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The Regular Meeting of the Margate City Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 P.M. on, December 9, 2009, 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 November 11, 2009, 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, The Press and "The Current".

<u>Roll Call</u> - Members Present:	Mr. Christopher Storcella, President,
.	Mrs. Linda Levitt Doyle, Vice President,
.	Mr. Brad Jacobson, Mr. Christopher Koch,
.	Mrs. Joanne Kulzer, Mr. J.B. Sless
Members Absent:	None
Others Present:	Dr. Theresa DeFranco, Superintendent; Susan Palaia, Board Secretary; Dr. Kerri McGinley, Director of Curriculum/Principal; Mr. John DiNicola, Director of Special Projects/Principal; Ms. Michelle Carney-Ray, Director of Special Education/Principal; Mr. Augustine Repetto, School Solicitor, Mr. Carl Tripician, Members of the Community

Singing of the National Anthem:

The National Anthem was sung by Micaela Diamond.

Notice of Resignation of Board Member:

Mr. Storcella announced the resignation of Mrs. Sandra Perskie from the Margate Board of Education.

Public Participation:

A member of the public asked when the district's fiscal year began and ended. Mr. Storcella responded the fiscal year begins July 1<sup>st</sup> and ends June 30th.

Minutes:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to accept the minutes of the: November 11, 2009 Regular Meeting and Executive Session and November 18, 2009 Work Session and Executive Session.

Financial Reports:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to accept the Secretary's Financial Reports for the month of October 2009 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 16,495 – 16,511. The Secretary's Report agrees with the Treasurer's Report.

Board of Education Certification:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Kulzer, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 Margate City Board of Education certifies that as of October 31, 2009 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.

Bills and Payrolls:

Motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, to approve the payment of bills and payrolls as listed on Exhibit # 2, pages 16,512 – 16,522. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Transfer of Funds:

Motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mr. Jacobson, to approve the following Transfer of Funds:

## Ratified Budget Transfers for 2009-2010

To:	11-000-266-300-00-01	Security EAT	\$2,000.00
	11-000-266-300-00-02	Security UAS	2,000.00
	11-000-266-300-00-04	Security WHR	2,000.00
	11-000-266-300-00-03	Security ADM	680.00
	11-190-100-610-01-02	General Supply UAS	566.00
	11-000-240-600-00-04	School Admin Supply WHR	<u>305.00</u>
		Total	<u>\$7,551.00</u>
From:	11-000-262-610-00-01	Maintenance Supply EAT	\$2,000.00
	11-000-262-610-00-02	Maintenance Supply UAS	2,000.00
	11-000-262-610-00-04	Maintenance Supply WHR	2,000.00

Transfer of Funds: (Continued)

11-000-266-610-00-03	Maintenance Supply ADM	680.00
11-000-240-600-00-02	School Admin Supply UAS	566.00
11-000-240-800-00-04	School Admin Other WHR	125.00
11-000-251-600-00-00	Business Office Supply	<u>180.00</u>
	Total	<u>\$7,551.00</u>

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Jacobson, 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 October 2009. See Exhibit # 3, pages 16,523 – 16,532.

Cash Report:

Upon motion by Mr. Storcella, seconded by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, the board unanimously agreed to accept the Cash Report for the month of October 2009. See Exhibit # 4, page 16,533.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools:Fire Drill Report:

The superintendent reported on the school fire drills for the month of November 2009 found attached to these minutes on Exhibit # 5, page 16,534.

Lockdown Report:

The superintendent reported on the lockdown drill held at all three schools on November 30, 2009.

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 December 2009.

Recognition of “Praise Referral” Students:

Mrs. Carnet-Ray recognized students from the William H. Ross School through her “Praise Referral” program. The students that were recognized through the program had been called to Mrs. Carney-Ray’s office during the month for doing something great.

Congratulations to Mrs. Tracy Jones and 2009 Field Hockey Team:

Dr. DeFranco gave congratulations to Mrs. Tracy Jones and the 2009 Field Hockey Team for winning their twelfth championship.

Nursing Staff, Principals and Child Study Team In-service:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, to approve an in-service by Dr. Mary Jane Gretzula for District nursing staff, principals and Child Study Team at a cost of \$750, covered under the IDEA ARRA grant. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Board Member Appointment to the Board of School Estimate:

Motion by Mr. Storcella, seconded by Mr. Koch, to approve the appointment of Mrs. Levitt Doyle to the Board of School Estimate. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Ross School Memory Book Proposal:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mrs. Kulzer to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Memory Book at a cost of \$13.21 per book. To assist with deferring the cost to students a benefactor page in the beginning of the book would be created. Motion **failed** by the following roll call vote:

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

Motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mr. Jacobson, to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Memory Book at a cost of \$13.21 per book. To assist with deferring the cost of the book a benefactor page in the beginning of the book would be created. There would be no charge to the students. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Craft Lunch Program:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Storcella, the board unanimously agreed to approve the craft lunch program run by Home-School Association.

Professional Services:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Storcella, to approve the following Professional Services to be available as needed and approved by the Superintendent:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Betty Bacharach	Central Auditory Battery	\$849 per eval
Sandra Dalton	Learning Evaluation	\$350 per eval
Dr. Nancy Purcell	Learning Evaluation	\$400 per eval
Gloria Heaton	Learning Evaluation	\$350 per eval
Gregory Garcia (Spanish)	Learning Evaluation	\$250 per eval
William Beltran (Spanish)	Learning Evaluation	\$400 per eval
Dr. Richard Knupp	Learning Evaluation	\$350 per eval
Dr. Andre Francois (all languages)	Learning Evaluation	\$800 per eval (Spanish) \$900 (other languages)
Children's Healthcase Assoc	Neurological Eval/Consult.	\$595 per eval
Cooper Pediatrics	Neurological Eval/Consult.	\$350 per eval
CHOP	Neurological Eval/Consult.	\$375 per eval
CNNH	Neurological Evaluation	\$375 per eval
Betty Bacharach	Occupational Eval/Therapy	\$227 per hour
GO PT (Dr. Robert Marsico)	Physical/Occupational Therapy Evaluation	\$70-\$100 per hour
Jay Singh (Hindi, Gujatari, Penjabi * Urdu)	Psycheducational Eval	\$1500 per eval/ \$1,050 if done separately

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Committee Assignments:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to approve the committee assignments attached as Exhibit # 6, page 16,535.

Two-Way Radio Proposal:

Upon motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mrs. Kulzer, the board unanimously agreed to **table** the purchase of two-way radios.

Tenth Annual Read-a-thon for Multiple Sclerosis:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to approve the annual Read-a-thon for Multiple Sclerosis scheduled to kick off the week of February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

First Reading of Non-Residence Policy # 5118 (Tabled):

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to **table** the first reading of Non-Residence Policy # 5118.

First Reading of Conduct/Discipline Policy # 5131:

The board had the first reading of Conduct/Discipline Policy # 5131.

Global Connect Parent Notification System:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, to approve 6-month free trial of Global Connect Parent Notification System. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Online Policy Service:

Motion by Mr. Sless, seconded by Mr. Koch, to approve a one year contract with NJSBA in the amount of \$2,000.00 for their Online Policy Service. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

School District Payment Schedule for the Period January 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010:

Upon motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to accept the School District Payment Schedule for the period of January 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010, attached as Exhibit # 7, page 16,536.

Public Participation:

Several members of the public expressed their opinions and concerns on the district's Project Challenge Program. It was noted that the program had been dropped for the third grade. Dr. DeFranco explained that this was a scheduling issue and that this will be looked into for next year.

Sharon Simon reported that Jewish Family Services has a family life service and would like to offer this service through the schools.

A member of the public commented that the November meeting was held on Veterans' Day.

A member of the public commended on the public participation portion of the meeting placement on the agenda.

Executive Session:

Upon motion by Mr. Koch, seconded by Mr. Jacobson, the board unanimously agreed to go into Executive Session at 8:30 P.M. for the purposes of discussing personnel matters.

Executive Session:

Upon motion by Mr. Jacobson, seconded by Mr. Koch, the board unanimously agreed to reconvene the meeting at 9:30 P.M.

Personnel and Other Matters:

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mrs. Kulzer, to approve the following personnel and other matters:

- A. Approve Sherry Scott to attend End of Course Algebra I Expectation & Clarification meeting at Gloucester County College, Sewell, NJ, January 11 and 12, 2010. No fee for workshop. Travel expenses for two days.
- B. Approve Christina Marks and Kerri McGinley to attend Project Lead the Way at Berlin Community Middle School, December 11, 2009 at a cost of mileage – 87 miles roundtrip.
- C. Approve Kirstina Baronowitz to attend Using Interactive Centers to Differentiate Instruction at Mansion on Main Street, Voorhees, NJ on February 4, 2010. Fee of \$199 funded by NCLB Title II.
- D. Approve Michelle Carney-Ray's graduate course for Dissertation seminar at Widener University.
- E. Approve Kirstina Baronowitz, Tracy Barth and Fran Kraus to attend a conference for NJ Kindergarten Teacher in Atlantic City, NJ, February 18, 2010. Fee of \$209 funded by NCLB Title II.
- F. Approve Teresa McGonigle to attend conference for New Jersey Pre-Kindergarten teachers in Atlantic City, NJ, February 18 and 19, 2010. Fee of \$349 funded by NCLB Title II.
- G. Approve the following to attend the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference on Science Education March 17-21, 2010 at the Philadelphia Exhibit and Convention Center at a fee of \$145 each funded by Title I:
  - Theresa DeFranco
  - Audrey Becker
  - Chris Bruscati
  - Christine Marks
  - Jessica Cuevas

Personnel and Other Matters: (Continued)

- H. Approve Theresa DeFranco to attend the following NJASA Professional Development seminars at a fee of \$120 each:
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| February 4, 2010  | Special Education                             |
| February 25, 2010 | Building High Impact Super/Board Relationship |
| May 4, 2010       | Legal and Legislation Update                  |
- I. Approve Nancy Palamaro to attend Current, Best Strategies for Enhancing Your Skills as a School Nurse in Cherry Hill, NJ, January 20, 2010. Registration fee \$199.
- J. Approve Audrey Becker to attend 21<sup>st</sup> Century Collaboration on December 21, 2009 in Mays Landing. Cost of travel + four (4) ETTC hours.
- K. Approve Thomas Getzke and Amie Sykes to attend The Best in New Young Adult Literature on January 11, 2010 in Voorhees at a cost of \$199 each plus mileage; 54.6 miles.
- L. Approve the hire of Carol Gitto as secretary to the Tighe School principal at a salary of \$25,000 per year, effective immediately.
- M. Approve the hire of Hong Lin as teacher for the Mandarin Chinese Culture extracurricular program, at a rate of \$15 per hour, working after school effective January 2010. Days and times will be determined based on program enrollment.
- N. Approve Brian Bowles as a substitute teacher. Substitute teaching with no break in service confirmed through Mainland Regional.
- O. Approve Jennifer Quinones as a substitute teacher. Substitute teaching with no break in service confirmed through Brigantine School District.
- P. Approve Jacque Jones Request for Course Approval and Reimbursement for Dissertation Seminar.
- Q. Approve Michelle Carney-Ray to attend the Camden County Special Education Administrators' Meeting, December 10 in Sicklerville, NJ.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Personnel and Other Matters: (Continued)

Motion by Mrs. Levitt Doyle, seconded by Mr. Jacobson, to approve Rebecca Rosen for 30 hours of observation in classroom instruction and management at Union Avenue Elementary School. Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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