

MARGATE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
AGENDA
September 11, 2024
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Certification of Notice
4. Roll Call
5. Swearing in of new Board Member - Steve Swift
6. Public Comment: The Board of Education welcomes public comment and views this as an important aspect of community relations. The Board will set aside a portion of every board meeting for public comment on school district issues. Usually, there will be a public comment period devoted exclusively to comment on agenda items and a public comment period dedicated to general school district issues, however, this format may be altered in light of the business of the Board, provided that at least one period is set aside at each meeting for public comment. The maximum length of each public comment period is thirty (30) minutes unless stated otherwise on the meeting agenda.
The public comment period is a time for members of the public to express their comments and/or concerns. It is not a question and answer session. Notwithstanding, members of the administration and/or board members may choose to answer questions raised during public comment periods. They may do so during the public comment period or after it has closed. The public should understand that there are reasons why questions will not be answered, including reasons related to litigation, privacy, confidentiality, employment rights, student rights and the absence of information from which answers can be formulated.

Each speaker making a public comment shall state his name and address before speaking. As stated above, the total amount of time allocated to each comment period is limited. The following additional time limitations also apply. The total amount of time allotted to each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. A speaker may not extend his or her time by seeking to utilize the unused time of a person who has spoken or who has yet to speak. The total length of time allotted to all speakers making public comment on a particular agenda item or on a particular subject will be limited to ten (10) minutes. The Board President, or the person presiding in the Board President's absence, has flexibility to alter these time limitations. Absent his/her expressly doing so, the time limitations stated here apply.

7. Report of Superintendent of Schools:

A. Enrollment:

Enrollment as of 8/9/2024

Ross School

Pre K (1/2 day)	2
Kindergarten	35
Grade 1	32
Grade 2	39
Grade 3	34
Grade 4	<u>38</u>
Sub-total	180

Enrollment as of 9/4/2024

Ross School

Pre K (1/2 day)	3
Kindergarten	39
Grade 1	31
Grade 2	40
Grade 3	35
Grade 4	<u>39</u>
Sub-total	187

Tighe School

Grade 5	38
Grade 6	30
Grade 7	45
Grade 8	26
Sub-total	<u>139</u>
*Total Enrollment	319

Tighe School

Grade 5	38
Grade 6	31
Grade 7	45
Grade 8	26
Sub-total	<u>140</u>
*Total Enrollment	327

***Above enrollment includes Longport and Tuition enrollment below**

Longport Enrollment:

William H. Ross	12
Eugene A. Tighe	<u>15</u>
Total	27

Tuition Students:

William H. Ross	10
Eugene A. Tighe	<u>1</u>
Total	11

ACHS (Margate)	33
OCHS (Choice)	68
MRHS (Choice)	12

B. Instructional Support

1. Update on Principal/Director activities.
2. Review activity calendars.
3. Review fire drill and security drill report.
4. Review and share the Title I Targeted Assistance Program Guidelines and Parental Rights for 2024-2025.
5. Review the Student Safety Data System (SSDS) submission and certification for the time period January 1, 2024 - June 30, 2024.
6. Review and share Policy 5131.1-Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying for the 2024-2025 school year.
7. Review and share the William H. Ross School Code of Conduct for the 2024-2025 School Year.

C. Board Matters

1. Share: School Ethics Act and the Code of Ethics for School Board Members, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24 et seq. and signing of acknowledgement of receipt of the Code of Ethics for School Board Members.
2. Share: Revised 2024-2025 Finance, Agenda, & Commission Meeting Committee Schedules.
3. Share: Revised 2024-2025 Committee Assignments.

D. Communications

E. District Committee Reports

8. MEF Update

9. MEA Report

10. General Board Discussion

11. General Approvals

It may appear to members of the public that the City of Margate Board of Education takes formal action with limited comment or member discussion. This is not so. Prior to the time any formal action is taken, the district administration and school board members thoroughly review all supporting documentation. After each matter has been thoroughly discussed and after the superintendent is satisfied that each matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred to the appropriate Board Committee for discussion and analysis by members of the Board. The members of the School Board Committees work with the Superintendent to assure that all members are fully briefed on all pertinent details and understand the motions. When the Committees are satisfied with the motions, the motions are then placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting.

A. Personnel

1. Approve the Substitute School Bus Driver and Athletic School Bus Driver pay rates at \$25.00 per hour, with a minimum of four hours per day, for the 2024-2025 school year.
2. Approve Brian Hiltner as the boys basketball coach. Cost: \$2,400.00.
3. Approve Rona Schwartz as a Substitute Teacher pending completion of paperwork.
4. Approve Dominic Cuce to drive District vehicles.

B. Contracts

1. Approve the service contract with the New Jersey Commission of the Blind and Visually Impaired for the 2024-2025 school year effective 9/1/2024 through 6/30/2025 to provide level one educational services to the Margate City School District. Cost: \$2,420.

