# OCEAN GATE BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

#### March 19, 2024

#### **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, March 19, 2024, at 6:30pm.

#### 1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call Attendance	Present	Absent
Richard J. Casey		
Daniel Fleming		
Michael T. Passeri		
Aaron Gottesman		
Kerrie McGinley-McDonnell		

In attendance are Melanie Patterson, Superintendent, 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 February 20, 2024

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 

Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

## 7. Correspondence

# 8. Reports and Recommendations of the Superintendent:

Hero Spirit Week March 25-28<sup>th</sup>
Game/Strategy Club Stratego "Beat the Mayor" Tournament March 27<sup>th</sup> 2:30pm
Grandparents/Senior Citizens Day March 28<sup>th</sup> 9am

<u>Early Childhood Advisory Council</u> March 21 Preschool Open House & Parent Workshop

#### PTO & SEPAG:

Read-a-Thon - thank you!

# Ocean Gate Municipal Alliance:

## Ocean Gate Shared Services Committee Report:

a. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education accept the following HIB (Harassment, Intimidation, & Bullying) report for February 21, 2024 – March 19, 2024.

# of reports/	# of	Nature of the	Investigator	Type/Nature of	Other Measures
investigations	investigations	founded HIB &		Discipline	Imposed
	resulting in	Location		Imposed	
	HIB founded				
1	0	*Code of Conduct	Melanie	*Detention	*Restorative
		Violation	Patterson	*Parent & student	practices
				conference	

# of reports/ investigations YTD	# of investigations where HIB was founded YTD	Training Conducted (this time period)	Programs Implemented (this time period)
4	2	N/A	#GatorGoals PBIS *Gator Morning Meeting & Gator Groups

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes: Nays:

**Abstain:** 

b. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education accept the following drill report for February 21, 2024 – March 19, 2024:

Date	Drill Type	Participants
February 27, 2024	Fire Drill	All Staff & Students
February 29, 2024	Lockdown Drill	All Staff & Students

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

c. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education accept the following enrollment report for March 19, 2024: 143

PK3	PK4	Kinder-	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	Out of	Total
		garten	grade	grade	grade	grade	grade	grade	District	
13	15	20	16	15	15	15	18	15	1	143

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes:

Nays:

**Abstain:** 

# 9. Business Administrator's Report

# 10. Field Trips

a. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to the Grunin Center at Ocean County College on March 21, 2024 from 9:00am to approximately 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), charged to Title IV Grant.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes:

Nays:

**Abstain:** 

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b. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to Lakehurst Naval Base on April 19, 2024, from 8:45am to 3:00pm for the Student Engagement and Career Day with no cost of admission. The cost of transportation is to be determined from Central Regional Transportation.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

c. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade trip to Out of Sight Alpacas in Waretown on May 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:45am to 1:00pm. The cost of admission is approximately \$370.00 and the cost for transportation is to be determined by Central Regional Transportation.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

## 11. Use of Enrollment

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the need for use of Enrollment Adjustment cap in the amount of \$207,600.00 of the unused spending authority to be included in the base budget; and Also, RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the statement that the need must be completed by the end of the budget year and cannot be deferred or incrementally completed over a longer period of time.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

# 12. Use of Banked Cap

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the need for use of Banked Cap in the amount of \$7,768.00 of the unused spending authority to be included in the base budget; and Also, RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the statement that the need must be completed by the end of the budget year and cannot be deferred or incrementally completed over a longer period.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

#### 13. Use of Unassigned Fund Balance

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the withdrawal of \$250,000.00 from the Unassigned Fund Balance for use in the 2024-25 school budget.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes: Nays:

Abstain:

### 14. Use of Emergency Reserve

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the need for use of Emergency Reserve in the amount of \$52,441 to offset district health Care and security costs be included in the base budget; and also,

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the statement that the need must be completed by the end of the budget year and cannot be deferred or incrementally completed over a longer period of time.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aves:

Nays:

**Abstain:** 

# 15. Approval of the 2024-25 PEA Preschool District Enrollment & Planning Budget Workbook

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the submission of the 2024-25 PEA Preschool Enrollment & Planning Budget Workbook.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes:

Nays:

**Abstain:** 

## 16. 2024-2025 School Budget

BE IT RESOLVED that the tentative budget be approved for the 2024-2025 school year using the 2024-2025 state aid figures and the Secretary to the Board of Education be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

	GENERAL <u>FUND</u>	SPECIAL REVENUES	DEBT SERV		TOTAL
2024-2025 Expenditures	\$ 3,341,583.00	\$ 630,914.00	\$	15.00	\$ 3,972,512.00
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$ 983,387.00	\$ 630,914.00	\$	15.00	\$ 1,614,316.00
Taxes to be Raised	\$ 2,358,196.00	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 2,358,196.00

Add to advertise said tentative budget in the Asbury Park Press in accordance with the form suggested by the State Department of Education and according to law; and BET IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public hearing be held in person at the Ocean Gate School, on April 30, 2024, at 6:00 PM, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2024-2025 school year.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

# 17. Shared Services Contract with Ocean Gate Borough for School Resource Officer

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the updated 2024-2025 contract for School Resource Officer at the total cost of \$25,000 charged to the district. (see attached)

## **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes:

Nays: Abstain:

# 18. Shared Services Contract with Central Regional for Food Service Program

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the 2024-2025 Shared Services Contract with Central Regional for the Food Services Program. (see attached)

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

# 19. After School "Gator Wellness" Enrichment After School Title IV Program

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the "Gator Wellness" afterschool enrichment program (Grades 3-6) for well-rounded education and safe and healthy schools, including an Art Club, Dance Fitness Club, Mindfulness/Yoga, & Outdoor Movement & Games Club, from April 15-May 22, 2024, 3:15-4:00pm. Charged to Title 4A ESEA grant.

Art Club	Jamie Jarka & Jason Megill	Wednesdays
		April 17 – May 22 (6
		sessions) = \$400.00 total per
		facilitator
Outdoor Games &	Elaine DeBenedett, Therese	Mondays
Movement	Hagan & Sandy McCue	April 15-May 20 (6 sessions)
		= \$400.00 total per facilitator

<b>Dance Fitness Club</b>	Jessica Corrigan & Nicole	Mondays
	Flesch	<b>April 15 – May 20 (6</b>
		sessions) = \$400.00 total per
		facilitator
Mindfulness/Yoga Club	Donna Cogan	Wednesdays
		April 17-May 22 (6 sessions)
		= \$400.00 total per facilitator
Total \$		\$3,200.00

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Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

# 20. Financial

a. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the March 2024 Bills List.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

b. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the February 2024 Payroll:

February 15th	\$118,642.42
February 29th	\$118,454.38

## **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

b. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the Transfer Report for January 2024.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

c. RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the Board Secretary's Report for January 31, 2024.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11© 3, I, John Failla, Board Secretary, certify that as of January 31, 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 January 31, 2024, 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.

# 21. Old Business/Discussion

# 22. New Business/Discussion

# 23. Public Comment

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#### 24. Executive Session

RESOLVED, that on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2024 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.

#### 25. 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.

# 26. Adjournment

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

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The next Regular Meeting of the Ocean Gate Board of Education is scheduled for Tuesday, April 30, 2024, directly following the Budget Hearing at 6:00pm.