



**6. Election of President**

**The Business Administrator/Board Secretary asked for nominations for the position of President of the Ocean Gate Board of Education.**

**NOMINATIONS: Aaron Gottesman nominated Richard Casey for President. Daniel Fleming seconded the nomination.**

**The Business Administrator/Board Secretary closed the nominations for the President of the Ocean Gate Board of Education.**

**RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education elect Richard Casey as President of the Ocean Gate Board of Education effective immediately.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Ayes: Aaron Gottesman, Daniel Fleming, Richard Casey  
Nays:  
Abstain:**

***AT THIS TIME THE NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT ASSUMES CHAIR***

**7. Election of Vice President**

**The President of the Ocean Gate Board of Education asked for nominations for the position of Vice President of the Ocean Gate Board of Education.**

**NOMINATIONS: Richard Casey nominated Daniel Fleming for Vice President. Daniel Fleming accepted the nomination. Aaron Gottesman seconded the nomination**

**The President will closed the nominations for the Vice President of the Ocean Gate Board of Education.**

**RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education elect Daniel Fleming as Vice President of the Ocean Gate Board of Education effective immediately.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Ayes: Aaron Gottesman, Daniel Fleming, Richard Casey  
Nays:  
Abstain:**

**8. Board Member Code of Ethics**

**The President will at this time call for the reading and review of the New Jersey School Boards Member Code of Ethics.**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Jersey School Boards Association “Code of Ethics” shall be considered the official Code of Ethics of the Ocean Gate Board of Education:

**FURTHER**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:12-21, that each member of the Board of Education has reviewed New Jersey School Boards Member Code of Ethics.

**FURTHER**, to acknowledge each Board Member has submitted on this day a signed copy affirming the ethics promise. (see attached)

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Ayes:** Aaron Gottesman, Daniel Fleming, Richard Casey

**Nays:**

**Abstain:**

**9. Board Parliamentary Procedures**

**RESOLVED**, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve Parliamentary Procedures following Roberts Rules of Order (see summary hand-out).

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Ayes:** Aaron Gottesman, Daniel Fleming, Richard Casey

**Nays:**

**Abstain:**

**10. Appointment of Delegates/Representatives**

**RESOLVED**, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education designate the following delegates/representatives from the membership of the Ocean Gate Board of Education:

**OCSBA Delegate:** Richard Casey

**Alternate:** Daniel Fleming

**NJSBA Delegate:** Richard Casey

**Alternate:** Kerrie McGinley-McDonnell

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Ayes:** Aaron Gottesman, Daniel Fleming, Richard Casey

**Nays:**

**Abstain:**

**11. Public Comments**

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appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of the individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded to them by the laws of New Jersey. There will be a two-minute limit for public participation.

NONE

12. Correspondence

13. Reports and Recommendations of the Superintendent

a. Girls Who Code Club

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve the creation of a Girls Who Code Club for Grades 3-5 from 11:30am-12:25pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting on or about January 16, 2024, for 10 weeks (20 sessions), with Donna Cogan, Teacher. As the Girls Who Code Club Facilitator, Mrs. Cogan will receive a stipend of \$1,000.00 (not included in the OGEA Collective Bargaining Agreement), charged to the ARP ESSER grant. (see attached)

b. Connected Leadership Conference

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve Melanie Patterson, Superintendent/Principal, to attend the Connected Leadership Conference at Monmouth University on January 11, 2024. (see attached)

c. Coffee & Conversation With Mrs. Patterson

RESOLVED, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education approve a “Coffee & Conversation” meeting with Melanie Patterson, Superintendent/Principal, for stakeholders of the Ocean Gate School community on January 16, 2024 at 5:30pm in the Ocean Gate Multi-Purpose Room for the purpose of community interaction and community education. (see attached)

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Aaron Gottesman, Daniel Fleming, Richard Casey

Nays:

Abstain:

14. Business Administrator’s Report

HVAC projects are completed  
Audit Field

15. Professional Organizations of Record

a. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate

to approve naming John Failla, the Board Secretary for the period of January 3, 2024 through January 1, 2025.

- b. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming John Failla the Public Agency Compliance Officer for the period of January 3, 2024 through January 1, 2025.
- c. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming John Failla a Qualified Purchasing Agent for the period of January 3, 2024 through January 1, 2025.
- d. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming John Failla as the Custodian of Records (OPRA) for the period of January 3, 2024 through January 1, 2025.
- e. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming Melanie Patterson as the Affirmative Action Officer for the district for the period of January 3, 2024 through January 1, 2025.
- f. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming Joanne Hickey-Esler as the Ocean Gate School District Homeless Education Liaison for the period of January 3, 2024, through January 1, 2025.
- g. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming Jason Megill, CEFM, as the Integrated Pest Management Coordinator for the district for the period of January 3, 2024, through January 1, 2025.
- h. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming Stein, Supsie, & Tedeschi the Board Attorney for the period of January 3, 2024, through January 1, 2025.
- i. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc. the Board Architect for the period of January 3, 2024, through January 1, 2025.
- j. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming Brown and Brown the Board Health Insurance Broker for the period of January 3, 2024, through January 1, 2025.
- k. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming New Jersey School Insurance Group (“NJSIG”) the Board Insurance Property and Casualty Insurance Consultant for the period of January 3, 2024 through January 1, 2025.
- l. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming Dr. Harry Larkin the Board Physician/Medical Consultant for the period of January 3, 2024 through January 1, 2025.
- m. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate

to approve naming Holman Frenia Allison, P.C. the Board Auditor for the period of January 3, 2024, through January 1, 2025.

- n. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming the following Tax Shelter Annuity Companies and/or Brokers for the period of January 3, 2024, through January 1, 2025:

AXA Equitable  
GWN Marketing

- o. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve Aflac Disability Insurance Plan for the period of January 3, 2024, through January 1, 2025.
- p. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming Phoenix Advisors, LLC the Debt Reporting and Compliance Consultants for the period of January 3, 2024, through January 1, 2025.
- q. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming Asbury Park Press, the official newspaper of the Board for the period of January 3, 2024, through January 1, 2025.
- r. The Superintendent recommends and so moves the Board of Education of Ocean Gate to approve naming TD Bank the official depository of the Board for the period of January 3, 2024, through January 1, 2025.

**MOTION: Daniel Fleming**

**SECOND: Aaron Casey**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Ayes: Aaron Gottesman, Daniel Fleming, Richard Casey**

**Nays:**

**Abstain: 15a., Richard Casey**

**16. Old Business/Discussion**

None

**17. New Business/Discussion**

None

**18. Public Comment**

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None

**19. Executive Session**

**RESOLVED**, that the 2<sup>nd</sup> of January 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.

**20. 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.

**MOTION TO REMOVE ITEMS 19 AND 20 FROM THE AGENDA**

**MOTION: Daniel Fleming**

**SECOND: Aaron Gottesman**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Ayes: Aaron Gottesman, Daniel Fleming, Richard Casey**

**Nays:**

**Abstain:**

**21. Adjournment**

**RESOLVED**, that the Ocean Gate Board of Education adjourn their reorganization meeting at 6:55 PM.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Ayes: Aaron Gottesman, Daniel Fleming, Richard Casey**

**Nays:**

**Abstain:**

**The Regular Meeting of the Ocean Gate Board of Education is scheduled for Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at 6:30 PM.**