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The Regular Meeting of the Margate City Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 P.M. on, June 9, 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 May 20, 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,
.	Mr. Christopher Koch,
.	Mrs. Joanne Kulzer, Mr. J.B. Sless
Members Absent:	Mrs. Renee Bell, 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;
.	Carl Tripician, Longport Representative; Members
.	of the Community

Congratulations to Dr. Jacque Jones:

Dr. DeFranco gave congratulations to Dr. Jacque Jones who defended her dissertation successfully on Tuesday, May 25th!

Acknowledge the Success of the STEM Exhibit:

Dr. DeFranco gave a thank you to all who worked so hard on STEM to make it a success, especially Chris Marks, Amy Hughes and Debby Sterling

Public Participation:

Mr. Sewell asked that complete copies of the Fraytak Study be posted on the district website and be distributed at the July board meeting.

Mrs. Scott requested that all the standardized testing dates be noted on the school calendar.

Public Participation: (Continued)

Mrs. Gluck reported on the Hanko Scholarship Art Auction.

Mrs. Rich commented that the money spent on aid-in-lieu of transportation for St. Augustine Prep students could instead be spent on our own students.

Mrs. Simon commented on communication issues with the board. Discussion was held on the proper protocol for submitting questions and communications to the board. Dr. DeFranco indicated that all questions should be directed to her, the Superintendent of Schools. Questions should not be submitted through emails to the board members.

Mrs. Scott commented on the \$700 stipend for the crew coach.

A member of the public commented that she was not in favor of closing one of the schools. She commented that she thought the closing of a school should have been put on a ballot for a community vote.

Mrs. Blumberg noted that the sign up form for crew has a notation on it that a \$100 Viking Rowing Club membership is required to participate. It was noted by the board members that the Viking Rowing Club will not deny a student if they don't have the ability to pay the membership fee.

A member of the public suggested that an update on the issues involving the closing of Union Avenue School be provided at the monthly school board meetings.

Minutes:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to accept the minutes of the: May 12, 2010 Regular Meeting and Executive Session, May 17, 2010 Reorganization Meeting and the May 26, 2010 Work Session and Executive Session .

Financial Reports:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Sless, the board agreed to accept the Secretary's Financial Reports for the month of April 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 16,895 – 16,912. The Secretary's Report agrees with the Treasurer's Report. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Board of Education Certification:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 Margate City Board of Education certifies that as of April 30, 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: Mr. Koch, Mrs. Kulzer, Mr. Sless, Mrs. Levitt Doyle, Mr. Storcella  
 Nays: None

Bills and Payrolls:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, to approve the payment of bills and payrolls as listed on Exhibit # 2, pages 16,913 – 16,925. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Transfer of Funds:

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

Ratified Budget Transfers for 2009-2010

To:	11-000-213-100-00-00	Health Salaries	\$ 17,761.53
	11-000-217-110-00-00	Salary Aides Extra Services	10,016.08
	11-000-230-100-00-00	General Admin Salaries	10,500.00
	11-000-240-103-00-00	Principal Salaries	11,696.72
	11-130-100-101-00-00	Teacher Salaries Grades 6-8	95,296.49
	11-213-100-106-00-00	Resource Room Salary Aides	8,619.15
	11-216-100-101-00-00	Preschool Teacher Salaries	5,372.92
	11-216-100-106-00-00	Preschool Aides Salaries	475.00
	11-230-100-106-00-00	Basic Skills Salaries Aides	2,674.94
	11-240-100-101-00-00	Bilingual Teacher Salaries	3,024.92
	11-000-270-161-00-00	Transportation Salaries	280.00
	11-000-230-334-00-00	Architect Engineer Fees	1,750.00
	11-402-100-500-00-00	Athletic Other Services	48.00
	11-000-262-610-00-03	Maintenance Supplies ADN	2,000.00
	11-000-262-610-00-04	Maintenance Supplies WHR	10,000.00
			\$179,515.75

Transfer of Funds: (Continued)

From:	11-000-222-100-00-00	Media Services Salaries	\$ 70,000.00
	11-000-240-105-00-00	Secretary Salaries	20,000.00
	11-120-100-101-00-00	Teacher Salaries Grades 1-5	75,717.75
	11-000-230-590-00-00	Purchased Services	1,750.00
	11-402-100-800-00-00	Other Athletic Fees	48.00
	11-000-262-622-00-01	Energy Electricity EAT	<u>12,000.00</u>
		Total	<u>\$179,515.75</u>

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: 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 April 2010. See Exhibit # 3, pages 16,926 – 16,935.

Cash Report:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, board unanimously agreed to accept the Cash Report for the month of April 2010. See Exhibit # 4, page 16,936.

Communications:

Dr. DeFranco reported that at the Liaison Committee workshop she provided an update on the process of closing the Union Avenue School. She reported that several entities are currently considering renting space at the Union Avenue School. Some of those interested are Stockton, a private high school and the Margate Historic Society.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools:Fire Drill Report:

The superintendent reported on the school fire drills for the month of May 2010 found attached to these minutes on Exhibit # 5, page 16,937.

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 June 2010.

School Fusion Software Demonstration:

A demonstration of School Fusion Software was provided through visiting the websites of several other districts using the product. A brochure was distributed that highlights the benefits of the software to administrators, parents, teachers and students.

Titan Middle School Logos:

Dr. DeFranco reviewed the Titan Middle School Logos with the board.

Race to the Top Grant:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, to approve the submission of the Race to the Top Grant to the State, without the support of the Margate Education Association. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Approval of PAC Contract:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, the board unanimously agreed to approve a contract with Miss Leslie's Dance Studio for the rental of the Performing Arts Center on June 18, 19 and 20 for a fee of \$900.00.

2010-2011 School Calendar:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, the board unanimously agreed to adopt the 2010-2011 School Calendar, attached as Exhibit # 6, page 16,938, with the addition of the NJ End-of-Course Algebra Exam and Make-up NJ dates noted.

Purchase of School Fusion Software:

Motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to approve the purchase of School Fusion at a total cost of \$4,500 for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

"We Are Teachers" Grant:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, the board unanimously agreed to approve Margo Juliano of Tighe School to enter the "*We Are Teachers*" grant competition which if chosen Tighe School will receive a Flip video camera to capture the project as well as \$200 for the project.

Long Range Educational Planning Report Update by Faridy Veisz Fraytak:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, the board unanimously agreed to accept the Long Range Educational Planning Report Update as prepared by Faridy Veisz Fraytak Architects attached as Exhibit # 7, pages 16,939 – 16,944.

Summer Hour Options:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, the board unanimously agreed to approve the Summer Hour Options for the twelve month staff.

“Team Karen” Fundraiser:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, the board unanimously agreed to approve the “Team Karen” Fundraiser. Team Karen is a group of supportive friends, relatives and community members who have rallied together in support of Karen Anderson’s fight with melanoma and her son, Alex’s, fight with Von Hippel Lindau.

Two Day Rental of the Tighe School Gym to Bright Stars Gymnastics:

Upon motion by Mr. Storcella, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to approve a two day rental of the Tighe School gym to Bright Stars Gymnastics for their end of year Gymnastics Show on Saturday and Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. They will be charged \$1,500 for the two days.

District 2010/2011 Professional Development Plan:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, the board unanimously agreed to approve the District 2010/2011 Professional Development Plan, which was approved by the Atlantic County Professional Development Board (ACPDB) on May 19, 2010.

Resolution Authoring the Submission of Other Capital Projects Documents to the Department of Education:

Motion by Mr. Storcella, seconded by Mr. Koch, to approve a Resolution Authoring the Submission of Other Capital Projects Documents to the Department of Education attached as Exhibit # 8, page 16,945. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Playground and Plumbing Projects

Motion by Mr. Storcella, seconded by Mrs. Kulzer, to approve the following playground and plumbing projects (See Exhibit # 9, page 16,946 for a summary of estimated costs and quotes):

General Recreation	Supply and install playground equipment item # 306, supply Playguard Brand Surface Tiles and materials for installation at the William H Ross School as per vendor quote # 272 under State Contract # A59057	\$58,998
Heritage Flooring Company	Installation of Playguard Surface Tiles at the William H. Ross School as per vendor quote # 2515	\$9,375
Rich Plumbing	Retrofit bath fixtures at the William H. Ross School as per vendor quote dated June 4, 2010	\$14,795

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Union Avenue School Students and Staff Photo:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, the board unanimously agreed to approve permission to give parents the opportunity to buy a smaller copy of the final Union Avenue photo for the price of \$2 each. Union Avenue School students and staff posed outside the building for a final photograph that will be framed and hung in the lobby of the Ross School next fall.

Executive Session:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mrs. Kulzer, the board unanimously agreed to go into Executive Session at 8:45 P.M. for the purposes of discussing litigation, student and personnel matters.

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mrs. Kulzer, the board unanimously agreed to reconvene the meeting at 9:55 P.M.

Settlement Agreement:

Motion by Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Storcella, to approve a Settlement Agreement in the matter of A.S. o/b/o A.M.S. v. Margate City Board of Education. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Personnel and Other Matters:

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

- a. Approve tuition reimbursement of \$1,370.25 (3 credits @ \$456.75 each) to Chauncey Fitzgerald for the Spring 2010 Technology Facilitator: Issues and Challenges course. Course was approved at the February 22nd board meeting – item J. Tuition payment funded by NCLB Title II.
- b. Approve Chauncey Fitzgerald's enrollment in the Spring 2010 EDTC Seminar: Integrating National Educational Technology Standards course and tuition reimbursement (\$1,370.25; 3 credits @ \$456.75 each) once course is completed and grade is received. Tuition payment funded by NCLB Title II.
- c. Approve Request for Course Approval and Reimbursement for Jacque Jones to attend the Spring 2010 Trimester Dissertation Seminar Course at Philadelphia College Osteopathic Medicine. One credit reimbursement of \$490.50. Tuition payment funded by NCLB Title II.
- d. Approve tuition reimbursement of \$1,471.50 (3 credits @ \$490.50 each) to Michelle Carney-Ray for her previously approved Doctoral Dissertation at Widener University. Tuition payment funded by NCLB Title II.
- e. Approve request to contract with Interactive Kids for consultation for SW's and NR's programming. SW and NR are both Autistic Kindergarteners who will be moving to 1<sup>st</sup> grade. A consultant is necessary to monitor and update their specialized programming necessary for their specific needs. Contract costs are paid through the District CST funding.
- f. Approve a tuition contract with Atlantic County Special Services School District for the 2010-2011 school year for ER to attend at a cost of \$36,000 to be paid out of IDEIA funds.
- g. Approve Portugese CST Evaluation of CR (kindergarten student). Total cost for the evaluations needed will be \$1,900.00.
- h. Approve Practicum/Observation Placement for Stephanie Feldman from Rutgers from September 13, 2010 through December 10, 2010 to observe middle school classes.
- i. Approve Personal Aide Agreements with Atlantic County Special Services School District for the term of July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 for JJ and VK at a cost of \$32,150 per student for the 2010-2011 school year and \$535 per week for the 2010 Extended School Year per student.
- j. Approve Michelle Carney Ray to attend the Jostens Renaissance National Conference in Orlando, FL on July 15, 16 and 19. No cost to District. Mrs. Carney Ray is paying all costs.

Personnel and Other Matters: (Continued)

- k. Approve John DiNicola and Cyndie Eastman to attend Regional Training for the Matrix Report and Online Applications Reporting on Monday, June 21, 2010 at Gloucester County College, as required by the County. There is no cost to the District

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mr. Storcella, to approve Michelle Carney-Ray's 11 sick days to be carried over from Egg Harbor Township. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to approve the payment of \$9,210.74 for twenty two (22) unused vacation days @ \$418.67 per day to Kerri McGinley. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Motion by Mr. Storcella, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to approve Suzanne Forte to participate in two Wechsler Individual Achievement Test Third Edition (WIAT-III) webinars. There is no cost to the district. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Motion by Mr. Storcella, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to accept the following non-resident tuition students who are re-applying for the 2010-2011 school year:

1. Nicholas Abrams – 4<sup>th</sup> grade
2. Roman Barber – 7<sup>th</sup> grade
3. Mara Beck – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
4. John Bee – 4<sup>th</sup> grade
5. Matthew Bee – 8<sup>th</sup> grade
6. Jessica Dahm – 4<sup>th</sup> grade
7. Alexandra Dahm – 1<sup>st</sup> grade
8. Sarah Glass – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
9. Samuel Gluck – 4<sup>th</sup> grade
10. Cassandra Gluck – 7<sup>th</sup> grade
11. Simone Graziano – 1<sup>st</sup> grade
12. Sofia Graziano – 4<sup>th</sup> grade

Personnel and Other Matters: (Continued)

13. Hanna Guzejko – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
14. Avery Hallman – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
15. Ralph Meyers – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
16. Emma Lou Owen – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
17. Jasmine Sham – 6<sup>th</sup> grade
18. Ryann Styer – 5<sup>th</sup> grade
19. Michael Toy – 8<sup>th</sup> grade

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mrs. Kulzer, to approve offering the staff at Ross a small stipend as a token of appreciation for coming into school during the summer to set up reading, writing and math classrooms for student support. Funds will come from NCLB Title 1. Stipend for 27 teachers not to exceed \$3,000 total. Motion **failed** by the following roll call vote:

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

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

- Approve paying the following teachers for kindergarten screening at the Ross School on August 16, 17 and 18 at per hour MEA contractual rate (15 total hours each maximum for the three days). This expense will be paid totally with NCLB Title I funds:
  - Fran Kraus
  - Tracy Barth
  - Tina Baronowitz
- Approve the following teachers to participate in the Stevens Institute Grant sponsored by the NSF:
  1. Laureen Cohen
  2. Jessica Cuevas
  3. Christopher Bruscato
  4. Christopher Anderson
  5. Chris Marks
  6. Merri Mallen

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Personnel and Other Matters: (Continued)

Motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to approve Dr. Budnick as the School Physician for the 2010-2011 school year at a salary of \$9,250.00. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to approve the following other matters:

- a. Approve SW to receive Extended School Year (ESY) Services in the Margate Summer Camp from July 6-July 30, 2010, at a cost of \$1,141 to be covered by funds from the district's CST budget.
- b. Approve mileage reimbursement of \$369.39 to Dr. McGinley for five workshops (11/17, 11/18, 12/8, 1/14 and 1/28) in Monroe Township.
- c. Approve Carol Williams to review Project Challenge Proposal, meet with administrative team and provide coaching support for teachers. Cost covered by ETTC hours.

Adjournment:

The board unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Susan E. Palaia  
Board Secretary/School Business Administrator