BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONTVALE, NEW JERSEY

REORGANIZATION MEETING AGENDA
JANUARY 3, 2022

1. (In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 7, Title 18A:10-3 and 18A:15-1 of the Revised New Jersey Statutes)

2. **CALL TO ORDER**
Board Secretary to call the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Instructional Media Center of Fieldstone Middle School, Spring Valley Road, Montvale, NJ.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. **OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ANNOUNCEMENT:**
"The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted by Borough Hall/Montvale Public Library, the Board Secretary's Office, and such notice given to *The Ridgewood News* and *The Record*.

Welcome to the public.
Invite those present to sign the attendance sheet, if they so choose.
No smoking is allowed.
Pre-approval of audio or video recording by the public is required.

4. ELECTION RESULTS

Certification of Election Results for Annual School Election, November 2, 2021

Board of Education – (Three-Year Term)
Christopher NicholasColla 1,133 Votes

Board of Education – (Three-Year Term)
Ernie DiFiore 967 Votes

5. OATH OF OFFICE AND ROLL CALL

OATH OF OFFICE
The results of the November 2, 2021 election were released by the Bergen County Board of Elections. The oath of office will be administered to the newly elected Board Members:

Christopher Colla
Ernie DiFiore

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Auer, Mrs. Bagdat, Mrs. Baskin, Mr. Carvelli, Mr. Colla, Mr. DiFiore, Mrs. Foley

6. BOARD MEMBERSHIP/TERM OF OFFICE ANNOUNCED

Mrs. Anita Bagdat	December 2022
Mrs. Alisha Foley	December 2022
Mrs. Amaka Auer	December 2023
Mrs. Rachel Baskin	December 2023
Mr. John Carvelli	December 2023
Mr. Christopher Colla	December 2024
Mr. Ernie DiFiore	December 2024

7. Secretary to call for nominations for the office of president:

_____ Nominated by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Secretary to call for further nominations for the office of president:

_____ Nominated by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Motion by: _____, seconded by: _____ that the nominations for president be closed and a roll call vote taken for nominees(s) as president of the Board [or that Secretary cast one vote].
Roll Call: Mrs. Auer, Mrs. Bagdat, Mrs. Baskin, Mr. Carvelli, Mr. Colla, Mr. DiFiore, Mrs. Foley

Announcement of Result:

The Board Secretary will turn the meeting over to the President at this time.

8. President to call for nominations for the office of vice-president:

_____ Nominated by: _____ Seconded by: _____

President to call for further nominations for the office of vice-president:

_____ Nominated by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Motion by: _____, Seconded by: _____ that the nominations for vice-president be closed and a roll call vote taken for nominee(s) as vice-president of the Board [or that Secretary cast one vote].
Roll Call: Mrs. Auer, Mrs. Bagdat, Mrs. Baskin, Mr. Carvelli, Mr. Colla, Mr. DiFiore, Mrs. Foley

Announcement of Result:

9. CODE OF ETHICS FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

As required by N.J.A.C 6:3-1.3 and N.J.A.C.6A:30, each Board of Education reviews the School Ethics Law annually.

CODE OF ETHICS FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS (N.J.S.A.18A:12-24.1)

A. I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
B. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex, or social standing.
C. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
D. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.
E. I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the board.
F. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
G. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.
H. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
I. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
J. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

10. HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC ON THE BOARD REORGANIZATION

This is the portion of the meeting reserved for comments from the public where members of the public are invited to address the board concerning board business matters of interest. If you wish to address the board, when acknowledged please provide your name, address and share your comment. All comments will be considered and a response may be forthcoming if and when appropriate. Issues raised by the public may or may not be responded to by the board. The board requests that all members of the public be mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Due to confidentiality and legal rights afforded by the state of New Jersey, members of

the public are asked to not speak negatively or in a derogatory manner about any employee of the board, or any student within our district.

At this time, I welcome comments from the public on any matter concerning the Board Reorganization.

11. APPOINTMENTS AND CONTRACTS

Introduced by: _____ **Seconded by: _____**
AYE Votes: _____ **NO Votes: _____**

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Motion 11.1 **RESOLVED**, that the following be appointed to continue in the position listed through to the next re-organization meeting of the Montvale Board of Education:

Board Secretary	Andrea Wasserman
Qualified Purchasing Agent	Andrea Wasserman
Public Agency Compliance Officer	Andrea Wasserman
Custodian of Public Records	Andrea Wasserman
Attendance Officer	Debra Walker
Affirmative Action Officer	Richard Scherer
Anti-Bullying Coordinator	Christina Gouraige
School Safety Specialist	Darren Petersen
District Testing Coordinator	David Collier
Memorial Testing Coordinator	Nina Fassano
Fieldstone Testing Coordinator	Richard Scherer
Indoor Air Quality Coordinator	Brian Marshall
AHERA Designated Person	Brian Marshall

Delegate to New Jersey School Boards Association and Bergen County School Boards Association:

	Delegate	Alternate
N.J.S.B.A.	_____	_____
B.C.S.B.A.	_____	_____

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS - Board members will review committee appointments with the Board President.

BOARD ATTORNEY

Motion 11.2 **WHEREAS,** the law firm of Fogarty & Hara, Esqs., has the expertise and experience to provide professional services to the Montvale Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board"); and

WHEREAS, the Board is desirous of appointing the law firm of Fogarty & Hara, Esqs., to provide professional services to the Board finding that the proposal submitted by this law firm is most advantageous, experience, qualifications, price and other facts considered;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board appoints the law firm of Fogarty & Hara, Esqs. as Board Attorneys until the next organization meeting in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute the Agreement and any and all other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution. The Board Secretary is hereby directed to publish a notice of this Award in the official newspaper of the Board.

BOND COUNSEL

Motion 11.3

WHEREAS, there exists a need for specialized legal services in connection with the capital program and the authorization and issuance of obligations of The Board of Education of the Borough of Montvale in the County of Bergen (the "Board"), a body corporate of the State of New Jersey, including the preparation and review of procedures in connection with such obligations and the rendering of approving legal opinions acceptable to the financial community in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, such special legal services can be provided only by a recognized law firm, and the law firm of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Woodbridge, New Jersey is so recognized by the financial community; and

WHEREAS, funds are or will be available for this purpose.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF MONTVALE IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

1. The law firm of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Woodbridge, New Jersey is hereby retained to provide specialized bond counsel legal services necessary in connection with the capital program and the authorization and the issuance of obligations by the Board.
2. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute a Bond Services Contract (the "Contract").
3. The Contract is awarded without competitive bidding and as a "Professional Service" in accordance with the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1), because it is for services performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
4. A copy of this resolution as well as the Contract shall be placed on file with the Secretary of the Board. The publication required pursuant to Section 5(a)(1) of the School Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:-1 et seq. is hereby authorized.

BOARD AUDITOR

Motion 11.4

RESOLVED, that the Board approve the appointment of Barre & Company LLC for auditing services, until the 2023 organization meeting.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT

Motion 11.5 **RESOLVED,** that the Board approve the appointment of Karl & Associates as Environmental Consultant until the 2023 organization meeting.

ARCHITECT OF RECORD

Motion 11.6 **RESOLVED,** that the Board approve the appointment of FKA Architects as District Architect of Record until the 2023 organization meeting.

INSURANCE

Motion 11.7 **RESOLVED,** that the Board approve the appointment of the following until the 2023 organization meeting.

Insurance Agent of Record for Delta Dental:
John DiMartino, Crumdale Partners

Insurance Agent of Record for SAIF Insurance Pool
Giovanni Mancini, Treadstone Risk Management, LLC

FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Motion 11.8 **RESOLVED,** that the Board approve the appointment of Phoenix Advisors, LLC as Financial Advisor until the 2023 organization meeting.

NEW JERSEY STATE HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM

Motion 11.9 **RESOLVED,** that there be authorized renewed participation in the School Employees' Health Benefits Program of the State of New Jersey; and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Montvale Board of Education hereby renews participation in the Health Program provided by the New Jersey State Health Benefits Act of the State of New Jersey (N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.26 and N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.46.2) and to authorize coverage for the employees and dependents thereunder in accordance with the statute and regulations adopted by the School Employee's Health Benefits Commission; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education renews participation in the Employee Prescription Drug Plan defined by the N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.25 et seq. and authorizes coverage for employees and their dependents in accordance with the statute and regulations adopted by the School Employee's Health Benefits Commission; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education will be maintaining Delta Dental as our dental plan, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that eligibility for Health Benefits shall be determined based upon the collective bargaining agreement between the Montvale Board of Education and the Montvale Education Association; the collective

bargaining agreement between the Montvale Board of Education and the Montvale Administrators' and Supervisors' Association; or by any contracts between individuals not in a collective bargaining agreement and the Montvale Board of Education, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as a participating employer we will remit to the State Treasury all charges due on account of employee and dependent coverage and periodic charges in accordance with the requirements of the statute and the rules and regulations duly promulgated thereunder, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, we hereby appoint Andrea Wasserman, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, to act as certifying officer in the administration of this programs, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, continued participation in the School Employees' Health Benefits Program of the State of New Jersey is subject to the availability and appropriation of sufficient funds, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall take effect immediately and coverage shall be effective as of January 1, 2022.

12. GOVERNANCE

Introduced by: _____ **Seconded by: _____**
AYE Votes: _____ **NO Votes: _____**

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT - MEETING DATES, TIME AND PLACE
*APPENDIX **"A"***

12.1 **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Borough of Montvale, pursuant to Chapter 231, PAL. (Open Public Meetings Act) hold its Regular Business Meeting in the Instructional Media Center of Fieldstone Middle School, 47 Spring Valley Road, Montvale, NJ or the Memorial Elementary School Library, 53 W. Grand Avenue, Montvale, NJ, or via Zoom at 5:30 p.m. on Mondays of each month (Board Secretary to advertise as necessary), as per Appendix "A" to the minutes of this meeting; and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Borough of Montvale hold its Public Worksession Meetings in the Instructional Media Center of Fieldstone Middle School, 47 Spring Valley Road, Montvale, NJ, or via Zoom, at 5:30 p.m. on Mondays of each month be held in accordance with the Law, Board By-Laws, and implementing policy to the extent required, as listed on Appendix "A"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Executive Session Meetings be held if needed during the first part of the Board Meetings to begin at or on about 5 p.m. and end on or about 6 p.m.

OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

Motion 12.2 **WHEREAS,** the following newspapers are published in Bergen County and are circulated in the municipality,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that this Board of Education does hereby designate *The Ridgewood News,* and or *The Record*, recipients for the notice of meetings and legal advertising for the school district, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that notices of meetings of the Board of Education will be posted in the Montvale Board of Education Administration Office and posted on the District website

RE-ADOPT POLICY

Motion 12.3 **RESOLVED**, that there be re-adopted existing Board of Education, By-Laws, Policies, and Administrative Regulations of the school district.

RE-ADOPT CURRICULUM GUIDES
APPENDIX "B"

Motion 12.4 **RESOLVED**, that there be re-adopted the school district curriculum guides as listed on Appendix "B".

BANK ACCOUNTS

Motion 12.5 **RESOLVED,** that that the Board of Education of the Borough of Montvale establishes the following bank accounts at Capital One Bank and that Capital One Bank is hereby requested, authorized, and directed to honor all checks, drafts, and other orders for the payment of money drawn in the name of the Board of Education in the following accounts when bearing the true or approved signature(s) indicated:

Account Name	**Signatories**
Current Expense Account	Board President, Superintendent of Schools, Board Secretary, Board Vice-President as alternate
School 2 Escrow Account	Superintendent of Schools, Board Secretary, Board President as alternate
Milk Account	Superintendent of Schools, Board Secretary, Board President as alternate
Agency Account	Superintendent of Schools, Board Secretary, Board President as alternate

Payroll Account	Superintendent of Schools, Board Secretary, Board President as alternate
Enterprise Account	Superintendent of Schools, Board Secretary, Board President as alternate
Fieldstone School Student Activities Account	Principal, Fieldstone School, Secretary to the Principal, Fieldstone School, Board Secretary and Superintendent as alternates.

INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Motion 12.6 **RESOLVED,** that that the Board of Education of the Borough of Montvale establishes the following bank accounts at State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund and that New Jersey Cash Management Fund is hereby requested, authorized, and directed to honor all checks, drafts, and other orders for the payment of money drawn in the name of the Board of Education in the following accounts when bearing the true or approved signature(s) indicated:

Account Name	**Signatories**
Montvale Board of Education	Superintendent of Schools, Board Secretary, Board President as alternate
Montvale Board of Ed Capital Projects	Superintendent of Schools, Board Secretary, Board President as alternate
Montvale Board of Ed Unemployment Account	Superintendent of Schools, Board Secretary, Board President as alternate

INVESTMENTS

Motion 12.7 **RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of the Board be authorized with the approval of the Superintendent of Schools and the Chairman (or designate) of the Finance Committee to invest school district funds within Statutory limitations, action to be reported to the Board for approval or ratification of action taken, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following banks be authorized as depositories for investments:

