

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 22, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular meeting of the Sea Isle City Board of Education was called to order by President Egnasko on Tuesday, March 22, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sea Isle City School, 4501 Park Road, Sea Isle City, NJ.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT

President Egnasko announced that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975. Notice of the time, place and agenda were filed with the city clerk, posted in the lobby of City Hall, and delivered to the Ocean City Sentinel.

President Egnasko led everyone present in a salute to the flag.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

On roll call, members present were John Birkmeyer, Mary Caruso, Maureen Deely, Barbara Drew, Valere Egnasko, Daniel Organ, Ellen Ramsey, Lynne Shirk and Daniel Tumolo. Also present were Kathleen Taylor, Ed.D., Superintendent, Thomas P. Grossi, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and Mark Toscano, Esquire. There were members of the public present.

PRESENTATION

Student Achievement

Dr. Taylor recognized Rebecca Bretzke in honor of her involvement with the 2011 Girl Scout Cookie Campaign.

Public Hearing on Proposed 2011/2012 Budget

Mr. Grossi gave a presentation on the 2011/2012 budget. Mrs. Egnasko presented information for beyond 2011/2012. Board members had questions. Mr. Toscano made comments about letter sent to the Governor. Verbal confirmation was given that the letter was received.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – 2011/2012 BUDGET ONLY:

Marita Bretzke made comments on the budget as well as comments against closing the school.

Peg Dunner made comments against closing the school.

Anne Organ had questions on send/receive relationships versus regionalization.

Motion by Mr. Tumolo, seconded by Dr. Caruso and carried by the Sea Isle City Board of Education with the following vote: Yes – Mr. Birkmeyer, Dr. Caruso, Mrs. Deely, Mrs. Drew, Mr. Organ, Mrs. Ramsey, Mrs. Shirk and Mrs. Egnasko and No – Mr. Tumolo. The Board of Education approved the following budget:

Final Budget 2011-12 School Year

The Board adopts the final budget of the Sea Isle City Board of Education for the school year 2011-12 to be voted on at the annual school election, which is to be held on Wednesday, April 27, 2011.

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Sea Isle City Board of Education hereby adopts the final budget for the school year 2011-12 as follows:

- A. General Fund \$ 4,009,251
 Amount to be raised by local taxes \$3,390,514
- B. Special Revenue Fund \$ 57,263
- C. Debt Fund \$ 0.00
 Amount to be raised by local taxes \$ 0.00

and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that the Sea Isle City Board of Education approves the following question for the annual school election to be held on April 27, 2011:

RESOLVED: That there should be raised for General Funds \$3,390,514 for the ensuing school year 2011-12.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

None

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

Dr. Taylor gave an overview of the Agenda.

1. Facilities

Motion by Mr. Organ, seconded by Mrs. Drew and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education. The Board of Education approved the following Superintendent’s recommendations.

- A. The Board approves the following requests for the use of the school gymnasium/yard:
 - Requested By: Girl Scouts & the PTA
 - Use: Girl Scouts – Introduction of Program
 - Dates/Times: March 31, April 7, 21, and 28, 2011 (Thursday) 5:30PM -7:00PM
 - Cost: No cost
 - Site Manager: Angela Beard
 - Proof of Insurance: Yes

- B. Information Items
 - Fire Drill
Sea Isle City Elementary School February 16, 2011
 - Security Drill
Sea Isle City Elementary School February 14, 2011

- Discussion – Board members had comments on Girl Scouts.
- Facilities Committee Report – Mr. Tumolo, Chairperson went over report from recent meeting

2. Curriculum and Student Affairs

Motion by Mr. Tumolo, seconded by Mr. Organ and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education. The Board of Education approved the following Superintendent's recommendations.

