

LITTLE EGG HARBOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
March 21, 2011 – Special Meeting
7:45 p.m.
Frog Pond Elementary School – Multi-Purpose Room

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Gina Frasca, Board President at 7:50 p.m.

Roll Call:

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| Mr. Cimino | - | Yes | Mr. Sanzari | - | Yes |
| Mr. Daleo | - | Yes | Mr. Wood | - | Yes |
| Mr. Held | - | Yes | Ms. Frasca | - | Yes |
| Dr. Newman | - | Yes | | | |

Also present were: Dr. Frank Kasyan, Mrs. Lynn Coates, Mr. Brady and Mr. Coronato

**Pledge of
Allegiance:**

**Open Public
Meeting Act:**

This is to advise the general public that in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the Little Egg Harbor Board of Education caused to be posted at the Office of the Board of Education located at 307 Frog Pond Road, Little Egg Harbor, NJ and faxed on March 10, 2011 to the Asbury Park Press, Atlantic City Press and to the office of the Municipal Clerk of Little Egg Harbor, a meeting notice setting forth the time, date and location of this meeting.

**Superintendent's
Report:**

Dr. Frank Kasyan, Superintendent of Schools – Dr. Kasyan thanked everyone for their efforts with the workshops and the meeting tonight.

Open to Public:

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest as cited in Policy No. 0167.

The public may comment on any item on the agenda at this time. General public comment will occur later in the meeting.

Mr. Laurenzo inquired about the premiums for the NJ Direct 15 and Prescription plans and are there any other concessions. Mrs. Coates responded there will be two premiums and prescription is separate. Dr. Kasyan stated there were \$618,000 in give backs. Mr. Laurenzo also asked about the percentage of benefits/salary. Mrs. Coates responded.

**Board
Committee
Updates:**

There were no board committee updates.

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Mr. Held stated he would like to see the budget pass, but does not believe it will because of the tax increase. He stated he believes we can tweak and hold taxes and went on to say that he would like to explore no tax increase. Dr. Kasyan responded that the increase was caused by debt service and ratable base, our budget has decreased by \$1.3 million. Dr. Kasyan stated that this has been compounded by things that are out of our control. We did what the government asked us to do, no waivers – we are fiscally sound. Mr. Held responded would it be more fiscally sound to have no tax increase. Dr. Kasyan stated last year the district cut 41 staff members.

Executive Session:

Motion by C. Cimino. Seconded by A. Daleo.

To enter into Executive Session at 8:04 p.m. for the purpose of personnel, negotiations, litigation, student matters and any other action appropriate for executive session. Action may or may not be taken upon return to regular session.

Voice Vote: All Ayes

Mrs. Coates stated the motion carried.

Out of Executive Session:

The board returned to public session at 8:40 p.m.

Budget Scenario #1:

Motion by A. Daleo. Seconded by R. Wood.

To support Budget Scenario number 1 as presented by the Superintendent of Schools.

Roll Call:

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| Mr. Cimino | - | Yes | Mr. Sanzari | - | Yes |
| Mr. Daleo | - | Yes | Mr. Wood | - | Yes |
| Mr. Held | - | No | Ms. Frasca | - | Yes |
| Dr. Newman | - | No | | | |

Mrs. Coates stated the motion carried.

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Mr. Lawrence – parent and tax payer – Mr. Lawrence thanked the board for looking into various scenarios and went on to say that in the past taxes were reduced and the community still voted no. Mr. Lawrence stated he appreciated the board’s support and ability to strike a balance between the two.

Board Forum:

Mr. Held stated he is against the budget and is concerned that it will be voted down and don’t think we needed to eliminate positions and went on to say that he thought it would fail and then the cuts will be out of our hands.

Dr. Kasyan quoted Margaret Meade, “A small group of thoughtful people could change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has” and went on to say that we can do wonderful things, if we all work together. Dr. Kasyan stated everyone here has an ethical responsibility to support and help pass the budget.

Substitute Approvals:

Motion by A. Daleo. Seconded by R. Wood.

To approve the following substitutes as listed below for the 2010/2011 School Year as listed below:

| | Name | Teacher Certified \$78/day Teacher Sub Cert \$70/day | Nurse \$85/day | Para \$8/hr | Sect’y \$9/hr Clerk \$8/hr | Custodian \$10/hr. | Lead Counselor \$10/hr. Lead Camp Counselor \$12/hr | Head Camp Counselor \$10/hr. | Counselor \$8/hr. Camp Counselor \$8/hr | CIT \$7.25/hr. Camp CIT \$7.25/hr. |
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| A | Casillas, Kellyanne | | | ✓ | | | | | | |
| B | Melissa Black-Davis | | | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | |

College Course Approval:

To approve the following College Course Approval as per the Little Egg Harbor Support Staff/Education Association/Board Contractual Agreement:

| Name/College | Semester/Course | Tuition |
|-----------------------|--|------------------|
| Maureen Turczmanovicz | Fairleigh Dickinson University Spring 2011 EDUC 6862 – Reading Comprehension Report Form | 1 Credit - \$689 |

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| Mr. Daleo | - | Yes | Mr. Wood | - | Yes |
| Mr. Held | - | Yes | Ms. Frasca | - | Yes |
| Dr. Newman | - | Yes | | | |

Mrs. Coates stated the motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion R. Wood. Seconded by A. Daleo.
To adjourn at 8:46 p.m.

Voice Vote: All Ayes

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn Coates
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary