

**EDGEWATER BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK SESSION MEETING
AGENDA
JANUARY 20, 2022 6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER WORK SESSION MEETING

MS. KATHLEEN MARANO, INTERIM BOARD SECRETARY, CALLED THE ROLL:

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

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	
Ms. Kathleen Marano	Interim 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
AYE

Seconded
NA

Time

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

Moved
AYE

Seconded
NAY

Time

ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION Time:

Motion: 2nd

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella ____ Ms. Harris ____ Ms. Zamora ____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow ____ Mrs. Klein ____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____

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CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING

MS. KATHLEEN MARANO, INTERIM BOARD SECRETARY, CALLED THE ROLL:

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Dr Cella		Mrs. Stefani-Rackow	
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I. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: Ms. Siobhan Tauchert

II. REPORT OF INTERIM BOARD SECRETARY Ms. Kathleen Marano

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

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

Public Meeting: Thursday, February 10, 2022, Eleanor Van Gelder Auditorium at 7:30 P.M.

Public Meeting: Thursday, March 10, 2022, Eleanor Van Gelder Auditorium at 7:30 P.M.

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IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Board Committees

- 1. Policy, Finance, Personnel and Negotiations Committee: Meeting on January 26, 2022**
- 2. Curriculum and Technology Committee:**
- 3. Building and Grounds and Strategic Planning: Meeting on January 18, 2022**
- 4. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity Committee:**

V. STATE MONITOR REPORT: Mr. Angelo DeSimone

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY MAXIMUM 3 MINUTES

To permit the fair and orderly expression of comments we ask that:

1. A participant must be recognized by a presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name, place of residence and group affiliation, if appropriate;
2. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to a three minute duration;
3. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard; and
4. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question board members individually.

VII. OPEN PUBLIC ADDRESS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

VIII. CLOSE PUBLIC SESSION

IX. CORRESPONDENCE –

The Board received an email from a community member requesting a livestream for the BOE meetings. A petition was included that had 87 signatures.

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X. 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 December 9, 2021.
- 2M. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education accept the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of January 6, 2022.

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella _____ Ms. Harris _____ Ms. Zamora _____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow _____ Mrs. Klein _____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____

XI. Action Items: Contract/Memberships

CONTRACTS/MEMBERSHIPS:

MOTION TO APPROVE PARENTAL TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

- 1C. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education approve to **rescind** the 2021-2022 Parental Contract (21-22 BRDS) at a rate of \$95.00 per day, not to exceed \$20,200 for Student Transportation with the parents of student ID #5151760468.
- 2C. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education approve to **rescind as of November 17, 2021** the 2021-2022 Parental Contract (21-22 YCS) at a rate of \$95.00 per day, not to exceed \$20,200 and the Extended School Year 2021-2022 Parental Contract (21-22 YCS-1) at a rate of \$95.00 per day, not to exceed \$1,805 for Student Transportation with the parents of student ID #4537814974.
- 3C. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education approve to 2021-2022 Parental Contract (21-22 YSLC) at a rate of \$95.00 per day, not to exceed \$20,200 for Student Transportation with the parents of student ID #4537814974 with a start date of November 18, 2021.

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MOTION TO APPROVE CONSULTANT CONTRACT

- 4C. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the service agreement with Lisa Coniglio as Teacher of the Visually Impaired beginning September 2021 through June 2022 at \$100.00 per 30 minutes for student ID #7589713592.

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella _____ Ms. Harris _____ Ms. Zamora _____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow _____ Mrs. Klein _____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____

XII. Action Items: Finance

FINANCE:

- 1F. **RESOLVED**, by the Edgewater Board of Education, that the January 20, 2022 Bills and Claims be approved. Total Amount: **\$470,704.79**.
- 2F. **RESOLVED**, by the Edgewater Board of Education, that the January 19, 2022 Bills and Claims be approved. Total Amount: **\$28,255.50**.
- 3F. **RESOLVED**, by the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the January 10, 2022 Bills and Claims. Total Amount: **\$827,409.50 5 of 10 Leonia School District Tuition**.
- 4F. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the payroll account and agency account checks for December 15, 2021 (actual), December 23, 2021 (actual), January 15, 2022 (Actual) and January 30, 2022 (Estimate).

Date	Amount
December 15, 2021 Actual	\$359,954.68
December 23, 2021 Actual	\$369,100.69
January 15, 2022 Actual	\$348,874.43
January 30, 2022 Estimate	\$365,000.00
Total	\$1,442,929.80

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XII. Action Items: Finance - continued

FINANCE:

- 5F. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education approve the manual checks.

Month and Year	November, 2021	Amount
Acct. #11-000-230-530-000-0000	Verizon – November	\$289.00

Month and Year	December, 2021	Amount
Acct. #11-000-291-220-000-0000	Social Security – Dec 15	\$24,047.75
Acct. #11-000-291-220-000-0000	Social Security – Dec 23	\$24,612.49

Month and Year	January, 2022	Amount
Acct. #11-000-291-270-000-0000	State of NJ Health Benefits	\$136,461.39
Acct. #11-000-291-270-000-0000	Delta Dental – January	\$7,519.59
Acct. #11-000-291-220-000-0000	Social Security – Jan 15	\$23,636.88

- 6F. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education approve Board Secretary Report and Treasurer's Report for November 2021; and

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.

- 7F. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the transfer of funds for the month of November 2021 as certified by the Business Administrator and authorized by the Superintendent of Schools.

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella _____ Ms. Harris _____ Ms. Zamora _____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow _____ Mrs. Klein _____

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XIII. Action Items: EDUCATION - None _____

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XIV. Action Items: Out of District Tuition/Transportation - None

XV. Action Items: Fiscal Management

- 1FM. **RESOLUTION TO APPROVE, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR, THE LIST OF TRAVEL AND RELATED COSTS WHICH ARE EDUCATIONALLY NECESSARY, FISCALLY PRUDENT, IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT GUIDELINES, ARE RELATED TO AND WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE EMPLOYEE'S CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND PROMOTE THE DELIVERY OF INSTRUCTION OR FURTHER THE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

WHEREAS, the Chief School Administrator recommends that the Edgewater Board of Education approve the attendance of staff members at the following Professional Development Workshops:

Name	Date	Title of Workshop	Cost
Adam Tonner	February 14, 2022	2022 Shape NJ Professional	\$149.00
Robert Schwerdt	February 15, 2022	2022 Shape NJ Professional	\$149.00

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella _____ Ms. Harris _____ Ms. Zamora _____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow _____ Mrs. Klein _____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____

XVI. Action Items: Personnel

- 1PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the updated substitute list for the 2021-2022 School Year.
- 2PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve Mr. Lazaro Gonzalez as Bus Driver/Custodian for the 2021-2022 school year, at a salary of \$41,000 plus \$2,000 for CDL, for a total of \$43,000 prorated to start date of February 1, 2022, pending successful criminal history review.
- 3PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve movement on the guide for Victoria Creagh, from BA+15 step 2 (\$54,778), to MA step 2 (\$57,778) effective February 1, 2022.

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4PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, **ratify and affirm** KyungUn Rhee replacing John Whitener as Music Teacher-EVG, MA, step 5 at a salary of \$59,078, beginning January 18, 2022 through June 30, 2022.

5PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, **ratify and affirm** Evan James replacing Danielle Festa, MA, step 10, at a salary of \$68,128 with benefits, for the 2021-2022 school year beginning January 20, 2022 through June 30, 2022.

6PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the following Individual as Aide for the 2021-2022 School Year with a start date on or about February 1, 2022, pending successful criminal history review.:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>	
Jaclyn Fisher	One-On-One	GW	\$16.80 per hour, no benefits

7PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve Mariuxi Mantilla as Paraprofessional Aide for the 2021-2022 school year with a start date or on about February 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022 at \$24,759, prorated, with benefits, pending successful criminal history review.

8PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve stipend for Tuyet Bui for Mathematics Curriculum Writing/Pacing Charts/Revisions, 10 hours at \$40 per hour.

9PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve stipend for Jared Blaso for Social Studies Curriculum Writing/Pacing Charts/Alignment to NJSLs, 10 hours at \$40 per hour.

10PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve stipend Dominique Pio for Social Studies Curriculum Writing/Pacing Charts/Alignment to NJSLs, 10 hours at \$40 per hour.

11PER. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve stipend for Tuyet Bui for Alpha Minds Lead Teacher-EVG, oversee Enrichment Program Coding Class, 20 sessions at \$40 per session. Third and Fourth grades, January 24 through April 4, Fifth and Sixth grades, January 25 through April 5.

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- 12PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve stipend for Tuyet Bui for After-School Mathematics and Reading Intervention-grade 4, 28 sessions including four planning sessions, for a total of 28 sessions at \$40 per hour. Instructional start date is January 21 through April 22 (Thursdays and Fridays when school is in session).
- 13PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve stipend for Kari Henderson for After-School Mathematics and Reading Intervention-grade 5, 28 sessions including four planning sessions, for a total of 28 sessions at \$40 per hour. Instructional start date is January 21 through April 22 (Thursdays and Fridays when school is in session.).
- 14PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve stipend for Myra London for Mathematics/Social Studies Curriculum Writing/Pacing Charts/Alignment to NJSLS, 10 hours at \$40 per hour.
- 15PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve stipend for David Miranda for Alpha Minds Lead Teacher GW, oversee Enrichment Program/Coding class, 20 sessions at \$40 per session. First grade, January 27 through April 7; Second grade, January 28 through April 1.
- 16PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, **ratify and affirm** an amended contract for Jill DiLorenzo Troyano, replacing Orazia Sepero as School Administrative Assistant – District Student Information Systems Coordinator in the Edgewater School System at the Eleanor Van Gelder School for the 2021-2022 school year at an annual salary of \$53,474.80 (prorated), with benefits waived, starting on November 18, 2021.
- 17PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, **ratify and affirm** Nicole Sabatello replacing Allison Morgan as Guidance Counselor EVG/GW, MA, Step 1 at a salary of \$57,378.00, prorated, beginning January 17, 2022 through June 30, 2022.
- 18PER.**RESOLVED**, by the Edgewater Board of Education, to appoint Nicole Sabatello as the HIB Specialist at the Eleanor Van Gelder School for the Fiscal 2022 School Year.
- 19PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, post-approve student teacher, Yuky Wang, Elementary/MS Math Education for two days/week (Tuesday, and Thursday) from January 20 through April 29, 2022. Cooperating Teacher is Ms. Kimberly Huff (4th Grade).

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20PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve FMLA for employee ID# 79449633, beginning January 14, 2022, through January 28, 2022, pending physician certification.

21PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve movement on the guide for Jacqueline Vougiatzis, from BA+30 step 7 (\$60,578), to MA+30 step 7 (\$65,079) effective February 1, 2022.

22PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the increase of the Substitute Rate to \$150 per day for a full-day and \$75 per day for a half-day effective February 1, 2022.

23PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve stipend for Myra London for After-School Mathematics and Reading Intervention-grade 3, 28 sessions including four planning sessions, for a total of 28 sessions at \$40 per hour. Instructional start date is January 21 through April 22 (Thursdays and Fridays when school is in session.).

24PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve stipend for Myra London for After-School Mathematics and Reading Intervention-grade 6, 28 sessions including four planning sessions, for a total of 28 sessions at \$40 per hour. Instructional start date is January 24 through April 19. (Mondays and Tuesdays when school is in session.).

25PER.**RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve NJFLI for employee ID #30436414 from February 1, 2022, through June 30, 2022 (intermittent).

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella _____ Ms. Harris _____ Ms. Zamora _____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow _____ Mrs. Klein _____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____

XVII. Action Items: Policies - None

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XVIII. Action Items: Administration

- 1A. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the submission of the Health and Safety Evaluation of School Buildings Statement of Assurance for the 2021-2022 school year.
- 2A. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the donation of 20 desks and chairs to Cresskill School District.
- 3A. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, **Authorize to Appoint the following:**

Nominations for Representative to the Leonia Board of Education:

Nominations for NJ School Boards Association Delegate:

Nominations for NJ School Boards Association Alternate Delegate:

Nominations to Bergen County School Boards Delegate:

Nominations to Bergen County School Boards Alternate Delegate

- 4A. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, **Authorize to Appoint the following:**

Board Committees

1. **Policy, Finance, Personnel and Negotiations Committee:**
2. **Curriculum and Technology Committee:**
3. **Building and Grounds and Strategic Planning:**
4. **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity Committee:**

- 5A. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the submission of the Paraprofessional Statement of Assurance to NJDOE.
- 6A. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, accept the semi-annual HIB report by the Superintendent.

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XVIII. Action Items: Administration - continued

- 7A. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, approve the Edgewater School District 2021-2022 Chain of Command.

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella _____ Ms. Harris _____ Ms. Zamora _____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow _____ Mrs. Klein _____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____

XIX. Action Items: Grants/Compliance – None

XX. Buildings and Grounds

- 1BG. **RESOLVED**, that, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, the Edgewater Board of Education, **ratify and affirm** a Nuclear Backscatter Roof Survey to be performed by Infrared Predictive Surveys, Inc. in the amount of \$2,795.00.

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

Discussion:

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella _____ Ms. Harris _____ Ms. Zamora _____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow _____ Mrs. Klein _____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____

XXI. OPEN PUBLIC ADDRESS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

XXII. CLOSE PUBLIC SESSION

XXIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: _____, 2nd: _____

ROLL CALL

Dr. Cella _____ Ms. Harris _____ Ms. Zamora _____ Mrs. Stefani-Rackow _____ Mrs. Klein _____

ACTION OF THE BOARD _____