

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**EGG HARBOR CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Egg Harbor City, New Jersey 08215**

**AGENDA**

Regular Meeting

March 10, 2021

Charles L. Spragg School

Multi-Purpose Room

601 Buffalo Avenue

7:00 PM

**I. Regular Meeting**

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.

**II. Flag Salute**

**III. Roll Call**

Mr. Bouchard ('21)-P

Ms. Caudo ('23)-P

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('23)-P

Ms. Fuentes ('22)-P

Mr. Guercioni, III ('22)-P

Ms. Rogers ('21)-P

Mrs. Seaver ('22)-P

## **Presentation**

Cooper Levenson Law Firm Holiday Card Presentation

Mr. Griffith began, giving credit to Mr. Ross for giving students the opportunity.

Mr. Ross explained that he tried to do the cards during morning meeting since the kids did not have a regular art class this year and said Yaritza did a fantastic job.

Elizabeth White from Cooper Levenson talked about the charity that is focused on providing meals to children outside of school, explained there were only 6 winners out of hundreds of entries, and gave out the following: a plaque and \$50 gift card to Yaritza Cisneros, a \$100 gift card to her art teacher, and a plaque for the school.

## **IV. Open Floor to Public**

There were no public comments.

## **V. Comments for the Good of the Board**

Mr. Bouchard started by following up on the email Mrs. Shulby sent the board by email about a proposal for remote streaming of meetings.

Mr. Guercioni asked about staffing costs involved.

Mrs. Seaver asked about the process for voting and implementation, if it would go through a committee.

Mrs. Fuentes said that the school should provide streaming as an option as many other districts do.

Mr. Guercioni explained that the cost was on par with what it costs at the district where he works.

It was referred to the finance meeting that will need to meet in the next month.

## **VI. Monthly Reports**

### **a. Superintendent / Principal Report** *Attachment*

Mrs. Shulby explained the results of the most recent survey that went to parents about satisfaction and possible changes. It was a relatively even split with virtual families wanting to keep the status quo and in person families wanting more time. She explained the difficulty of a split approach due to the union contract. She also explained the logistical difficulties of changing stream mid-year. She also brought up that the school is receiving a \$2,500 safety award from the JIF.

### **b. Business Administrator Report**

Mr. Bedell reminded board members about the ethics disclosures that are due, mentioned the May meeting was early because of the public hearing, explained the 0% general fund tax increase proposed, and let the board know about the wellness gift cards that were purchased.

### **c. Director of Special Projects Report**

Dr. Forester explained the new data collection requirements the state is mandating

around assessment and explained that the district is in a very good position with LinkIt. She talked about the 3/10 professional development and her upcoming meeting with data coaches and LinkIt representatives to create a data collection template.

d. EHCCS Principal Report

*Attachment*

Mr. Griffith talked about how the district is trying to reach more students by bringing virtual students in-person during the office hours in the afternoon, the social justice presentations that students participated in during Black History Month, and a new partnership where the school is helping providing blankets and stuffed animals for police cars to help children in case police need to make a domestic visit.

e. Supervisor of Early Childhood/LDTC Report

Mrs. Macchione discussed the Read Across America Week activities that are ongoing, including events for virtual and in-person families where the master teacher is providing books to preschool families.

f. Board Solicitor's Report

## VII. Board Minutes

Motion: Ms. Rogers

Second: Ms. Caudo

**APPROVE (roll call):**

a. February 10, 2021

Regular

*Attachment*

Roll Call: Mr. Bouchard ('21)-Y Ms. Caudo ('23) -Y  
Mrs. DiGiacomo ('23) -Y Ms. Fuentes ('22) -Y  
Mr. Guercioni, III ('22)-Y Ms. Rogers ('21) -Y Mrs. Seaver ('22) -Y

## VIII. Financial Items

Motion: Ms. Rogers

Second: Ms. Caudo

a. **APPROVE (roll call):**

i. Board Secretary's Report – January 2021

*Attachment*

ii. Treasurer of School Moneys Report – January 2021

*Attachment*

b. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 The Egg Harbor City Board of Education certifies that as of 1/31/21 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.

c. **APPROVE (roll call):** March 2020 Bill's List *Handout*

1	General Account	\$268,183.64
2	Capital Account	\$0.00
3	Food Service Account	\$34,114.33
4	Payroll Account	\$593,080.50
5	Debt Service Account	\$0.00

d. **APPROVE (roll call):** Budget transfer (Resolution #21-16) for the 2020-21 school year in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-2:13 and Chapter 196 Laws of 1967, as follows:

March 10, 2021 Fund 10 - \$0      Fund 20 - \$0 *Attachment*

e. **APPROVE (roll call):** Submission of the tentative 2021-2022 school district budget to the County Office of Education as follows:

The proposed budget includes sufficient funds to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the Core Curriculum Contents Standards, as is in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A.

