

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

MINUTES

**January 10, 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 January 10, 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. Haines 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 January 10, 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 6:01 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 7:06 PM.

Roll Call: Mr. Pete Castellano, Mr. Jack Haines, Mr. Chris Moran, Mr. Justin Riggs, Mrs. Marita Sullivan, Mrs. Amber Umphlett, Mrs. Barbara Szilagyi, Mr. Lou Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Ray Ellis

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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/Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Dr. Carolyn Gibson/Director of Human Resources; Mrs. Amy Houck-Elco/Board Attorney; Ms. Carol Kiniry/Assistant Business Administrator

Mr. Della Barca led the flag salute.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Nickles discussed:

- Lack of funding
- Commended grounds, maintenance and transportation on snow removal after recent storm
- Street light out, too costly to repair

Dr. Graham gave the Carl D. Perkins audit presentation.

Mrs. Umphlett thanked Dr. Graham for the presentation and explained the reasons behind the Board originally putting this item on hold.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS

None.

Mr. Della Barca requested the meeting agenda be revised to reflect Student Representative as category VIII.

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

Mr. Della Barca reported committees are in the re-organization process therefore there will be no committee reports this evening.

Finance/Operations – 100

1. Approve Purchases (per Board Policy #6421)
 2. Approve Out of District Travel
 3. Approve the Carl D. Perkins 2014/2015 Audit Corrective Action Plan
- 3- On a **motion** by Mrs. Umphlett and seconded by Mrs. Szilagyi the Board voted to approve FINANCE ITEMS #101

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Discussion:

Mr. Haines questioned purchases on item #101.

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Mr. Ellis

- 4- On a **motion** by Mr. Riggs and seconded by Mr. Castellano the Board voted to approve
FINANCE ITEMS #102 and #103

Discussion:

None.

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Mr. Ellis

Curriculum – 200

1. Approve Field Trips In State
2. Approve Field Trips Out of State
3. Approve the Character Education and Student Leadership Statewide Assembly
Program for February 24, 2017

- 5- On a **motion** by Mr. Haines and seconded by Mr. Moran, the Board voted to approve
CURRICULUM ITEMS #201 through #203

Discussion:

None.

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Mr. Ellis

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Personnel – 300

1. Resignation(s)/Retirement(s)
2. Termination(s)
3. Transfer(s)
4. Appointment(s)
5. Leave(s) of Absence
6. Adjustment(s)
7. Elimination/ Creation of Position(s)
8. REVISED Substitute Pay Scale for the 2016/2017 School Year

- 6- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi and seconded by Mr. Castellano, the Board voted to approve PERSONNEL ITEMS #301 through #308

Discussion:

Item #301.B.3 accept resignation but not for reason stated.

Item #304, add appointment of full time para professional C.G.

Roll Call:

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Haines (except #301.B.3), Mr. Moran, Mr. Riggs (except #301.B.3), Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Umphlett, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Ellis

Abstain: Mr. Haines (#301.B.3) and Mr. Riggs (#301.B.3)

Policy – 400

OLD BUSINESS

- 7- On a **motion** by Mr. Castellano and seconded by Mrs. Szilagyi, the Board voted to Affirm HIB Determination Report(s) as discussed in Executive Session: SL01-1617, SL02-1617, A01-1617, HS01-1617, HS02-1617, HS03-1617

Discussion:

None.

Roll Call:

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Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Moran (except SL01-1617), Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Umphlett, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

No: Mr. Haines, Mr. Moran (SL01-1617) and Mr. Riggs

Absent: Mr. Ellis

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Castellano discussed finalizing the budget calendar.

Mr. Riggs suggested Mr. Castellano as Finance and Operations Committee chair.

Mrs. Umphlett discussed Board goals. Mr. Della Barca replied goals will be discussed at the work session on January 17th.

Mr. Castellano discussed the assembly education committee will be holding hearings throughout the state. The first hearing is January 18th with future hearings for public to present throughout the state. Cape May County School Board Association has invited Board to their security summit at Ocean City High School on January 31st.

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

Shae Dailyda, 55 Marshall Drive – asked for clarification on the 2016/2017 budget, ELA purchases and budget line item descriptions.

Mr. Nickles asked Mrs. Dailyda to forward her questions this evening to Mrs. Anaya for responses from Mrs. Anaya, Dr. Gruccio and Mrs. Haye.

Carl Mason, 3057 Fernwood Drive – discussed sabbatical leave and associated costs and the street light out.

Jill Campbell, 22 Emerald Drive – confirmed discontinuing use of American Reading Company. She also discussed consistency with student report cards.

Mico Lucide, 2009 Alumni, 24 Westover Circle – discussed the transgender policy and offered safe zone training to the district free of charge.

Jen Sanders and Katie Ditmire, 10 Rally Road – discussed the transgender policy.

Rev. Harold Vandyme, 210 Iowa Avenue – discussed the transgender policy.

Carl Mason, 3057 Fernwood Drive – discussed the transgender policy.

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Mrs. Umphlett asked Mrs. Anaya for transfer reports from March to October 2016.

Mr. Riggs thanked the Media and English departments for the alumni events and asked for clarification of the county budget process.

Mrs. Umphlett discussed report cards and the need for committee and whole Board discussions.

Mr. Haines and Mr. Della Barca further discussed report cards and pilot programs.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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