

**EDGEWATER BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK SESSION MEETING
AGENDA
NOVEMBER 17, 2022 9:30 AM**

CALL TO ORDER WORK SESSION MEETING

MR. WALLY LINDSLEY, BOARD SECRETARY, CALLED THE ROLL:

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Dr. Cella		Mrs. Stefani-Rackow	
Ms. Harris		Mrs. Klein	
Mr. Quinton			

A. Open Public Meeting Act Statement:

Mrs. Klein read the following: “The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with this Act, a legal notice of this meeting has been posted on the official bulletin board at the school, Borough Hall, and sent to the Record and the Star Ledger.” Notice has been posted on the District website.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Public Attendance:

ADMINISTRATION	POSITION	ATTENDANCE
Ms. Siobhan Tauchert	Superintendent	
Mr. Wally Lindsley	Board Secretary	
Mr. Jeffrey Merlino, Esq.	Board Attorney	
Mr. Angelo DeSimone	State Monitor	

RESOLVED, that the Edgewater Board of Education meeting hereby convenes to executive session for discussion of the following subjects: _____

It is anticipated that the executive session will take approximately ____; the Board may take action when it reconvenes to public session; and the minutes of the executive session shall be released to the public when the reason for the executive session no longer exists.

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Executive Session

Motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters or other exceptions to the sunshine laws as follows:

1. Any matter considered confidential by federal law, state statute, or court rule;
2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair the receipt of federal funds;
3. Any material which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy if disclosed;
4. Any collective bargaining agreements;
5. Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds;
6. Any tactics and techniques used in protecting the safety and property of the public;
7. Any pending or anticipated litigation;
8. Personnel matter related to the employment, appointment or termination of current or prospective employees;
9. Attorney/client privilege.

Moved	Seconded	Time
AYE	NA	

Motion to return to open session (to be moved in public session)

Moved	Seconded	Time
AYE	NAY	

ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION Time:

Motion: 2nd

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella ____ Ms. Harris ____ Mr. Quinton ____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow ____ Mrs. Klein ____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____

**EDGEWATER BOARD OF EDUCATION
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CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING

MR. WALLY LINDSLEY, BOARD SECRETARY, CALLED THE ROLL:

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I. BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT: Mrs. Sandy Klein

II. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: Ms. Siobhan Tauchert

III. REPORT OF BOARD SECRETARY Mr. Wally Lindsley

IV. LEONIA BOARD REPORT: Mrs. Stefani-Rackow and Ms. Khalli Harris

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

Public Meeting: Thursday, December 8, 2022, Eleanor Van Gelder Auditorium at 7:30 P.M.

Reorganization Meeting: Thursday, January 5, 2023, Eleanor Van Gelder Auditorium at 6:30 P.M.

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V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Board Committees

- 1. Policy, Personnel and Negotiations Committee:** Policy Committee met on 9/7/2022
Negotiations committee met on 11/1/22.
- 2. Curriculum and Technology Committee**
- 3. Finance, Building and Grounds and Strategic Planning**
- 4. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity Committee – Meeting on 11/21/22.**

VI. STATE MONITOR REPORT: Mr. Angelo DeSimone

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY MAXIMUM 3 MINUTES PER PERSON FOR A TOTAL OF TEN MINUTES MAXIMUM TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

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VIII. OPEN PUBLIC ADDRESS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

IX. CLOSE PUBLIC SESSION

X. CORRESPONDENCE

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XI. Action Items: Minutes

MINUTES – The following minutes have been given to the board for acceptance:

- 1M. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education accept the minutes of the Combined Work Session, Regular Meeting and Executive Session of October 20, 2022.

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella _____ Ms. Harris _____ Mr. Quinton _____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow _____ Mrs. Klein _____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____

XII. Action Items: Contract/Memberships

CONTRACTS/MEMBERSHIPS:

- 1CM. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education approve a Service Agreement with Swing Education to post and manage requests for substitute teachers and related professionals for the 2022-2023 school year.
- 2CM. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education approve a contract with Delta-t Group for interim nursing services for the 2022-2023 school year, at an hourly rate of \$55.
- 3CM. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education approve a contract with Preferred Home Health Care & Nursing Services for the 2022-2023 school year, at an hourly rate of \$55 for LPN and \$62 for RN.
- 4CM. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the Send/Receive Agreement with the Leonia Board of Education for the 2022-2023 through the 2026-2027 school years.
- 5CM. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the South Bergen Jointure Commission revised contract for Child Study Team services (LDT-C), for the 2022-2023 school year, in the amount of \$129,154.87.