C. Instructional Support/Activities

1. Approve the Tighe School play staff and performance dates January 16th & 17th, 2025 with rehearsals from October 2024 through January 2025.
 - Debbie Roland Director/Musical Director \$3,100.00
 - Chelsi Crompton Asst. Director/Sound Tech. \$2,000.00
 - Veronica Valencia Choreographer \$1,100.00
 - TBD Assistant Tech. \$500.00
 - Robert Roland Asst. Tech./Music \$900.00
 - Mark Winterbottom Sets \$600.00
 - TBD Assistant \$500.00
 - Bethann Hall Lighting \$500.00
 - Parent volunteers and school alumni will be used to help with various jobs.
 - Costs: Staff: \$9,200.00, supplies, copyright \$1,200.00 = \$10,400. Funded by play fundraising, ticket sales and local funds.

2. Approve fundraisers for the Tighe Musical on various nights between October 2024 and February 2025. Fundraisers will be held at Bocca in Margate, NJ and Chido Burrito in Northfield, NJ.
3. Approve Singsations to travel to and perform at Bloom's Pavilion on December 11, 2024 for the Pavilion Holiday Party.
4. Approve members of Singsations to attend the Longport City Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11, 2024 from 10:30 am -12:00 pm. Staff: Debbie Roland Costs: Substitute as needed.
5. Approve members of the Tighe School Singsations to go to Dorney Park Festival on May 28, 2025 from 7:00 am to 9:30 pm. Staff: Debbie Roland, Chelsi Crompton & Other Staff as needed. Costs: Transportation - 2 buses \$1,900.00 x 2 = \$3,800, Student and Parent Park tickets w/meal: \$65.00 x 90 (70 students & 20 parents) = \$5,850.00. Substitutes as needed @ \$125.00 per day. Total: \$9,650.00.
6. Approve the Tighe School 8th Grade class to attend the Margate City 9/11 Memorial Ceremony at the Margate Fire Department on Ventnor Avenue on September 11, 2024. Staff: 8th Grade Teachers.
7. Approve Lindsey Evans to work up to 5 hours on Grandfriends' Day at Ross. Costs: 5 hours x \$55.00 = \$330.00.

D. Workshops

1. Approve Melina Skwarek and Lirone Turner to attend the Strauss Esmay NJLA & NJFML Workshop on October 9, 2024, from 9:30 am to 12:30 am, at the OCC Conference Center, Toms River, NJ 08753. Costs: \$290.00 Registration Fee and Travel
2. Approve Debbie Roland to attend the NJMEA Conference at the Sheraton in Atlantic City from February 20, 2024 through February 22, 2024. Costs: \$200.00, substitute teacher, and Membership Fee \$135.00.
3. Approve Samantha Dulude to attend the Strauss Esmay Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Training Program on October 2, 2024 at the OCC Conference Center, Toms River, NJ. Costs: \$145.00.
4. Approve Melina Skwarek to attend the NJASBO OPRA/Negotiations/Arbitration workshop on September 24, 2024, at the Westin, Mt. Laurel, from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. Costs: \$145.00 Registration Fee and Travel
5. Approve Melina Skwarek to attend the NJASBO DOL & DOT Update workshop on October 10, 2024, at the Westin, Mt. Laurel, from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. Costs: \$145.00 Registration Fee and Travel
6. Approve Melina Skwarek to attend the NJASBO Academy Program workshops at the NJASBO Office, Robbinsville, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, on 10/28/24, 12/3/24, 1/7/25, 2/11/25, and 4/1/25. Costs: \$250.00 Registration Fee and Travel

E. Students

1. Approve a hardship bussing application for student #2858574251 for the 2024-2025 school year.
12. Presentation and Approval of Minutes: August 14, 2024 Regular Session Meeting Minutes and August 28, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes
13. Report of the Board Secretary:
 - a. Bills and Payrolls -\$135,131.22

14. New Business

- A. Approve the 2024-2025 Budget Timetable.
- B. Approve the first reading of the following revised board regulation:
 - 5131 (R) Tigue Code of Infractions & Consequences
- C. Approve Title I Targeted Assistance Program Guidelines and Parental Rights for 2024-2025.
- D. Approve continued use of Policy 5131.1 – Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying for 2024-2025.
- E. Approve the Ross School Code of Conduct for 2024-2025.

15. Other Matters

16. Public Comment

17. Executive Session:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 requires adoption of a resolution of the Board to go into Executive Session; BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, New Jersey Title 18A and the Margate City Board of Education Bylaw No. 9322 hereby enters Executive Session to discuss matters involving:

Personnel, student matters, advice of counsel, contracts or other matters for which an executive session is permitted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of this Executive Session shall be made public following formal action by the Board and/or at the conclusion of any investigation(s), due process proceeding, or litigation, so long as not prohibited by law and so long as the need for maintaining confidentiality no longer exists.

18. Open Session

19. Adjournment