improve the delivery of CMP2 Mathematics at Glenfield School.
CMP6 Workshop	Jerry Blemonte Bydette Dosti Sabrina Cruz Dean Portas Brad Turner Rosalind Thompson	\$490.00 \$490.00 \$490.00 \$490.00 \$490.00 \$490.00	Professional development in SIN I mathematics.
Fall 2009 AC Workshop	Dana Sullivan Frank Alvarez James Patterson John Carlton Leslie Larson Felice Harrison	\$759.00 \$759.00 \$759.00 \$759.00 \$759.00 \$284.00(for 1 day)	To participate in workshops to support Board members and staff in developing policies and implementing regulations.
Linking Play to Function – Utilizing Neurodevelopmental and Sensory Integration Strategies	Jolene Jurkovic	\$425.00	Will enable, analyze, and create a developmentally appropriate play activities for children with neuromotor, gross motor, and fine motor sensory and developmental challenges as a preparation

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to Facilitate Functional Skills Through Skills Through Play			for functional tasks.
Why We Worry: Understanding Anxiety Disorders	Gail Derivan	\$89.34	Many of the student population experience anxiety which can compromise academic achievement, socialization and behavior in the classroom. Will sharpen skills and improve delivery of service to the students.
Sensory Survival	Elizabeth Tallaksen	\$188.00	Will help define and evaluate sensory processing effect on a child's daily routine at school & home. Identify treatment strategies & practical ideas to assist products.
Units of Study in an Intermediate Writing Workshop: Lucy Calkins	Janine Gregory	\$251.24	This conference will clarify the expectations in terms of student's writing products.
ADL Session I	Jean Wuensch	\$1,648.34	Provides an understanding of the AVID systems and will assist in role as District Coordinator.
NJEdge.Net6.0	Alan Benezra	\$950.00	Network security and services to support administration and teachers are an ongoing concern. Other topics Web 2.0 threats, mass notification as part of Emergency Management Plan, and improved safety and physical security.
NJ Literacy Consortium	James Aquavia	\$1,300.00	Will help build a community of educators in literacy education and become a "voice" for the best, most responsible practices.
NJ Science Convention	Barry Schwartz	\$95.00	Presenting a workshop entitled "Resource Center Teaching Strategies" to regular and special education teachers.
NJSCA Conf.	Scott White	\$50.00	Leading a panel on I & RS.
NJSIAA Bowling	Ken Schnitzer	\$50.00	Yearly clinic for bowling coaches in NJ.

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Coaches Clinic			
MSAN RPC Meeting	Terry Scales Lydia Furnari	\$874.14 \$874.14	Research practitioners' meeting, discussions, lectures, workshops related to addressing the minority student achievement gap.
MSAN Annual Student Conference	Joyce Hobbs	\$1,628.00	Helping students to address strategies to eliminate the achievement gap.
Planet Art	Dawn Murphy	\$75.00	Mini-series on technology, critical thinking & art therapy are extremely relevant for digital photography & art instruction of middle school students.
NACAC	Scott White Raissa Maynard Nedra Clark	\$560.00 \$668.50 \$108.00	Annual meeting of counselors and college admission personnel.

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.

Seconded by Robert Kautz and approved by a roll call vote:

	AYE	NAY
John Carlton	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Shirley Grill	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Robert Kautz	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Leslie Larson	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Shelly Lombard	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Ronald Riddick	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Carmen Taylor	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>

M. BUSINESS

Ronald Riddick moved to approve the following resolution:

- Resolution re: Monthly Budget Reports and Bills and Claims

RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (c) 3, the Montclair Board of Education certifies that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (a), and that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (c) 4, after review of the board secretary's monthly financial reports, in the minutes of the Board each month, the Montclair Board of Education certifies that no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (b), and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the attached Supplemental Bill lists for June 2009 in the total amount of \$2,298,407.40, Bills and Claims for the months of July 2009 in the amount of \$3,258,311.71 and August 2009 in the amount of \$3,865,677.54, and September 2009 in the amount of \$4,892,022.48 and the attached Appropriation Adjustments for the month of June in the amount of \$44,961.40, July in the amount of \$871,879.91, and August in the amount of \$30,164.00 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education does hereby approve the request for tax levy from the Township of Montclair in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 for the month of July, in the amount of \$6,500,000.00 for the month of August, and in the amount of \$9,000,000.00 for the month of September 2009 and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the attached Budget reports for the months of June, July, and August 2009 and the Secretary's Report for the months of June, July, & August 2009, and a Treasurer's report for the months of May & June 2009.

