

EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Office of the Board Secretary  
13 Swift Drive  
Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey 08234

MINUTES

**May 23, 2017**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

President Della Barca called the regular meeting of the Egg Harbor Township Board of Education to order at 6:00 PM on May 23, 2017 at the Alder Avenue Middle School Board Room.

At the President's request, Mrs. Anaya, Business Administrator, read the following statement: "On Wednesday, January 4, 2017, notice of this meeting was mailed to "The Press" and "The Current of Egg Harbor Township." Notice was also delivered that day to the Egg Harbor Township Clerk and posted on the bulletin board in Township Hall."

- 1- On a **motion** by Mr. Riggs and seconded by Mrs. Szilagyi the Board voted to go into Executive Session. The Roll Call vote was unanimous.

**RESOLVED**, that the Egg Harbor Township Board of Education shall meet in executive session on May 23, 2017 immediately, for the purpose of discussing: personnel, litigation and/or attorney-client privilege.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the discussion of such subject matter in executive session will be disclosed to the public when the matter has been settled, unless such is otherwise prohibited by law. The items to be discussed are: personnel, litigation and/or attorney-client privilege.

The Board went into Executive Session at 6:02 PM.

- 2- On a **motion** by Mr. Riggs and seconded by Mrs. Szilagyi the Board voted to reconvene the open portion of the meeting. The Roll Call vote was unanimous.

The Board reconvened at 7:08 PM.

Roll Call: Mr. Pete Castellano, Mr. Ray Ellis, Mr. Jack Haines, Mr. Justin Riggs, Mrs. Marita Sullivan, Mrs. Barbara Szilagyi, Mr. Lou Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Chris Moran and Mrs. Amber Umphlett

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Also Present: Mr. Fred Nickles/Interim Superintendent; Dr. Kim Gruccio/Assistant Superintendent; Ms. Donna Haye/Interim Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. Chandra Anaya/School Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Dr. Carolyn Gibson/Director of Human Resources; Mrs. Amy Houck-Elco/Board Attorney; Mrs. Jamie Shoemaker/Supervisor of Accounting

Mr. Della Barca led the flag salute and asked for a moment a silence for former staff member Cynthia James and Officer Dave Algieri who passed away recently.

## **MINUTES**

1. February 11, 2017 – Special Meeting
2. February 14, 2017 – Executive Session
3. February 14, 2017 – Regular Meeting
4. February 21, 2017 – Work Session Meeting
5. February 28, 2017 – Executive Session
6. February 28, 2017 – Regular Meeting

- 3- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi and seconded by Mr. Haines the Board voted to approve MINUTES

## **Discussion:**

None.

## **Roll Call:**

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Gruccio gave a Professional Development committee presentation.

## **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT**

Student Representatives reported on school current events, student sports and activity achievements.

## **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS**

Carl Mason, 3057 Fernwood Avenue – discussed Smartboards.

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**Finance/Operations – 100**

1. Transfers for Ratification 2016/2017
  2. ~~Transfers Request 2017/2018 ON HOLD~~
  3. Bills for Payment
  4. Approve Purchases (per Board Policy 6421)
  5. Accept Gifts, Grants and Donations (per Board Policy 7230)
  6. Approve Out of District Travel
  7. Approve Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement
  8. Approve Board Report of Receipts and Expenditures for March 2017
  9. Approve Financial Report of the Board Secretary for March 2017
  10. Approve Disposal of District Equipment – ITS
  11. Approve Disposal of District Equipment – Transportation Department
  12. Approve Camden County Educational Services Commission
  13. Approve Renewal of Donor Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding with Family Services Association
  14. Approve 2016/2017 Joint Transportation Agreement between Egg Harbor Township and Waterford Township Board of Education
  15. Approve Participation in the 2017/2018 Joint Transportation Services Program
  16. Approve Parental Contract for Student Transportation for 2016/2017 – Revision
  17. Approve Out of District Contracts for Egg Harbor Township Students Places by McKinney Vento Services
  18. Approve Tuition Contract for Student in Compliance with McKinney Vento Act
  19. Approve Out of District Tuition Contract(s) for the 2016/2017 School Year – Special Education
- 4- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi and seconded by Mrs. Sullivan the Board voted to approve FINANCE ITEMS #101

**Discussion:**

None.

**Roll Call:**

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

Mr. Della Barca put item #102 on hold.

- 5- On a **motion** by Mr. Haines and seconded by Mr. Castellano the Board voted to approve FINANCE ITEM #103 through #119

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**Discussion:**

None.

**Roll Call:**

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs (except #103 (vendor 0021, 1977, 3000, 2333, 5304), #114, #115 and #119), Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

No: Mr. Riggs (#103 (vendor 0021, 1977, 3000, 2333, 5304), #114, #115 and #119)

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

Mr. Castellano reported the next committee meeting will be June 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at Slaybaugh Primary Conference Room. Committee members named as himself, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Riggs and Mrs. Sullivan as substitute was discussed.

**Curriculum – 200**

1. Approve Field Trips In State
  2. Approve the Request to Renew the Application from the Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE) for Global Navigator Scholarships for the 2017/2018 School Year
  3. Approve Early Graduation for High School Student – K.D.
  4. Approve Early Graduation for High School Student – N.M.
- 6- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi and seconded by Mr. Haines, the Board voted to approve CURRICULUM ITEM #201 through #204

**Discussion:**

None.

**Roll Call:**

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

**Personnel – 300**

1. Resignation(s)/Retirement(s)
2. Termination(s)

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3. Transfer(s)
4. Appointment(s)
5. Leave(s) of Absence
6. Adjustment(s)
7. Elimination/ Creation of Position(s)

- 7- On a **motion** by Mr. Haines and seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, the Board voted to approve PERSONNEL ITEMS #301 through #307

**Discussion:**

None.

**Roll Call:**

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

**Policy – 400**

1. Policy 2320 Program/Independent Study Program, Abolish, Single Reading
2. Policy 2415.06 Programs/Unsafe School Choice Option, Replacement, Single Reading
3. Policy 2464 Programs/Gifted and Talented Pupils, Revise, Single Reading
4. Policy 2622 Program/Student Assessment, Replacement, Single Reading
5. Policy and Regulation 3160 Teaching Staff Members. Physical Examination, Revise, Single Reading
6. Policy and Regulation 4160 Support Staff Members/Physical Examination, Revise, Single Reading
7. Policy 4411 Support Staff Members/Bus Drivers Guide, Revise, Single Reading
8. Policy 5460 Pupils/High School/Graduation, Revise, Single Reading
9. Policy 5465 Pupils/Early Graduation, Abolish, Single Reading

- 8- On a **motion** by Mr. Haines and seconded by Mrs. Szilagyi, the Board voted to approve POLICY ITEM #401 through #409

**Discussion:**

None.

**Roll Call:**

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Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, BOARD, STAFF**

Carl Mason, 3057 Fernwood Avenue – discussed an article in the Press about boxes moved from Ocean City Home Bank and questioned how many high school graduates there are this school year.

Amani Miller, 5 Cambridge Townhouse Drive – discussed the transgender policy.

Justin Kent, 1 Cloverhill Circle – discussed the High School Medical Science Academy.

Mico Lucide, 24 Westover Circle – discussed the transgender policy.

Kim Savino, 301 Abington Drive – discussed Fernwood Avenue Middle School teachers, advanced science changes and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade science fair.

Pastor Blake Spencer, 2116 Ocean Heights Avenue – discussed the transgender policy.

Sonia Cruz, 207 Eagon Avenue and Chairman of Project Graduation – asked the Board for a donation for project graduation. Mr. Della Barca took a straw poll and asked Mrs. Anaya to process the donation.

Carl Mason, 3057 Fernwood Avenue – discussed freedom of speech regarding the transgender policy.

Mike Merlino, 5025 Fernwood Avenue – discussed the transgender policy.

Mr. Riggs complimented the grounds department for the High School fields.

Mr. Della Barca thanked the Board members who attended the delegate assembly and reported the work session on June 20<sup>th</sup> has been canceled.

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- 9- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi seconded by Mr. Haines, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chandra D. Anaya, CPA  
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary