

EGG HARBOR CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
December 11, 2019

The regular meeting of the Egg Harbor City Board of Education was held on the above date at 7:00 p.m. at the Egg Harbor City Community School located at 730 Havana Avenue, Egg Harbor City, New Jersey, with President Stephen Bouchard opening the meeting, and Board Members, Janine Caudo, James Guercioni, Stephen Murphy, Steven Ortiz, MaryAnn Rogers and Dana Seaver present. Also present were: Superintendent/CLS Principal, Adrienne Shulby; Business Administrator, Joseph Smurlo; Community School Principal, John Griffith; Supervisor of Early Childhood/LDTC, Tara Macchione; Board Solicitor, Ron Sahli and Board Secretary, Maryanne Shupin.

Mr. Bouchard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following statement:

This is to advise those present at this meeting of the Board of Education of the Egg Harbor City School District, in the County of Atlantic, that adequate notice has been given of this meeting as required by the provision of Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975; that notice thereof has been forwarded for publication in the District official newspapers, posted in the city Schools, and forwarded to the city Clerk within the time required by said Act.

The Board values and welcomes comments and opinions from residents as long as remarks are not personal or discourteous. The public comment portion of the meeting allows the Board to listen to community members and to hear their opinions on school policy and operations.

There are two opportunities to address the Board. The first public portion is reserved for persons wishing to speak about agenda items only. The second opportunity, following the action items, residents may address the Board on any school related issue. Once identified, a speaker is asked to limit their comments to three minutes. Yielding time is not permitted. The public comments portion of the meeting will not exceed 30 minutes total.

Mr. Bouchard called for the flag salute and roll call, which is reflected in the opening paragraph.

PRESENTATION OF 2018-2019 AUDIT

Mrs. Carol Russ presented Ford Scott's audit for Egg Harbor City Public School District for the 2018-2019 school year. There were no findings or recommendations for this year. Mrs. Russ thanked Joe and the Board Office personnel for their attention to detail throughout the year.

Upon a motion by, Mr. Ortiz seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved the acceptance of the 2018-2019 school audit as presented. There are no recommendations in the audit, and therefore, a Corrective Action Plan does not need to be filed. (Roll call:

Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried. VIII.F

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion by Mr. Ortiz, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved Resolution of the Board of Education of the Egg Harbor City School District to permit discussion of subjects in closed sessions. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Mr. Ortiz, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved to end the Executive Session at 7:19 P.M.

OPEN FLOOR

Mr. Bouchard opened the floor to the public for any questions or comments on agenda items. No comments were made.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE BOARD

Mrs. Seaver is happy to be back.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Mrs. Shulby, Superintendent/Principal, reported a primarily approved status on the Afterschool grant. Mrs. Shulby was happy to have Mrs. Dana Seaver reelected to the Board. Egg Harbor City School District was the biggest winner at the JIF award dinner. \$8,250.00 was granted to the district and it was named one of two Safety Districts of the Year. Congratulations were acknowledged to Mr. Steve Ortiz on his retirement from the BOE. Mrs. Shulby invited all presented to the Holiday Concert starting at 7 P.M. on December 18th at the Spragg School.

Mr. Smurlo, Business Administrator, gave an account for “VIII.G” on the agenda. In accordance with our Wellness Program 10 - \$250 gift cards were purchased by him. Mr. Smurlo directed Board Members to the Bills List to a check written for \$2,500.00 directly to him for this purpose.

Mr. Griffith, Community School Principal, detailed the events of the Festival of Hope in conjunction with a NJEA Pride Grant and the Coalition for a Safe Community. Atlantic County residents, in need of assistance, may be eligible for discounts on their heating bills and were giving the opportunity to speak to various agencies offering assistance. Mr. Griffith was pleased to announce a 1st time winner of the Cooper Levenson Holiday Card Art Contest under Art Teacher, Ms. Kelly Roberts, going to 8th grade student, Kenya McReynolds.

Mrs. Macchione, Supervisor of Early Childhood/LDTC, reports, with the help of her Master Teacher, preschoolers were able to take a walking trip to EHC library.

BOARD MINUTES

Upon a motion by, Mr. Ortiz seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved the following set of minutes:

1. November 13, 2019 Regular

(Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni–yes; Mr. Murphy–yes; Mr. Ortiz–yes; Ms. Rogers–yes; Mrs. Seaver–yes; Mr. Bouchard–yes) Motion carried.

FINANCIAL ITEMS

Upon a motion by, Mr. Ortiz seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved the Board Secretary’s Report and the Treasurer’s Report for October, 2019. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni–yes; Mr. Murphy–yes; Mr. Ortiz–yes; Ms. Rogers–yes; Mrs. Seaver–yes; Mr. Bouchard–yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by, Mr. Ortiz seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved Board Certification pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 The Egg Harbor City Board of Education certifies that as of 10/31/19 after review of the Board Secretary's monthly financial report (Revenue and Appropriation sections) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4 and there have been no changes in anticipated revenue sources and/or amounts so that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni–yes; Mr. Murphy–yes; Mr. Ortiz–yes; Ms. Rogers–yes; Mrs. Seaver–yes; Mr. Bouchard–yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by, Mr. Ortiz seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved November 2019 bill’s list as follows:

1. General Account	\$290,551.04
2. Capital Account	\$0.00
3. Food Service Account	\$40,074.20
4. Payroll Account	\$569,103.96
5. Debt Service Account	\$0.00

(Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni–yes; Mr. Murphy–yes; Mr. Ortiz–yes; Ms. Rogers–yes; Mrs. Seaver–yes; Mr. Bouchard–yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by, Mr. Ortiz seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved Budget transfer (Resolution #20-07) for the 2019-20 school year in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-2:13 and Chapter 196 Laws of 1967, as follows:

- December 11, 2019 Fund 10 - \$6,749.11 Fund 20 - \$0.00

(Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni–yes; Mr. Murphy–yes; Mr. Ortiz–yes; Ms. Rogers–yes; Mrs. Seaver–yes; Mr. Bouchard–yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by, Mr. Ortiz seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved a tuition contract with the Galloway School District for a Grade 1 student, #2051894921 in the

amount of \$12,199.68 who was homeless from Galloway and whose district of residence is now the Egg Harbor City School District, to provide an educational program for 144 days during the 2019-20 school year. In accordance with the McKinney-Vento act, Egg Harbor City is responsible for tuition and transportation. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-abstain; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by, Mr. Ortiz seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved issuance of ten \$250 gift cards to employees in accordance Employee Wellness Plan administered by the Employee Medical Copayment Plan (Difference Card) during the 19-20 school year. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS ITEMS

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Mr. Ortiz, the Board ratified and affirmed a Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Official signed 10/4/19. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

PERSONNEL ITEMS (as recommended by the Superintendent)

Upon a motion by Mr. Ortiz, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board accepted the resignation letter from Business Administrator, Joseph Smurlo, with regret, received December 2, 2019 and effective January 1, 2021. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Mr. Ortiz, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved the appointment of Lisa Jiampetti to fill the anticipated Project Director position for the NJ Afterschool/Summer Program-Cohort 6 Grant 2019-2020 school at \$47,905.00. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Mr. Ortiz, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved authorization for the Superintendent to hire AM/PM certificated staff for the anticipated NJASP for the 2019-2020 school year subject to Board ratification at the contractual rate. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Mr. Ortiz, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board authorized a non-precedent agreement as discussed in Executive Session between the EHCEA and the EHCBOE. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

STUDENT ITEMS

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Mr. Ortiz, the Board approved motion to affirm the Harassment, Intimidation, & Bullying (HIB) incidents as reported by the

Superintendent and resolved by the building Principal, HIB Coordinator, or designee. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

PROGRAM ITEMS

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved the Bright and Beautiful Therapy Dogs, Inc. to run a pet therapy program at the Charles L. Spragg School during the 19-20 school year. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved the following ACIT Medical Assistant students to complete school health screenings at CLS with school nurse, Stacy Baggstrom, on December 16th and 17th:

- Melanie Mendez
- Selene Quintero
- Rachel Flores

(Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved EHCCS fieldwork placement (80 hours) for Stockton University students from January 21, 2020 to May 1, 2020:

- Amanda Serek with Mr. C. Shaun Gunther
- Dionna Gonnella with Mr. Andrew Ross

(Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved CLS fieldwork placement (80 hours) for Stockton University student from January 21, 2020 to May 1, 2020:

- Mia Forbes with Michele Bauers

(Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Mr. Ortiz-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes) Motion carried.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Professional development activities have been recommended by building Principals, approved by the Supervisor of Special Projects and the Superintendent as directly related to the fulfillment of individual professional improvement plans and/or required by the New Jersey Department of Education, Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), local

student Individual Education Plans, or entitlement/discretionary grants. Adequate funds have been appropriated.

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Guercioni, the Board approved Professional Development Workshops for the 2019-2020 school year. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni–yes; Mr. Murphy–yes; Mr. Ortiz–yes; Ms. Rogers–yes; Mrs. Seaver–yes; Mr. Bouchard–yes) Motion carried.

POLICIES/REGULATIONS ITEMS

Upon a motion by Mr. Ortiz, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved the first reading of New/Revised Policies/ Bylaws/ Regulations as follows:

1. Policy 3542.3 – Procurement Procedures for Child Nutrition Programs

(Roll call: Ms. Caudo–yes; Mr. Guercioni–yes; Mr. Murphy–yes; Mr. Ortiz–yes; Ms. Rogers–yes; Mrs. Seaver–yes; Mr. Bouchard–yes) Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mrs. DePiero shared the Festival of Hope was an awesome community-wide event.

CALENDAR DATES

District dates of interest for the upcoming month:

December	20	Winter Recess Begins (12:20 p.m. dismissal)
December	23-31	Winter Recess (bldgs. closed)
January	1	Winter Recess (bldgs. closed)
January	2	School Re-opens
January	6	Reorganization/Regular Board Meeting

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution of the Board of Education of the Egg Harbor City School District to permit discussion of subjects in closed sessions.

RESOLVED: At a public meeting of the Board of Education held on December 11, 2019 at ___ p.m. that pursuant to sections 7 and 8 of the “Open Public Meetings Act”, the following subjects be discussed in a session of the Board of Education closed to the public:

- (1) Litigation
- (2) Personnel
- (3) Contracts
- (4) Negotiations

It is presently anticipated that the items mentioned in the Resolution can be disclosed to the public when a decision is made upon the same, and in personnel matters, with the consent of the employee.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Mr. Ortiz and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned the meeting at 7:38 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryanne Shupin
Board Secretary