

**MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Board of Education Office – Large Conference Room**  
**1014 Route 601**  
**Skillman, New Jersey 08558**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, January 27, 2025**  
**8:00 a.m. Public Session**  
**8:05 a.m. Executive Session**

**Call to Order – By Board President Todd at 8:01 a.m.**

Statement of Open Meeting and Public Participation - In accordance with the State's Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing notice of meeting on January 24, 2025. Notice was provided to Board of Education Members, Montgomery Township Clerk, Rocky Hill Borough Clerk, Public Library, Township Posting, School Posting, PTSA Officers, Courier News, Montgomery News, Princeton Packet, Trenton Times, and The Star Ledger.

The Board reserves the right to enter into Executive Session during all meetings of the Board of Education.

It is the School Board's intention to conclude this meeting at a reasonable hour.

**ROLL CALL**

Michelle Dowling – Present  
Joanna Filak – Present  
Vanita Nargund – Present

Patrick Todd – Present  
Ania Wolecka-Jernigan – Present

Absent: Ms. Franco-Herman, Ms. Harris, Ms. Spina, and Dr. Wang

Also Present: Mary McLoughlin, Superintendent of Schools  
Andrew Italiano, Acting School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**SALUTE THE FLAG**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Ms. Filak and seconded by Ms. Wolecka-Jernigan to approve the following resolution to convene in Executive Session at 8:05 a.m.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975 provides that a public body may exclude the public from that portion of a meeting of which the public body discusses certain matters for which confidentiality is required as permitted in Section 7B of the act.

WHEREAS, the items that are permitted to be discussed in executive session are as follows:

- 1) a matter rendered confidential by federal or state law

- 2) a matter in which release of information would impair the right to receive government funds
- 3) material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy
- 4) a collective bargaining agreement and/or negotiations related to it
- 5) a matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds
- 6) protection of public safety and property and/or investigations of possible violations or violations of law
- 7) pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations and/or matters of attorney-client privilege
- 8) specific prospective or current employees unless all who could be adversely affected request an open session
- 9) deliberation after a public hearing that could result in a civil penalty or other loss

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education will be discussing item #3.

Action will not take place on this item.

The matters discussed in executive session shall be disclosed to the public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Upon call of the roll, the motion carried unanimously.

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION** – The Board returned from Executive session at 8:30 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Michelle Dowling – Present

Patrick Todd – Present

Joanna Filak – Present

Ania Wolecka-Jernigan – Present

Vanita Nargund – Present

Absent: Ms. Franco-Herman, Ms..Harris, Ms. Spina, and Dr. Wang

Also Present: Mary McLoughlin, Superintendent of Schools  
Andrew Italiano, Acting School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**ACTION AGENDA**

Ms. Wolecka-Jernigan motioned agenda items 4.1 and 4.2 seconded by Ms. Filak. Upon call of the roll, the motion carried unanimously.

**4.0 PERSONNEL**

- 4.1 Approve Resolution Approving Resignation of Employee – approve the resignation of an employee whose name is on file in the Superintendent's office.
- 4.2 Approve Appointments/Renewals (Certificated Staff) – approve the appointment of an interim principal (see Page 4).

**NEW BUSINESS FROM PUBLIC**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Dowling motioned to adjourn at 8:35 a.m., seconded by Ms. Wolecka-Jernigan. Upon call of the question, the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Italiano', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Andrew Italiano  
Board Secretary

4.2 PERSONNEL

Appointments/Renewals (Certificated Staff)

	Location	First	Last	Position	Degree	Step	Salary	Dates of Employment/Notes
1.	DISTRICT	Matthew	Barbosa *	Interim Principal PRN.UM.PRIN.NA.01	N/A	N/A	\$700 per diem	01/27/2025 – 06/30/2025

\* Pending Criminal Background Clearance and Employment History Clearance