Seconded by Shelly Lombard and approved by a roll call vote:

	AYE	NAY
John Carlton	___x___	_____
Shirley Grill	___x___	_____
Robert Kautz	___x___	_____
Leslie Larson	___x___	_____
Shelly Lombard	___x___	_____
Ronald Riddick	___x___	_____
Carmen Taylor	___x___	_____

2. Appointments

Robert Kautz moved to approve the following appointments:

- a. Resolution re: Appointment Of Members To The Communications Committee

RESOLVED, that Shirley Grill, Leslie Larson, and Ronald Riddick be, and hereby are appointed to represent the Montclair Board of Education on the Communications Committee, until the next organizational meeting of the Board and until the appointment and qualification of their successors.

- b. Resolution re: Board Representatives to the Montclair Community Intervention Alliance

RESOLVED, that Felice A. Harrison be, and hereby is, appointed to serve as Board Representative to the Montclair Community Intervention Alliance, and that Guy Whitlock is appointed as alternate representative, until the next organizational meeting of the Board and until the appointment and qualification of their successors.

- c. Resolution re: Board Representatives to PTA Council

RESOLVED, that Felice A. Harrison be, and hereby is, appointed to serve as Board Representative to PTA Council of the Montclair Public Schools, and that Guy Whitlock hereby is appointed as alternate representative, until the next organizational meeting of the Board and until the appointment and qualification of their successors.

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- d. Resolution re: Designation of District Affirmative Action Officer/Title Ix Coordinator for the 2009-2010 School Year

WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education is required to comply with the regulations of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with district policies no student in the Montclair Public Schools shall be denied access to or benefit from any educational program or activity solely on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, sex, ancestry, national origin or handicap; and

WHEREAS, as required by N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.5, each public school district must appoint an Affirmative Action Officer/Title IX Coordinator as the district's chief equity officer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education designates Guy Whitlock, Assistant to the Superintendent, to serve as the district's Affirmative Action Officer/Title IX Coordinator for the 2009-2010 school year.

Seconded by Shirley Grill and approved by a roll call vote:

	AYE	NAY
John Carlton	___x___	_____
Shirley Grill	___x___	_____
Robert Kautz	___x___	_____
Leslie Larson	___x___	_____
Shelly Lombard	___x___	_____
Ronald Riddick	___x___	_____
Carmen Taylor	___x___	_____

3. Other Resolutions

Ronald Riddick moved to approve the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution re: Project Application and Schematic Plans for High School Gymnasium Mold Abatement

WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education desires to perform mold abatement work at the High School Gymnasiums, and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6:26 requires the submission of a Project Application and Schematic Plans for all projects that the district is requesting Debt Service Aid by the state, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act the proposed project is not included in the district's Long Range Facility Plan that was previously submitted to the New Jersey Department of Education, and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the submission of the Project Application and Schematic Plans to the Department of Education, Bureau of Facility Planning Services and is submitting an amendment to the district's Long Range Facility Plan, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education authorizes the Board Environmental Consultant, Detail Associates, to prepare all plans, specifications, drawings and necessary bid related documents for the project.

- b. Resolution re: Acceptance of Department of Education Determination of Preliminary Eligible Costs for: Edgemont Toilet Renovations 3310-110-09-1023 \$53,834.00

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 5 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, the Montclair Board of Education submitted an application to the Department of Education for Rehabilitation at the school listed above, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Education has approved the above project and has determined the State's share of preliminary eligible cost for this project as listed above, and

WHEREAS, the School Business Administrator certifies that capital funds are available for the local share of this project,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education accepts the State's determination of preliminary eligible costs and the State's share of preliminary costs, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education elects to accept a grant from the SDA as its funding option, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education elects to administer the construction of these projects and authorizes the Board Architect, Richard Rigolo, to prepare all plans, specifications, drawings and necessary bid related documents for this project.

- c. Resolution re: Acceptance of Department of Education Determination of Preliminary Eligible Costs for: Edgemont Classroom Renovations 3310-110-09-1022 \$121,677.00

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, the Montclair Board of Education submitted an application to the Department of Education for Rehabilitation at the school listed above, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Education has approved the above project and has determined the State's share of preliminary eligible cost for this project as listed above, and

WHEREAS, the School Business Administrator certifies that capital funds are available for the local share of this project,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education accepts the State's determination of preliminary eligible costs and the State's share of preliminary costs, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education elects to accept a grant from the SDA as its funding option, and

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education elects to administer the construction of these projects and authorizes the Board Architect, Richard Rigolo, to prepare all plans, specifications, drawings and necessary bid related documents for this project.

- d. Resolution re: Acceptance of Application for the Carl D. Perkins Vocational Program Aid FY2009 - \$38,727

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education has approved the Carl D. Perkins Vocational Program Aid for the Montclair Board of Education in the amount of \$38,727,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education accepts this funding.

- e. Resolution re: Approval Of Submission of the FY2010 Idea Basic Part B Funds Application in the Amount of \$1,646,659 and Preschool Funds in the Amount of \$56,177

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education requires Boards of Education to approve application of submission of IDEA funds

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the submission of the FY2010 IDEA-B Basic in the amount of \$1,646,659 and Preschool Funds in the amount of \$56,177.

