# EGG HARBOR CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

August 12, 2020

The regular meeting of the Egg Harbor City Board of Education was held on the above date at 7:03 p.m. at the Egg Harbor City Community School, 730 Havana Avenue, Egg Harbor City, New Jersey, with President, Stephen Bouchard opening the meeting, and Board Members, Janine Caudo, Kiomy Fuentes, James Guercioni, Stephen Murphy, MaryAnn Rogers, Dana Seaver present. Also present was: Business Administrator, Joseph Smurlo; Technology Coordinator, Matthew Gross; Community School Principal, John Griffith; 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 using the email address as listed on the school's website/home page. 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.

<u>ROLL CALL</u> 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.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE BOARD

Mrs. Seaver appreciates Mrs. Shulby transparency.

# BOARD MINUTES

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

July 8, 2020 Regular Meeting
July 27, 2020 Special Meeting
(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 Mrs. Seaver, the Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and the Treasurer's Report for June 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 Mrs. Seaver, the Board approved the board certification pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:23A-16.10(c) 3. The Egg Harbor City Board of Education certifies that as of 6/30/20 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 <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 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 Mrs. Seaver, the Board approved the July, 2020 bill list as follows:

| 1. | General Account      | \$582,209.19 |
|----|----------------------|--------------|
| 2. | Capital Account      | \$0.00       |
| 3. | Food Service Account | \$7,045.87   |
| 4. | Payroll Account      | \$153,293.79 |
| 5. | Debt Service Account | \$0.00       |

(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 Mrs. Seaver, the Board approved the budget transfer (Resolution #21-02) 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:

August 12, 2020: Fund 10 - \$6,627.64 Fund 20 - \$75,329.00

(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 Mrs. Seaver, the Board approved Whereas the district has received a revised 2020-21 State Aid Notice, wherein the district was notified of a reduction in State aid in the amount of \$286, 324.00, and

Whereas one of the options made available to a district board of education is to elect to reduce appropriations in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3,

Therefore, the Board approves a reduction to the 2020-21 budget appropriations in the amount of \$286,324.00 as detailed in the attached report. (Roll call: Ms. Caudoyes; 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 Mrs. Seaver, the Board approved a contract with Bayada Home Health Care, Inc. to provide substitute School Nurses at a cost of \$55.00 per hour during the 2020-21 school 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 Mrs. Seaver, the Board approved a contract with Source 4 Teachers to provide Substitute Teacher placement for the 2020-2021 school year at the following daily rates:

|  | Daily Rate    | Pricing  |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|----------|--|--|--|
| Teaching Staff and Aides- 60 Credits   | \$110 per day | \$144.10 |  |  |  |
| Teaching Staff and Aides-BA/BS   | \$110 per day | \$144.10 |  |  |  |
| Teaching Staff and Aides-Tchr's Cert   | \$110 per day | \$144.10 |  |  |  |
| Full Day Building Based Sub  | \$115 per day | \$150.65 |  |  |  |
| Nurse  | \$100 per day | \$131.00 |  |  |  |
| Custodian  | \$70 per day  | \$91.70  |  |  |  |
| (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.            |               |          |  |  |  |

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Mrs. Seaver, the Board approved a Contract with Wright Choice for Home Health Care, LLC to provide substitute School Nurses at a cost of \$51.00 per hour during the 2020-21 school 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 Mrs. Seaver, the Board approved a contract with the NJ Commission for the Blind in the amounts of \$2,100.00 to provide educational services to student #5161304106 during the 2020-21 school 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 Mrs. Seaver, the Board approved submission of the Alyssa's Law proposed compliance plan as designated in the NJ School Development Authority Alyssa's Law Compliance and School Security Grants Preliminary Guidelines. (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 Ms. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Guercioni, the Board approved District Emergency Operations Plan for the 2020-2021 school 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 Board Goals for the 2020-2021 school year. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Mr. Murphy-yes, Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaveryes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

PERSONNEL (as recommended by the Superintendent)

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Caudo, the Board approved Annual Attendance Incentive payment, for the 2019-2020 school year at the contractual amount as follows:

| $\blacktriangleright$ | Bonnie Eyde  | \$250.00 | 0 days used |
|-----------------------|--------------|----------|-------------|
| $\blacktriangleright$ | Yvette Ortiz | \$250.00 | 0 days used |

(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 the appointment of Katherine Hillblom for one year FMLA leave as a EHCCS 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at BA-Step 1 – \$51,698.00 for the 2020-2021 school year effective 8/31/20, pending a Criminal History Review, P.L. 2018, c.5 and receipt of official transcripts. (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 all certified staff as homebound instructors for the 2020-2021 school year at the contractual rate. (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 the following staff as teacher mentor for the 2020-2021 school year:

- Bianca Boysen
- ➢ James Connelly
- Cindi Craig
- ➢ Kylene Farnan
- Alysha Garcia

(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 the appointment of Kelly Vendetti as a full time CLS Special Education Teacher at BA+15 Step 1- \$52,158.00 for the 2020-2021 school year effective 8/31/20. Pending a criminal History Review, P.L.2018. c.5 and receipt of official transcripts. (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 the appointment of Jordyn Dulski as a part- time EHCCS Special Education Teacher's Aide at BA Step 1- \$25,592.00 prorated for the 2020-2021 school year effective 8/31/20. Pending a criminal History Review, P.L.2018. c.5 and receipt of official transcripts. (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 a letter of resignation, with regret, from CLS Teacher Frank Stevens received 8/4/20 and effective immediately. (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 to post for the position of a Dual Certified Special Education Teacher at the CLS for the 2020-2021 school year. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioniyes; 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 authorization for the Superintendent to hire a Dual Certified Special Education Teacher for the CLS 2020-2021 school year subject to Board ratification at the contractual rate. (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 the acceptance of supplies in the amount of \$477.00 (pencil pouches, sharpeners, erasers, glue sticks, crayons, etc.) to 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Gabrielle Elefante, through the website DonorsChoose.org. (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 ITEMS

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Mr. Guercioni, the Board approved the Egg Harbor City Public School District's QSAC District Improvement Plan as approved by the New Jersey DOE. (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/REGULATION ITMES

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

- 1. Policy 1250: Visitors
- 2. Policy 3510: Operation and Maintenance of Plant
- 3. Policy 3541.33: Transportation Safety
- 4. Policy 5141.2: Illness
- 5. Policy 5141.3: Health Examinations and Immunizations
- 6. Policy 6173.1: Remote Learning

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

NJSBA Workshop is October 20, 2020 to October 22, 2020. It's an all virtual workshop with access to the information for one full year.

# **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

# CALENDAR DATES

District dates of interest for the upcoming month: August 12 Regular Board Meeting

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon a motion by Mr. Guercioni, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved to go into Executive at 8:16 PM.

# NEW BUSINESS

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Guercioni, the Board approved authorization of the committee with those items to move forward. (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.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Caudo, and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:85 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryanne Shupin Board Secretary