

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 19, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular meeting of the Ocean City Board of Education was called to order by President Joseph Clark on Wednesday, February 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ocean City High School Community Room, 501 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, NJ.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT

President Joseph Clark announced that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975. Notice of the time, place and agenda were filed with the city clerk, posted in the lobby of City Hall, and delivered to the Ocean City Sentinel and the Atlantic City Press.

President Joseph Clark led everyone present in a salute to the flag.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

On roll call, members present were Jon Batastini (arrived at 8:00 p.m.), H. James Bauer, Jill Casaccio, Raymond Clark, Cecilia Gallelli-Keyes, William Holmes, Peter Madden, Jacqueline McAlister, Thomas R. Oves, Jr., and Joseph S. Clark, Jr. Also present were Kathleen Taylor, Ed.D., Superintendent, Pat Yacovelli, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Michael Stanton, Esquire and Student Representative Maham Ahmad. Members absent were Kim Breckley, J. Tiffany Prettyman and Student Representative Lauren Vetter. There were members of the public present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

There were no public comments.

PRESENTATIONS:

Dr. Taylor and the Board recognized the students who received a perfect score on the NJ ASK.

Dr. Taylor gave a presentation on the Intermediate School Performing Arts which included Digital Video Production and the Woodshop Students' Cigar Box Guitar project.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Taylor gave an overview of the Agenda.

Based on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following resolutions are presented for formal approval by the Board of Education.

1. Buildings and Grounds

Informational Items

Fire Drills

Ocean City High School	January 31, 2014
Ocean City Intermediate School	January 13, 2014
Ocean City Primary School	January 15, 2014

Security Drills

Ocean City High School	January 15, 2014
Ocean City Intermediate School	January 30, 2014
Ocean City Primary School	January 14, 2014

- Buildings and Grounds Committee Report – Mr. Oves, Chairperson
No report.

Motion by Mr. Raymond Clark, seconded by Mr. Bauer and carried unanimously, except as noted below, the Board of Education approved the following Superintendent’s recommendations by “roll call vote.” Members absent were Ms. Breckley and Mrs. Prettyman.

Motion carried with the following vote to abstain: Mr. Batastini.

2. Curriculum and Instruction

A. High School Field Trip Request

The Board approves the attached High School Field Trip list.

B. Core Ethical Values

The Board adopts the following School District Core Ethical Values, which are incorporated into the District Code of Student Conduct:

- Academic Honesty and Integrity
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Trust
- Fairness
- Courage
- Compassion

C. Spring 2014 Sports’ Schedules (Attachment #2.C)

The Board approves the attached High School Spring 2014 Sports’ schedules.

D. Extension School Basketball Program (Attachment #2.D)

The Board approves the Extension School Program to participate in the Cape Atlantic Alternative Athletic League (CAAAL) basketball program. The Board also approves the attached 2014 season schedule.

E. Summer School Program – High School

The Board approves submission to the County Education Office, the application for approval to operate the High School Summer School Program through the online service, EDUCERE (60 hour remediation in any core subject areas including world language), from June 23, 2014 – August 15, 2014.

F. Credit Completion Programs

1. The Board approves the offering of the 2013-14 High School Credit Completion Program. The Program will run from May 27, 2014 – June 10, 2014 (including two Saturdays). The cost of the Program is for 4 teachers with a maximum of 30 hours each, not to exceed a total of 118 hours aggregate, pending enrollment. The cost of the Program will not exceed \$3,540.00.

2. The Board approves the offering of the 2013-14 Extension School Credit Completion Program. The Program will run for 4 Saturday Sessions between May 3, 2014 – June 7, 2014. The cost of the Program is for 1 staff member, not to exceed a total of 28 hours, pending enrollment. Total cost for the Program is \$840.00.

G. Special Education Extended School Year Programs (ESY) – High School

The Board approves submission to the County Education Office, the application for approval to operate the High School Special Education ESY Program, June 30, 2014 – July 31, 2014, Monday – Thursday, with Resource 1:1 Program June 23, 2014 – August 29, 2014, Monday-Friday.

Informational Items (Attachments)

Out-of-School Suspension Reports for January 2014.

Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying investigation report.

- Curriculum and Student Affairs Committee Report – Mr. Bauer, Chairperson
Mr. Bauer gave a report of the Committee meeting.

3. Finance

A. Bill List (Attachment #3.A)

The Board approves payment of bills for February 2014 in the amount of \$3,377,785.42.

B. Secretary and Treasurer Reports (Attachment #3.B)

The Board approves the Board Secretary's Monthly Financial Report and the Treasurer of School Funds' Reports for January 2014.

C. Line Item Transfers (Attachment #3.C)

The Board approves the revenue and appropriation transfers for January 2014.

~~D. Travel & Expense Reimbursement (Attachment #3.D)~~

~~The Board approves the February 2014 list of Board of Education Members and School District Staff travel and related expense reimbursements.~~

E. Food Service Report (Attachment #3.E)

The Board accepts the Food Service Program Monthly Report for January 2014.

F. Tuition Contract Agreement

The Board approves the 2013-14 Tuition Contract Agreement with the Somerset County Educational Services Commission for one Grade 11 Upper Township student attending the Somerset County Alternative Academic High School effective September 4, 2013 through June 30, 2014 in the amount of \$20,900.

G. 403b Vendor

The Board of Education approves GWN Securities, Inc. – Geubtner Advisors & Associates vendor as an authorized provider of 403b tax-shelter products for the Ocean City School District.

H. Resolution

The Board approves the following resolution to amend the District's Long-Range Facilities' Plan per the recommendation of the Architect of Record:

The Ocean City Board of Education Board of authorizes the architectural firm of REGAN YOUNG ENGLAND BUTERA, PC. (RYEBREAD) to amend the District's Long-Range Facilities' Plan to include the Ocean City High School-Mechanical Upgrades at the Ocean City High School.

I. Homebound Instruction/Bedside Service Contract*

The Board approves a contract with Professional Education Services, Inc. to provide homebound instruction for bedside services at Inspira Health Center, located in Bridgeton, New Jersey, on an as needed basis, for the 2013-14 school year, at the hourly rate of \$30.

*This professional service appointment is recommended for approval as an authorized exception to the Public School Contract Law (N.J.A.C. 6:20-8.1 through 6:20-8.7 and N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1, et seq.) competitive bidding requirements.

4. **Personnel**

A. Substitutes (Attachment #4.A)

The Board approves the attached, criminal history approved/HIB trained substitutes, for the 2013-14 school year.

Motion carried with the following vote to abstain: Mr. Joseph Clark.

B. High School Coaches, Stipends* and Volunteers (Attachment #4.B)

The Board approves the attached High School coaches, stipends, and volunteers for the 2013-14 school year.

C. Co-Curricular Sponsors and Stipends* (Attachment #4.C)

The Board approves the attached co-curricular sponsors for the 2014 spring play with all stipends being paid by the proceeds of ticket sales.

D. Certificated Staff Resignation

The Board accepts the resignation of Edward Ritti, Extension School Teacher of Mathematics, effective as of March 1, 2014.

E. Support Staff Resignation

The Board accepts the resignation of Harding Rice, High School Custodian, effective as of March 1, 2014.

F. Employment - Supportive Staff

The Board approves Brian Pasternak as a High School Supervisory Aide, effective February 20, 2014 through June 30, 2014, \$22,434 (pro-rated), 8 hours per day, step 1.

*pending negotiations

G. High School Extension School Teacher

The Board approves Joseph Lehman, Sr., as a High School Extension Program Teacher of Mathematics, effective March 1, 2014 through June 19, 2014, at a stipend of \$30 per hour, not to exceed 5 hours per week.

- Negotiations Committee Report – Mr. Peter Madden, Chairperson
No report.

5. **POLICY**

A. Policies – 2nd Reading

The Board approves the following replacements, additions and or deletions to the Board Policy and/or Regulation Manuals.

- Revised Policies
3142 Nonrenewal of Nontenured Teaching Staff Member
7230 Gifts, Grants, and Donations

- Policy Committee Report – Mrs. Jacqueline McAlister, Chairperson
Mrs. McAlister gave a report of the committee meeting.

6. **Public Relations**

- Design Logo/District Seal

Mr. Raymond Clark gave an update.

- Referendum

Mr. Raymond Clark gave a reminder regarding the Referendum on March 11.

- Public Relations Committee Report - Mr. Raymond Clark, Chairperson
Mr. Raymond Clark gave a report of the committee meeting.

Motion by Mr. Raymond Clark, seconded by Mr. Bauer and carried unanimously, except as noted below, by the Ocean City Board of Representatives, the Board of Education approved the following Superintendent's recommendations by "roll call vote." Member absent was Mrs. Prettyman.

Motion carried with the following vote to abstain: Mr. Batastini.

1. **Buildings and Grounds**

A. Use of Facilities (Ocean City Representatives Only)

The Board approves the following requests for the use of the High School and Intermediate School:

High School

Requested By: City of Ocean City Recreation Department
Use: Summer Basketball Leagues
Dates/Times: June 9 - August 7, 2014* (Mon-Thurs), 5:30PM-10:15PM
*Not available June 19, 2014 and July 4, 2014
Rooms: Rain only - Main Gym and Aux. Gym
Fee: No charge

Intermediate School

Requested By: City of Ocean City Aquatic & Fitness
Use: Friday with Friends
Date/Times: February 7, 2014 (Fri), 7:00PM-10:00PM
Rooms: Fields at 18th & Bay Avenue
Fee: No charge

Requested By: City of Ocean City Recreation Department
Use: Ocean City/Upper Township Lacrosse Practices
Dates/Times: March 13 - June 5, 2014 (Thurs), 5:00PM-8:00PM
Room: Fields (Cage - 18th & Bay Avenue)
Fee: No charge

Requested By: City of Ocean City Recreation Department
Use: Men's Softball League
Dates/Times: May 13 - August 14, 2014 (Mon-Thurs), 6:00PM-8:00PM
Rooms: Fields at 20th & Haven/Bay Avenues
Fee: No charge

Requested By: City of Ocean City Recreation Department
Use: Summer Basketball Leagues
Dates/Times: June 23 - August 7, 2014 (Mon-Thurs), 4:30PM-10:15PM
Rooms: Main Gym and Basketball Courts
Fee: No charge

Requested By: City of Ocean City Recreation Department
Use: Morning Sports
Dates/Times: June 23 - July 4, 2014* (Mon-Thurs), 8:30AM-12:30PM
July 14 - August 8, 2014 (Mon-Thurs), 8:30AM-12:30PM
Rooms: Fields, Outdoor Basketball Courts, Indoor Rest Rooms (*Not available 7/4/
Fee: No charge

Requested By: City of Ocean City Recreation Department
Use: Fun & Fitness Camp
Dates/Times: June 23 - August 15, 2014* (Mon-Fri), 8:30AM-12:30PM
*Not available July 4, 2014
Room: Multi-Purpose Room
Fee: No charge

Requested By: City of Ocean City Recreation Department
Use: Field Hockey Pick-Up Games/Clinics
Dates/Times: June 24 - August 31, 2014 (Tues & Thurs), 4:30PM-8:00PM
Room: Fields (Cage - 18th & Bay Avenue)
Fee: No charge

Requested By: City of Ocean City Recreation Department
Use: Field Hockey Camp
Dates/Times: July 7-11, 2014 (Mon-Fri), 8:00AM-12:30PM
Rooms: Gym (July 7) and Gym (July 8-11 rain only); All Fields and Indoor Rest Rooms
Fee: No charge

Requested By: City of Ocean City Recreation Department
Use: Basketball Camp
Dates/Times: July 14-18, 2014 (Mon-Fri), 8:00AM-2:00PM
July 28-August 8, 2014 (Mon-Fri), 8:00AM-2:00PM
Room: Gym
Fee: No charge

2. Curriculum and Instruction

- H. Special Education Extended School Year Programs (ESY) (Ocean City Representatives Only)
The Board approves submission to the County Education Office, the application for approval to operate ESY Programs at the Primary School and Intermediate School, June 30, 2014 – July 31, 2014, Monday–Thursday.
- I. Summer School Program – Intermediate School (Ocean City Representatives Only)
The Board approves submission to the County Education Office, the application for approval to operate the Summer School Program for students entering into 5th through 8th grades from June 30, 2014 – July 31, 2014, Monday-Thursday.
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- J. Summer Wilson/Reading Clinic (Ocean City Representatives Only)
The Board approves submission to the County Education Office, the application for approval to operate the Summer Wilson/Reading Clinic for the Intermediate School from July 7, 2014 – July 24, 2014.
- K. 2014 Sports' Schedules (Attachment #2.K) (Ocean City Representatives Only)
The Board approves the attached Intermediate School Spring 2014 Sports' schedules.
- L. Summer School Program – Primary School (Ocean City Representatives Only)
The Board approves submission to the County Education Office, the application for approval to operate the Summer School Program for students entering into Kindergarten through 4th grades from June 30, 2014 – July 31, 2014, Monday-Thursday.
- M. Primary School Field Trip Request (Ocean City Representatives Only)
The Board approves the attached Primary School Field Trip list.

3. Finance

J. Donations (Ocean City Representatives Only)

The Board accepts the following donations from the Ocean City PTA:

Purchase of 20 copies each for the Intermediate School: <i>Lawn Boy, Lawn Boy Returns and Out of My Mind</i>	\$339.40
Family Night at the Intermediate School with Author/Presenter Michael Fernandez and 25 copies of the book <i>Nando the Healthy Hero</i>	\$360.00
Purchase of 12 copies of non-fiction leveled textbooks for staff and students for the Primary School	\$1,114.30

4. Personnel

H. Intermediate School Volunteer Coach (Ocean City Representatives Only)

The Board approves Travis Warker as a volunteer baseball coach at the Intermediate School for the 2013-14 school year.

I. Leave of Absence – Primary School Supportive Staff (Attachment #4.I) (Ocean City Representatives Only)

The Board approves employee #1992, a paid leave of absence, effective February 7, 2014 through on or before March 21, 2014.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Mr. Madden, seconded by Mr. Raymond Clark, the Board of Education approved the minutes of the January 29, 2014 Special Meeting/Finance Committee of the Whole as presented.

Motion carried with the following vote to abstain: Mrs. Casaccio and Mr. Holmes.

Motion by Mr. Madden, seconded by Mr. Bauer, the Board of Education approved the minutes of the January 29, 2014 Regular Meeting and Executive Sessions as presented.

Motion carried with the following vote to abstain: Mrs. Casaccio.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was no Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion ensued on Spanish/ESL.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Victor Staniec stated that FIT has voted to support the Bond Referendum and they will place an ad in support asking voters to vote “yes”; question on the Board supporting the turf replacement that is being undertaken by the City; had a question on Agenda Item #2.D “Extension School Basketball Program.”

Tom Stark expressed concern with a recent event regarding his daughter.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Student Representative's comments included: Questions on credit completion; Hispanic Orientation Night meeting; February 5th – Hope Music Fest; Student Council sold over 700 carnations and the proceeds will go to the HERO campaign; and there will be a Blood Drive on March 7.

Board members' comments included: Reminder to vote on March 11 and polls will be open from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; excellent student presentations and the favorite board meeting of the year is student presentations; memorial service for Jack Boyd will be this Saturday; congratulations to Coach Jack and the swim team; thanked FIT for the ad; thanked Dr. Taylor for making each student feel special; and thanked all who have helped with the Referendum.

Dr. Taylor spoke on Read Across America; Build a Better Pizza event; and Primary School Jump Rope for Heart.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Mr. Bauer, seconded by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes and carried unanimously to adopt a resolution to go into Executive Session.

President Joseph Clark stated: WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances,

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private sessions; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Ocean City Board of Education, that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving: matters of personal confidentiality rights, including but not limited to, staff and/or student discipline matters, and specifically: Staff/Student Matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education will not return to open session.

The meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 8:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Ms. Gallelli-Keyes, seconded by Mr. Bauer and carried unanimously by roll call vote to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Yacovelli
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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OCEAN CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE SESSION
HELD ON FEBRUARY 19, 2014

Members present were Jon Batastini, H. James Bauer, Jill Casaccio, Raymond Clark, Cecilia Gallelli-Keyes, William Holmes, Peter Madden, Jacqueline McAlister, Thomas R. Oves, Jr., and Joseph S. Clark, Jr. Also present were Kathleen Taylor, Ed.D., Superintendent, Pat Yacovelli, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Michael Stanton, Esquire. Members absent were Kim Breckley and J. Tiffany Prettyman.

Matters of personal confidentiality rights, including but not limited to, staff and/or student discipline matters, and specifically: Staff/Student Matter.

Dr. Taylor provided a summary to the Board.

The Executive Session ended at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Yacovelli
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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