

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
EGG HARBOR CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Egg Harbor City, New Jersey 08215**

Minutes

Reorganization / Regular Meeting

January 3, 2024

Charles L. Spragg School

Library

601 Buffalo Avenue

7:00 PM

I. Open Reorganization / Regular Meeting

Mrs. Gibney called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. This is to advise those present at this meeting of the Board of Education of the Egg Harbor City School District, in the County of Atlantic, that adequate notice has been given of this meeting as required by the provision of Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975; that notice thereof has been forwarded for publication in the District official newspapers, posted in the city Schools, and forwarded to the city Clerk within the time required by said Act.

The Board values and welcomes comments and opinions from residents as long as remarks are not personal or discourteous. The public comment portion of the meeting allows the Board to listen to community members and to hear their opinions on school policy and operations.

There are two opportunities to address the Board. The first public portion is reserved for persons wishing to speak about agenda items only. The second opportunity, following the action items, residents may address the Board on any school related issue. Once identified, a speaker is asked to limit their comments to three minutes. Yielding time is not permitted. The public comments portion of the meeting will not exceed 30 minutes total.

II. Flag Salute

III. New/Re-elected Board Members Sworn In – Board Secretary

A. Info: 11/7/23 Election Results:

Full three (3) year term:

James Guercioni III	555 votes
Eileen DiGiacomo	536 votes

B. Swearing In

Mrs. Gibney swore in Mr. Guercioni and Mrs. DiGiacomo.

IV. **Roll Call**

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-P	Ms. Cramer ('24)-P	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-P
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-P	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-P	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-P
Ms. Rogers ('25)-P		

Also present was Superintendent Adrienne Shulby, Business Administrator Allyson Milazzo and Administrative/Board Secretary Angela Gibney.

V. **Election and Appointment of Officers**

A. President

Mrs. Gibney called for a motion to open nominations for President.

Motion: Ms. Leeds-Smith

Second: Ms. Rogers

All in Favor:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

Mrs. Gibney called for nominations for President.

Motion by Ms. Leeds-Smith for Mr. Guercionni, President (Jan. 2024 – Jan. 2025)

Motion by Mr. Bouchard for Mrs. DiGiacomo, President (Jan. 2024 – Jan. 2025)

Motion by Mr. Guercioni for Ms. Rogers, President (Jan. 2024 – Jan. 2025)

Ms. Rogers respectfully declined the nomination for President.

Mrs. Gibney called for a motion to close nominations for President.

Motion: Mr. Bouchard

Second: Ms. Rogers

Roll call to close nominations:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

Roll call for those in favor of Mr. Guercioni:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-N	Ms. Cramer ('24)-N	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-N
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-N		

Roll call for those in favor of Mrs. DiGiacomo:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-N	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-N	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-N
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

Roll call results for President:

Mr. Guercioni	3 Yes, 4 No
Mrs. DiGiacomo	4 Yes, 3 No

Mrs. DiGiGiacomo was declared elected to the office of President and took the chair.

B. Vice President

Mrs. Gibney called for a motion to open nominations for Vice-President.

Motion: Ms. Rogers

Second: Mr. Bouchard

All in Favor:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

Motion by Ms. Leeds-Smith for Mr. Guercionni, Vice-President (Jan. 2024 – Jan. 2025)

Motion by Mrs. DiGiacomo for Mr. Bouchard, Vice-President (Jan. 2024 – Jan. 2025)

Mrs. Gibney called for a motion to close nominations for Vice-President.

Motion: Ms. Cramer

Second: Mr. Bouchard

Roll call to close nominations:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

Roll call for those in favor of Mr. Guercioni:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-N
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-N		

Roll call for those in favor of Mr. Bouchard:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-N	Ms. Cramer ('24)-N	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-N	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-N	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-N
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

Roll call results for Vice-President:

Mr. Guercioni	5 Yes, 2 No
Mrs. DiGiacomo	2 Yes, 5 No

Mr. Guercioni was declared elected to the office of Vice-President.

C. Committees

Mrs. DiGiacomo distributed sign up sheets for Committees to be returned by the end of the meeting and to be approved at the February 14, 2024 BOE meeting.

Handout

VI. Annual Appointments (Roll Call)

A. Board Secretary

Motion by Ms. Leeds-Smith, second by Mr. Bouchard to appoint Angela Gibney to Board Secretary.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

B. NJSBA and ACSBA Delegates

Mrs. DiGiacomo called for nominations for NJSBA Delegate and Alternate and ACSBA Delegate.

Motion: Ms. Leeds-Smith

Second: Ms. Cramer

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

Motion by Mr. Guercioni, second by Ms. Cramer to appoint Mr. Bouchard, NJSBA Delegate for 2024.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

Motion by Mr. Guercioni, second by Ms. Cramer to appoint Ms. Rogers, alternate NJSBA Delegate 2024.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

Motion by Ms. Leeds-Smith, second by Mr. Bouchard to vote for ACSBA Delegate.

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

Roll Call vote for Ms. Fuentes ACSBA Delegate for 2024:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-N	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-N
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-N		

Roll Call vote Ms. Rogers, ACSBA Delegate for 2024:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-N	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-N	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-N	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-N
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

Roll Call Results for ACSBA Delegate 2024:

Ms. Fuentes 4 Yes, 3 No
Ms. Rogers 3 Yes, 4 No

Mrs. DiGiacomo called for motion to appoint Ms. Fuentes as ACSBA Delegate.

Motion: Ms. Leeds-Smith

Second: Ms. Rogers

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-N	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

VII. **Motions and Designations (Roll Call)**

Motion: Mr. Bouchard

Second: Ms. Rogers

A. Readopt NJSBA Code of Ethics.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y

Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y

Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y

Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y

Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y

Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y

VIII. **Annual Motions and Designations (Roll Call)**

Motion: Mr. Bouchard

Second: Ms. Rogers

A. Depositories for School Funds

Depositories: OceanFirst Bank or any GUDPA or federally approved depository in the state of New Jersey

B. Signatures for School Funds

Signatories – General Account (3 of 3 required)

Board President

Treasurer of School Moneys

Business Administrator

Signatories – Payroll (1 of 2 required)

Treasurer of School Moneys

Business Administrator

Signatories – Payroll Agency (1 of 2 required)

Business Administrator

Treasurer of School Moneys

Signatories – FDR Memorial Scholarship Fund (1 of 2 required)

Business Administrator

Treasurer of School Moneys

Signatories – Lunch Account (1 of 2 required)

Business Administrator

Treasurer of School Moneys

Signatories – Medical Plan (1 of 2 required)

Business Administrator

Treasurer of School Moneys

Ms. Rogers asked who is the school treasurer, Ms. Milazzo responded.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y

Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y

Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y

Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y

Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y

Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y

IX. Executive Session

Motion: Ms. Leeds-Smith

Second: Ms. Rogers

Resolution of the Board of Education of the Egg Harbor City School District to permit discussion of subjects in closed sessions.

RESOLVED: At a public meeting of the Board of Education held on January 3, 2024 at 7:24 p.m. that pursuant to sections 7 and 8 of the "Open Public Meetings Act", the following subjects be discussed in a session of the Board of Education closed to the public:

(1) Litigation

(2) Personnel

(3) Contracts

(4) Negotiations

It is presently anticipated that the items mentioned in the Resolution can be disclosed to the public when a decision is made upon the same, and in personnel matters, with the consent of the employee.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y

Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y

Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y

Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y

Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y

Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y

X. Open Floor to Public

No comments.

XI. Comments for the Good of the Board

Mrs. DiGiacomo thanked Mrs. Gibney for her work for the Board.

XII. Monthly Reports

A. Administrative Reports

1. Superintendent / Principal Report *Attachment*
Mrs. Shulby recognized Janine Caudo and her service to the Board since 2011. Mrs. Shulby congratulated Mrs. DiGiacomo & Mr. Guercioni on their appointments and pointed out the Board recognition and the posting for the Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds position on the agenda. She also spoke of the Christmas Card winner that will be recognized in February and her School Safety Specialist certification renewal.
2. Business Administrator Report
Ms. Milazzo will follow up with Board members that may need any coursework. The projects are still on-going and the 2024-2025 Budget process has started.
3. Director of Special Projects Report *Attachment*
Ms. Garcia informed the Board that the Reach Festival of Hope program went well.
4. EHCCS Principal Report *Attachment*
Dr. Forester recognized Andrew Ross who has received an Exemplary Educator Award. She informed the Board that the trivia competition meetings are continuing and 8th grade students will be visiting Cedar Creek. Mrs. Shulby also noted that she spoke of Mr. Ross's award at her county meeting and Mrs. Scibilia in the audience also comments on Mr. Ross's award and is honored to work with him.
5. Supervisor of Early Childhood/LDTC Report *Attachment*
Mrs. Macchione spoke about the new PreK playground.
6. Board Solicitor's Report

B. Board Committee Reports

1. Personnel
2. Curriculum/Programs
3. Finance
4. Policy
5. Buildings/Grounds

XIII. Board Minutes

Motion: Mr. Bouchard

Second: Ms. Rogers

A. **APPROVE (roll call):**

1. December 13, 2023 Regular *Attachment*

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y

Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y
Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y

