# EGG HARBOR CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

November 18, 2020

The regular meeting of the Egg Harbor City Board of Education was held on the above date at 7:00 p.m. at the Charles L. Spragg School located at 601 Buffalo Avenue. President, Stephen Bouchard opening the meeting, and Board Members, Janine Caudo, Kiomy Fuentes, James Guercioni, MaryAnn Rogers, Dana Seaver present. Also present was: Superintendent of Schools, Adrienne Shulby; Business Administrator, Joseph Smurlo; Community School Principal, John Griffith; Director of Special Projects, Gina Forester; 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.

#### ROLL CALL

Reflected in the opening paragraph

# **PRESENTATIONS**

Mrs. Shulby presented a plaque in remembrance of Anthony Joseph Mangiello, former principal in the EHCPSD who pasted away in 2020.

Mrs. Shulby presented the School Self-Assessment for Determining School Grades Under ABR. She reviewed the 8 Core Elements School Self-Assessment, Assigning the School Grade and the Individual School Results with CLS total score of 77 and EHCCS total score of 75 out of a possible 78 for each school.

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers and seconded by Ms. Caudo and voted unanimously the Board agreed to enter an Executive Session.

**RESOLVED**: At a public meeting of the Board of Education held on November 18, 2020 at 7:20 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.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Seaver, seconded by Ms. Rogers, and voted unanimously the Board agreed to exit the Executive Session at 8:04 P.M.

#### OPEN FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC

None

#### COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE BOARD

Mr. Guercioni wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

# **MONTHLY REPORTS**

Mrs. Shulby is pleased with the learning progress continuing at 5 days per week. She updated the Board on COVID-19. None of the positive cases are linked to the school or previous cases. The District is coordinating closely with public health officials and following CDC, State and local health department guidance in order to assure the health and safety of our community. Mrs. Shulby noted at the end of the 1st marking period some students will return to in-person learning. Parent/Teacher conferences are all being held remotely. Under Personnel, the Board will be approving Jason Bedell as the new Business Administrator. Mrs. Shulby informed the Board that remote BOE meetings need a webinar license and a component with the public having access to ask questions during the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

Referring to Resolution #21-08, Mr. Smurlo believes the JIF renewal is the greatest way to pool resources. Mrs. Seaver shared her experiences with Crisis Go.

Dr. Forester praised Mr. Griffith and Mrs. Macchione for an outstanding presentation during the Professional Development held in October. The December PD is scheduled to have a Zoom presentation for LinkIt. Dr. Forester shared the first round of staff evaluations have been completed. She explained the current conditions of the IEP software and the changes that need to be completed. REACH has openings for more students to enroll.

Mr. Griffith referenced D under Programs. Acceptance of the Egg Harbor City Education Foundation grant in the amount of \$6,346.86. He is grateful for the generous gift that afforded the purchase of Nearpod software. Nearpod provides interactive lessons, videos and formative assessments. Mrs. Shulby added the grant was used to purchase cameras and two additional chromebooks for the Spragg School.

Mrs. Macchione reports there will be a Master Teacher Literacy Professional Development that will be virtual for all parents of pre-school students.

#### **BOARD MINUTES**

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

- November 18, 2020 Regular Meeting
- November 18, 2020 1st Executive Session

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

#### FINANCIAL ITEMS

Upon a motion by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Caudo, the Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and the Treasurer's Report for September 2020. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 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 9/30/20 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 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; 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 October, 2020 bill list as follows:

1.	General Account	\$369,434.15
2.	Capital Account	\$0.00
3.	Food Service Account	\$19,956.27
4.	Payroll Account	\$577,938.85
5.	Debt Service Account	\$0.00

(Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 budget transfer (Resolution #21-07) 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:

November 18, 2020 Fund 10 - \$20,886.00 Fund 20 - \$1,000.00

(Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Ms. Rogers—yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried. Ms. Rogers questioned the current condition of the roof at CLS. Mrs. DiGiacomo also question the costs of a new roof during the Public Comment Session. Mr. Smurlo gave a detailed report on the costs and noted funding is a problem even with our Capital Reserve.

