

**The Board of Education of Moorestown Township
Moorestown, New Jersey
MINUTES
Video Conference
May 31, 2022 – 8:00 a.m.**

I. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Moorestown Township Board of Education is called to order. This meeting is called in conformance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” with adequate notice provided as follows:

- A. Notice filed with the Courier Post on May 25, 2022
- B. Notice filed with the Burlington County Times on May 25, 2022

II. Moment of Silence

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Roll Call

Present	Dr. Sandra Alberti
Present	Mrs. Melissa Arcaro Burns (joined at 8:05 a.m.)
Absent	Mrs. Jill Fallows Macaluso
Present	Mrs. Cheryl Makopoulos
Present	Mrs. Claudine Morano
Present	Ms. Lauren Romano
Present	Mr. Mark Villanueva
Present	Dr. Mark Snyder, Vice President
Present	Mr. Maurice Weeks, President
Absent	Mr. John Comegno, Esq., Solicitor
Present	Mr. Michael Volpe, Superintendent
Present	Mr. James M. Heiser, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Absent	Dr. Karen Benton, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Innovation
Absent	Dr. David Tate, Director of Special Education
Absent	Ms. Carole Butler, Director of Human Resources, Inclusion and Diversity
Present	Mr. Jeffrey Arey, Director of Educational Technology and Innovation

V. Executive Session

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Moorestown Township, that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving:

- Confidential Legal Matters

Moved by: Dr. Alberti Second: Ms. Romano Vote: Unanimous

VI. Return to Public – 8:28 a.m.

Moved by: Mrs. Arcaro Burns Second: Mrs. Makopoulos Vote: Unanimous

VII. Routine Matters

A. Public Comment on Agenda Items

1. Open Public Comment

MOTION:

A motion is requested to open the floor for public comment.

Moved by: Dr. Alberti Second: Dr. Snyder Vote: Unanimous

2. Public Comment on Agenda Items - none

3. Close Public Comment

MOTION:

A motion is requested to close the floor for public comment.

Moved by: Ms. Romano Second: Dr. Snyder Vote: Unanimous

VIII. Recommendations of the Superintendent

A. Finance and Business

1. Rejection of Bids

MOTION:

WHEREAS, the Moorestown Township School District Board of Education ("the Board") advertised for bids for Grounds Services in and about the District ("Grounds Services"); And

WHEREAS, the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.* (the "Contracts Law"), provides that the Board must award bids to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for a project, as defined in the Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Board received and publicly opened six (6) bids on April 14, 2022 in connection with the Janitorial and bid 22-5; and

WHEREAS, upon reviewing the bids received, it was determined by the School Business Administrator, and appropriate staff and professionals, that each bid was either materially deficient, withdrawn, or substantially exceeded the cost estimate and/or appropriation for the Janitorial Services; and

WHEREAS, the Contracts Law provides that a board of education may reject all bids in situations where the lowest responsive bid substantially exceeds the Board's cost estimate and/or appropriation.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board as follows:

Section 1 – That all bids received for the Janitorial Services are hereby rejected.

Section 2 - The Janitorial Services Specifications shall be reviewed and modified, as may be appropriate and/or necessary, so the services can be re-advertised for bidding as soon as possible.

This resolution will take effect immediately on this May 31, 2022.

Approval of Item 1:

Moved by: Dr. Alberti

Second: Ms. Romano

Vote: Unanimous

IX. Adjournment

Moved by: Ms. Romano

Second: Mrs. Makopoulos

Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Heiser, CPA
Board Secretary