

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 20, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular meeting of the Sea Isle City Board of Education was called to order by President Egnasko on Tuesday, September 20, 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, Valere Egnasko, Daniel Organ, Lynne Shirk and Daniel Tumolo. Also present Kathleen Taylor, Ed.D., Superintendent, Thomas P. Grossi, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and Mark Toscano, Esquire. Absent were Donald Boyle, Maureen Deely and Ellen Ramsey. There were members of the public present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Marita Bretzke commented on issues with transportation that Mrs. Egnasko addressed.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

Dr. Taylor gave an overview of the Agenda.

1. Facilities

Motion by Mrs. Shirk, seconded by Mr. Organ and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education (three members absent). The Board of Education approved the following Superintendent’s recommendations.

- A. The Board approves the following request for use of facilities site manager:
Roxanne Ragusa
- B. The Board approves the following requests for the use of the school gymnasium/yard:
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| Requested By: | Sea Isle City Recreation |
| Use: | Open Gym Afterschool |
| Dates/Times: | 09/12/11 – 10/18/11, Mon. – Sat. (3:30pm – 10:00pm) |
| Cost: | No cost |
| Site Manager: | Cheryl Castor |
| Proof of Insurance: | Yes |

The Board approves the following requests for the use of the school gymnasium/yard:

Requested By: Sea Isle City Chamber of Commerce and Revitalization
Use: Rain date for Oktoberfest
Dates/Times: 10/22/11 (Saturday) 11:00am – 3:00pm
Cost: No cost
Site Manager: Roxanne Ragusa
Proof of Insurance: Yes

The Board approves the following requests for the use of the school gymnasium/yard:

Requested By: Boy Scout Troup 76
Use: Troop Meetings
Dates/Times: Fridays through June 2012 5:30pm - 7:00 pm
Cost: No cost
Site Manager: Michael Jargowsky
Proof of Insurance: Yes

Information Items:

Fire Drill

Sea Isle City Elementary School September 13, 2011

Security Drill

Sea Isle City Elementary School September 8th, 2011

- Discussion – The open gym for the Sea Isle City Recreation will be approved through October 18, 2011 so as to get a more specific schedule.
- Facilities Committee Report – Mr. Tumolo, Chairperson – Gave report

2. Curriculum and Student Affairs

Motion by Mr. Organ, seconded by Mrs. Shirk and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education (three members absent). The Board of Education approved the following Superintendent's recommendations.

A. The Board approves the class field trips requested. (Attachment #2.A)

- Discussion - None
- Curriculum and Student Affairs Committee Report – Report was reviewed

3. Finance

Motion by Mr. Organ, seconded by Dr. Caruso and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education (three members absent). The Board of Education approved the following Superintendent's recommendations.

- A. The Board approves the payment of bills for September 2011 in the amount of \$255,504.72. (Attachment #3.A)
- B. The Board approves the Board Secretary's Monthly Financial Report and the Treasurer of School Funds' Report for August 2011. (Attachment #3.B)

- C. The Board approves the revenue and appropriation transfers for August 2011. The Board also acknowledges receipt of the State of NJ mandated transfer reconciliation form for August 2011. (Attachment #3.C)
- D. The Board authorizes the application for fiscal year 2012 IDEA grant funding as follows:
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| Pre-School | \$1,536.00 |
| Basic | \$42,464.00 |
- E. The Board approves Cape May County Special Services Transportation to begin the Ocean City Primary School route as of September 1, 2011 on an emergent basis for one kindergarten student.
- F. The Board approves the corrected 2011-12 Joint Transportation Agreements with Cape May County Special Services. Cape May County Special Services (host) will transport the following:
One Sea Isle City (joiner) student to Ocean City High School on Route No. CMCSIC2, beginning June 20, 2011 to August 26, 2011 and three Sea Isle City (joiner) students to Ocean City Intermediate School June 27, 2011 to July 28, 2011. The total cost for this route is \$9,620.00
- Discussion - None
 - Finance Committee Report – Mr. Dan Organ, Chairperson – Gave report

4. PERSONNEL

Motion by Dr. Caruso, seconded by Mr. Birkmeyer and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education (three members absent). The Board of Education approved the following Superintendent's recommendations.

- A. The Board approves the following criminal history approved substitute for the 2011-12 school year.
- Colleen Moretti
Angela Beard
- B. The Board approves the following teacher professional development training courses:
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| Course: | Anti-Bullying Seminar |
| Name: | Joanne Schneider |
| Location: | Wildwood Convention Center |
| Date/Time: | September 19, 2011 |
| Cost: | No cost (just mileage) |
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| Course: | Addressing the Needs of Struggling Writers |
| Name: | Carol Thompson |
| Location: | Rowan University |
| Date/Time: | October 14, 2011 |
| Cost: | \$136.00 plus mileage |

Course: Addressing the Needs of Struggling Writers
Name: Jackie Shields
Location: Rowan University
Date/Time: October 14, 2011
Cost: \$136.00 plus mileage

C. The Board authorizes the Superintendent to permit staff to attend HIB training, if needed, in between board meetings up to \$250.00 per training session/staff member. At the next Board meeting, the Board will be asked to ratify the staff member(s) attending the training and the costs.

- Discussion - None
- Negotiations Committee Report – Mr. Dan Organ, Chairperson – No report at this time

5. POLICY

Motion by Mr. Organ, seconded by Dr. Caruso and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education (three members absent). The Board of Education approved the following Superintendent's recommendations.

A. Board policies

The Board approves the adoption of the following Board bylaw on first reading. (Attachment #5.A)

0142 Board Member Qualifications, Prohibited Acts and Code of Ethics

The Board approves the adoption of the following Board policy on first reading. (Attachment #5.A)

5512 Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying

The Board approves the adoption of the following Board regulation on second reading.

5600 Pupil Discipline / Code of Conduct

B. For Your Information

Disclosure: (Attachment #5.B)

Attached are the listing of documents/records that the school collects on pupils and the staff members that have access to those records, per Policy #8330 and Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

- Discussion – Comments were made on the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Policy
- Policy Committee Report – Mr. Birkmeyer, Chairperson – Gave report

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Mr. Birkmeyer, seconded by Mr. Organ and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education (three members absent). The Board of Education approved the minutes of the August 16, 2011 Regular and Executive Meetings.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Tumolo stated that he believes a member of the Board of Education should be at any meeting that is held with the City
- Mrs. Egnasko went over letter sent to the City. City Council has reached out to her and are willing to meet.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Anne Organ asked about the meeting between the Board and City Council
- John Divney, City Council President, stated that a letter has been sent to the Board to set up ground rules, agenda and a date for the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Dr. Caruso, seconded by Mr. Organ and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education (three members absent). 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 concerning negotiations and specifically contractual negotiations with potential vendor

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 return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session.

Board convened to Executive session at 7:30 PM and reconvened to their regular meeting at 8:08 PM.

Motion by Mrs. Shirk, seconded by Mr. Organ and carried unanimously by the Sea Isle City Board of Education (three members absent). The Board of Education approved the following:

Resolved by the Sea Isle City Board of Education to appoint the law of firm of Kalac & Barger as Special Counsel for the 2011-2012 school year on an as needed basis at an hourly rate of \$175 an hour and an amount not to exceed \$5,000.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas P. Grossi
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary