

BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE

BUDGET WORKSHOP

AND

PUBLIC HEARING

TO BE HELD ON

**MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2015, AT 6:30 PM
AT THE GEORGE INNESS ATRIUM
141 PARK STREET, MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY**

AGENDA FOR THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE
BUDGET WORKSHOP AND PUBLIC HEARING
HELD MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2015 AT 6:30 PM
GEORGE INNESS ATRIUM
141 PARK STREET, MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. Call to Order
- II. Statements
 1. Meeting Notice
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Roll Call, Brian Fleischer
- V. Review and Approval of Minutes
 - A. Budget Workshop and Public Meeting, Thursday
March 27, 2014
 - B. Budget Review and Public Hearing, Monday, March
31, 2014
 - C. Adoption of School Budget, Monday, April 7, 2014
- VI. Discussion of the Proposed 2015-2016 School Budget
- VII. Receive Comments and/or Questions from the Public
Concerning the Proposed 2015-2016 School Budget
- VIII. Adjournment

MINUTES FOR THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE
BUDGET WORKSHOP AND PUBLIC HEARING
HELD THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2014 AT 8:00 PM
GEORGE INNESS ATRIUM
141 PARK STREET, MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. Call to Order – **7:01 p.m.**
- II. Statements – Read by Councilor Hurlock
 1. Meeting Notice
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Roll Call, Brian Fleischer

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x	
Sean Spiller	x	
William Hurlock	x	
Robin Kulwin	x	
David Deutsch	x	

Staff Members	15
Members of the Public	7
Members of the Press	3

- V. Review and Approval of Minutes

Robert Jackson moved to approve the following minutes:

- A. Budget Workshop and Public Meeting, Thursday March 21, 2013
- B. Budget Review and Public Hearing, Thursday, March 28, 2013
- C. Adoption of School Budget, Thursday, April 4, 2013

Seconded by Sean Spiller and approved by a vote of **6 - 1**.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	X			
Sean Spiller	X			
William Hurlock	X			
Robin Kulwin	X			
David Deutsch			X	

- VI. Discussion of the Proposed 2014-2015 School Budget
- VII. Receive Comments and/or Questions from the Public Concerning the Proposed 2014-2015 School Budget
- VIII. Adjournment

**MINUTES FOR THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE
 BUDGET REVIEW AND PUBLIC HEARING
 HELD MONDAY, MARCH 31, 2014 AT 8:00 PM
 GEORGE INNESS ATRIUM
 141 PARK STREET, MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. Call to Order: 7:02 pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call, Brian Fleischer

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x	
Sean Spiller	x	
William Hurlock	x	
Robin Kulwin	x	
David Deutsch	x	

Staff Members	15
Members of the Public	7
Members of the Press	3

- IV. Discussion of the Proposed 2014-2015 School Budget
- V. Receive Comments from the Public Concerning the Proposed 2014-2015 School Budget
- VI. Adjournment: 10:45 pm

MINUTES FOR THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE
ADOPTION OF SCHOOL BUDGET
HELD MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2014 AT 8:00 PM
MONTCLAIR HIGH SCHOOL
100 CHESTNUT STREET, MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. Call to Order 8:25 p.m.
- II. Statements
 - 1. Meeting Notice – Read by Councilor Hurlock
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Roll Call, Brian Fleischer

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x	

Sean Spiller	x	
William Hurlock	x	
Robin Kulwin	x	
David Deutsch	x	

Staff Members	20
Members of the Public	20
Members of the Press	

- V. Discussion by BSE Members 2014-2015 School Budget
- VI. Meeting Open to Public
- VII. Resolution Re: Implore New Jersey Department of Education to Adequately Fund Technology Mandates

Sean Spiller moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Education has mandated that schools administer the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) assessments online in the 2014/2015 school year, and,

WHEREAS, the online administration of PARCC assessments compels school districts to designate significant local funds to support required technology upgrades,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of School Estimate implores the New Jersey Department of Education to adequately fund the technology upgrades necessary to implement online administration of PARCC assessments and to meet other New Jersey Department of Education technology mandates.

Seconded by Robert Jackson and approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Sean Spiller	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
David Deutsch	x			

VIII. Resolution Re: Acknowledge Receipt of Certificate from the Montclair Board of Education to the Montclair Board of School Estimate Relating to the 2014-2015 Operating Budget

William Hurlock moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Montclair Board of Education forwarded the attached Certificate to the Board of School Estimate relating to the School District Budget for the 2014-2015 school year,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of School Estimate acknowledges receipt of the Certificate (attached).

Seconded by Robert Jackson and approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Sean Spiller	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
David Deutsch	x			

IX. Action on Proposed Board of School Estimate Resolution
Re: Adoption of 2014-2015 Budget

Robin Kulwin moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, NJSA Title 18A:22-14 requires that the Board of School Estimate fix and determine by official action the amount of money necessary to be appropriated for the use of the public schools in the district for ensuing year and,

WHEREAS, NJAC 6:19-5.2 requires that if the amount of money appropriated by the board of school estimate is less than the amount proposed by the board of education, the board of school estimate shall present to the board of education, the governing body and the county superintendent a statement of the specific line-item reductions made by the board of school estimate, along with a certification that the board of school estimate has reviewed the budget proposed by the board of education and deems the revised budget sufficient for provision of a thorough and efficient system of education and that the reductions will not adversely affect the stability of the district given the need for long term planning and budgeting,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montclair Board of School Estimate, after careful study and due deliberation, does hereby approve a FY 2014-2015 school district tax levy in the amount of One Hundred One Million, Four Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand, Eight-Six Dollars (\$101,492,086), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of School Estimate does hereby certify said amount to the governing body of the Township of Montclair pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-19, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Secretary is hereby instructed to prepare two certificates of this action, one to be sent to the Board of Education of the Township of Montclair, and the other to the Council of the Township of Montclair.

Seconded by Robert Jackson and approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Sean Spiller	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
David Deutsch	x			

X. Action on Proposed Board of School Estimate Resolution
Re: Approval of Withdrawal of Funds from Capital Reserve
in the 2014-2015 Budget

Sean Spiller moved to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Montclair Public Schools has included in the 2014-2015 budget revenue line #600 and #620 withdrawals from Capital Reserve to fund capital needs throughout the district as detailed below:

Security Systems - Group 1	\$ 328,200
Security Systems - Group 2	279,132
Window Repairs	11,790
Roofing & Dormer Repairs & Renovations	143,400
Unit Ventilator & Air Conditioning Repairs/Install	152,400
Various Improvements at the High School	150,600
Tank Removal, Masonry Work, Blktop to Gym Entrance	37,200
Foundation Waterproofing at the MPS Room	55,800
Multipurpose Room Light Replacement	6,000
Field Renovations	30,600
Line #600: Withdrawal from Cap Res-Local Share	<u>1,195,122</u>
High School Cafeteria Renovations	151,000
Elevator Replacement/Upgrades	100,000
Various Floor Replacements at Hillside School	125,000
District-wide Technology Upgrades	500,000
Line #620: Withdrawal from Cap Res-Excess Cost & Other Cap Prj	<u>876,000</u>
Total Withdrawal From Capital Reserve in the 2014-2015 Budget	<u><u>\$ 2,071,122</u></u>

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Montclair Board of School Estimate approves the withdrawal of Capital Reserve funds totaling \$2,071,122 in the 2014-2015 school budget.

Seconded by Robin Kulwin and approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Sean Spiller	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
David Deutsch	x			

- XI. Resolution Re: Statement of Specific-Line Item Reductions

David Deutsch moved to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-9.7(c)(1)(i), the Board of School Estimate recommends the line-item reductions annotated on the attached 2014-2015 School Budget.

Seconded by Robert Jackson and approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Sean Spiller	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
David Deutsch	x			

- XII. Resolution Re: Certification of Sufficiency

William Hurlock moved to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, pursuant to N.J.A.C.6a:23a-9.7(c)(1)(i), the Board of School Estimate certifies that it has reviewed the 2014-2015 budget presented by the Board of Education and that it deems the revised budget approved by the Board of School Estimate on April 7, 2014 sufficient for provision of a through and efficient system of education.

Seconded by David Deutsch and approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Jackson	x			
Sean Spiller	x			
William Hurlock	x			
Robin Kulwin	x			
David Deutsch	x			

XIII. Adjournment