- f. Resolution re: Approval Of Submission of the FY2011 Idea AARA Basic Funds Application in the Amount of \$1,866,654 and Preschool Funds in the Amount of \$67,434

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education requires Boards of Education to approve application of submission of IDEA funds

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the submission of the FY2011 IDEA ARRA Basic in the amount of \$1,866,654 and Preschool Funds in the amount of \$67,434.

- g. Resolution re: Approval of Submission of the No Child Left Behind, FY2010 Application in the Amount of \$756,119.00

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education requires Boards of Education to approve application of submission of No Child Left Behind funds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the submission of the No Child Left Behind, FY2010 application in the amount of \$756,119, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education refuses Title III ESL funds in the amount of \$8,223.

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- h. Resolution re: Approval of Submission of the Title I AARA FY2010 Application in the amount of \$361,357.00

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education requires Boards of Education to approve application of submission of Title I ARRA funds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the submission of the Title I ARRA, FY2010 application in the amount of \$361,357.

- i. Resolution re: Approval of Essex County Educational Services Commission – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) Idea-B Services for Nonpublic Schools School Year 2009-2010

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Montclair has the authority to employ outside agencies to provide necessary and appropriate IDEA-B services for the Non-public students who are classified and are residents of the District, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Educational Services Commission, in consideration of the making of this contract for the 2009-2010 school year has agreed to be paid hereunder by the District from IDEA funds allocated to non-public students as the maximum and full compensation to provide additional supplementary instruction, additional speech, professional dues, ordering of supplies, occupational and physical therapy services during the 2009-2010 school year to nonpublic students who are classified and are residents of the District.

Shirley Grill questioned the classroom renovations at Edgemont.

Dana Sullivan responded that this work is almost complete and this resolution is to accept funds from the State.

Leslie Larson questioned the resolution approving submission of the AARA application.

Dana Sullivan responded that breakdown was discussed in Terry-Trigg Scales and Dr. Scaglotti’s presentation earlier this evening. It was agreed that it is important for the Board to receive a more detailed presentation to see where funds will be spent.

Seconded by Shirley Grill and approved by a roll call vote:

	AYE	NAY
John Carlton	___x___	_____
Shirley Grill	___x___	_____
Robert Kautz	___x___	_____
Leslie Larson	___x___	_____
Shelly Lombard	___x___	_____
Ronald Riddick	___x___	_____
Carmen Taylor	___x___	_____

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4. Contract Awards

Robert Kautz moved to approve the following contract awards:

a. Resolution re: Award of Contract for Insurance Coverage for the 2009-2010 School Year

WHEREAS, Insurance, including the purchase of insurance coverage and consultant services is specifically exempt from the public bidding process by NJSA 18A:18A-5, but Requests for Proposals may be issued by the Board of Education in order to obtain the most competitive price for coverage, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education approved John Daly of Wells Fargo Insurance Services as Insurance Broker of Record,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education accepts the recommendations submitted by John Daly, Wells Fargo Insurance Services, 190 River Road, 3rd Floor, Summit, New Jersey, 07902, and award contracts for the 2009-2010 school year as shown on Attachment A.

b. Resolution re: Award of Contract for Professional Services – Nursing Services 2009-2010 School Year

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5 states in part "Any purchase, contract or agreement...may be made, negotiated or awarded by the Board of Education by resolution at a public meeting without public advertising for bids...", and

WHEREAS, the nature of these contract awards generally relate to the provision of professional services, and

WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education is in need of professional services for nursing services for an out-of-district special education student,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education, after careful study and due deliberation, does hereby appoint the firm of Loving Care Agency, Inc., for a period effective July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010, at the estimated cost of \$94,500.00, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the School Business Administrator shall be authorized to issue a contract to Loving Care Agency, Inc.

c. Resolution re: Rejection of Bids for the Gymnasium HVAC Cleaning & Ceiling Repairs at the High School

WHEREAS, supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 2, 2009, for the Gymnasium HVAC Cleaning & Ceiling Repairs at the High School. Seven (7) companies received copies of the bid and six (6) bids were received (see Attachment A), and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22, a board may reject all bids for various reasons as specified in N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22,

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education approves the rejection of all bids because the lowest bidders did not provide all required documents in their sealed bids, and all other bids exceeded the appropriation and the cost estimate for the project and authorizes the Business Administrator to revise the plans and re-bid the project.

- d. Resolution re: Award of Contract for Gymnasium HVAC Cleaning & Ceiling Repairs at the High School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared by the Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on July 21, 2009, for Gymnasium HVAC Cleaning & Ceiling Repairs at the High School. Seven (7) companies received copies of the bid and four (4) bids were received (see Attachment A).

