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Borough of Eatontown
Community Benefits Agreement Committee
April 21, 2026, 6pm
MINUTES

Committee Members	Dec 16 2025	Jan 20 2026	Feb 17 2026	Mar 31 2026	Apr 21 2026							
Ralph Anderson	P	P	P	P	P							
William Diedrichsen	P	P	P	P	P							
David Byer	P	P	P	P	P							
Caroline Krueger	P	P	P	P	P							
Sean McIntyre	A	P	E	P	P							
Justin Myles	P	E	P	E	E							
Linda Rogers	P	P	P	P	P							
Lisa Vazquez	P	P	P	E	P							
Amanda Zuroick	P	P	P	E	E							
Don Corcione	P	E	E	E	P							
William Lucia	P	E	E	P	E							
Anthony Talerico, Jr.	P	P	P	P	P							

The minutes of the March 31, 2026 meeting were approved.

1. Balance Summary

Amount of Community Benefit Agreement	\$ 5,000,000.00
Amount Previously Awarded	(781,250.00)
Amount Awarded April 21, 2026	(30,000.00)
Amount Held for Future Projects	-
Available Balance	<u>\$ 4,188,750.00</u>

2. Requests Received To be Considered

The committee considered and approved the one request below. The funding request is for the implementation of a STEM-based program for grades 4-8, over a three-year period, using the Maplewood Shop Program. The funds are for training, equipment and implementation of this hands-

on woodworking program. Programs such as these help students transition into vocational schools as well as receive introductions to such technologies as CADD.

Request ID	Requestor	Amount Requested
25-2026	Eatontown Public Schools	30,000.00
		\$ 30,000.00

3. Future Items to Consider

The Mayor stated that the committee should expect to receive funding requests from the PBA, Fire Company and EMS at the next meeting. The group discussed other potential requests such as rent assistance and improvements to the cemeteries in town.

The committee continued its discussion on an Eatontown Arts Council. The Mayor is reaching out to the Monmouth Arts Council for guidance. Dave Byer is arranging meetings with Janice Grasso and the Recreation Advisory Committee to discuss ways recreation programming can be enhanced with art initiatives. He also intends to speak with Linda Rogers and the Superintendent about creative writing programming in the schools.

The group is still waiting for an updated quote for the microphones and speakers at the Performing Arts Center at Monmouth Regional High School. The group previously awarded \$25,000 but will not disburse the funds until we have an updated quote which may modify the award.

4. General Discussion on Larger Projects

The group discussed improving Borough and/or school fields and noted that if artificial fields were created, that they can be rented as a revenue stream when not in use. The group also discussed the creation of indoor space noting that a multiuse building would provide for various recreational activities. The group would like to come to a future Council meeting to discuss these larger projects and ways to gather public input.

5. Questions/Comments/Next Meeting ??

The group selected May 19th for the next meeting.