

The following items are contained in the July 6, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes:

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24. Adjournment

The Regular Meeting of the Margate City Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 P.M. on July 6, 2022 by President, Mrs. Catherine Horn, at 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 and "The Current" and advertised in "The Press" on May 26, 2022.

Roll Call - Members Present: Mrs. Catherine Horn, President; Mrs. Santoro, Vice-President (Conference Call); Dr. Joel Frankel; Mr. Pepe; Mr. Sorensen; Mr. Swift  
 Members Absent: Mrs. Amy Brog  
 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 Schwegmann

Special Recognition:

Mrs Becker announced the receipt of a donation in memory of Mrs. Ann Lieberman. The donation was submitted by Mr. Bob Rosenthal and Mrs. Gail Rosenthal. The donation was intended to memorialize Mrs. Lieberman and her dedication to the students of the Margate School District. Mrs. Lieberman was highly involved at the W.H. Ross School and volunteered countless hours to the students in this community. Mrs. Lieberman's husband was notified of the donation and was very grateful. Mrs. Becker commented that the donation was received in June 2022 but the Board wanted to acknowledge the acceptance of the donation in July to ensure it was not lost in the mix of the June special recognition items.

Public Comment:

No members of the community commented.

Activity Calendar:

Mrs. Becker distributed the Activity Calendar for July 2022.

Fire Drill and Lockdown Reports:

Mrs. Becker distributed the Fire & Bus Evacuation Drill Reports, for Eugene A. Tighe School & William H Ross III School for the month of June 2022 attached as Exhibit # 1, pages 26,899 – 26,900.

Superintendent's Report:

Mrs. Becker shared the following:

- She welcomed Mrs. Skwarek, who has been working closely with Mrs. Palaia, to ensure a smooth transition.
- She shared that the following projects, funded by the city bonds, were seeing progress: the PAC seating and carpeting project has been invoiced and we are working on the curtain replacement invoice.
- She shared that we have received the Tighe roofing proposal and she will be working with Mr. Burton and Mrs. Skwarek to review for any missing or omitted costs.
- She shared that the agenda has Jennifer Michener to be approved as the Lucky Kids coordinator.
- She shared that this agenda contains a resolution to adopt a new Health program. She shared that the content of this program is not terribly aggressive and matches Margate's direction for the Health curriculum.
- She shared that this agenda contains the first reading of a Gifted and Talented policy which would serve to update the out of date policy currently in place and would help the District catch up on a program that was not necessarily addressed during COVID.

Principals' Updates:

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

General Board Discussion:

Dr. Frankel inquired about the first day of school. It was determined to be September 6, 2022. He also inquired about some of the bond projects and their timelines. The PAC project is estimated to begin early 2023 and we are in the process of locking in the materials with the vendors. The timeline for the Tighe roof is open-ended as we just received the vendor proposal.

Mr. Swift inquired about school security and the Board revisited the public comments from the June 8, 2022 meeting. Mr. Goldstein, Mrs. Horn, Dr. Frankel, Mr Sorensen, and a member of the public, proceeded to dialogue about additional security measures to consider and District Standard Operating Procedures. Mr. Goldstein directed Mr. Alberts to inquire about a private conversation with the Administration to address his concerns. Mr. Goldstein also recommended that the public remain involved with the school community by attending Board of Education meetings and voicing their concerns.

Personnel Matters:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mr. Sorensen, to approve the following personnel matters:

1) Approve, in accordance with the Article VIII, A, 2: *The number of unused personal days, sick days, and family illness days allowed to be carried over into the following year will not exceed a total of 15. Any unused days in excess of 15, will be paid to the teacher at the current rate per day (\$125) in Article VI E under SEVERANCE/RETIREMENT*

· Tracy Magel                      day left: 0.50                      payout: \$62.50

2) Approve the resignation of Rohini McCardell as of June 30, 2022.

3) Approve the following staff stipends for Dominick A. Potena Performing Arts Center for the 2022-2023 school year:

· Debbie Roland                      –Theater Site Manager for \$45 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

4) Approve the payment of fees required for the two-year mandated Principal Residency program for Bonnie Marino’s mentor John DiNicola. Costs: June 2021-2022 \$1500 and June 2022-2023 \$1000 = \$2500.

5) Approve the payment of fees required for the one-year mandated Superintendent Residency program for Audrey Becker’s mentor Dr. Peter Koza. Costs: July 2021-2022 \$2500.

6) Approve the hiring of Kaitlin Eckert as our School Social Worker for the 2022-23 school year at Step 3 MA+30 (\$76,000) pending completion of paperwork.

7) Approve the payout of \$125 per day for unused sick days as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Margate Board of Education and the Margate Education Association, maximum 200 days payable in a one-time grant for retirees, as follows:

As per MEA contract July 2022

· Eileen Midure                      193      \$ 24,125.00

· Kevin O’Hare                      72.5      \$ 9,062.50

· Ronald Pinter                      199      \$ 24,875.00

· Victoria Morreale                      50      \$ 6,250.00

As per MEA contract July 2023

· Christy Stack                      68.5      \$ 8,562.50

8) Approve Jennifer Michener as the Lucky Kids Director effective September 1, 2022 at an hourly salary of \$53.

Personnel Matters (Continued):

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn

Nays: None

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, to approve the following personnel matters:

9) Approve Christina Campbell to act as a substitute Lucky Kids Director for any days Jennifer Michener is unavailable at a daily rate of  $3 \times \$53 = \$159$ .

10) Approve Merri Mallen and Terry McGonigle to complete individual screenings for all incoming Kindergarten students this summer. Costs: Not to exceed a total of 30 hours combined at the MEA contractual rate of  $\$53 = \$1590$ .

11) Approve a new Ross School Performing Arts Club for Grades 2 through 4 for the 2022-2023 school year. The club will run from October 2022 to March 2023 and meet approximately 4 times per month.

Staff: Veronica Valencia

Costs: \$1000 stipend.

12) Approve the Homework Club for grades 3 and 4 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:05 P.M. to 4:05 P.M. Staff: Veronica Valencia on Tuesdays and Tina Baronowitz on Thursdays.

Costs: 1 hour at the contractual hourly rate of \$53.

13) Approve Linda Carbone as a Substitute for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of paperwork.

14) Approve up to 30 hours of teacher committee work on the Social Studies curriculum at the contractual teacher rate.

Staff: Teachers TBD

Costs: Not to exceed \$1,590.

15) Approve up to 30 hours of teacher committee work on the Health/Physical Education curriculum at the contractual teacher rate.

Staff: Teachers TBD

Costs: Not to exceed \$1,590.

16) Approve the hiring of Natasa Coughlin as a special education math teacher for the 2022-23 school year at Step 5 BA+18 (\$75,000) pending completion of paperwork.

17) Approve Audrey Becker for pupil transportation in a private vehicle.

18) Share that the Kindergarten Ice Cream Social will be held on September 2, 2022.

Staff: Kindergarten staff

Costs: MEF is sponsoring this event

Kindergarten Staff is under contract so no additional funding is required.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Personnel Matters (Continued):

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn  
Nays: None

Instructional Support/Activities:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, to approve the adoption of HealthSmart digital and print curriculum materials to support learning in Health for students in grades K-8. Curriculum development will follow. Costs: \$ 7,440.02

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn  
Nays: None

Contracts:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, to approve the following contract matters:

- 1) Approve the contract with Cape May County Special Services for itinerant/related services as needed to support students from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.
- 2) Approve the contract with Atlantic County Special Services for services as needed to support our students from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn  
Nays: None

Workshops:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, to approve the following workshop matters:

- 1) Approve Bonnie Marino, Ryan Gaskill, and Audrey Becker to attend the School Law Boot Camp on August 2 & 3, 2022 at ETTC. Costs: 10 ETTC hours registration fee per participant and travel reimbursement.
- 2) Approve Bonnie Marino to complete the Title IX Coordinator Certification training.  
Costs: \$649 on demand webinar

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn  
Nays: None

Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, the board unanimously agreed to accept the June 8, 2022 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn

Nays: None

Financial Reports:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, to accept the Secretary's Financial Reports for the month of May 2022 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 # 2, pages 26,901- 26, 922. The Secretary's Report agrees with the Report of Receipts and Disbursements.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn

Nays: None

Board of Education Certification:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11, the Margate City Board of Education certifies that as of May 31, 2022 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: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn

Nays: None

Bills and Payrolls:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, to approve the payment of bills and payrolls, as listed on Exhibit # 3, pages 26,923-26,938.

Motion passed by the following roll call:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn

Nays: None

Transfer of Funds:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, to approve the following Transfer of Funds:

Transfer of Funds within the General Current Expense Account

Ratified Budget Transfers for 2021-2022			
To:	Other Support Serv EAT	11-000-217-320-00-00-010	\$3,000.00
		Total	<u>\$3,000.00</u>
From:	Other Support Serv STD	11-000-217-320-00-00-025	\$3,000.00
		Total	<u>\$3,000.00</u>
Ratified Budget Transfers for 2022-2023			
To:	Gen Sup Art Granville Ave	11-190-100-610-02-04-025	\$2,000.00
	Gen Supply Reading EAT	11-190-100-610-03-01-010	\$82.51
	Support Service Instruct	12-000-220-730-00-00	\$1,036.00
	Equipment Central Serv	12-000-251-730-00-00	\$2,065.00
		Total	<u>\$5,183.51</u>
From:	Gen Supply Granville Ave	11-190-100-610-01-04-025	\$2,000.00
	Gen Supply EAT	11-190-100-610-01-01-010	\$82.51

Transfers (Continued):

	Technology District WHR	11-000-222-600-00-00-025	\$1,036.00
	Undis Exp Oper & Maintenance	12-000-261-730-00-00-010	\$2,065.00
		Total	<u>\$5,183.51</u>

Motion passed by the following roll call:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn

Nays: None

Report of Receipts and Disbursements:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, to accept the Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of May 2022, attached as Exhibit # 4, pages 26,939 – 26,948. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn

Nays: None

Cash Report:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, to accept the Cash Report for the month of May 2022, attached as Exhibit # 5, page 26,949. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn

Nays: None

New Business:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, to approve the following new business:

- 1) Approve Margate's Virtual Instruction Plan v. 7/1/22 for September's start of school.
- 2) Approve the annual Tuition Rate for 2022-23 at \$6,000 per student.
- 3) Approve a resolution to decline Title III funds under the ESEA Consolidated grant for Fiscal Year 2023 in the amount of \$1,175.
- 4) Approve a Consortium Agreement with Longport City Board of Education for the 2023 IDEA Basic and Preschool Grant.

IDEA Basic                      \$10,248

New Business (Continued):

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| IDEA Preschool | \$ 2,212 |
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- 5) Approve submission of the FY 23 IDEA Consolidated Application.
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| IDEA Basic     | \$123,513 |
| IDEA Preschool | \$ 6,479  |
- 6) Approve submission of the FY 23 "Every Student Succeeds Act" (ESSA) Consolidated Application.
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| Title I          | \$ 76,435     |
| Title II, Part A | 15,166        |
| Title IV, Part A | <u>10,000</u> |
| Total            | \$101,601     |
- 7) Approve the list of lunch prices for the 2022-2023 school year, attached as Exhibit # 6, page 26,950.
- 8) Approve the first reading of the following policy:

- Gifted and Talented 6171.2

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn

Nays: None

Other Matters:

Motion by Dr. Frankel, seconded by Mrs. Santoro, to approve the following other matters:

- 1) Approve the one time payout of vacation day to Kurtis Woodrow at a rate of \$385.85 x 13.5 days = \$5,208.98.
- 2) Approve Matthew Burton to attend the 10th Annual Mold, Environmental & IAQ Best Practices Seminar on Wednesday, July 13 at Westin Mount Laurel.  
Costs: Transportation
- 3) Approve Matthew Burton to attend monthly NJ School Buildings and Grounds Association meetings on September 28, October 26, November 17, December 21, 2022 and January 25, February 22, March 29, April 26, May 31, and June 28, 2023.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Frankel, Mr. Pepe, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Swift, Mrs. Santoro, and Mrs. Horn

Nays: None

Public Comment:

A member of the public commented about the tree removal behind E.A. Tighe school. She voiced concerns about the open patches and asked about the District's intention to replace or repair the trees in the open areas.

Adjournment:

Upon motion by Mrs. Santoro, seconded by Dr. Frankel, the board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 6:39 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Melina Skwarek  
Board Secretary/School Business Administrator