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education award a contract for Gymnasium HVAC Cleaning & Ceiling Repairs at the High School to Consolidated Environmental, Inc., 26 Law Drive, Fairfield, New Jersey, 07004, in the total amount of \$97,700.00.

- e. Resolution re: Award of Contract for Occupational and Physical Therapy Services, 2009-2010 School Year

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A-18A-5(B) authorizes the awarding of a contract to other Governmental agencies without benefit of advertising and bidding, and

WHEREAS, the Essex Regional Educational Services Commission has provided occupational and physical therapy services and has offered these same services for the 2009 2010 school year at the hourly rate of \$95.00 for the following services: assessment services, consulting services and treatment services,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of Education award a contract to the Essex Regional Educational Services Commission for occupational and physical therapy services and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Board President and the Board Secretary be authorized to issue a purchase order and execute the contract effective July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010.

- f. Resolution re: Award Of Contract For Professional Utility Auditing Services

Topic: New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 require that supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 be awarded after advertisement and receipt of sealed bids.

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Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared, advertised and proposals were received by the Montclair Board of Education on July 7, 2009. Three (3) companies received copies of the bid and one (1) bid was received (see Attachment A).

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education awards a contract to George A. Koteen Associates, 209 Queen Anne Road, Teaneck, New Jersey, 07666, for Utility Audit Services at a yearly cost of 45% of annual savings realized.

g. Resolution re: Award of Contract for Theater Renovations at George Inness School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 24, 2009, for Theater Renovations at George Inness School. Sixteen (14) companies received copies of the bid and six (6) bids were received (see Attachment A).

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education accepts the recommendation of Board's Architect, Richard Rigolo, AIA, and award a contract for Theater Renovations at George Inness School to Bismark Construction Corporation, 207-209 Berkeley Avenue, Newark, New Jersey, 07107, in the total amount of \$551,000.00 (base bid of \$570,000.00 plus alternate #2 for \$10,500.00 and less alternates #8 for -\$8,000.00, #11 for -\$10,000.00, #12 for -\$2,000.00, #13 for -\$9,500.00).

h. Resolution re: Award of Contract for Play Area Renovations at Northeast School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 10, 2009, for Play Area Renovations at Northeast School. Thirteen (13) companies received copies of the bid and eight (8) bids were received (see Attachment A).

i. Resolution re: Award of Contract for Courtyard Roof Replacement at Glenfield School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on July 8, 2009, for Courtyard Roof Replacement at Glenfield School. Three (3) companies received copies of the bid and three (3) bids were received (see Attachment A).

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Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education accepts the recommendation of Board's Architect, Richard Rigolo, AIA, and awards a contract for Courtyard Roof Replacement at Glenfield School to Kraft Roofing Company, Inc., 212 Lauren Lane, Sussex, New Jersey, 07461, in the total amount of \$35,650.00.

- j. Resolution re: Award of Contract for Masonry Wall Repairs at George Inness School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 23, 2009, for Masonry Wall Repairs at George Inness School. Thirteen (13) companies received copies of the bid and eleven (11) bids were received (see Attachment A).

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education accepts the recommendation of Board's Architect, Richard Rigolo, AIA, and award a contract for Masonry Wall Repairs at George Inness School to Chalet Construction Corporation, 13 Race Street, Bloomfield, New Jersey, 07003, in the total amount of \$18,565.00.

- k. Resolution re: Award of Contract for Masonry Repairs and Waterproofing at Bradford School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 30, 2009, for Masonry Repairs and Waterproofing at Bradford School. Sixteen (16) companies received copies of the bid and eight (8) bids were received (see Attachment A).

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education accepts the recommendation of Board's Architect, Richard Rigolo, AIA, and award a contract for Masonry Repairs and Waterproofing at Bradford School to Wonder Star Construction, Inc., 440 Route 31, Washington, New Jersey, 07882, in the total amount of \$64,000.00.

- l. Resolution re: Award of Contract for Masonry Repairs and Waterproofing at Mt. Hebron School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

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Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 23, 2009, for Masonry Repairs and Waterproofing at Mt. Hebron School. Fourteen (14) companies received copies of the bid and eight (8) bids were received (see Attachment A).

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education accepts the recommendation of Board's Architect, Richard Rigolo, AIA, and award a contract for Masonry Repairs and Waterproofing at Mt. Hebron School to SMAC Corporation, 27 East 33rd Street, Paterson, New Jersey, 07514, in the total amount of \$85,000.00.

- m. Resolution re: Award of Contract for Masonry Restoration and Waterproofing at Watchung School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 23, 2009, for Masonry Restoration and Waterproofing at Watchung School. Fifteen (15) companies received copies of the bid and eleven (11) bids were received (see Attachment A).