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CONTRACTS/MEMBERSHIPS:

- 6CM. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve a Vehicle Rental Agreement with Belair Transport in the amount of \$100.00 per day intermittently during the 2022-2023 school year.
- 7CM. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education approve a contract with Lerch, Vinci & Bliss for accounting services in connection with the review and assistance with the reconciliation of the District's general ledgers at June 30, 2022 to the June 2022 bank reconciliation balance, subsidiary ledgers and supporting records of the Districts governmental funds. The fee will be billed out at hourly rates based on actual time spent and is estimated to be between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella _____ Ms. Harris _____ Mr. Quinton _____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow _____ Mrs. Klein _____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____

XIII. Action Items: Finance

FINANCE:

- 1F. **RESOLVED**, by the Edgewater Board of Education, approve November 17, 2022 Bills and Claims be approved. Total Amount: \$.
- 2F. **RESOLVED**, by the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the November 10, 2022 Bills and Claims. Total Amount: **\$768,306.98 3 of 10 Leonia School District Tuition.**
- 3F. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the payroll account and agency account checks for October 28, 2022 (Actual), November 15, 2022 (Estimate) and November 30, 2022 (Estimate).

Date	Amount
October 28, 2022 Actual	\$403,867.44
November 15, 2022 Estimate	\$405,000.00
November 30, 2022 Estimate	\$405,000.00
Total	\$1,213,867.44

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XIII. Action Items: Finance - continued

FINANCE:

- 4F. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education approve the manual checks.

Month and Year	October, 2022	Amount
Acct. #11-000-291-220-000-0000	Social Security – Oct 28	\$27,407.96

Month and Year	November, 2022	Amount
Acct. #11-000-291-270-000-0000	State of NJ Health Benefits	\$168,931.29

- 5F. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education approve Board Secretary Report and Treasurer’s Report for September 2022; and

The Board approves the Board Secretary’s Report of September 2022 “Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20A 10(e)” and certify that as of September 2022 the Board Secretary’s monthly financial report did not reflect an over expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected on these reports and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the financial reports for the months be accepted and shall become a part of the official minutes of this meeting.

- 6F. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the transfer of funds for the month of September 2022 as certified by the Business Administrator and authorized by the Superintendent of Schools.

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

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XIV. Action Items: EDUCATION - None

XV. Action Items: Out of District Tuition/Transportation

1ODT. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the tuition contract with the Calais School for the 2022-2023 school year, beginning October 3, 2022, for Student ID #4394979735 at a per diem cost of **\$409.00** for a tentative cost of **\$85,890.00**.

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella _____ Ms. Harris _____ Mr. Quinton _____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow _____ Mrs. Klein _____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____

XVI. Action Items: Fiscal Management - None

XVII. Action Items: Personnel

1PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, **ratify and affirm** the following Individual as Aide for the 2022-2023 School Year with a start date October 31, 2022:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Rates for 9/1/22:</u>
Arsinoi Savrides	Lunch Aide	GW	\$15.00

2PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve a revised FMLA leave for employee ID #12078127 from October 11, 2022 through April 9, 2023, as stated on physician's certification.

3PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve a stipend of \$500 for the 2022-2023 school year for Jacqueline Vougiatzis as Sixth Grade Coordinator.

4PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, **ratify and affirm** the following Individual as Aide for the 2022-2023 School Year with a start date on or about November 14, 2022 (Pending Successful Criminal History Review):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Rates for 9/1/22:</u>
Sandra Almeida	Classroom Aide	GW	\$16.80

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XVII. Action Items: Personnel - continued

5PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, **rescind the contract** for Kimberly Gewertz, third grade teacher.

6PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve Anthony Iavarone as 3rd Grade Teacher, to replace Tuyet Bui, BA step 9 at a salary of \$58,627, with benefits, for the 2022-2023 school year beginning November 15, 2022 through June 30, 2023 (Pending Verification of Transcripts).

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

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XVIII. Action Items: Policies - None

XIX. Action Items: Administration

1A. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the submission of the District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS) 2022.

2A. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve that HIB EVG22/2301 was a non-confirmed HIB case.

3A. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve that HIB EVG22/2302 was a non-confirmed HIB case.

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

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XX. Action Items: Grants/Compliance - None

XXI. Action Items: Buildings and Grounds - None

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XXV. ADJOURNMENT

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