

**Oceanport Board of Education
29 Wolf Hill Avenue
Oceanport, NJ**

**Regular Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2021 7:00PM
Remote Meeting**

<https://www.oceanportschools.org/zoomboe>

A meeting of the Oceanport Board of Education was held remotely this day, as advertised. Members of the public can access this remote meeting <https://www.oceanportschools.org/zoomboe>.

I. CALL TO ORDER – Board of Education President Mark Patterson

**II. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT –
Board of Education President Mark Patterson**

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975 c. 231 the Oceanport Board of Education has issued notice of this meeting to be publicized by having the date, time and location of the meeting posted at Maple Place School, Wolf Hill School, Oceanport Borough, Sea Bright Borough, The Link and Asbury Park Press. Notice has been filed with the Monmouth County Superintendent of Schools, the Borough Clerk of Oceanport and the Borough Clerk of Sea Bright and sent to those persons requesting that such notice be mailed to them.

III. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

Deirdre Bova	present	Rick McKenna	present
John Fleming	present	Mark Patterson	present
Jamie Gough	present	Daniel Peltz	present
Maura Kelly	absent	Marion Wilhalme	present
Patricia Kelly	present		

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

Often times it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases by unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. If the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred for Board review at a Board Committee meeting. The members of the Board work via committees with the Superintendent and the Administration to assure that the members fully understand the matter. When the Board and Administration are satisfied with the matter, it is placed on the

agenda for action at a public meeting. In rare instances, matters are presented to the Board of Education for discussion at the same meeting that final action may be taken.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a **MOTION** by Mrs. Wilhalme seconded by Mr. McKenna and carried by roll call vote with Mrs. P. Kelly abstaining the **December 21, 2020 Regular Meeting** minutes were approved

On a **MOTION** by Mr. McKenna seconded by Mrs. Gough and carried on unanimous roll call vote the **January 6, 2021 Reorganization Meeting minutes and the January 6, 2021 Executive Session minutes**

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT & PRESENTATIONS – Mrs. Anne Facendo

- Special Acknowledgement – Retirement of Wolf Hill Security Officer Frank Van Brunt on January 15, 2021 ~

Mr. Maglione, Principal of Wolf Hill School and President Patterson lauded Mr. Frank Van Brunt who dedicated over 30 years of his life to protecting the health, safety, and well-being of the community of Oceanport. He will be truly missed by the teachers, support staff and children of Wolf Hill School past and present.

- Special Acknowledgement – Resignation of Wolf Hill School Nurse Meghan Stoia on June 30, 2021 ~

Superintendent Facendo shared that Nurse Stoia will be leaving in June to pursue a wonderful opportunity.

- Special Thanks and the Resignation of Ms. Maura Kelly from the Oceanport Board of Education on January 27, 2021

Mrs. Bova, Board Member lauded Ms. Kelly's contributions over her 15 months on the Board. Her service was most valued and she will be missed.

On a **MOTION** by Mrs. Wilhalme seconded by Mr. Peltz and carried on unanimous roll call vote the Board accepted the resignation of Ms. Maura Kelly.

- PTO Liaison ~

Due to the resignation of Ms. Kelly the PTO Liaison position is vacant. On a **MOTION** by Mrs. Bova seconded by Mr. McKenna and carried on unanimous roll call vote Mr. Daniel Peltz will replace Ms. Kelly as the liaison to the PTO.

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- NJDOE Statement of Assurance (SOA) ~ Paraprofessional Staff 2020-2021 SY

On a **MOTION** by Mrs. Bova seconded by Mrs. Gough and carried on unanimous roll call vote the NJDOE Statement of Assurance regarding use of Paraprofessionals for the 2020-2021 school year was accepted.

- December 2020 HIB Report:

December 2020	Referred Incidents	Investigated Incidents	Confirmed Incidents	Confirmed Incidents Year to Date
Wolf Hill School	0	0	0	0
Maple Place School	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

On a **MOTION** by Mr. McKenna seconded by Mr. Fleming and carried on unanimous roll call vote the December HIB report was accepted.

