DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICES Township of Union Public Schools M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M

TO:

Pat Ditri

FROM:

Joseph T. Seuglin

RE:

Board Agenda

DATE:

2013-08-02

The committee recommends and I so move that the board approve the elimination of the Behavioral Disabilities Self Contained class listed below at Washington Elementary School effective September 9, 2013 in accordance with the information in the hands of each board member.

Behavioral Disabilities

ELIMINATE

New Jersey State Department of Education Union County Office of Education

Request to Establish or Eliminate a Special Education Program or Service

Complete both sides of this form and send tapproval	to the county office of education for review and
District: Township of Union School: Wash	nington Elementary School Date: 8/2/2013
Check One: Establish a Program/Service	⊠ Eliminate a Program/Service
Check Type of Program: Preschool/Elementary Resource Program:	Secondary Resource Program ¹ :
Pull/out, support Pull/out, replacement In-class, support In-class, replacement Team Teaching Model	Pull/out, support Pull/out, replacement In-class, support In-class, replacement
Elementary Special Class Program: Auditory Impairments Autism Behavioral Disabilities Cognitive Impairments, mild Cognitive Impairments, moderate Cognitive Impairments, severe Learning/ Language Disabilities, mild/moderate Learning/ Language Disabilities, severe Multiple Disabilities Preschool Disabilities Visual Impairments Extended School Year Program	Secondary Special Class Program ² : Auditory Impairments Autism Behavioral Disabilities Cognitive Impairments, mild Cognitive Impairments, moderate Cognitive Impairments, severe Learning/ Language Disabilities mild/moderate Learning/ Language Disabilities, severe Multiple Disabilities Visual Impairments Secondary Special Class (taught by regular education teacher)
Other program/service, please specify:	

<u>Note:</u> Each newly proposed resource program, special class program and service must be located in a space that has been approved by the County Superintendent of Schools. Forms for substandard use are available in the county office. Facility approval must be obtained before approval of the request to establish a new program can be granted.

¹ Secondary resource programs are located in schools that contain any combination of grades 6 through 12, where the organizational structure is departmentalized for general education students.

² Secondary special class programs are located in schools that contain any combination of grades 6 through 12, where the organizational structure is departmentalized for general education students.

On a separate page, describe your request based on the following corresponding criteria/questions.

To Establish a New Program/Service

- 1. Document the unmet student needs that will be addressed by the proposed program.
- 2. Describe the proposed program and explain how it will meet student needs:
 - a. Identify the age range and number of students to be served.
 - b. How will the Core Curriculum Content Standards be addressed?
 - c. How does this program address least restrictive environment?
 - d. What opportunities will be available for interaction with non-disabled peers?
 - e. State the number of professional and paraprofessional staff. For paraprofessional staff submit the locally developed job description and standards for approval (N.J.A.C. 6:11-4.6(c).

To Eliminate a Program/Service

- 1. Provide a rationale for eliminating the program/service.
- 2. If the elimination of the special education program/service will result in a change to one or more students' current IEP(s), describe how the students' needs will be met.

I assure that the attached proposal to establish a new program/service is in accordance with New Jersey Administrative Code (N.J.A.C.) 6A:14, Special Education and N.J.A.C. 6A:26, Educational Facilities. (Attach the Board Resolution approving the establishment of the new program.) Board Approval Date: _____ Signed: ____ (Chief School Administrator) I assure that any change in a student's program/placement necessitated by eliminating the special education program/service described in the attached proposal will be implemented in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:14, Special Education. (Attach the Board Resolution approving the elimination of the program/service.) Signed: (Chief School Administrator) Board Approval Date: _____ Approved Denied Signed: Date

(County Supervisor of Child Study)

- 1) The Township of Union Public Schools is requesting that the Behavioral Disabilities program be eliminated at Washington Elementary School for the 2013-2014 school year. The Behavioral Disabilities Program will be reestablished to accommodate student age ranges.
- 2) This program elimination will not result in changes to students' IEPs.