Anticipated Enrollment - 512

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the 2021-2022 school district budget for submission to the County Office of Education as follows:

	Budget
General Fund	\$11,029,963
Special Revenue Fund	\$1,794,578
Debt Service Fund	\$598,982

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no banked cap will be applied to the 2021-2022 school budget

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to acknowledge that the 2021-2022 budget as described above will result in the following:

General Fund Tax Levy	\$2,886,917
Debt Service Tax Levy	\$597,897

\$3,484,814

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Egg Harbor City Board of Education establishes a maximum of \$ 30,000.00 in the general fund 2021-2022 budget, allotted for travel and travel related expenditures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, the support documentation of this budget also contains an itemization of criteria expenditures as required under administrative regulations.

Roll Call: Mr. Bouchard ('21)-Y Ms. Caudo ('23) -Y  
Mrs. DiGiacomo ('23) -Y Ms. Fuentes ('22) -Y  
Mr. Guercioni, III ('22)-Y Ms. Rogers ('21) -Y Mrs. Seaver ('22) -Y

### **IX. Non-instructional Operations Items**

Motion: Ms. Rogers

Second: Ms. Caudo

- a. **APPROVE (roll call):** Motion to approve the following Cedar Creek High School staff and students to volunteer to assist with the Reach program/21<sup>st</sup> CCLC grant through the end of the 2020-2021 school year:
  - i. Lisa Martinelli - Advisor
  - ii. Ashlee Catona - Student
  - iii. Dustin Conway - Student
- b. **APPROVE (roll call):** Motion to approve the following Cedar Creek High School staff and students to volunteer to assist with the Reach program/21<sup>st</sup> CCLC grant through the end of the 2020-2021 school year:
  - i. Mike Padover - Mock Trial Advisor
  - ii. Gabrielle Kienzle - Student
  - iii. Dylan Branca - Student
  - iv. Mackenzie Cordery - Student
  - v. Demyana Gerges - Student
  - vi. Mikaylah Parks - Student
  - vii. Makenna Cordero - Student
  - viii. Rowan Aylwin - Student
  - ix. Aidan Doyle - Student
- c. Facilities
  - i. **Approve (roll call):** Use of facilities by the American Cancer Society to use the Community School parking lot as a rest stop for riders during their Bike-A-Thon to be held on September 19, 2021. *Attachment*

- ii. **APPROVE (roll call):** Motion to approve the major amendment to the Long Range Facilities Plan for 5 years from February 10, 2021.

*Attachment*

d. Transportation

- i. **Approve (roll call):** Transportation jointures and aid in lieu of transportation with the Atlantic County Special Services School District for the 2020-21 school year as follows:

Route #	Host District	# of Students	Amount	Destination
294N	ACSSSD	4	\$4,239.74	Pilgrim Academy
AIL	ACSSSD	10	\$10,600.00	Various

Roll Call: Mr. Bouchard ('21)-Y Ms. Caudo ('23) -Y  
 Mrs. DiGiacomo ('23) -Y Ms. Fuentes ('22) -Y  
 Mr. Guercioni, III ('22)-Y Ms. Rogers ('21) -Y Mrs. Seaver ('22) -Y

**X. Personnel Items – as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:**

Motion: Ms. Rogers

Second: Ms. Caudo

- a. **APPROVE (roll call):** Acceptance of resignation letter, with regret, from EHCCS teacher Thomas Culleney, dated February 3, 2021 and effective December 31, 2021.

*Attachment*

- b. **Ratify and Affirm (roll call):** Family Medical Leave of Absence for CLS custodian Adriana Puerta Hernandez from February 10, 2021 through March 22, 2021 - in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA).

*Attachment*

Roll Call: Mr. Bouchard ('21)-Y Ms. Caudo ('23) -Y  
 Mrs. DiGiacomo ('23) -Y Ms. Fuentes ('22) -Y  
 Mr. Guercioni, III ('22)-Y Ms. Rogers ('21) -Y Mrs. Seaver ('22) -Y

**XI. Student Items**

Motion: Ms. Rogers

Second: Ms. Seaver

- a. **APPROVE (roll call):** Motion to affirm the Harassment, Intimidation, & Bullying (HIB) incidents as reported by the Superintendent and resolved by the building Principal, HIB Coordinator, or designee.

*Attachment*

Roll Call: Mr. Bouchard ('21)-Y Ms. Caudo ('23) -Y  
 Mrs. DiGiacomo ('23) -Y Ms. Fuentes ('22) -Y  
 Mr. Guercioni, III ('22)-Y Ms. Rogers ('21) -Y Mrs. Seaver ('22) -Y

**XII. Program Items**

Motion: Ms. Rogers  
Second: Ms. DiGiacomo

- a. **APPROVE (roll call):** CLS Clinical Practicum I AND II (student teaching) for a Rowan University student from September 1, 2021 - May 6, 2022  
Jessica Ohlsen with Kirsty Bird
- b. **APPROVE (roll call):** CLS Clinical Practicum I AND II (student teaching) for a Rowan University student from September 1, 2021 - May 6, 2022  
Dezhane Davis with Pam Clouser
- c. **APPROVE (roll call):** Approve the submission of the 2021-2022 Preschool Expansion Aid (PEA) One Year Program Budget comprised of the following:
  - i. State Aid - \$662,100
  - ii. PEA Fund Balance - \$96,599
  - iii. Local Contribution for Special Education - \$105,936 *Attachment*

Roll Call: Mr. Bouchard ('21)-Y Ms. Caudo ('23) -Y  
Mrs. DiGiacomo ('23) -Y Ms. Fuentes ('22) -Y  
Mr. Guercioni, III ('22)-Y Ms. Rogers ('21) -Y Mrs. Seaver ('22) -Y

### **XIII. Professional Development**

Motion: Ms. Rogers  
Second: Mr. Guercioni

- a. **APPROVE (roll call):** Professional Development Workshops for the 2020-2021 school year. *Attachment*

Roll Call: Mr. Bouchard ('21)-Y Ms. Caudo ('23) -Y  
Mrs. DiGiacomo ('23) -Y Ms. Fuentes ('22) -Y  
Mr. Guercioni, III ('22)-Y Ms. Rogers ('21) -Y Mrs. Seaver ('22) -Y

### **XIV. Policies / Regulations Items**

#### **XV. New Business**

Mr. Bouchard brought up the request from ACIT that other school boards support their grant application.

#### **XVI. Misc**

Motion: Mr. Guercioni  
Second: Ms. DiGiacomo

- a. **APPROVE (roll call):** Motion to approve the Resolution 21-17 to submit a letter to the FAA in support of the ACIT Aircraft Pilots Grant Application. *Attachment*

Roll Call: Mr. Bouchard ('21)-Y Ms. Caudo ('23) -Y  
Mrs. DiGiacomo ('23) -Y Ms. Fuentes ('22) -Y  
Mr. Guercioni, III ('22)-Y Ms. Rogers ('21) -Y Mrs. Seaver ('22) -A

## **XVII. Informational Items**

- a. Egg Harbor City School District received a \$2,500 safety incentive program award from the ACCASBO JIF for the 2019-2020 school year.

## **XVIII. Open to Public**

- A member of the public asked why we did a survey if we are not going to listen to what the parents want and go back to full-day instruction.
- Another member of the public supported moving back to full-day instruction and wanted to know if there were options considered, such as eating lunch outside or moving lunch and prep periods to the end of the day. She wanted to know if there were any ideas that would enable the school to go back to in-person instruction for full-days.
- A third member of the public asked about plans to increase staffing to alleviate some of the issues around resuming full-day in-person instruction. He wanted to know what restrictions caused the half-day model.
- Mr. Ross gave an update on the National Honor Society. He received 20 applications that will be submitted to the faculty council to review.
- Ms. Rogers asked what graduation will look like this year and if virtual and in-person families will be joint.
- Ms. Rogers asked if there is any way to opt-out of the universal lunch program to avoid food waste.
- Mrs. DiGiacomo asked for an update on the status of getting teachers vaccinated against Covid-19.

## **XIX. Calendar Dates**

- a. April 14, 2021 - Regular Board Meeting

## **XX. Adjournment Time**

Motion: Ms. Rogers

Second: Ms. Caudo

Roll Call: Mr. Bouchard ('21)-Y Ms. Caudo ('23) -Y  
Mrs. DiGiacomo ('23) -Y Ms. Fuentes ('22) -Y  
Mr. Guercioni, III ('22)-Y Ms. Rogers ('21) -Y Mrs. Seaver ('22) -Y

Time: 8:05