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education accepts the recommendation of Board's Architect, Richard Rigolo, AIA, and award a contract for Masonry Restoration and Waterproofing at Watchung School to Chalet Construction Corporation, 13 Race Street, Bloomfield, New Jersey, 07003, in the total amount of \$58,800.00.

- n. Resolution re: Contract with Advantage Educational Consultants

WHEREAS, Advantage Educational Consultants will provide reading services for fifteen (15) hours per week to be used at the District's discretion at a cost of \$1,125 per week for 36 weeks, from September 2009 through June 2010 – Total cost \$40,500.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair School District will contract with Advantage Educational Consultants. Funding Source – Special Education IDEIA Budget – Early Intervening Services.

- o. Resolution re: Contract with Rutgers State University - Project "Natural Setting Therapeutic Management" (NSTM)

WHEREAS, NSTM will provide thirty-five (35) hours per week of behavioral consultation to be used at the District's discretion at a cost of \$9,111.00 per month, from October 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 - Total cost \$82,000

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair School District will contract with Rutgers State University. Funding Source – Special Education IDEIA-ARRA Budget – Early Intervening Services.

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Dana Sullivan was questioned why high school bid for the gymnasium HVAC Cleaning and Ceiling Repairs was rejected. She responded that they had to reject the three lowest bidders because the proper paper work was not submitted and the fourth bidder was significantly above the budget.

Dana Sullivan was also questioned about the amount of masonry work being done at the schools and she responded that many of our schools are old and we are trying to keep maintenance up on buildings. She also noted that we can not do all schools at the same time due to budgetary constraints. Mrs. Sullivan added that most contracts awarded were from last year's capital budget since projects from this year's capital budget must have state approval and bid specifications written.

Seconded by Shelly Lombard and approved by a roll call vote:

	AYE	NAY
John Carlton	_x_	_____
Shirley Grill	_x_	_____
Robert Kautz	_x_	_____
Leslie Larson	_x_	_____
Shelly Lombard	_x_	_____
Ronald Riddick	_x_	_____
Carmen Taylor	_x_	_____

5. Change Orders

Ronald Riddick moved to approve the following change orders:

a. Approval of Change Order #1 for Play Area Renovations at Northeast School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 10, 2009, for Play Area Renovations at Northeast School. The contract was awarded to Turco Golf, Inc., 212 Orange Avenue, Suffern, New York, 10901, in the total amount of 119,000.00.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #1 for an overall increase of \$4,750.00 for additional playground equipment.

b. Approval of Change Order #2 For Play Area Renovations At Northeast School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids

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received on June 10, 2009, for Play Area Renovations at Northeast School. The contract was awarded to Turco Golf, Inc., 212 Orange Avenue, Suffern, New York, 10901, in the total amount of 119,000.00.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #2 for an overall increase of \$1,750.00 for additional playground equipment.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ As requested by Owner, supply and install five (5) engraved pavers at \$350 each. 	\$1,750.00
Total Amount of this change order:	
	\$1,750.00

c. Approval of Change Order #3 for Play Area Renovations at Northeast School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 10, 2009, for Play Area Renovations at Northeast School. The contract was awarded to Turco Golf, Inc., 212 Orange Avenue, Suffern, New York, 10901, in the total amount of \$119,000.00.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #3 which has no monetary change but does change the contract as follows:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Contract language is changed as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Eliminate fence, revise grading outside the edge at removed fence and provide subsurface drainage at lowest edge. As shown on Drawing INST-2 of August 14, 2009. 	\$0
Total Amount of this change order:	
	\$0

d. Approval of Change Order #1 for Building Automation System Installations at the Glenfield and Hillside Schools

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Energy for America, Consultant for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on December 18, 2008, for Building Automation System Installations at the Glenfield and Hillside Schools. The contract was awarded to Wojchik Electric, Inc., 288 West Railway Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey, 07503, in the total amount of \$457,177.00.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #1 for an overall increase of \$3,535.00 for the following:

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- At Hillside School, jump out and remove mercooid switches in 35 unit ventilators; take care in handling the switches so that mercury is not spilled; store switches in the custodian room for disposal by others
 - e. Approval of Change Order #2 for Building Automation System Installations at the Glenfield and Hillside Schools

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Energy for America, Consultant for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on December 18, 2008, for Building Automation System Installations at the Glenfield and Hillside Schools. The contract was awarded to Wojchik Electric, Inc., 288 West Railway Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey, 07503, in the total amount of \$457,177.00.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #2 for an overall increase of \$890.12 for the following:

- Increase the size of twenty control panels as recommended by Alerton distributor. Please note that the assembly drawings call for assembly D2 and X at Glenfield School to be in weather proof controller enclosures (NEMA 3R). Increasing size of control assemblies will provide more room for wiring and servicing equipment.
 - f. Approval of Change Order #2 Contract for Video Surveillance and Access Control Systems at the High School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on November 20, 2008, for Video Surveillance and Access Control Systems at the High School. The contract was awarded to Open Systems Integrators, 207D Woodward Road, Manalapan, New Jersey, 07726, in the total amount of \$207,444.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #2 for pendant mounts for exterior cameras in the amount of \$4,988.75.

- g. Approval of Change Order #3 For Masonry Restoration At Various Schools

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

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Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on May 28, 2008, for Masonry Restoration at Various Schools. The contract was awarded to The Boca Bay Group, 16 South Avenue West, Suite 267, Cranford, New Jersey, 07016, in the total amount of \$222,240.00.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #3 for a credit of \$96.00 for Custodial Overtime.

- h. Change Order #1 for Renovations to Room 217 at Nishuane School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 9, 2009, for Renovations to Room 217 at Nishuane School. The contract was awarded to J.G. Drywall LLC, 303 Molnar Drive, Suite 101, Elmwood Park, New Jersey, 07407, in the total amount of \$48,800.00.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #1 in the total amount of \$1,750.00 as follows:

As required by field conditions, supply material and labor for replacing damaged floor, installation of 1/2" plywood underlayment to meet proper height. As requested by owner box storm pipe in corner and all trim work.

- i. Approval of Change Orders #1 & #2 for Structural Steel and Ornamental Iron Work for New Elementary School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by The Thomas Group, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on March 19, 2008, for Structural Steel and Ornamental Iron Work for New Elementary School. A contract was awarded to J.G. Schmidt Steel, 211 Central Avenue, Passaic, New Jersey, 07055, in the total amount of \$1,663,600.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change orders #1 & #2 as follows:

- C/O #1 - Provide labor, material and equipment necessary to relocate roof openings for roof hatch, roof drains and HVAC frames for \$2,730.00
- Provide extra lintels for the locker room as per ASI SC-02 for \$1,550.00

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j. Approval of Change Orders #2 and #3 for Roof Replacement at the High School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on April 30, 2008, for Roof Replacement at the High School. Roof Replacement at the High School to J. Strober & Sons, 1509 Route 179, Lambertville, New Jersey, 08530, in the total amount of \$196,500.00.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approve change orders #2 for a credit amount of -\$96.00 for custodial overtime and #3 for a credit amount -\$8,000.00 for unused allowance.

k. Approval of Change Order #6 for Plumbing and Gas Fitting Work for New Elementary School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by The Thomas Group, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on March 19, 2008, for Plumbing and Gas Fitting Work for New Elementary School. The contract was awarded to Annese Mechanical, 699 Cross Street, Unit 2, Lakewood, New Jersey, 08701, in the total amount of \$1,349,015 which includes the base bid of \$1,346,165 plus Alternate #1 – Roof Drains for Clock Tower for \$2,850.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #6 for \$3,940.22 as follows:

- Furnish and install new roof drain on the roof above stair \$3,940.22
ST5, as per PR PC-05, 2nd revision dated 5/28/09, Annese PCO #7, dated 5/18/09

l. Approval of Change Orders #6, #7, #8 For General Construction For New Elementary School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by The Thomas Group, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on March 19, 2008, for General Construction for New Elementary School. The contract was awarded to Niram, Inc., 91 Fulton Street, Unit #4, Boonton, New Jersey, 07005, in the total amount of \$12,949,800.00 which includes the base bid of \$12,377,000 and alternates totaling \$572,800.00.

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Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change orders #6, #7, and #8 as follows:

- C/O #6 - Change ST 5/2 door to 45 minute rated FRP door and hardware as per PR GC-04 for \$2,359.00
- C/O #7 - Supply and install flag pole as per PR GC-05 for \$6,265.67
- C/O #8 - Reference PR GC-06 dated 7/23/09, material required to exchange aluminum sunshade brackets for stainless steel sunshade brackets. Provide the necessary washers for anchoring the stainless steel brackets thru the masonry back up block. In addition eliminate the sunshades 1C and 1D on the North West interior corner of building for \$3,865.00

- m. Approval of Change Order #1 for Gymnasium & Corridor Ceiling & Lighting Replacement at the High School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 2, 2009, for Gymnasium & Corridor Ceiling & Lighting Replacement at the High School. The contract was awarded to Molba Construction, 392 Liberty Street, Little Ferry, New Jersey, 07643, in the total amount of \$41,900.00.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #1 for an overall increase of \$2,850.00 as follows:

- As required by field conditions, fire stop penetrations separating main corridor 22 from corridors 21 north and south and 23 north and south.

\$2,850.00

Total Amount of this change order: \$2,850.00

- n. Approval of Change Order #1 For Classroom And Toilet Renovations At Edgemont School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on May 19, 2009, for Classroom and Toilet Renovations at Edgemont School. The contract was awarded to LG II, Inc., Construction, 2 Village Park Road, Cedar Grove, New Jersey, 07009, in the total amount of \$261,800.00 (base bid of \$218,000.00 plus alternate #1 for \$14,500.00 and alternate #2 for \$29,300.00).