- A. The Board approves the revised 2010-11 school year calendar to reflect inclement weather days. (Attachment #2.A)
- B. The Board approves the revised 2011-12 school year calendar to reflect a change in the NJEA Convention. (Attachment #2.B)
- C. The Board approves the submission of the tentative Sea Isle City School District's Professional Development Plan for the 2011-12 school year to the State of New Jersey Department of Education Cape May County Office. (Attachment #2.C)
- D. The Board adopts the attached School Core Ethical Values. (Attachment #2.D)
 - Discussion – Board members complemented the district for the Professional Development Plan
 - Curriculum and Student Affairs Committee Report – Mrs. Drew, Chairperson – No report

3. Finance

Motion by Dr. Caruso, seconded by Mr. Birkmeyer and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education. The Board of Education approved the following Superintendent's recommendations with the exception of the EIRC bill.

- A. The Board approves the payment of bills for March 2011 in the amount of \$320,071.93. (Attachment #3.A)
- B. The Board approves the Board Secretary's Monthly Financial Report and the Treasurer of School Funds' Report for February 2011. (Attachment #3.B)
- C. The Board approves for the 2011-2012 school budget year, the maximum district-wide travel expenditure at \$2,000, and, an amount spent to date for 2010-2011 budget year is \$150.00.
- D. The Board approves for the 2011-2012 school budget year, the maximum dollar limit for professional services of: \$1,500 for school physician and various related services, \$45,000 for legal services, \$16,000 for auditing services, and \$4,500 for Architect of Record and engineering and environmental services.
- E. The Board approves the renewal of the food service management contract with Nutri-Serve Food Management, Inc. at the flat fee of \$5,100 for the 2011-2012 school year.
- F. The Board approves the submission of the 2011-12 grant application for the Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey Schools Boards Association Insurance Group's CAIP Subfund in the amount of \$3,000.00.

- G. The Board accepts the proposed 2011-12 Cape May County AVA Commission budget. The amount assessed the Sea Isle City School District will be \$288.00.
- H. The Board authorizes the School District's participation in the 2011 Natural Gas Jointure with the Pittsgrove Township Board of Education.
- Discussion – Mrs. Egnasko asked for the EIRC bill to be held due to credit owed to us.
 - Finance Committee Report – Mr. Dan Tumolo, Chairperson went over report from recent meeting.

4. PERSONNEL

- Negotiations Committee Report – Mr. Dan Organ, Chairperson – Mr. Organ noted the committee met with the association on March 3, 2011 and that no further meetings are scheduled.

5. POLICY

Motion by Mr. Organ, seconded by Mrs. Ramsey and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education. The Board of Education approved the following Superintendent's recommendations with requested change to Policy 7510.

A. Board Policies – First Readings (Attachment #5.A)

The Board approves the adoption of the following Board policies on first reading:

7510 Use of School Facilities

The Board approves the revision of the following Board policies on first reading:

1522 School Level Planning

2414 Programs and Services for Pupils in High Poverty and in High Need School Districts

6220 Budget Preparation

6820 Financial Reports

B. Board policies – Second Readings

The Board approves the adoption of the following Board policies on second reading:

4211 Attendance

The Board approves the revision of the following Board policies on second reading:

2260 Affirmative Action Program for School and Classroom Practices

2415.01 Academic Standards, Academic Assessments and Accountability

2423 Bilingual and ESL Education

The Board approves the revision of following Board regulations on second reading:

3212 Professional Staff Attendance Review & Improvement Plan

- Discussion – Dr. Caruso made comments on Policy 7510 and requested a change.
- Policy Committee Report – Mr. Birkmeyer, Chairperson – No report

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Mrs. Deely, seconded by Mr. Organ and carried by the Sea Isle City Board of Education with Mrs. Drew abstaining. The Board of Education approved the minutes of the February 15, 2011 Regular and Executive Meetings.

Motion by Mrs. Ramsey, seconded by Mrs. Shirk and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education. The Board of Education approved the minutes of the March 1, 2011 Special Meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Mrs. Drew, seconded by Mrs. Shirk and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education. The Board of Education approved the following:

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances,

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private session; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sea Isle City Board of Education, that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving:

- Matters which, if publicly disclosed, would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy, and specifically student matters
- Matters concerning negotiations
- Matters involving personnel issues, including but not limited to, the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance, promotion or discipline of any public officer or employee

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board will not return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned to executive session at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas P. Grossi
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary