

LONG BEACH ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION
Long Beach Island, New Jersey
REGULAR MEETING
July 23, 2024
Ethel A. Jacobsen School Media Center
Executive (Closed) Session 5:15 PM – Regular (Public) Session 5:45 PM

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Education of the Long Beach Island School District, Ocean County, met in the Media Center of the Ethel A. Jacobsen School, 200 South Barnegat Avenue, Surf City, New Jersey on July 23, 2024.

Board President, Colette Southwick, called the meeting to order at 5:51 p.m. and read the following statement:

"This is to advise those present at this meeting of the Board of Education of the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District, in the County of Ocean, that adequate and electronic notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. The notice has been posted in the Board of Education Office, Ethel A. Jacobsen School building and Long Beach Island Grade School building and on the district website. The notice was also mailed to *The Press of Atlantic City*, *Asbury Park Press*, and *The Sandpaper*, and filed with the Municipal Clerks of Barnegat Light, Harvey Cedars, Surf City, Ship Bottom and Long Beach Township."

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**
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| Dr. Chung | Mrs. Raber | Mrs. Hoffacker |
| Ms. Hagler | Mr. Schragger | Mrs. Southwick |
| Mrs. Linkewich | | |

ABSENT: Mrs. Wasilewski, Mr. Wright

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Peter Kopack, Superintendent
Ms. Meghan Lee, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Dennis McKeever, Esq.

4. **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:** Dr. Kopack thanked everyone for attending the meeting, reported that he is looking forward to the new school year, and noted that Mr. Birney will give the Wellness Committee update at the next meeting.
5. **REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL:** No report
6. **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:** Mrs. Southwick thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
7. **PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:** Members of the public commented, asked questions on the following topics:
- Purchase agreement expiration
 - Purchase agreement amendment
 - Consolidation date
8. **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE:** None

9. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Brielle Hoffacker, second by Kristy Raber to approve the following:

As per the recommendation of the Superintendent:

RESOLVED, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:

June 18, 2024:	Regular and Closed Session
July 2, 2024:	Special and Closed Session

Minutes of the closed session meeting will be released to the public when the reasons for nondisclosure no longer exist.

Upon a roll call vote, motion carried:

June 18, 2024

Ayes(6):	Dr. Chung, Ms. Hagler, Mrs. Linkewich, Mrs. Raber, Mrs. Hoffacker, Mrs. Southwick
Nays(1):	Mr. Schragger
Abstain:	0

Upon a roll call vote, motion carried:

July 2, 2024

Ayes(5):	Ms. Hagler, Mrs. Linkewich, Mrs. Raber, Mrs. Hoffacker, Mrs. Southwick
Nays(1):	Mr. Schragger
Abstain(1):	Dr. Chung

10. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Building/Grounds/Transportation/Finance: Kelly Linkewich reported that the committee met on July 16th and discussed contract negotiations, and met today and discussed contract negotiations, contract amendment agreement and temporary shoring.
- PTA Liaison: Stephanie Chung reported on the PTA Fall Ticket Fundraiser.

11. **POLICY**

Motion by Brielle Hoffacker, second by Kristy Raber to approve the following:

As per the recommendation of the Superintendent:

A. **Policy/Regulation Approval**

Motion to approve the first reading of the following new and revised policies and regulations:

1. P 0141 Board Member Number and Term (Revised)
2. P 2200 Curriculum Content (M) (Revised)
3. P & R 316 Physical Examination (M) (Revised)
4. P & R 4160 Physical Examination (M) (Revised)
5. R 5200 Attendance (M) (Revised)
6. P 5337 Service Animals (Revised)
7. P 5350 Student Suicide Prevention (M) (Revised)
8. P 8420 Emergency and Crisis Situations (M) (Revised)
9. P & R 8467 Firearms and Weapons (M) (Revised)

B. Policy/Regulation Abolishment

Motion to approve the abolishment of the following policy/regulation:

1. P 0164.6 Remote Public Board Meetings During a Declared Emergency (M)
(Abolished)

Upon a roll call vote, motion carried:

Ayes(6): Dr. Chung, Ms. Hagler, Mrs. Linkewich, Mrs. Raber, Mrs. Hoffacker, Mrs. Southwick
Nays(1): Mr. Schragger
Abstain: 0

12. **BUILDING/GROUNDS/TRANSPORTATION/FINANCE**

Motion by Brielle Hoffacker, second by Danielle Hagler to approve the following:

As per the recommendation of the Superintendent:

A. Financial Reports

1. Financial Reports of the Secretary to the Board of Education

Motion to approve financial reports for the month of June 2024.

- a. Report of the Secretary dated June 30, 2024

2. Statement of Cash Balances

Motion to accept the Statement of Cash Balances for the month of June 2024 which are reconciled with the Board Secretary's Reports by fund for that month.

3. SBA Certification

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (c) 4, I certify that as of June 2024 no budgetary line item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (b).



Meghan Lee, School Business Administrator

8/21, 2024

B. Transfers

Motion to approve the June 2024 transfer report.

C. Bills List

1. Motion to approve the supplemental bills list for June 30, 2024 totaling \$32,951.46
2. Motion to approve the July 2024 Bills List, totaling \$358,212.64

D. Travel and Training

Motion to approve the following travel/training expenses.

Date	Name	Position	Workshop	Location	Cost
9/25, 10/30, 11/20, 12/18, 1/29, 2/26, 4/30, 5/28, 6/25	Mark Bish	Facilities Manager	NJSBGA Atlantic Chapter	TBD	Mileage
7/23/24	Mark Bish	Facilities Manager	North/South Facilities Training	Woodbury Heights, NJ	Mileage

Upon a roll call vote, motion carried:

Ayes(6): Dr. Chung, Ms. Hagler, Mrs. Linkewich, Mrs. Raber, Mrs. Hoffacker, Mrs. Southwick
Nays(1): Mr. Schragger
Abstain: 0

13. ANNUAL APPROVALS/CONTRACTS

Motion by Brielle Hoffacker, second by Kristy Raber to approve the following:

As per the recommendation of the Superintendent:

A. Special Education Services

Motion to approve the following Special Education Services for the 2024-2025 school year:

- Social Worker, SKF Social Work Services, LLC, \$470 per day

B. Student Insurance

Motion to approve Student Basic Accident and Catastrophic Student Insurance policy for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. This policy is through Bob McCloskey Insurance. The premium is \$3,000.00.

C. Web Hosting and Notification Services

Motion to approve Finalsite/Active Internet Technologies to provide web hosting, mass notification and communication, mobile communication app & maintenance at a rate of \$8,743.00 from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

D. ESSA Grant Application

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Long Beach Island Board of Education to authorize the submission of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) application for Fiscal Year 2025 and to accept the grant award of these funds upon the subsequent approval of the FY25 ESSA application.

Title I Part A	\$42,281
Title II Part A	\$ 3,821
Title IV Part A	<u>\$10,000</u>
Total	\$56,102

E. IDEA Grant Application

BE IT RESOLVED by the Long Beach Island Board of Education to accept the 2024-2025 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Grant as follows and approve the submission of the application to the NJDOE for use of funds:

Basic:	\$67,676
Preschool:	<u>\$ 4,304</u>
Total	\$71,980

F. Insurance Coverages: Worker's Comp, Property, General Liability, Automobile, Bond

Motion to approve renewal of insurance coverages detailed below for the 2024-2025 School Year at the premiums shown, through the subject to adjustment for updated appraisal values and changes in vehicle counts or enrollments; and, that payments be made when bills are received based upon the terms, conditions, and endorsements or the policies, as shown:

Workers Comp	\$61,217
Supplemental Workers Comp	\$2,221
Property Package (Property, Liability, Auto, EIL, Crime)	\$96,185
Excess Liability (included in above)	
School Leaders Professional Liability	\$11,944
Employee Bond Renewal	\$1,012
Total Insurance	\$172,579

G. Virtual/Remote Plan 2024-2025

Motion to approve the Virtual/Remote Instruction Plan for the 2024-2025 school year for submission to the Executive County Superintendent as presented.

Upon a roll call vote, motion carried:

Ayes(6): Dr. Chung, Ms. Hagler, Mrs. Linkewich, Mrs. Raber, Mrs. Hoffacker, Mrs. Southwick
Nays(1): Mr. Schragger
Abstain: 0

14. **UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS**

Motion by Brielle Hoffacker, second by Kristy Raber to approve the following:

As per the recommendation of the Superintendent:

A. Purchase Agreement Addendum

Be It Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approved the Second Amendment to the Contract for Sale between the Board and Michael Pagnotta Architecture, PC.

Mr. McKeever reviewed the purchase agreement addendum main points: Closing date of June 2025, decrease in purchase price of \$800,000, contingency on removal of existing, known, properly decommissioned oil tank on site, and deposit money will be held in an interest bearing account.

Board members entered into a discussion about the addendum and expressed their support for or opposition to the addendum.

Upon a roll call vote, motion carried:

Ayes(5): Ms. Hagler, Mrs. Linkewich, Mrs. Raber, Mrs. Hoffacker, Mrs. Southwick
Nays(2): Dr. Chung, Mr. Schragger
Abstain: 0

15. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. Dates to Remember

August 20: Board of Education Meeting, EJ School, 6:30 p.m.

August 21: Grade 3 and New Student Orientation, LBI Grade School, 9 a.m.
Grade 1 & 2 Orientation, EJ School, 10:30 a.m.

August 22: Preschool orientation, EJ School, 10 a.m.
Kindergarten Orientation, EJ School, 12 p.m.

B. School Board Election 2024

The following seats will be available in the fall: Colette Southwick, Long Beach Township, Kristy Raber, Surf City, and William Wright, Long Beach Township. The deadline for filing petitions is Monday, July 29, 2024, at 4 p.m. at the Office of the County Clerk. The Annual School Election will be held on November 5, 2024.

16. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Members of the public commented, asked questions on the following topics:

- Decrease in sale price
- Construction timeline/parent updates

17. **Motion by Kelly Linkewich, second by Brielle Hoffacker to approve the following:**

As per the recommendation of the Superintendent:

RESOLUTION: Resolved that the Board of Education will open its next scheduled meeting on August 20, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center of the Ethel A. Jacobsen School, 200 South Barnegat Avenue, Surf City, NJ in Executive Session for matters of Attorney/Client Privilege, Negotiations, Student Issues, and Personnel and will suspend opening activities, including the Pledge of Allegiance and reading of Adequate Notice of Meeting, until the Board opens in Public Session at 6:30 p.m. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., as amended by P.L.2020, c.11, and Section 8, c. 34 (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-18.11) the Board may conduct a public meeting remotely by electronic means during a state of emergency so long as reasonable public notice and provision for public input is made under the circumstances.

Upon a roll call vote, motion carried:

Ayes(7): Dr. Chung, Ms. Hagler, Mrs. Linkewich, Mrs. Raber, Mr. Schragger, Mrs. Hoffacker,
Mrs. Southwick

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

18. **EXECUTIVE SESSION #2 (If Needed):** The Board did not return to Executive Session.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:16 p.m., a motion was made by Brielle Hoffacker, second by Kristy Raber to adjourn. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,


Kathy Sheplin
Assistant to the Board Secretary