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The Regular Meeting of the Margate City Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 P.M. on, May 12, 2010, by President, Mr. Christopher Storcella, in the William H Ross School All-purpose Room, Margate, New Jersey.

Certification of Notice:

Susan Palaia, Board Secretary, announced that adequate notice of this meeting had been provided and read the following Certification Notice:

On February 19, 2010, a notice of this meeting was posted on the district website, the bulletin board in the Board of Education Administration Office, the Eugene A. Tighe School, the Union Avenue School, the William H Ross, III School and mailed to the City Clerk and advertised in the Press.

<u>Roll Call</u> - Members Present:	Mr. Christopher Storcella, President,
.	Mrs. Linda Levitt Doyle, Vice President,
.	Mrs. Renee Bell, , Mr. Christopher Koch,
.	Mrs. Joanne Kulzer, Mr. J.B. Sless
Members Absent:	Mr. Brad Jacobson
Others Present:	Dr. Theresa DeFranco, Superintendent; Susan Palaia, Board
.	Secretary; Mr. Augustine Repetto, School Solicitor, Dr. Kerri
.	McGinley, Director of Curriculum/Principal; Mr. John
.	DiNicola, Director of Special Projects/Principal; Ms. Michelle
.	Carney-Ray, Director of Special Education/Principal Members
.	of the Community

Comments from Dr. Kerri McGinley:

Dr. McGinley announced her resignation as the Tighe School Principal. She spoke about her experiences while she was the Principal of the Tighe School.

Resignation of Dr. Kerri McGinley:

Motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to amend the agenda to include the acceptance of Dr. Kerri McGinley’s resignation. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to accept the resignation of Dr. Kerri McGinley’s. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Public Participation:

Mrs. Rich thanked Dr. McGinley and wished her luck and success for the future. Mrs. Rich also read a statement written by Mrs. Simon expressing the same sentiments and well wishes.

Mr. Sewell stated that his request for a five year plan to bring the district's spending below the State adequacy level has been denied. Mr. Storcella indicated that State adequacy is a guideline and that there is no mandate that the district stay within the adequacy level as defined by the State.

Mrs. Palamaro, the Union School Nurse, spoke about the abolishment of her position and reflected on her experiences during the ten years she has been employed at the district.

Minutes:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mrs. Kulzer, the board unanimously agreed to accept the minutes of the: April 14, 2010 Regular and Executive Session

Financial Reports:

Motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, the board agreed to accept the Secretary's Financial Reports for the month of March 2010 as attached to these minutes and certifying that no budgetary account has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12(a). See Exhibit # 1, pages 16,808 – 16,825. The Secretary's Report agrees with the Treasurer's Report. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Board of Education Certification:

Motion by Mr. Jacobson, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 Margate City Board of Education certifies that as of March 31, 2010 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 overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11©2-3 so that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Bills and Payrolls:

Motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to approve the payment of bills and payrolls as listed on Exhibit # 2, pages 16,826 – 16,835. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
 Nays: None

Transfer of Funds:

Motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to approve the following Transfer of Funds:

Ratified Budget Transfers for 2009-2010

To:	11-000-230-334-00-00	Arch Engineer Services	\$ 1,500.00
	11-000-230-331-00-00	Legal Services	6,000.00
	11-000-270-512-00-02	Transportation Field Trips	3,790.00
	11-000-221-500-40-01	Imp of Instruction Travel EAT	500.00
	11-130-100-101-00-01	Substitute Teachers	5,000.00
	10-000-100-560-00-00	Charter School Tuition	1,377.00
	11-000-230-530-00-00	Communications/Telephone	3,000.00
	11-000-262-610-00-03	Maintenance Supplies ADM	<u>400.00</u>
			<u>\$21,567.00</u>
From:	11-000-251-330-00-00	Professional Services	\$ 1,500.00
	11-000-230-332-00-00	Audit Fess	4,500.00
	11-000-230-339-00-00	Other Professional Services	1,500.00
	11-000-270-515-00-00	Transportation Special Ed	3,790.00
	11-000-221-500-40-04	Imp of Instruction Travel WHR	500.00
	11-120-100-101-00-00	Salaries of Teachers 1-5	6,377.00
	11-000-291-260-00-00	Workmen Compensation	3,000.00
	11-000-262-610-00-01	Maintenance Supplies EAT	<u>400.00</u>
		Total	<u>\$21,567.00</u>

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
 Nays: None

Treasurer of School Monies Report:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to accept the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of March 2010. See Exhibit # 3, pages 16,836 – 16,845.

Cash Report:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, board unanimously agreed to accept the Cash Report for the month of March 2010. See Exhibit # 4, page 16,846.

Communications:

Dr. DeFranco reported on the progress of the installation of playground equipment at the William H. Ross School.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools:Fire Drill Report:

The superintendent reported on the school fire drills for the month of April 2010 found attached to these minutes on Exhibit # 5, page 16,847.

Activity Calendars:

Dr. DeFranco distributed the Activity Calendars for William H. Ross, III School, Union Avenue and E. A. Tighe Schools for the month of May 2010.

Acknowledge Jessica Cuevas:

Dr. DeFranco reported that Jessica Cuevas will receive an Excellence in Education Award from the New Jersey Clean Communities Council on May 17, 2010.

Acknowledge the Participants in the New Jersey League Mathematics Contest:

Dr. DeFranco reported that Mrs. Gaskill's 6th grade pre-algebra and Mrs. Scott's 7th grade algebra and 8th grade advanced algebra classes for their placement in the New Jersey League Mathematics Contest.

Coordinator of Athletics Job Description:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Sless, to approve the Coordinator of Athletics Job Description attached as Exhibit # 6, page 16,848. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella

Nays: None

2010-2011 School Calendar (Tabled):

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to **table** approval of the 2010-2011 School Calendar.

Everyone Goes Home Program:

Upon motion by Mr. Storcella, seconded by Mr. Sless, the board unanimously agreed to approve the Everyone Goes Home Program sponsored by the Margate City and Longport Volunteer Fire Departments to be held at the PAC on May 26, 2010 at 6:30 pm. The program will cover the 16 Life Safety Initiatives from the Fallen Firefighters Foundation

Special Education Extended School Year Postings:

Motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to approve Special Education Extended School Year Postings for Monday through Friday, July 6, 2010 – July 30, 2010. Teacher's Salary: \$34.00 per hour; Aides Salary: \$12.00 per hour. Funded through IDEA Funds. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Approve the Margate Renaissance Family Day:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to approve the Margate Renaissance Family Day at IMAX on June 12th and 13th at a cost of \$15.00 per person paid for by families attending.

Approve the 2nd Grade Beach Safari Trip:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to approve the 2nd Grade Beach Safari trip the afternoon of May 22nd. There is no cost involved.

Approve Global Connect Contract:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, to approve Global Connect Contract for July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 at a cost of \$1.75 per child. Total enrollment estimated at 505 but will be determined June 30, 2009. \$1,100 budgeted for 2010-2011 school year through District Technology. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Approve the Use of the PAC for a Broadway Revue Show:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Sless, the board unanimously agreed to approve the use of the PAC for a Broadway Revue show on August 28, 2010 for a fundraiser. The nonprofit organization, the Greater Atlantic Bluefish Foundation (GABT), will pay the janitorial costs and add a rider to their current insurance through Thomas Glenn Insurance.

Approve a Pennies for Africa Fundraiser:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Storcella, the board unanimously agreed to approve a fundraiser to collect pennies from students with a goal of raising \$10.00 to purchase a bed net for an African family. The money will be sent to Malaria No More, a national organization whose main focus is on the prevention of malaria. All money collected will go directly toward the purchase of bed nets.

Abolish the Nurse Position at the Union Avenue School:

Motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mr. Storcella, to abolish the nurse's position at Union Avenue School due to a reduction in force in accordance with NJSA 18:28-9 for reasons of economy. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Approve the Use of District Parking Lots for Beachstock:

Upon motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mr. Storcella, the board unanimously agreed to approve the Margate Business Association to use the parking lots at the Union Avenue and Tighe Schools on June 26, 2010 from 12:00pm to 10:00pm for the 1st Annual Beachstock. This event will take place on the beach and shuttles will transport people from the school parking lots to the beach.

Crew Program:

The board discussed establishing a Crew program for grades 6 through 8. Mr. Sless reported that a number of scholarships are available in the area through crew programs. It was noted that establishing a Crew program would help Margate students compete for these scholarships. Mr. Sless indicated the crew program would be 100% privately funded. He discussed a proposal for a Crew Kick-Off Event that would be held at the Knife and Fork Restaurant. The money raised would be used to support the establishment of the Crew program.

Acknowledge Tighe School Student Council:

Dr. DeFranco gave thanks to the Tighe School Student Council for their efforts on beach clean-up day on April 24th

Acknowledge County Approval of District's 3-Year Technology Plan:

Dr. DeFranco acknowledged that the District's 3-Year (7/2010 – 6/2013) Technology Plan was reviewed and approved by the Atlantic County Coordinating Council for Distance Learning and Technology. The district will be listed on the NJDOE "2010-2013 Approved Technology Plans" website at: www.state.nj.us/education/techno/local.

Approval of PAC Contracts:

Upon motion by Mr. Storcella, seconded by Mr. Sless, the board unanimously agreed to approve the following theater contracts using the existing theater contract, pending approval of revisions to new contract:

- Starbound Talent Search: May 28th and 29th
- New Motion Dance Studio: May 27th, June 1st, 3rd-5th
- Charter Tech. High School: May 21st and June 2nd
- Creative Connections Studios: June 8th and 9th
- Encore Dance Studios: June 10th-13th

Approval to Submit Verizon Grant for Literacy Café:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, the board unanimously agreed to approve the submission of a Verizon Grant for Literacy Café in Ross and Tighe schools, as developed by Luann Amodeo with support from Audrey Becker, for \$10,500 in funds.

Approve an Agreement with Faridy Veisz Fraytak Architects:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Sless, to approve David Fraytak to submit and receive approval from the NJ Department of Education for the closing of the Union Avenue School and reconfiguration of the Ross and Tighe schools. Mr. Fraytak will also modify the Long Range Facilities Plan as required. Their fee will be based on an hourly rate, not to exceed \$5,000.00, in accordance with the professional fee schedule attached as Exhibit # 7, page 16,849. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Approve the Use of the PAC by the Margate Mothers Association:

Motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mrs. Kulzer, to approve opening the PAC on Monday, May 31st at 9:30a.m. for the Margate Mother's Association to conduct a Memorial Ceremony in honor of Memorial Day. This will only be necessary if there is inclement weather. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Abstain: Mrs. Kulzer
Nays: None

Approve Training for Staff at the Stevens Institute:

Motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to approve Chris Marks and Merri Mallen for training with the Stevens Institute at no cost to the district. This is funded by the NSF Grant. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Approve Crew Kick-Off Event:

Upon motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to approve the Crew Kick-Off Event at the Knife and Fork Restaurant on Wednesday, June 16, 2010. The pricing will be \$25 per adult and \$10 per student/child. The food will be donated by Knife and Fork. The money raised will be used to support the establishment of a CREW Program for Margate students in grades 6, 7 and 8.

Approve a Joint Transportation Contract with Ventnor:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, to approve a Joint Transportation Contract with Ventnor Board of Education to transport students to Atlantic County Special Services School District for a total cost of \$3,609.31 as follows:

<u>Route #</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u># Students</u>	<u>Cost</u>
VVT1	ACSSSD	2	\$1,768.00
VVT2	ACSSSD	1	\$1,841.31

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Pedestrian Opening into the William H. Ross Playground Area:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Storcella, to approve the installation of a pedestrian opening into the William H. Ross playground along Winchester Avenue at a cost of \$1,650.00. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Public Participation:

Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Jones discussed the sports programs offer at the Tighe School in relation to the movement of the 5th grade to the Tighe School for the 2010-2011 school year. They suggested that teachers and coaches be given clear direction as to which sports would be available for the 5th grade students to participate in next year.

Public Participation: (Continued)

Mr. Lamey suggested if an additional entrance will be added to the playground area at the Ross School that it should be locked when not in use for safety reasons.

Mrs. Blumberg asked if there would be changes to the athletics program next year and if the Crew program would be replacing any of the current athletic programs. Dr. DeFranco replied that none of the current athletic programs had been cut from the budget for next year and the Crew program was an additional program that is to be funded only through donations and not from district funds. She indicated that transportation budget for athletic games has been cut to provide transportation for games that are far away and that the parents will be requested to provide transportation to local games.

A member of the public asked how the announcement Dr. McGinley's resignation would be handled. Dr. DeFranco responded that the staff and teachers were informed yesterday.

A member of the public asked what the timeline was for teachers' schedules. Dr. DeFranco replied that the teachers received their teaching assignments today.

A member of the public noted that his child has bought from the bookfair items that he considers to be "dime store junk". He also indicated that he thought another entrance to the Ross School Playground area was not a good idea.

Executive Session:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Kulzer, the board unanimously agreed to go into Executive Session at 8:10 P.M. for the purposes of discussing personnel matters.

Executive Session:

Upon motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to reconvene the meeting at 9:15 P.M.

Personnel Matters:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mrs. Bell, to approve the following personnel matters:

- A. Approve for Carol Piechoski to attend the Summer Inclusion Conference on June 30th and July 1st in Lakewood, NJ. Funded by Title II (NCLB). Carol is voluntarily attending.
- B. Approve Susan Palaia to attend the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials 48th Annual Conference to be held at the Borgata Hotel, in Atlantic City, NJ on June 2nd, 3rd and 4th at a cost of \$150.00 for registration, plus mileage.
- C. Approve Michelle Carney-Ray to attend Special Education Directors Meeting on May 20th at the County office.

Personnel Matters: (Continued)

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Sless, to approve the following personnel matters:

- A. Approve 2010-2011 Staff List attached as Exhibit # 8, pages 16,850 – 18,853.
- B. Approve, pending criminal background check, the following technicians to work with equipment in the PAC. Each person is hired by and paid by individual renters of the DAP PAC. They will not be used for school functions.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Wage</u>
Wayne Netherby	Sound Tech	max \$30/hour
Lou London	Sound Tech	max \$30/hour
Mark Wile	Lighting Tech	max \$30/hour
David Cappelli	Lighting Tech	max \$30/hour
John Breitzman	Lighting Tech	max \$30/hour

- C. Approve Ryann McLaughlin as substitute teacher. Interviewed by John DiNicola. Criminal history processed through Atlantic City School District as indicated in the verification of criminal history report.
- D. Approve Request for Course Approval and Reimbursement for Teresa McGonigle for May and June 2010 at Stockton State for 3 credits. Course: EDUC 5331 – Behavior Management/Disorder. It will be funded by NCLB Title 2A.
- E. Approve tuition reimbursement for Jacque Jones for the Winter 2009 Dissertation Seminar Course at Philadelphia College Osteopathic Medicine. One credit reimbursement - \$490.50.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella
Nays: None

Motion by Mr. Storcella, seconded by Mr. Koch, to approve the following personnel matters:

- A. Approve Public Transportation in a Private Vehicle for Dr. Kerri McGinley for the Academic Excellence Luncheon on May 25, 2010.

Personnel Matters: (Continued)

- B. Approve Title I Summer Program and Staff designed for students in grades kindergarten through fifth grade.

Staff – Teacher/Aide hours: 8:15 – 12:45

Appropriate contractual hourly rate for teachers and \$12/hour for the aide not to exceed a total of \$12,812

Teaching Staff **Aide**

Karen Petitt Patty Holland

Kim Reeves

Rose Cahill (works from 8:45 – 1:15 in computer lab)

Deb Fawley

Veronica Sanchez (emergency substitute on an ‘as needed’ basis.

- C. Approve Support Staff Evaluation Form attached as x. Exhibit # 9, pages 16,854 – 16,855.

- D. Approve Judy Fern as substitute school nurse. Interview by John DiNicola.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella

Nays: None

Motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mr. Sless, to approve a separation agreement for Dr. Kerri McGinley. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Bell, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella

Nays: None

Adjournment:

The board unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Susan E. Palaia
Board Secretary/School Business Administrator