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The Regular Meeting of the Margate City Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 P.M. on May 10, 2023 by President, Mrs. Catherine Horn, at the Eugene A. Tighe Media Center.

Certification of Notice:

Melina Skwarek, Board Secretary, announced that adequate notice of this meeting had been provided and read the following Certification Notice:

On May 23, 2022, a notice of this meeting was posted on the district website, the bulletin board in the Board of Education Administration Office, the Eugene A. Tighe School, and the William H. Ross III School and emailed to the City Clerk, "The Current" and advertised in "The Press."

Roll Call - Members Present: Mrs. Catherine Horn (exited the meeting at 6:10 pm), President; Dr. Joel Frankel, Vice President; Mr. Jack Sorensen; Mr. Joseph Pepe; Mrs. Amy Brog; Mrs. Shannon Wray-Norris
Members Absent: Mr. James Swift
Others Present: Mrs. Audrey Becker, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Melina Skwarek, Board Secretary/School Business Administrator; Mrs. Bonnie Marino, Principal; Mr. Ryan Gaskill, Principal; Mr. Eric Goldstein, Solicitor; Mr. Clete Schwegman, Longport

Board President's Address:

Mrs. Horn addressed the Board and the Public. She elaborated on her election as a Margate City Commissioner on May 9, 2023. She turned the gavel over to Board Vice President, Dr. Joel Frankel, and exited the meeting.

Dr. Frankel commented that it was quite the experience he and Mrs. Horn had embarked on by being appointed to the Board of Education ten years prior. He further commented that this evening was a bittersweet moment for the Board as they wished Ms. Horn luck in her new endeavor but were sad to see her step down as Margate City School District Board of Education President.

Public Comment:

No members of the community commented.

Activity Calendar:

Mrs. Becker distributed the Activity Calendar for May 2023.

Fire Drill & Security Drill Report:

Mrs. Becker distributed the Fire and Bus Evacuation Drill Reports for Eugene A. Tighe School & William H. Ross School for the month of April 2023 attached as Exhibit # 1, pages 28,502-28,503.

Superintendent's Report:

Mrs. Audrey Becker shared the following:

- She emphasized that she would be forever grateful for Mrs. Horn and her time as the Margate City Board of Education President. She added that she was excited to have Mrs. Horn in local government. She too added that this was a bittersweet scenario.
- She provided updates for the EAT roof project. The overall project was almost complete. She mentioned that the replacement and installation of the coping around the edges was the current focus. She also reiterated that there were a few change orders to be addressed, but the project should be finished very soon.
- She mentioned that the ROD grants had been officially submitted and the hope is that the District will secure this state funding to help offset local costs.
- The EAT sign is still moving forward. There has been communication between the vendors, the District staff, and the City to ensure the correct permits have been secured prior to beginning the preliminary work for the overall project.
- She reminded the Board and the Public that the Organization meeting would be held May 16, 2023 at 6:00 pm. The new Board members would be sworn in and the Board would elect the President and Vice President positions.
- She reminded everyone that the Kindergarten registration was open and posted on the website. She encouraged parents to reach out to register their children.
- She reminded everyone that the non-resident tuition student enrollment was also open and posted on the website. She added that there were already quite a few applicants.

Principals' Updates:

- Mr. Ryan Gaskill shared information on current activities at Tighe School.
- Mrs. Bonnie Marino shared information on current activities at Ross School.

Motion by Mr. Sorensen, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to approve the Margate City School District Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

MEA Report:

Ms. Crawford thanked Mrs. Horn for her service and her dedication to the School District and the School Board.

Personnel Matters:

Motion by Mr. Sorensen, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to approve the following personnel matters:

1. Approve Barbara Farrell as a full time teacher with benefits for the 2023-24 school year.
2. Approve the list of staff salaries for the 2023-2024 school year. See Exhibit # 2, pages 28,504 - 28,505.
3. Approve the list of rehires for the 10 month staff. See Exhibit # 2, pages 28,505 - 28,506.
4. Approve Christina Campbell for enrollment and reimbursement of \$1,793.25 upon successful completion of the graduate course SPCE 687 800.
5. Approve Alan Friss as a bus driver for July and August on an as needed basis. Costs: \$25 an hour.
6. Approve Stockton student Isabella Della Fave to complete her intermediate fieldwork from September to December 2023 to be followed by student teaching January to May 2024 with Barbara Farrell.
7. Approve Stockton student Emily Faragher to complete her intermediate fieldwork from September to December 2023 to be followed by student teaching January to May 2024 with Erin McGuigan.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Instructional Support/Activities:

Motion by Mr. Sorensen, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to approve the following instructional support/activities matter:

1. Approve Tighe School Summer Math program. Staff: Kelly Crawford. Costs: 40 hours = \$2,120 (or as per the MEA contractual rate).

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Facilities/PAC:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to approve the following facilities/PAC matters:

1. SHARE: Tighe School Promotion Ceremony will be held in the PAC center on June 13.
2. Approve rental of the PAC facility to the Margate Public Library for the Bay Atlantic Symphony Performance on Monday, July 3, at an estimated rate of \$2,040.00, pending receipt of insurance waiver. Rental cost for the facility is waived.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Workshops:

Motion by Mr. Sorensen, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to approve the following workshop matters:

1. Approve the staff development presentation “Conversations of Race and Allyship in the Workplace” by Brooks E. Scott. Staff: Ross and Tighe Teachers Costs: \$4,400.
2. Approve the Instructional Technology professional development day on Wednesday, August 30, 2023, for teachers to receive IT staff development and prepare software programs for the upcoming school year. They will be paid the hourly contractual rate and may attend for either 4 hours or 5 hours if they have a classroom chromebook cart to prepare. They will work under the direction of Mrs. Marino, Mr. Gaskill, and Mrs. Becker. Costs: paid with ARP Accelerated Learning Coach and Educator Support grant funds.
3. Approve the attendance of Melina Skwarek at the NJASBO Annual Convention from June 6, 2023 through June 9, 2023 at the Ocean Casino & Resort, Atlantic City. Cost: \$275.00 registration fee.
4. Approve the attendance of Melina Skwarek at the NJASBO Accounts Payable training on May 18, 2023 at the Westin, Mt. Laurel. Cost: \$125.00 registration fee.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Students:

Motion by Mrs. Wray-Norris, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to approve the following student matters:

1. Notification to the Board of one Tighe student who served one day of In-School Suspension for discipline reasons in April 2023.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion by Mrs. Wray-Norris, seconded by Mrs. Brog, the board unanimously agreed to accept the April 19, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes and Executive Session minutes.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Financial Reports:

Motion by Mrs. Wray-Norris, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to accept the Secretary's Financial Reports for the month of March 2023 as attached to these minutes and certifying that no budgetary account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12(a). See Exhibit # 3, pages 28,507 - 28,530. The Secretary's Report agrees with the Report of Receipts and Disbursements.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Board of Education Certification:

Motion by Mrs. Wray-Norris, seconded by Mrs. Brog, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11, the Margate City Board of Education certifies that as of March 31, 2023 after review of the Secretary's Monthly Financial Reports (Revenue and Appropriation Sections) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials that to the best of our knowledge there have been no changes in anticipated revenue sources and/or amounts and no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)2-3 so that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Bills and Payrolls:

Motion by Mrs. Wray-Norris, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to approve the payment of bills and payrolls, as listed on Exhibit # 4, pages 28,531 - 28,547.

Motion passed by the following roll call:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Transfer of Funds:

Motion by Mrs. Wray-Norris, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to approve the following Transfer of Funds:

Transfer of Funds within the General Current Expense Account

Ratified Budget Transfers for 2022-2023

To:	11-190-100-610-06-01-010	MATH CURRICULUM	\$2,500.00
	11-000-240-600-00-010-010	ADMIN SUPPLY	\$2,000.00
	11-000-251-592-00-00	BUSN OFFICE SERVICES	\$360.00
	11-000-262-621-00-03	ENERGY EXPENSES	\$2,000.00
	11-000-262-621-00-04	ENERGY SERVICES	\$20,000.00
	11-000-266-800-00-00	SCHOOL SECURITY	\$200.00
		Total	\$27,060.00
From:	11-190-100-640-00-01-010	MATH CURRICULUM	\$2,500.00
	11-000-240-105-00-00-025	ADMIN SUPPLY	\$2,000.00
	11-000-251-100-00-00	BUSN OFFICE SERVICES	\$360.00
	11-000-261-100-00-03	ENERGY EXPENSES	\$2,000.00
	11-000-261-420-00-01	ENERGY SERVICES	\$20,000.00
	11-000-266-610-00-01	SCHOOL SECURITY	\$200.00
		Total	\$27,060.00

Motion passed by the following roll call:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Report of Receipts and Disbursements:

Motion by Mrs. Wray-Norris, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to accept the Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of March 2023, attached as Exhibit # 5, pages 28,548 – 28,558.

Motion passed by the following roll call:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Cash Report:

Motion by Mrs. Wray-Norris, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to accept the Cash Report for the month of March 2023, attached as Exhibit # 6, page 28,559.

Motion passed by the following roll call:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

New Business:

Motion by Mr. Sorensen, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to approve the following new business:

- A. Approve a resolution to establish the two signers for the Margate Board of Education's Section 125 Account as the Superintendent and Board Secretary. Facsimile signatures will not be permitted and two signatures must be present. There will be an unlimited dollar amount for individual checks processed via the Section 125 Account.
- B. Approve a Consortium Agreement with Longport City Board of Education for the 2024 IDEA Basic and Preschool Grant.
- C. Approve the use of the Margate School District 54-passenger vehicle by the Margate Recreation Department during the summer 2023 for the activities listed below. The vehicle will be operated by Margate Recreation CDL certified employees John Zaccardi and Donald Mattessich.
 - Thursday, July 13, 2023 - Cape May County Zoo
 - Friday, July 14, 2023 - Margate beach
 - Thursday, July 20, 2023 - Tilton 9 Movie Theater
 - Friday, July 21, 2023 - Margate beach
 - Thursday, July 27, 2023 - Young's Roller Skating Rink
 - Friday, July 28, 2023 - Margate beach
 - Thursday, August 2, 2023 - Ocean City Water park
- D. Approve the Resolution in support of S3203/A4835 - Bills which permit the holder of a Type S school bus certificate to operate a Type S school bus to transport children to and from school without obtaining a commercial driver license.
- E. Approve a Resolution for participation in the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) bid to purchase natural gas services.
- F. Approve a Resolution for participation in the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) bid to purchase electric generation services.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Other Matters:

Motion by Mr. Sorensen, seconded by Mrs. Brog, to approve the following other matters:

- A. Approve the 2023 Bike Rodeo program for students in 4th grade. Staff: Bonnie Marino, Audrey Becker, Mark Winterbottom, Lisa Carey, Tracy Jones and other Tighe and Ross staff. Costs: Refreshments for students.
- B. Approve the contract with Bayada Home Health Care, Inc. for nursing services from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.
- C. Approve School Food Authority to School Food Authority contract for lunches with Ventnor School District with pricing in the amount of \$3.45 per meal and \$4.75 per adult salad for the 2023-2024 school year.
- D. Approve Betty Morgan as a Substitute Bus Driver after completion of paperwork.
- E. Approve July 1, 2023 –June 30, 2024 contract with Interactive Kids for services.
- F. Approve the following staff for the Dominick A. Potena Performing Arts Center for the 2023-2024 school year:
 - Debbie Roland –Theater Site Manager for \$40 an hour
 - Beth Ann Hall – Lighting Designer/Engineer for \$35 an hour
 - Doug Pendleton – Audio Designer/Engineer for \$35 an hour
 - Chelsi Crompton – Audio Designer/Engineer or Lighting Designer/Engineer for \$35 an hour
- G. Approve the purchase and install of technology and infrastructure equipment including two new servers, interactive displays, and Meraki console/support through Bluum USA, Inc. at an estimated cost of \$80,875 (NJ State Contract # 17-FOOD-00244).

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Wray-Norris, Mrs. Brog, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, and Dr. Frankel.

Nays: None

Public Comment:

No members of the community commented.

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Adjournment:

Upon motion by Mr. Sorensen, seconded by Mrs. Brog, the board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 6:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Melina Skwarek
Board Secretary/School Business Administrator