

EGG HARBOR CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

April 8, 2020

The regular meeting of the Egg Harbor City Board of Education was held on the above date at 7:00 p.m. via a Zoom Meeting streamed live at Egg Harbor City School District Homepage with President, Stephen Bouchard opening the meeting, and Board Members, Janine Caudo, Kiomy Fuentes, James Guercioni, Stephen Murphy, MaryAnn Rogers and Dana Seaver present. Also present was: Superintendent/CLS Principal, Adrienne Shulby; Business Administrator, Joseph Smurlo; Community School Principal, John Griffith; Director of Special Projects, Gina Forester; 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.

ROLL CALL

Reflected in the opening paragraph

OPEN FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Bouchard invited the public to comment on or question any topic related to the Board of Education agenda items. The website is up and open to receive questions and comments; however, at this time there are no comments.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE BOARD

Mr. Bouchard invited comments for the good of the Board. Mr. Guercioni voiced his appreciation to all members of the Egg Harbor City Community taking part in caring for each other during this most stressful time.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Mrs. Shulby echoed the thoughtful comments mentioned earlier and added after speaking to all staff members today, everyone is doing a phenomenal job of educating, feeding and supporting the community as a whole.

In keeping in the spirit of an essential meeting only, there will be no other monthly reports for March.

BOARD MINUTES

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved the following sets of minutes:

- March 11, 2020 Regular Meeting
- March 11, 2020 1st Executive

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

FINANCIAL ITEMS

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Guercioni, the Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and the Treasurer's Report for February 2020. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Guercioni, the Board approved the 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 2/29/20 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; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Guercioni, the Board approved the March, 2020 bill list as follows:

1.	General Account	\$ 226,118.22
2.	Capital Account	\$ 0.00
3.	Food Service Account	\$ 35,039.43
4.	Payroll Account	\$ 589,801.78
5.	Debt Service Account	\$ 504,290.63

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

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Guercioni, the Board approved the budget transfer (Resolution #20-13) 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:

- April 8, 2020 Fund 10 - \$2,126.50 Fund 20 - \$6.70

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

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS ITEMS

Upon a motion by Mr. Guercioni, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved a revised 2019-2020 School Calendar. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Mr. Guercioni, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved a resolution opposing the delay in transmission of quarterly property tax revenue to School Districts. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Mr. Guercioni, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved a memorandum of understanding between the NJ Office of Emergency Management and the Egg Harbor Board of Education for the acceptance of and expenditure of FEMA funding as part of the COVID-19 Disaster Proclamation. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

PERSONNEL (as recommended by the Superintendent)

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Caudo, the Board approved the appointment of Kristen Polisano and Nicholas Hanuscin as Student Leader Athletic Program Advisors for the 2019-2020 school year funded by the Target Soccer Grant. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Caudo, the Board approved Ronald Longo's return from FMLA effective April 9, 2020. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

POLICIES/REGULATIONS ITEMS

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

1. Policy 3542.31 - Free or Reduced-Priced Lunches/Milk Offer Verses Serve (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

STUDENT ITEMS

Upon a motion by Mr. Guercioni, seconded by Ms. Rogers, 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. There are no additions to this month's report. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

PROGRAMS

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved the appointment of James Connelly as a mentor to Long-Term Substitute Taylor Macaro. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Mrs. Seaver asked how the district was responding to the mental health aspect of learning during COVID-19.

Grades 3-8 can participate in Google Classroom with their Chromebooks and Teachers. Mr. Griffith shared the roles of various staff members. One committee consists of a Mrs. Macchione, a Guidance Counselor, a School Nurse, a School Secretary and a Bi-Lingual Staff member that meet once a week to share concerns about the fragile families and to ensure open communications between the district, students and their families. 75 families will be receiving a box of groceries on Thursday, April 9, 2020 thanks to Mr. Wheeler, who will deliver them. On Fridays, no assignments are given so students and staff can participate in Fun Activities.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Smrulo confirmed there were no written comments or questions for the Board.

CALENDAR DATES

District dates of interest for the upcoming month:

May 6 Regular Board Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryanne Shupin
Board Secretary