

BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOLS
IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY

MINUTES OF MARCH 7, 2017 – SPECIAL MEETING

The Board Meeting of March 7, 2017 was called to order by President Albert Pitman at 12:01 pm. The meeting took place at the Mercer County Vocational-Technical Schools, 1085 Old Trenton Road, Trenton, New Jersey. The President read the following statement:

“In accordance with the State’s Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided. This meeting was advertised in the Times newspaper on February 24, 2017. This notice was also posted in the Board Office and a copy has been filed with the County Clerk of Mercer.”

Roll Call:	Ms. Iszard - Present	Ms. Stinger – Present	Ms. Hernandez-Manno - Present
	Mr. Zoller - Absent	Ms. McCoy – Present (arrived at 12:03)	Mr. Pitman - Present

Tanya Dawson, Business Administrator presented the Tentative 2017-2018 Budget. First discussed were the budget highlights, which included the expansion of STEM, Culinary and possibly Forensic Science programs. Also, Evening School will be offering community programs and looking to introduce a Barbering class. The district will continue to upgrade facilities including a science lab at the Sypek Center. The district is also looking to update our IT infrastructure. Last of the budget highlights, is the shared services for Buildings and Grounds and Information Technology between MCTS and MCSSSD. Next discussed was enrollment with emphasis on the increase of full time students due to the full time academies. A review of the district funding sources was also presented noting a 2% increase to the county tax levy and the increase in tuition. A review of the district’s expenditures and appropriations was presented as well.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Business Administrator recommended the Board approve the following:

- A. Resolve to approve and submit the 2017-2018 Tentative School District Budget for approval by the Interim Executive County Superintendent (attached)
- B. Award of RFP 17-04 Civil Engineering Services to E&LP
- C. Proposal from Burlington County Special Services School District Educational Services Unit to provide Deaf and Hard of Hearing and Executive Functioning consultative services to STEM Academy, not to exceed \$2,034 through June 30, 2017 (11-310-100-340-01-00-1900)

Ms. Iszard introduced a motion for the Board to approve the aforementioned. Ms. Stinger seconded the motion and it was carried by roll call vote.

Roll Call:	Ms. Iszard - Yes	Ms. Stinger – Yes	Ms. Hernandez-Manno - Abstain
	Mr. Zoller – Absent	Ms. McCoy –Yes	Mr. Pitman - Yes

7. SUPERINTENDENT’S AGENDA

None

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Iszard introduced a motion the meeting be adjourned at 12:28 pm. Ms. McCoy seconded the motion and it was carried by roll call vote.

Roll Call:	Ms. Iszard - Yes	Ms. Stinger - Yes	Ms. Hernandez-Manno - Yes
	Mr. Zoller - Absent	Ms. McCoy - Yes	Mr. Pitman - Yes

The next meeting of the Board shall be Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 5:00 pm at the Assumpink Center.

Respectfully submitted,



Tanya Dawson
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary