

**OCEAN GATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

October 17, 2023

AGENDA

The Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Ocean Gate Board of Education will take place in the Ocean Gate School Multipurpose Room and via live stream video using Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, at 6:30 PM.

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call Attendance

Present

Absent

Richard J. Casey

Michael T. Passeri

Daniel Fleming

Aaron Gottesman

Kerrie McGinley-McDonnell

In attendance are Melanie Patterson, Superintendent/Principal, and John Failla, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

3. Flag Salute

4. Adequate Notice of Meeting

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting of the Ocean Gate Board of Education was provided in the following manner: Asbury Park Press and District Website.

5. Public Comments

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6. Approval of Minutes

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the following minutes:

Regular Meeting September 12, 2023
Closed Session September 12, 2023

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:
Nays:
Abstain:

7. Correspondence

8. Reports and Recommendations of the Superintendent:

*Presentation of 2022-23 NJSLA Report/Academic Achievement
Review of 2022-23 HIB Self-Assessment
McKinney-Vento overview*

SCIP (School Improvement Panel):
*Recap of training for Savvas ELA (K-5)
Upcoming I-Ready & Seesaw professional development
Year 2 of 2nd round mandatory parent conferences*

School Climate & Safety Team:
*Recap of Respect Week
Upcoming Halloween parade 1:30pm
Lifelines – suicide prevention, intervention, & postvention training*

Green Team:

Emergency Planning Team/Threat Assessment Team
Threat Assessment Team training completed

Early Childhood Advisory Council:
First Meeting October 20th at 2:15pm

PTO & SEPAG:
*Virtual meeting dates for SEPAG are released - follow FB page
PTO Dance October 20th - need volunteers*

Ocean Gate Municipal Alliance:
Thank you for the Field of Dreams trip

Ocean Gate Shared Services Committee Report:

Student Council Liaison Report:

- a. **RESOLVED**, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education accept the following HIB (Harassment, Intimidation, & Bullying) report for September 13, 2023 – October 17, 2023.

# of reports/ investigations	# of investigations resulting in HIB founded	Nature of the alleged or founded HIB & Location	Investigator	Type/Nature of Discipline Imposed	Other Measures Imposed
3	2	1 – hallway 2 – cell phone chat off campus 3 – in classroom	1 – Mrs. Patterson/Mrs. Hickey-Esler 2-Mrs. Patterson/Mrs. Hickey-Esler 3 – Mrs. Patterson	1-Detentions 2-Detentions 3-ISS (result of code of conduct violation)	1 – Parent conference 2 – Parent conference 3 – Parent conference

# of reports/ investigations YTD	# of investigations where HIB was founded YTD	Training Conducted (this time period)	Programs Implemented (this time period)
3	2	Continued classroom lessons on anti-bullying Unique You - 3 rd Grade (Ocean County Health Department)	Whole school PBIS Respect Week: Walk & Bike to School Day Field of Dreams Trip Empathy Activiy

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:
Nays:
Abstain:

- b. **RESOLVED**, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education accept the following drill report for September 13, 2023 – October 17, 2023:

Date	Drill Type	Participants
September 18	Fire Drill	Whole School
September 29	Shelter in Place	Whole School

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:
Nays:
Abstain:

- c. **RESOLVED**, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education accept the following enrollment report for October 17, 2023: 133

PK3	PK4	Kinder- garten	1 st grade	2 nd grade	3 rd grade	4 th grade	5 th grade	6 th grade	Out of District	Total
11	13	18	15	15	14	14	18	15	1	134

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

- d. **RESOLVED**, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education accept the 2023 NJSLA Spring Administration District Score Report.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

9. Business Administrator's Report

a. **Projects**

b. **Audit**

10. Personnel

- a. **RESOLVED**, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the following Maternity Leave of Absence of employee #19158:

Sick Days (paid) January 4-18, 2024 (11 days)

Date of Return (anticipated): September 1, 2024

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

- b. **RESOLVED**, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the hiring of John Febus as a Paraprofessional at the rate of \$22.00 an hour for up to 28.5 hours per week pending sexual misconduct and criminal history background checks.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

11. Membership in The Southern Regional Institute and Educational Technology Training Center at Stockton University

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve district membership in The Southern Regional Institute and Educational Technology Training Center at Stockton University for professional development for the 2023-24 school year at the cost of \$430.50.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

12. Professional Development

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the following professional development opportunity:

- a. Therese Hagan**
MakerSpace (K-12)
SRI&ETTC (Stockton University)
October 16, 2023
9:00-3:00pm
Cost of credits covered under district consortium fee.
Mileage/tolls: \$79.95

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

- b. Melanie Patterson**
Ocean County Women in Leadership Conference
Ocean County College
Wednesday, October 18, 2023
8:30am-3:30pm
No cost to the district

