

**MARGATE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**AGENDA**

**May 14, 2025**

**Following the Reorganization Meeting Scheduled at 6:00 P.M.**

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Certification of Notice
4. Roll Call
5. **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.

6. Report of Superintendent of Schools:

A. Enrollment:

**Enrollment as of 4/2/2025**

**Ross School**

Pre K (1/2 day)	3
Kindergarten	36
Grade 1	31
Grade 2	40
Grade 3	34
Grade 4	<u>40</u>
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>184</b>

**Enrollment as of 5/6/2025**

**Ross School**

Pre K (1/2 day)	3
Kindergarten	37
Grade 1	31
Grade 2	40
Grade 3	34
Grade 4	<u>40</u>
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>185</b>

**Tighe School**

Grade 5	35
Grade 6	30
Grade 7	46
Grade 8	26
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b><u>137</u></b>
<b>*Total Enrollment</b>	<b>321</b>

**Tighe School**

Grade 5	35
Grade 6	30
Grade 7	46
Grade 8	25
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b><u>136</u></b>
<b>*Total Enrollment</b>	<b>321</b>

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

**Longport Enrollment:**

William H. Ross	14
Eugene A. Tighe	<u>13</u>
Total	27

**Tuition Students:**

William H. Ross	9
Eugene A. Tighe	<u>1</u>
Total	10

ACHS (Margate)	31
OCHS (Choice)	71
MRHS (Choice)	11

B. Instructional Support

1. Update on Principal/Director activities.
2. Review activity calendars.
3. Review fire drill, security drill, and bus drill report.
4. Share the Margate City School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act that have been certified and posted on the district's website for July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024.

C. Communications

D. District Committee Reports

7. MEF Update

8. MEA Report

9. General Board Discussion

## 10. 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 non-renewal of the contract for employee #73232613 for the 2025-2026 school year.
2. Approve the non-renewal of the contract for employee #39877816 for the 2025-2026 school year.
3. Approve the list of rehires and staff salaries of 10-month and 12-month staff for the 2025-2026 school year.
4. Approve Joe Cacia as a bus driver for July and August on an as needed basis, at a rate of \$25.00 per hour.
5. Approve Summer 2025 Main Office Secretarial coverage. Staff: Carol Reilert, Eileen Duffy, Janice Saul and Holly Ferry. Costs: Contractual Rate for educational assistants.
6. Approve Kelly Crawford for enrollment and reimbursement upon successful completion of the graduate course MATH 6432: Learning and Teaching Algebra I at Adams State University. Costs: \$720.00.
7. Approve Chelsi Crompton for enrollment and reimbursement upon successful completion of the graduate course I EDUC 6935: Educational Leadership Internship at Stockton University. Costs: 2 credits = \$1,472.22, 75% of 2 credits = \$1,104.00.
8. Approve Chelsi Crompton for enrollment and reimbursement upon completion of the graduate course EDUC 5432: School Finances and Resources at Stockton University. Costs: 3 credits = \$2,208.00, 75% of 3 credits = \$1,656.00
9. Approve the medical leave of Christopher Bruscatto (ex post facto) from April 17, 2025 through an anticipated return date of May 5, 2025.
10. Approve Barbara Farrell, Jacque Jones, Lisa Drexler, and 2 other teachers (TBD) as Curriculum Writers. Costs: the contractual rate of \$56.00 per hour per teacher not to exceed 100 hours.
11. Approve the medical leave of Kirstina Baronowitz from May 15, 2025 through an anticipated return date of August 27, 2025.
12. Approve Popi Kounis as the Main Office Secretarial Substitute from 7/1/2025 through 6/30/2026. Costs: Contractual Rate plus one additional hour when substituting for the office secretary from September 2025 to June 2026.

### **B. Instructional Support/Activities**

1. Approve Erin McGuigan and the Kind Kids Club student members to participate in a beach cleanup event on Monday, May 19, 2025 from 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm.
2. Approve Lisa Drexler to teach the High School Prep Course for Tighe School graduating 8th graders on Thursday, June 26, 2025 and Friday, June 27, 2025 from 8:30 am to 11:00 am. Costs: MEA Contractual Rate of \$55.00 per hour. (Amended from the April 9, 2025 Board Meeting).

### **C. Facilities/PAC**

1. Approve Coleman Ayers with By Any Means, LLC to use the Tighe School Gymnasium and Scoreboard for a Basketball Scrimmage from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm on July 16, 2025. Rental Fee: \$400.00.
2. Approve the Margate Players PAC rental on June 27, 2025, June 28, 2025 and June 29, 2025 for three performances. Costs: PAC Rental \$900.00, Consumable Fee \$100.00. Staff: Custodians, 17 hours = \$850.00. Total Rental: \$1,850.00.
3. Approve the Margate Library rental of the PAC on July 3, 2025 for a performance by the Bay Atlantic Symphony. Costs: PAC Rental Fee Waived, Consumable Fee \$100.00. Staff: Custodians, Site Supervisor, 18 hours = \$900.00. Sound and Lighting, 16 hours = \$800.00. Total Rental: \$1,800.00.
4. Approve Robert Kieserman DBA Somerset Entertainment PAC Rental on August 4, 2025. Costs: PAC Rental \$1,200.00, Consumable Fee \$100.00, Tables, Chairs, Microphones \$50.00. Staff: Custodians, Site Supervisor, Sound = \$750.00 Total Costs: \$2,100.00.

### **D. Workshops**

1. Approve Bonnie Marino to attend the School Law Boot Camp for School Administrators on July 23-24, 2025, at SRI & ETTC in Galloway, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.
2. Approve and confirm the attendance of Leigh Turner at the Corporate Synergies Beyond Benefits HR and Finance Training on April 29, 2025 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm in Cherry Hill. Costs: N/A.
3. Approve the attendance of Samantha Dulude to attend Anti-bullying Bill of Rights Act Webinar Series on May 2, 2024 from 9:30 am to 10:45 am, May 5, 2025 from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm and May 14, 2025 from 9:30 am to 10:30 am. Costs: N/A.
4. Approve the attendance of Colleen Culmone and Leigh Turner at the Annual SPELL JIF Safety 360 Seminar to be held on July 16, 2025 at the Westin, Mount Laurel, from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm. Costs: Registration fee sponsored by the JIF.

### **E. Contracts**

1. Approve a professional services contract with Interactive Kids Educational Services, LLC to provide Special Education Related Services for the Margate City School District from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
2. Approve a professional services contract with Educational Consultants of NJ, LLC to provide Special Education Related Services including independent bilingual and monolingual evaluations as needed for the Margate City School District from May 15, 2025 through June 30, 2025.
3. Approve a professional services contract with Educational Consultants of NJ, LLC to provide Special Education Related Services including independent bilingual and monolingual evaluations as needed for the Margate City School District from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

### **F. Students**

1. Share HIB Report to Board of Education Investigation R03-202425 (Attached).

### **G. Field Trips**

1. Approve Preschool to visit the Margate City Police Department on May 29, 2025 from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Staff: Chrissy Campbell, Eileen Duffy and staff as needed. Transportation: District School Bus.

11. Presentation and Approval of Minutes: April 9, 2025 Regular Session Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes

12. Report of the Board Secretary:

- a. Financial Reports – March 2025
- b. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-16.10(c) Margate City Board of Education certifies that as of March 31, 2025 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:23-16.10(c)3-4 so that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- c. Report of Receipts and Disbursements – March 2025
- d. Cash Report - March 2025
- e. Bills and Payrolls -\$1,142,718.48
- f. Transfer of Funds within the General Current Expense Account

**Ratified Budget Transfers for 2024-2025**

TO:	11-000-261-420-00-04	ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE	\$800.00
	11-000-262-420-00-04	OUTSIDE MAINTENANCE	\$2,000.00
	11-000-270-420-00-00	BUS SERVICE	\$1,000.00
	11-150-100-101-00-00-025	HOME INSTRUCTION	\$500.00
		TOTAL	\$4,300.00
FROM:	11-000-261-420-00-03	ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE	\$800.00
	11-000-262-100-00-04	OUTSIDE MAINTENANCE	\$2,000.00
	11-000-270-615-00-00	BUS SERVICE	\$1,000.00
	11-120-100-101-00-00-025	HOME INSTRUCTION	\$500.00
		TOTAL	\$4,300.00

13. New Business

- A. Approve the use of the Margate School District 54-passenger vehicle by the Margate Recreation Department during the Summer 2025 for the activities listed below. The vehicle will be operated by Margate Recreation CDL certified employees John Zaccardi, Donald Mattessich and Joe Cacia.
- a. Tuesday, July 8, 2025 King Pin Bowling
  - b. Friday, July 11, 2025 Granville Ave. Beach
  - c. Tuesday, July 15, 2025 CMC Zoo
  - d. Friday, July 18, 2025 Granville Ave. Beach
  - e. Tuesday, July 22, 2025 OC Music Pier
  - f. Wednesday, July 23, 2025 OC Waterpark
  - g. Friday, July 25, 2025 Granville Ave. Beach
  - h. Thursday, July 31, 2025 Tilton Square Theater
- B. Approve a three-year software license agreement with OnCourse Systems for Education for proprietary Student Information System software. License fees are as follows: 07/01/2025 - \$27,610.62; 07/01/2026 - \$28,163; 07/01/2027 - \$28,727.
- C. Approve the annual Non-Resident Tuition Rate for 2025-2026 at \$7,000 per student.
- D. Approve to purchase and implement supplemental resources offering multi-sensory and differentiated approaches for English Language Arts Limited Resource Center classrooms to facilitate the delivery of instruction addressing the 2023 NJ Student Learning Standards for English Language Arts.
- Grades 1-5: Purchase WonderWorks Reading Intervention Program print consumables with online access by McGraw Hill Education. Cost: \$11,267.25 for 5-year program and materials.

14. Other Matters

15. Public Comment

16. 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.

17. Open Session

18. Adjournment