TD Bank	New Jersey Cash Management Fund
Capital One	Bank of America
JPMorgan Chase Bank	Lakeland Bank
Sterling Bank	Investors Bank

NJ/ARM (New Jersey Asset & Rebate Management Program)

SIGNATORIES/DEPOSITORIES/AUTHORIZATION TO BORROW

Motion **RESOLVED**, that the funds of this corporation be deposited in one or more

12.8 accounts with Capital One Bank subject to withdrawal orders or if a checking account, checks made in the corporate name signed by any of the following officers: President or Vice President, The Board Secretary, the Superintendent of Schools, who are also authorized to make, collect, discount, negotiate, endorse, assign and deposit in the corporate name, all checks, drafts, notes and other negotiable paper payable to or by this corporation and that as aforesaid, including checks drawn to cash or bearer or to the individual order of the officer signing said checks, shall be honored and paid by said Bank/Trust Company, without further inquiry, and charged to the corporation's account, the Bank/Trust Company may do or cause to be done by virtue hereof; provided however, that Capital One Bank shall not be obligated to or any check or withdrawal order drawn on the account unless there are sufficient funds on deposit, and any amount not collected may be charged back to account, including expenses incurred, and

RESOLVED, that any two of the following officers of the corporation to wit:
President (or Vice President)
Board Secretary (or designate)
are hereby authorized to borrow money and to obtain credit for this corporation from said Capital One Bank on such terms as may seem to them advisable and to make and deliver notes, drafts, acceptances agreements and any other obligations of this corporation therefore in form satisfactory to said Bank/Trust Company as security therefore to pledge and trustee any stocks, bonds, bills receivable, bills of lading, warehouse receipts and any other property of this corporation with full authority to endorse or guarantee the same in the name of this corporation to execute and deliver all instruments of assignment and transfer and to affix the corporate seal; also to discount any bill receivable or other negotiable paper held by this corporation with full authority to endorse same in the name of this corporation, and

RESOLVED, that the Secretary of this corporation be and hereby is authorized to certify to said Capital Bank, the foregoing resolutions and that the provisions thereof are in conformity with the charter and by-laws of this corporation, that the foregoing powers and authority will continue until written notice of revocation has been delivered to Capital One Bank.

PETTY CASH FUND AUTHORIZED AND FRAMEWORK FOR OPERATION

Motion 12.9 **RESOLVED**, that Petty Cash Funds be authorized as follows and that the designated individual be authorized to cash checks payable to him/her duly marked as reimbursement for the fund:

Fund	**Amount**	**Authorized Signatory**
Board/Business Office	$150.00	Board Secretary
Fieldstone Middle School	$150.00	Principal
Memorial School	$150.00	Principal

Superintendent's Office	$150.00	Superintendent of Schools
Child Study Team	$ 75.00	Supervisor of Special Services

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that Petty Cash Fund disbursements shall be made within the framework of Rules & Regulations provided by the School Business Administrator and approved by the Superintendent of Schools and the School Auditor for the effective control of expenditures.

MAXIMUM TRAVEL EXPENDITURE AMOUNT

Motion 12.10

WHEREAS, P.L. 2007, c 53 requires that districts annually establish a maximum appropriation amount for travel related expenditures, and

RESOLVED, that the Board establishes $79,200 as the maximum expenditure amount that is allotted for travel during the 2021-22 school year;

AND BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that there be approved an annual maximum of $250 per each Child Study Team Member and Administrator for routine business travel for the 2021-22 school year,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the mile reimbursement rate be equal to the rate set by the State OBM.

INTEREST EARNINGS- DEBT SERVICE AND CAPITAL PROJECTS

Motion 12.11

RESOLVED, that interest earnings on debt service be applied to offset debt service costs and that interest earnings on capital project funds be allocated to capital reserves for future projects.

AFFIRM IMPLEMENTATION OF 2021-22 SCHOOL BUDGET

Motion 12.12

RESOLVED, that there be affirmed the implementation of the Board approved school budget for the 2021-22 school year.

OPERATING EXPENSES/NECESSARY TRANSFERS

Motion 12.13

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent of Schools and Business Administrator to issue payments for certain reoccurring (or emergency) operating expenses/necessary transfers of funds prior to the approval of the Board and have these payments ratified at the subsequent board meeting effective until the next reorganization meeting.

CHART OF ACCOUNTS

Motion 12.14

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey Department of Education requires local districts to classify expenditures and revenues under the Uniform Minimum Chart of Accounts,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Montvale Board of Education adopts the minimum chart of accounts as the reporting level of detail in the appropriations expenditures classification effective until the next reorganization meeting;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools as Chief School Administrator be authorized, effective until the next reorganization meeting, to transfer amounts among minimum chart of accounts line items to prevent line items account deficit[s] as may be necessary in accordance with statutory authority; a detailed report of the amounts transferred to be ratified by the Board of Education at the next Regular Public Business Meeting.

RE-ADOPT MULTI-YEAR PLANS

Motion 12.15 **RESOLVED**, that there be re-adopted the following multi-year plans:

Long Range Facility Plan
Comprehensive Maintenance Plan
Nursing Services Plan
District Technology Plan
School Safety and Security Plan
Blood Borne Pathogens Compliance Program with the County of Bergen
Memorandum of Agreement with Local Law Enforcement

RE-ADOPT PARTICIPATION IN JOINT INSURANCE FUNDS

Motion 12.16 **RESOLVED**, that there be readopted participation in the following joint insurance funds through June 30, 2022:

South Bergen Workers Compensation Fund
School Alliance Insurance Fund

13. ANNOUNCEMENT

The Board is now considered to be organized in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 7, Title 18A:10-3 and 18A:15-1 of the Revised Statutes of the State of New Jersey. The minutes of Board meetings are posted on a bulletin board in the Borough Hall foyer, at the Montvale Public Library for the public, in the Montvale Board of Education Administrative Offices, and posted on the district website.

14. MOTION TO ADJOURN TO WORKSESSION

Introduced by: _____ Seconded by: _____

AYE Votes: _____ NO Votes: _____

Motion 14.1 **RESOLVED**, that the reorganization meeting be adjourned and that the Board convene in a worksession meeting at _____ p.m.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONTVALE, NEW JERSEY

WORKSESSION MEETING AGENDA
JANUARY 3, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER: President to call the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Instructional Media Center of Fieldstone Middle School, 47 Spring Valley Road, Montvale NJ.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Auer, Mrs. Bagdat, Mrs. Baskin, Mr. Carvelli, Mr. Colla, Mr. DiFiore, Mrs. Foley

2. **OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ANNOUNCEMENT:**
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3. **COMMENTS BY THE BOARD PRESIDENT**
Welcome to the public.
Invite those present to sign the attendance sheet, if they so choose.
No smoking is allowed.
Pre-approval of audio or video recording by the public is required.

4. **PRIVATE SESSION**

Introduced by: _____ Seconded by: _____
AYE Votes: _____ NO Votes: _____

Motion 4.1 **WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act and the Montvale Board of Education reserve the right within the constraints of State Law to sit in Private Executive Session, and

WHEREAS, there now exists a need for this Board of Education to reconvene in Executive Session, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Montvale Board of Education recess into Executive Session to discuss exempt matters as follows:

- Superintendent's Report of Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying
- Personnel – New Hires, Employee Leave Requests, Stipends

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the public will be informed

1. When the Board reconvenes to the Regular Meeting business portion of this meeting this evening; or
2. At a later date, undetermined at this time.

5. RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION

The Board President will restate the opening comments.

6. HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC

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At this time, I welcome comment from the public on any matter concerning board business.

7. BOARD BUSINESS

Minutes – Enclosed are copies of the minutes of the following meetings for review and comment:

December 13, 2021 (see attached)
December 20, 2021 (see attached)

Update on Montvale Safe Reopening Plan - Dr. Petersen will review the current plan

8. OFFICIAL ACTION ITEMS

Motion 8.1 through 8.4 was introduced by:_____Seconded by:_____
Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Auer, Mrs. Bagdat, Mrs. Baskin, Mr. Carvelli, Mr. Colla, Mr. DiFiore, Mrs. Foley

SUBSTITUTES

Motion 8.1 **RESOLVED,** that there be approved employment as substitutes, subject to Chapter 116, P.L. 1986 in the Montvale Public Schools during the 2021-22 school year, with compensation at the Board approved rate, the following individuals:

Name	Position	Effective Dates

Brown, Lauren	Substitute Teacher	1/4/22 - 6/30/22
Brown, Lauren	Substitute Teaching Assistant	1/4/22 - 6/30/22

REVISED LEAVE WITHOUT PAY

Motion 8.2 **RESOLVED,** that there be approved a revised leave without pay for Ellen Nowak, Pre-K Disabled Teaching assistant, from December 2, 2021 through February 4, 2022.

EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL

Motion 8.3 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Education is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 to adopt policy and approve travel expenditures by district employees and board members using local, State, or Federal funds to ensure that travel is educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education acknowledges that on-going professional development is critical to the instructional needs of the district or may further the efficient operation of the school district, and providing said training may require travel expenses;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorize employee and Board Member attendance in informational programs directly related to, and within the scope of the listed job title's current responsibilities, and/or training opportunities as follows with payment of expenses, if applicable, based on the federal travel regulations provided that such expenses are within the annual maximum travel expenditure amount:

Date (s)	**Employee**	**Workshop**	**Cost (Not to Exceed)**
1-10-22 - 1-14-22	Brown, Lauren	Comprehensive Virtual IMSE - Orton-Gillingham Training	$1,275.00

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF $29,414,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2022 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF MONTVALE IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THEIR SALE AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

Motion 8.4 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF MONTVALE IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. The $29,414,000 School Bonds, Series 2022 of The Board of Education of the Borough of Montvale in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Board" when referring to the governing body and the "School District" when referring to the territorial boundaries governed by the Board) authorized by virtue of a proposal adopted by the Board on September 27, 2021 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:24-1 et seq., as amended and supplemented, and specifically, N.J.S.A. 18A:24-10(b), shall be issued as School Bonds (the "Bonds"). The Bonds shall mature in the principal amounts on August 15 in each of the years as follows:

Year	Principal Amount	Year	Principal Amount
2023	$1,164,000	2034	$1,440,000
2024	1,010,000	2035	1,470,000
2025	1,040,000	2036	1,505,000
2026	1,075,000	2037	1,535,000
2027	1,240,000	2038	1,570,000
2028	1,270,000	2039	1,600,000
2029	1,295,000	2040	1,635,000
2030	1,320,000	2041	1,670,000
2031	1,350,000	2042	1,705,000
2032	1,375,000	2043	1,740,000
2033	1,405,000		

The Bonds shall be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity as set forth therein. The Bonds shall be twenty-one (21) in number, with one certificate being issued for each year of maturity and shall be numbered SCH-1 to SCH-21 inclusive. The Bonds are entitled to the benefits of the New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act, 1980 N.J. Laws c. 72, as amended and supplemented.

SECTION 2. The Bonds will be issued in fully registered book-entry only form, without certificates. One certificate shall be issued for the aggregate principal amount of Bonds maturing in each year. Both principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable in lawful money of the United States of America. Each certificate will be registered in the name of and held by Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York (“DTC”), which will act as securities depository for the Bonds (the "Securities Depository"). The certificates will be on deposit with DTC. DTC will be responsible for maintaining a book-entry system for recording the interests of its participants or the transfers of the interests among its participants. The participants will be responsible for maintaining records regarding the beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds on behalf of individual purchasers of such beneficial interests. Individual purchases of the

beneficial interests in the Bonds may be made in the principal amount of $1,000 each or any integral multiple thereof with a minimum purchase of $5,000 required, through book entries made on the books and the records of DTC and its participants.

Individual purchasers of the Bonds will not receive certificates representing their beneficial ownership interest in the Bonds, but each book-entry Bond owner will receive a credit balance on the books of its nominee, and this credit balance will be confirmed by an initial transaction statement stating the details of the Bonds purchased.

The Bonds will be dated their date of delivery and will bear interest from such date, which interest shall be payable, commencing August 15, 2022 and semiannually thereafter on the fifteenth day of February and August in each year until maturity or prior redemption, at a rate or rates per annum, expressed in a multiple of one-eighth (1/8) or one-twentieth (1/20) of one per centum (1%), as proposed by the successful bidder in accordance with the Notice of Sale authorized and defined herein. The principal of and interest on the Bonds will be paid to the Securities Depository by the Board on the respective maturity dates and due dates and will be credited on the respective maturity dates and due dates to the participants of DTC as of each next preceding February 1 and August 1 (the "Record Dates" for the Bonds). The Bonds shall be executed by the manual or facsimile signature of the Board President under the official seal (or facsimile thereof) affixed, imprinted, engraved or reproduced thereon and attested by the manual signature of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary. The following matters are hereby determined with respect to the Bonds:

Date of Bonds:	Date of Delivery
Principal Payment Dates:	August 15, 2023 and each August 15 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption
Interest Payment Dates:	Semiannually on each February 15 and August 15 of each year beginning August 15, 2022 until maturity or prior redemption
Place of Payment:	Cede & Co., New York, New York

SECTION 3. The Bonds shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, with such additions, deletions and omissions as may be necessary for the Board to market the Bonds in accordance with the requirements of DTC.

SECTION 4. The Notice of Sale (the "Notice of Sale") and the Official Form of Proposal for Bonds shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit B with such additions, deletions and omissions as may be necessary for the Board to market the Bonds in accordance with the requirements of DTC.

SECTION 5. The Bonds shall be sold upon receipt of electronic bids on January 27, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary of the Board on i-Deal's Bidcomp®/PARITY®

electronic competitive bidding system ("PARITY") in accordance with the Notice of Sale authorized herein. The use of the services provided by PARITY and the fees associated therewith are hereby approved. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary or Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Bond Counsel ("Bond Counsel") is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for the publication of the Notice of Sale, such publication to be not less than seven (7) days prior to the date of sale, in summary form in The Bond Buyer, a nationally recognized local government bond marketing publication devoted to financial news and municipal bonds, and the full text of such Notice of Sale in The Record. The Board hereby delegates to and designates the Business Administrator/Board Secretary as the officer authorized to sell and to award the Bonds in accordance with the Notice of Sale authorized herein, and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall report in writing the results of the sale to this Board as required by law. **Furthermore, the Board hereby delegates to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary the authority to postpone and reschedule the sale of the Bonds, upon consultation with Bond Counsel, without readvertisement in accordance with the Notice of Sale authorized herein and to adjust the maturity schedule of the Bonds up to twenty-four (24) hours prior to the date of sale indicated herein, which adjustment shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the principal amount of any maturity or in the aggregate, the overall issue.**

The Board President, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Bond Counsel, the Municipal Advisor, Phoenix Advisors, LLC (the "Municipal Advisor"), the Board Auditor and the Board Attorney, are each hereby further authorized and directed to do and accomplish all matters and things necessary or desirable to effectuate the offering and sale of the Bonds.

SECTION 6. The Bonds shall have affixed thereto a copy of the written opinion with respect to the Bonds that is to be rendered by Bond Counsel to the Board.

SECTION 7. The Official Statement to be distributed in preliminary form on or about January 20, 2022 (the "Preliminary Official Statement"), prepared in connection with the offering and sale of the Bonds, is hereby "deemed final" for the purposes of Rule 15c2-12, as amended and supplemented (the "Rule") promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the provisions of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and supplemented, with the exception of certain information permitted to be omitted thereby and is hereby approved and authorized for the information of purchasers of the Bonds, with such changes and corrections not inconsistent with the substance thereof, including those required to reflect the effect of the sale of the Bonds, as are deemed necessary and advisable by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary in consultation with Bond Counsel.

SECTION 8. Bond Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for the printing of the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement. Bond Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for the distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement on behalf of the Board to those financial institutions that customarily submit bids for such Bonds. The Board President or the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to deliver the Official Statement to the purchaser of the Bonds for its use in connection with the sale, resale and distribution of the Bonds, where and if applicable. Bond Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement as necessary in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, and the Board President or the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Official Statement and any certificates

necessary in connection with the distribution of the Official Statement. Bond Counsel is hereby further authorized and directed to arrange for the printing of the Bonds.

SECTION 9. The Board hereby covenants that it will comply with any conditions subsequent imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in order to preserve the exemption from taxation of interest on the Bonds, including, if necessary, the requirement to rebate all net investment earnings on the gross proceeds above the yield on the Bonds.

SECTION 10. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Bond Counsel, the Municipal Advisor and the Board Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to make representations and warranties, to enter into agreements and to make all arrangements with DTC, as may be necessary in order to provide that the Bonds will be eligible for deposit with DTC and to satisfy any obligation undertaken in connection therewith.

SECTION 11. The Board reasonably expects to reimburse itself from the proceeds of the Bonds for certain costs of the school project paid prior to the issuance of the Bonds. No funds from sources other than the Bonds have been or are reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or have otherwise been set aside by the Board, or any member of the same "Controlled Group" as the Board, within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(e), pursuant to their budget or financial policies with respect to any expenditures to be reimbursed. This Section 11 is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Board's official intent to reimburse any expenditures toward certain costs of the school project, as described above, to be incurred and paid prior to the issuance of the Bonds in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2, and no further action (or inaction) will be an abusive arbitrage device in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-10 to avoid, in whole or in part, arbitrage yield restrictions or arbitrage rebate requirements under Section 148 of the Code. The proceeds of the Bonds used to reimburse the Board for any expenditures toward certain costs of the school project to be financed by the Bonds will not be used directly or indirectly (i) to "refund" an issue of governmental obligations within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(d), (ii) to create or increase the balance in "replacement proceeds", within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1 of the Bonds, or any other Bond issue, with respect to any obligation of the Board or to replace funds or (iii) to reimburse the Board for any expenditure or payment that was originally paid with the proceeds of any obligation of the Board (other than borrowing by the Board from one of its own funds or the funds of a member of the same "Controlled Group" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(e)). The Bonds used to reimburse the Board for any expenditures toward certain costs of the school project, as described above, will be issued in an amount not to exceed $29,414,000. The costs to be reimbursed with the proceeds of the Bonds will be "capital expenditures" in accordance with the meaning of section 150 of the Code and Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1. This section shall take effect immediately, but will be of no effect with regard to expenditures for costs paid outside the permitted reimbursement period set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2(d)(2).

SECTION 12. In the event that DTC may determine to discontinue providing its service with respect to the Bonds or is removed by the Board and if no successor securities depository is appointed, the Bonds which were previously issued in book-entry only form shall be converted to registered Bonds (the "Registered Bonds") in denominations of $1,000, or any integral multiple thereof with a minimum purchase of $5,000 required. The beneficial owner under the book-entry system, upon registration of the Bonds held in the beneficial owner's name, will become the

registered owner of the Registered Bonds. The Board shall be obligated to provide for the execution and delivery of the Registered Bonds in certified form.

SECTION 13. The Board hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the "Certificate") which will set forth the obligation of the Board to file budgetary, financial and operating data and notices of certain enumerated events deemed material in accordance with the provisions of the Rule. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Certificate evidencing the Board's undertaking with respect to the Rule. Notwithstanding the foregoing, failure of the Board to comply with the Certificate shall not be considered a default on the Bonds; however, any Bondholder may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance to cause the Board to comply with its obligations hereunder.

SECTION 14. The Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary are each hereby authorized and directed to determine all matters in connection with the issuance of the Bonds by the Board not determined by this or a subsequent resolution, all in consultation with Bond Counsel and the manual or facsimile signature of the Board President or the Business Administrator/Board Secretary upon any documents shall be conclusive as to all such determinations. The Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and any other Board representative, including but not limited to, Bond Counsel and the Board Attorney, are each hereby authorized and directed to take such actions or refrain from such actions as are necessary to consummate the transaction contemplated by the issuance of the Bonds by the Board and any and all such actions or inactions heretofore taken by the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and any other Board representative, including, but not limited to Bond Counsel and the Board Attorney, are hereby ratified and confirmed. Wherever herein the Board President is authorized and directed to act or execute and deliver documents, including the Bonds, the Board Vice President is hereby authorized and directed to do same in the Board President's place.

SECTION 15. After a process seeking proposals, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with the Municipal Advisor is hereby authorized to appoint an investment agent to invest the proceeds of the Bonds and provide arbitrage/rebate services.

SECTION 16. The Bonds will **not** be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of section 265(b)(3)(B)(ii) of the Code.

SECTION 17. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

9.	**PRIVATE SESSION** [reconvened if necessary]	
	Introduced by: _____	Seconded by: _____
	AYE Votes: _____	NO Votes: _____
Motion 9.1	**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act and the Montvale Board of Education reserve the right within the constraints of State Law to sit in Private Executive Session, and	

WHEREAS, there now exists a need for this Board of Education to reconvene in Executive Session, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Montvale Board of Education recess into Executive Session to discuss exempt matters as follows:

- _____

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the public will be informed

1. When the Board reconvenes to the Regular Meeting business portion of this meeting this evening; or
2. At a later date, undetermined at this time.

10. FURTHER BUSINESS

11. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Introduced by: _____ **Seconded by: _____**

AYE Votes: _____ **NO Votes: _____**

Motion 11.1 **RESOLVED**, that this meeting be adjourned at ____ p.m.