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

- c. Stephanie Barger**
USDA Foods Conference

**NJ Convention Center, Edison NJ
Tuesday, December 12, 2023
9:00am – 3:30pm
No Registration fee
Mileage/tolls: \$54.24
Total: \$54.24**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

**Ayes:
Nays:
Abstain:**

- d. Jason Megill
USDA Foods Conference
NJ Convention Center, Edison NJ
Tuesday, December 12, 2023
9:00am – 3:30pm
No Registration fee
Mileage/tolls: \$72.90
Total: \$72.90**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

**Ayes:
Nays:
Abstain:**

13. Field Trips

- a. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the 3rd & 4th Grade field trip to the Silvertown Farm in Toms River on November 3, 2023, from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. There is no cost for admission and the cost for transportation is paid for by the NJ Friendly School Yards and the OCC Environmental Program.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

**Ayes:
Nays:
Abstain:**

- b. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the 3rd Grade field trip to Stop & Shop of Toms River on November 14, 2023, from 9:00am to 11:00am. The cost of transportation is to be determined by Central Regional High School Transportation (up to 300.00).**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

**Ayes:
Nays:**

Abstain:

- c. **RESOLVED**, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the 5th/6th Grade field trip to the Grunin Center at Ocean County College for the Kattam & His TamTams – Multicultural Performance on November 16, 2023 from 9:15am to 12:30pm. There is no cost for admission and the cost for transportation is to be determined from Central Regional Transportation (up to 300.00).

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

14. NJ Child Assault Prevention (NJCAP) Lessons for Students and Parent Workshop

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve NJ Child Assault Prevention presentations for PK4-Grade 6 classes and a parent workshop with the schedule as follows:

October 19: 6:00pm Virtual Parent Workshop

October 24 & 25: Kindergarten and Preschool

October 26: Grades 1 and 2

October 30: Grades 3 and 4

October 31: Grades 5 and 6

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

15. Anti-Bullying Assembly With Tom DeBlass of Buddies Over Bullies

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the presentation of an anti-bullying assembly with Tom DeBlass of Buddies Over Bullies on November 15, 2023, for students in grades 3-6.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

16. Visit from Ocean County Library - Children's Librarian

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the visitation of Ms. Joanne O'Halloran, Librarian, to read to Library classes and provide information on the Ocean County Library for all grades (PK-6) on November 29, 2023.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:
Nays:
Abstain

17. Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials 2019 for the 2023-24 school year. (see attached)

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:
Nays:
Abstain:

18. Fit to Return to School Assessment (FTR) Contract With Preferred Behavioral Health Group

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the Fit to Return to School (FTR) Contract With Preferred Behavioral Health Group for the 2023-24 school year at the cost of \$300.00 per report.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:
Nays:
Abstain:

19. District HIB Self-Assessment

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the Ocean Gate School District HIB Self-Assessment for the 2022-23 school year.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:
Nays:
Abstain:

20. Policy

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the first review of district policy 5145.7 – Gender Identity and Expression.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

21. Transportation Jointure With Central Regional School District

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the Transportation Jointure With Central Regional School District (host) for the 2023-24 school year as follows:

One student to the Manchester Regional Day School at a cost of \$14,688.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

22. IDEA

- a. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the IDEA Carryover from 2022-23 to IDEA FY2024:**

Basic: \$28,956

Preschool: \$3,832

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

- b. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the amendment of IDEA FY2024 to include preceding carryover funds.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

23. Financial

- a. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the October 2023 Bills List.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

- b. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the September 2023 Payroll:**

September 15	\$99,934.01
September 30	\$114,080.97

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

- c. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the Budget Transfers for the month of June 2023.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

- d. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the Treasurer's Reports for June 2023.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

- e. Board Secretary's Report**

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11© 3, I, John Failla, Board Secretary, certify that as of June 30, 2023, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contracted orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the District Board of Education pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11©4. Further, through the adoption of this resolution, we the Ocean Gate Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b) certify that as of June 30, 2023, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the Business Administrator and other appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of

N.J.A.C.6A:23.2.11(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

**24. Old Business/Discussion
Ocean Gate Board of Education Board Goals**

**25. New Business/Discussion
Budget/Calendar**

26. Public Comment

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26. Executive Session

RESOLVED, that the 17th of October 2023 at _____ PM the Ocean Gate Board of Education will move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters excluded from public discussion/deliberation, including but not limited to confidential student information, personnel matters, contracts and litigation.

27. Open Session

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education re-enter into open session for at _____ PM for the purpose of continuing the meeting.

28. Adjournment

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education adjourn their regular meeting at _____ PM.

The Regular Meeting of the Ocean Gate Board of Education is scheduled for Tuesday, November 14, 2023, at 6:30 PM.