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Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #1 for \$15,238.60 as follows:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Additional work not known at the time of bid, see attached breakdown prepared by the Board's Architect Richard Rigolo. 	\$15,238.60
<div style="text-align: right;">Total Amount of this change order: \$15,238.60</div>	

- o. Approval of Change Orders #1 & #2 for Masonry Restoration and Waterproofing at Watchung School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on June 23, 2009, for Masonry Restoration and Waterproofing at Watchung School. The contract was awarded to Chalet Construction Corporation, 13 Race Street, Bloomfield, New Jersey, 07003, in the total amount of \$58,800.00.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change orders #1 & #2 for overall increases of \$4,170.00 and \$7,590.00 as follows:

Change Order #1

#2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ As required by field conditions remove deteriorated wood and replace with approximately 128 square feet of reinforced 8" CMU block below roof flashing and install new flashing. ▪ Remove brick and install additional 8" block: 128 sf @ \$37 sf ▪ Install new flashing to receive existing EPDM roofing ▪ To reconcile allowance of brick pointing and replacement, per field survey and attached spreadsheet dated 8/3/09 	Change Order
	\$4,736.00 \$2,200.00 (\$2,766.00)	
<div style="text-align: right;">Total Amount of this change order: \$4,170.00</div>		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ As required by field conditions for temporary support of the existing wood cornice on roof 6. Brace with 2x4' O.C. to 2x6 plates nailed to the outermost edge of the cornice and to the masonry wall below. Predrill anchors into mortar joints. Anchors and fasteners to be galvanized or stainless steel. ▪ Credit to delete mask grouting of the chimney: 	\$9,700.00 (\$2,110.00)
<div style="text-align: right;">Total Amount of this change order: \$7,590.00</div>	

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- p. Approval of Change Order #2 for Auditorium Seating Restoration at Glenfield School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by Richard Rigolo, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on March 21, 2007, for Auditorium Seating Restoration at Glenfield School. The contract was awarded to Nickerson Corporation, 11 Moffitt Boulevard, Bay Shore, New York, 11706, on April 9, 2007, in the total amount of \$114,200.00.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #2 for an overall decrease of \$1,051.72 as follows:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Credit for four (4) uninstalled seats at \$262.93 each 	(\$1,051.72)
Total Amount of this change order:	(\$1,051.72)

- q. Approval of Change Order #7 For Plumbing And Gas Fitting Work For New Elementary School

Topic: Supplies, equipment and services anticipated to be in excess of \$29,000 are subject to the bidding requirements of New Jersey Statutes 18A:18A-4 or are to be purchased under a State of New Jersey contract through the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:18A-10.

Background Information: In accordance with Public School Contract Law, specifications were prepared for the Board of Education by The Thomas Group, Architect for the Montclair Board of Education, advertised, and sealed bids received on March 19, 2008, for Plumbing and Gas Fitting Work for New Elementary School. The contract was awarded to Annese Mechanical, 699 Cross Street, Unit 2, Lakewood, New Jersey, 08701, in the total amount of \$1,349,015 which includes the base bid of \$1,346,165 plus Alternate #1 – Roof Drains for Clock Tower for \$2,850.

Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change order #7 for \$3,869.04 as follows:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Labor, material, and equipment necessary to continue the domestic water supply into the pump house and install hose bibs for interior and exterior pump house use. Proposed routing was shorter due to a local connection which was approved by Water Company. 	\$3,869.04
Total Amount of this change order:	\$3,869.04

- r. Approval of Change Orders #9 & #10 For General Construction For New Elementary School

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Superintendent's Recommendations: It is my recommendation that the Montclair Board of Education approves change orders #9 and #10 for \$5,614.50 as follows:

Change Order #9

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Provide the labor, material and equipment necessary to replace an additional 20' length of water pipe in the direction of the Montclair Water Authority due to the condition of the existing water pipe.	<u>\$5,614.50</u>	Change Order
#10			
Dana	Total Amount of this change order:	\$5,614.50	Sullivan was questioned on change order for ornamental iron at the new school. Mrs. Sullivan responded that it
the	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Provide the labor, material and equipment necessary to create a water tap into water main for the use at the pump house. Water pipe is installed to within 5' of pump house.	<u>\$1,489.00</u>	
the	Total Amount of this change order:	\$1,489.00	
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for additional steel which they felt was needed to bolster an area in the building. Mrs. Sullivan also noted that all change orders for the new school have to be approved by the architect, the construction manager, the supervisor of Buildings and Grounds and myself whereas all other change orders must be approved by the architect, the supervisor of Buildings and Grounds and myself.

Mrs. Sullivan noted that there are many reasons for change orders – some very minor but all within budget.

Seconded by Shelly Lombard and approved by a roll call vote:

	AYE	NAY
John Carlton	_x_	_____
Shirley Grill	_x_	_____
Robert Kautz	_x_	_____
Leslie Larson	_x_	_____
Shelly Lombard	_x_	_____
Ronald Riddick	_x_	_____
Carmen Taylor	_x_	_____

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6. Resolutions re: Approval of Personnel Report & Addendum and Out-of-District, as amended:

Shirley Grill moved to approve the Personnel Report & Addendum and Out-of-District, as amended:

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has recommended that the Board approved the actions contained in the attached Personnel Report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the Personnel Report of September 21, 2009, including the indicated individuals who have been hired under the Emergent Hiring Procedures as required by law.

7. Approval Of Out-Of-District Placements

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends that the Board approves the actions contained in the attached Out-of-District Placements.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the actions attached in the Out-of-District Placements of September 21, 2009.

Seconded by Robert Kautz and approved by a roll call vote:

	AYE	NAY
John Carlton	___x___	_____
Shirley Grill	___x___	_____
Robert Kautz	___x___	_____
Leslie Larson	___x___	_____
Shelly Lombard	___x___	_____
Ronald Riddick	___x___	_____
Carmen Taylor	___x___	_____

8. Settlement Agreement to Resolve A.C.'s Educational Program.

Ronald Riddick moved to approve the Settlement Agreement:

WHEREAS, the attorney for the Board of Education has forwarded a Settlement Agreement in the matter of H.C. and G.C. on behalf of A.C., vs. the Montclair Board of Education.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board Secretary is authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

Seconded by Carmen Taylor and approved by a roll call vote:

	AYE	NAY
John Carlton	___x___	_____
Shirley Grill	___x___	_____
Robert Kautz	___x___	_____
Leslie Larson	___x___	_____

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Shelly Lombard	<u> x </u>	_____
Ronald Riddick	<u> x </u>	_____
Carmen Taylor	<u> x </u>	_____

N. COMMENTS

1. Members of the Public

Dawn Mohammand, 214 Valley Road – questioned the route the staff is taking on bringing a new quarterback to the team and how the coaches can put students who have worked so hard aside and bring a student from outside. She was wondering if the Board was aware of what was happening and if anyone was considering the feelings of other students.

Dr. Alvarez responded that he understands her concern for the situation and that everything has been checked out – residency etc. Dr. Alvarez stated that he will relay concerns to John Porcelli and invited parents to contact him also.

Joanne Aidala, 95 Montclair Avenue, Director of Montclair Public Schools’ Health and Wellness Partnership. She wanted to thank everyone for their help this summer with the retreat in July, especially Shirley Grill, Terry-Trigg Scales, and Jim Scagliotti and staff. The retreat looked at the mental health needs for the middle school students. The partnership is writing a grant which is for three years at \$75,000 per year.

2. Board Members

Carmen Taylor reported that she attended the annual breakfast at St. Marks. She reported that the Montclair Police Chief attended and commented that crime is down overall and spoke about community team work and gang intervention. She also added that all students should be treated equally and they are all capable of learning.

Ronald Riddick stated that he is looking for a good year in the district with many exciting events occurring.

Shirley Grill commented on the new quarterback at Montclair High School. She noted that private schools recruit players but public schools should give all students the opportunity to play. She also stated that she feels it is important how we communicate with students, whether in a crisis or on a daily basis.

Leslie Larson stated that she agreed with Shirley Grill’s comments and it is important how situations are presented. She noted that we are one team and we have to listen to ourselves how we handle unpleasant situations.

Shelly Lombard noted that she is excited about the new year and that she feels some major goals are communications and customer service. She noted that she is happy that some special education issues are being examined.

Robert Kautz expressed his concerns about the manner in which the issue of the new quarterback was handled and as a parent, realizes that this is a very difficult situation for seniors when new students move in. Mr. Kautz commented that he is confident that Dr. Alvarez will forward his comments to the Athletics Department.

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Robert Kautz made note that Montclair Rocks will be performing October 24 under the big top parking lot off Bloomfield Avenue.

John Carlton commented that he feels keeping communication open is extremely important. He also thanked everyone for their service to the Montclair Public Schools and expressed his sadness on the deaths of those who played an important part in this community.

Shirley Grill expressed her thanks to Dr. Alvarez and the staff for a great start to a new school year.

O. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUTURE DATES

The next meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, October 5, 2009, and will open at 6:30 p.m. in public but will go immediately into executive session. The meeting will reconvene in public at approximately 7:30 p.m. in the Atrium of the George Inness Annex, 141 Park Street.

P. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:55 p.m. Shirley Grill moved to have the meeting adjourned.

Seconded by Ronald Riddick and approved by a vote of 7-0.