## NON-INSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS ITEMS

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved Resolution #21-08 renewing a three-year membership in the Atlantic and Cape May Counties Association of School Business Officials Joint Insurance Fund (ACCASBO-JIF) beginning July 1, 2021, and further approving the fund's Indemnity and Trust Agreement. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 submission of the 2020-21 Comprehensive Maintenance Plan to the Atlantic County Office of Education. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 submission of the School Security Grant to install CrisisGo to implement Alyssa's Law and to install security cameras at the Spragg and Community Schools. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 submission of an amendment to the district's Long Range Facilities Plan. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 submission of an NJDOE Office of School Facilities Project Application for installation of surveillance cameras at the Charles L. Spragg School (\$16,195) and the Egg Harbor City Community (\$11,170) to be funded by the School Security Grant Securing our Children's Future Bond Act. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 a Resolution for Participation in Joint Transportation Agreement with the Atlantic County Special Services School District to provide transportation for special education and non-public students during the 2020-2021 school year which includes a 3% administrative fee for in-house students and a 6% administrative fee for contracted routes. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 submission of the 2020-21 District Report of Transported Resident Students to the Atlantic County Office of Education. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 a contract with the Greater Egg Harbor Regional School District in the amount of \$19,220.85 plus a 5% administrative fee to provide transportation for special education student #5053190034 to and from the Coastal Learning Center during the 2020-21 school year. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioniyes; Ms. Rogers—yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved a contract with the Greater Egg Harbor Regional School District in the amount of \$36,611.10 plus a 5% administrative fee to provide transportation for special education student #7523952110 to and from the YALE-Northfield during the 2020-21 school year. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 a contract with the Atlantic County Special Services School District to provide transportation during the 2020-21 school year for one special education student in the amount of \$12,897.00 annually plus a 3% administrative fee. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

#### PERSONNEL (as recommended by the Superintendent)

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved Jason Bedell as Business Administrator of the Egg Harbor City School District effective 12.21.20 at a prorated annual salary of \$95,000.00 for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year pending official transcripts. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Ms. Rogers—yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board ratified and affirmed Intermittent FMLA for Board Secretary, Maryanne Shupin, effective

October 13, 2020 through December 16, 2020. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 Superintendent's recommendation as described in Executive Session. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Ms. Rogers-yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

#### STUDENT ITEMS

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved tuition contracts with Galloway School District for a Grade 4 student, #9132109715, in the amount of \$15,553.80, and a Grade 7 student, #1994851974, in the amount of \$15,235.20, who are homeless and whose district of residency is the Egg Harbor City School District, to provide an educational program during the 2020-21 school year. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 Egg Harbor City School District Nursing Services Plans 2020-2021. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Ms. Rogers—yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

#### **PROGRAMS ITEMS**

Upon a motion by Ms. Caudo, seconded by Ms. Rogers, the Board approved A Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials for the 2020-2021 school year. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 submission of the HIB Grade Self-Assessment for 2019-2020 school year. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 submission of the 2021-2022 Preschool Expansion Aid (PEA) One-Year Preschool Program Plan. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 acceptance of the Egg Harbor City Education Foundation grant in the amount of \$6,346.86. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 District Social Work Fieldwork placement for Stockton University student, Nicole Goodwin, from January 19, 2021 to May 7, 2021. (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 CLS full year Clinical Practice I & II (student teaching) placement for Rowan University student from January 25, 2021 – December 16, 2021.

➤ Kaitlyn Porrini with Emily Rheault (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 EHCCS full year Clinical Practice I & II (student teaching) placement for Rowan University student from January 25, 2021 – December 16, 2021.

Amber Foster with Kristen Polisano (PE 4-8) (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 CLS student teaching placement for Stockton University student from January 4, 2021 to May 7, 2021.

Giavanna Mancuso with Pam Clouser (Roll call: Ms. Caudo-yes; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-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 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; Ms. Fuentes-yes; Mr. Guercioni-yes; Ms. Rogers—yes; Mrs. Seaver-yes; Mr. Bouchard-yes). Motion carried.

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

None

#### POLICIES/REGULATION ITMES

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 6171.2: Gifted and Talented

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

# OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mrs. DiGiacomo questioned the validity of a Reading and Writing Program. Dr. Forester and Mrs. Shulby agreed the item in question does not pertain to PreK-2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

Mr. Ross thanked Mr. Smurlo for his help with webinars to explain the health care programs and the costs associated with them.

# **CALENDAR DATES**

District dates of interest for the upcoming month:

- November 19 End of 1st marking period
- November 23-24 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- November 25 Thanksgiving Recess Begins Early Dismissal
- November 26-27 Buildings Closed
- ➤ December 9 Regular BOE 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 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryanne Shupin Board Secretary

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