XIV. Financial Items

Motion: Ms. Cramer

Second: Mr. Bouchard

A. **APPROVE (roll call):**

1. Board Secretary's Report – November 2023 *Attachment*
2. Treasurer of School Moneys Report – November 2023 *Attachment*

B. **APPROVE (roll call):** Board Certification

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 The Egg Harbor City Board of Education certifies that as of 11/30/23 after review of the Board Secretary's monthly financial report (Revenue and Appropriation sections) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4 and there have been no changes in anticipated revenue sources and/or amounts so that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

C. **APPROVE (roll call):** Monthly Purchase Orders/Bills *Handout*

Bills to be Approved for Payment	\$295,092.76
Checks (January) to be Ratified	\$38,916.05
Checks (December) to be Ratified	\$26,539.34
Payroll (December) to be Ratified	\$737,370.48
Total	\$802,825.87

D. **APPROVE (roll call):** Budget transfer for the 2023-24 school year in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-2:13 and Chapter 196 Laws of 1967, as follows:

January 3, 2024 Fund 10 - \$124,889 *Attachment*

E. **APPROVE (roll call):** The payment of bills between Board Meetings on a limited basis. All payments must be approved by the Superintendent and Business Administrator. All checks issued must include all required signatures, and the payment must be included in the bills list at the Board Meeting immediately following any such transactions. *Attachment*

F. **RATIFY AND AFFIRM (roll call):** Round trip mileage, toll reimbursement and parking for all administrators and out-of-district case manager(s) for travel

related to off-campus meetings and mandated trainings in accordance with the State of New Jersey Department of Treasury Office of Management and Budget mileage reimbursement rate.

- G. **APPROVE (roll call):** Acceptance of the Egg Harbor City Community School AtlantiCare Healthy Schools, Healthy Children 2023-2024 Physical Activity Innovation Grant in the amount of \$750 and the AtlantiCare AED Heart Heroes Grant.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

XV. Non-instructional Operations Items

Motion: Ms. Rogers
Second: Mr. Bouchard

A. Miscellaneous

1. **APPROVE (roll call):** School calendar for the 2024-2025 school year. *Attachment*
2. **APPROVE (roll call):** Motion to re-adopt all current job descriptions. *Attachment*
3. **APPROVE (roll call):** The Memorandum of Agreement between the Egg Harbor City Board of Education and the Egg Harbor City Police Department. *Attachment*

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y	Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y	Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y	Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y	Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y		

XVI. Personnel Items – as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Motion: Ms. Cramer
Second: Mr. Bouchard

- A. **APPROVE (roll call):** Sidebar to the Agreement between the Egg Harbor City Board of Education and the Egg Harbor City Education Association to establish the following new extra-curricular positions in the 2022-2025 agreement to become effective in the 2023-2024 school year: *Attachment*

1. Homeless Liaison \$1585 per year

2. Child Advocacy Liaison \$793 per year

- B. **APPROVE (roll call):** The following additional leave for SMID #65219099:
1. Extended Medical Leave of Absence from April 8, 2024 through the end of the 2023-2024 school year as follows:
 - a. Family Illness time for April 8, 2024 - April 9, 2024
 - b. Unpaid Leave of Absence from April 10, 2024 through the end of the 2023-2024 school year.
- C. **APPROVE (roll call):** Lesette Jackson as EHCCS Aide, for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year at an annual salary of \$23,204.00, Step 1 Aide BA .85 FTE, prorated to anticipated start date of February 1, 2024, pending criminal history clearance.
- D. **APPROVE (roll call):** Kylene Farnan as Leave Replacement Intervention Coach at EHCCS, for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year at an annual salary of \$62,217, BA Step 8, start date pending the hiring of a replacement for her current position.
- E. **APPROVE (roll call):** The posting of the following position for the 2023-2024 school year:
1. Leave Replacement Middle School Teacher with Subject matter Specialization: Language Arts/Literacy Specialization in Grades 5 - 8
- F. **APPROVE (roll call):** The posting of the following position for the 2024-2025 school year:
1. Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y
Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y
Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y

Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y
Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y
Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y

XVII. Student Items

Motion: Ms. Cramer

Second: Mr. Bouchard

- A. **APPROVE (roll call):** Motion to affirm the Harassment, Intimidation, & Bullying (HIB) incidents as reported by the Superintendent and resolved by the building Principal, HIB Coordinator, or designee. *Handout*

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y

Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y

Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y

Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y

Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y

Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y

XVIII. Program Items

Motion: Mr. Bouchard

Second: Ms. Rogers

- A. **APPROVE (roll call):** The Charlotte Danielson Framework for Teaching 2007 Edition as the foundation for the Egg Harbor City School District's Teacher Evaluation Model to meet the requirements of Excellent Educators for NJ (EE4NJ).
- B. **APPROVE (roll call):** The Multidimensional Principal Performance Rubric Ltd. as the foundation for the Egg Harbor City School District's Principal Evaluation Model to meet the requirements of Excellent Educators for NJ (EE4NJ).
- C. **APPROVE (roll call):** All current Egg Harbor City School District curricula for all grades.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y

Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y

Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y

Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y

Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y

Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y

XIX. Professional Development

Motion: Ms. Cramer

Second: Mr. Bouchard

Professional development activities have been recommended by building Principals, approved by the Supervisor of Special Projects and the Superintendent as directly related to the fulfillment of individual professional improvement plans and/or required by the New Jersey Department of Education, Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), local student Individual Education Plans, or entitlement/discretionary grants. Adequate funds have been appropriated.

- A. **APPROVE (roll call):** Professional Development Workshops for the 2023-2024 school year. *Attachment*

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y

Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y

Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y

Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y

Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y

Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y

XX. Policies / Regulations Items

Motion: Ms. Rogers

Second: Ms. Leeds-Smith

- A. **APPROVE (roll call):** Second Reading and Adoption of New/Revised Policies/Bylaws/Regulations as follows:

1. Policy 5141.8 Sports Related Concussion/Head Injury *Attachment*

Roll Call:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y

Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y

Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y

Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y

Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y

Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y

XXI. New Business

None

XXII. Informational Items

- 1/5/24 EHCCS Student Assemblies
- 1/18/24 Rowan-Virtua School of Osteopathic Medicine Science Lesson Grade 8
- 1/23/24 CLS Picture Retake Day
- 1/24/24 CLS Fitness Night 6-7PM
- 1/25/24 Grade 8 Visit to Cedar Creek
- 1/30/24 CLS American Heart Association Assembly
- 1/30/24 EHCCS Principal Merit Lunch
- 2/2/24 Judge Cunningham, NJ Courts Assembly at EHCCS
- 2/3/24 Noodlemania Grade 4 Students in Northfield
- 2/7/24 EHCCS Principal Merit Lunch
- 2/8/24 CLS Dental Assembly
- School Board Recognition Month - January 2024

WHEREAS, The New Jersey School Boards Association has declared January 2024 to be School Board Recognition Month, a time when all residents can acknowledge the contributions made by our local school board members; and

WHEREAS, The Egg Harbor City Public Schools Board of Education is one of 581 local school boards in New Jersey, which sets policies and oversees operations for public school districts; and

WHEREAS, The Egg Harbor City Public Schools Board of Education embraces the goal of high-quality education for all New Jersey public school students; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's local school boards help determine the educational goals for approximately 1.4 million children in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's 5,000 local school board members, who receive no remuneration for their services, act as advocates for public school students as they work with administrators, teachers and parents for the betterment of public education; and

WHEREAS, School boards strive to provide the resources necessary to meet the needs of all students, including those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Boards of education provide accountability to the public; they communicate the needs of the school district to the public; and they convey to school administrators the public's expectations for the schools; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey can take pride in its schools, which rank among the nation's best in key achievement indicators such as the National Assessment of Educational Progress scores, and the preparation for college through advanced placement offerings and SAT assessments; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Egg Harbor City Public Schools Board of Education, does hereby recognize the services of local school board members throughout New Jersey as we join communities statewide in observing January 2024 as SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Egg Harbor City Public Schools Board of Education urges all New Jersey citizens to work with their local boards of education and public school staffs toward the advancement of our children's education.

XXIII. Open to Public

Jessica Nava, parent in the district, asked about the School Safety Team members and meeting information. Mrs. Shulby and Dr. Forester responded for each school respectively.

XXIV. Calendar Dates

January 15, 2024
February 7, 2024

Martin Luther King Birthday (Buildings Closed)
Staff Development 12:50 Dismissal

XXV. Executive Session

Motion: Mr. Bouchard

Second: Ms. Rogers

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All in Favor:

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Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y

Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y

Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y

Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y

Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y

XXVI. Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Bouchard

Second: Ms. Rogers

Time: 8:07

All in Favor:

Mr. Bouchard ('25)-Y

Ms. Cramer ('24)-Y

Mrs. DiGiacomo ('26)-Y

Ms. Fuentes ('25)-Y

Mr. Guercioni ('26)-Y

Ms. Leeds-Smith ('24)-Y

Ms. Rogers ('25)-Y