- Enrollment Report

2020-2021 Oceanport School District Enrollment

Grade	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
PK	16	11	7	8	8	8	10					
K	56	55	40	40	40	39	42					
1	67	68	55	54	54	54	55					
2	68	70	58	58	58	58	58					
3	71	68	64	63	64	58	59					
4	67	70	65	64	64	62	62					
Wolf Hill School Total	345	342	289	287	288	279	286					
5	74	74	69	68	68	68	67					
6	57	55	54	54	54	53	54					
7	59	59	58	57	58	58	58					
8	76	77	73	73	73	72	71					
Maple Place School Total	266	265	254	252	253	251	250					
District Total	611	607	543	539	541	530	536					

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time, comments are invited on school matters of community interest. Upon being recognized by the presiding officer, anyone wishing to address the Board, please state your name and address. Each statement made by a member of the public shall be limited to three minutes. No member of the public may address or question individual board members or administration. Although the Board encourages public participation, it reserves the right, through its presiding officer, to terminate remarks to and/or by any individual not keeping with the conduct of a proper and efficient meeting. The Board discourages the public from speaking negatively about any employee or student. Individuals can be held personally liable for defamatory or libelous statements made at public meetings. Comments regarding employees, administrators, students, and security procedures cannot be legally responded to by the Board. The Board bears no responsibility for comments made by members of the public. In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of public comment, questions from the public will be responded to, if feasible, after the public comment portion of the meeting is closed.

NO COMMENT WAS OFFERED

VIII. COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

A. Education, Technology, Curriculum, Instruction Committee:

Deirdre Bova, Chairperson

Committee Report: January 2021 Meeting of the Oceanport Education, Technology, Curriculum, Instruction Committee

WHEREAS the Superintendent of Schools has recommended certain protocols with regard to the district’s curriculum, instruction, and student activity programs, now, therefore be it

A-1 RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following Professional Development of Staff Members with terms as stated:

Employee	Event(s)	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Geraldine Martinez	MC3 Winter Summit 2021- New Jersey Student Learning Standards 2020	Virtual	1/8/2021	\$75.00
Matthew Howell	Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS)- School EOP Planning 101: Modifying and Enhancing Efforts to Practice School Emergency Operations Plans	Virtual	1/28/2021	N/A

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Mark Maglione	Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS)- School EOP Planning 101: Modifying and Enhancing Efforts to Practice School Emergency Operations Plans	Virtual	1/28/2021	N/A
Alysa Okpych	NJSHA 29 th Annual Joint Conference – Wait...What?? Supporting Students With Verbal Working Memory Limitations	Virtual	3/3/2021 3/10/2021	\$115.00
Tara O’Sullivan	NJSHA 29 th Annual Joint Conference – Wait...What?? Supporting Students With Verbal Working Memory Limitations	Virtual	3/3/2021 3/10/2021	\$115.00
Jamie Hahn	Bureau of Education & Research - Making Best Use of Google Classroom to Strengthen Science Instruction	Virtual	3/25/2021	\$279.00
Alysa Okpych	Bureau of Education & Research – Strengthen Your Speech-Language Pathologist Tele-therapy Program	Virtual	3/30/2021	\$279.00

A-2 RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following Field Trips pursuant to Board of Education Policy 2340:

Date	Destination	Grade Level/ Staff Members	Subject Matter
3/3/2021 3/10/2021 3/17/2021	Shore Regional High School	8 th Grade Students	8 th Grade Honors Placement Program

On a **MOTION** by Mrs. Bova seconded by Mr. Peltz and carried on a unanimous roll call vote Items A-1 and A-2 were approved.

B. Policy Committee: Patricia Kelly, Chairperson

Committee Report: January 19, 2021 Meeting

C. Personnel Committee: Marion Wilhalme, Chairperson

Committee Report: January 2021 Meeting

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools has recommended certain appointments, payments, transfers and assignments, now, therefore be it

C-1 RESOLVED; the Board of Education retroactively approves Barbara Cadamuro as a substitute school nurse, as needed, for the 2020-2021 school year at a daily rate of \$160.00. This approval is effective 1/11/2021.

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- C-2 RESOLVED, the Board of Education retroactively approves Monica Thatcher as a Long Term in-person substitute teacher for the 2020-2021 school year at a daily rate of \$160.00. This approval is effective 1/19/2021.
- C-3 RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following staff members in Schedule B positions with terms as stated:

	Staff Member	Compensation
Art Club – Wolf Hill Grades 3 & 4	Amy Donohoe	\$1,275.00
Art Club – Wolf Hill Grades K-2	Alex Canessa	\$1,275.00
Technology Club – Maple Place	Anthony Grassi	\$1,275.00
Spring Band – Maple Place	Daniel DiTommaso	\$3,863.89

- C-4 RESOLVED, the Board of Education, approves the following long term employee leave for maternity/paternity for the following individual with terms as stated:

Staff Member (I.D. #)	Effective Dates
Employee #4194	4/26/2021-6/30/2021

- C-5 RESOLVED, due to the continued COVID-19 pandemic, the Board of Education, in concert with medical approval by the Board-Approved District Physician, approves the long-term virtual / telework work assignment for the following individual with terms as stated:

Staff Member (I.D. #)	Effective Dates
Employee #4287	1/28/2021-6/30/2021

- C-6 RESOLVED; the Board of Education approves (with regret) the resignation of School Security Officer Frank Van Brunt effective 1/15/2021.
- C-7 RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves (with regret) the resignation of Wolf Hill School Nurse Meghan Stoia effective 6/30/2021.
- C-8 RESOLVED; the Board of Education approves the employment of the following classroom / recess monitors at an hourly rate of \$13.00 per hour, not to exceed 20 hours per week, pending satisfactory completion of employment requirements:

Staff Member	Effective Start-Date
Ian Blondek	January 28, 2021
Abigail K. Collins	January 28, 2021
Jennifer Griesemer Sullivan	January 28, 2021

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- C-9 RESOLVED; the Board of Education approves the employment of the following **substitute** classroom / recess monitors at an hourly rate of \$13.00 per hour, not to exceed 20 hours per week:

Staff Member	Effective Start-Date
Danielle Wolfe	January 28, 2021
Monica Tafuri	January 28, 2021

On a **MOTION** by Mrs. Wilhalme seconded by Mr. McKenna and carried on unanimous roll call vote Items C-1 through C-9 were approved.

D. Finance Committee: John Fleming, Chairperson

Committee Report: January 21, 2021 Meeting

D-1 BILLS AND CLAIMS – JANUARY 2021

RESOLUTION to approve bills and claims for January in the amount of \$377,517.39 .

D-2 TRANSFERS –JANUARY 2021

RESOLUTION to approve the following transfers:

AMOUNT	FROM	TO
\$ 3,500	11-000-222-100-02-00-00-030 libry aide	11-000-230-590-00-00-00-000 misc purch srvcs
\$ 450	11-204-100-106-03-00-00-000ESY sly	11-000-240-105-03-00-00-000 OT secretary
\$ 500	11-204-100-106-03-00-00-000ESY sly	11-000-240-800-02-00-00-030 prof dues MP
\$ 10,275	11-000-291-260-00-00-00-000 wrkr comp	11-000-251-330-00-00-00-000 purch prof srvcs
\$ 750	11-204-100-106-03-00-00-000ESY sly	11-000-262-610-01-00-00-050 WH custodial supp

D-3 Board Secretary Report November 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that the financial reports of the Secretary to the Board of Education dated July 31, 2020, be accepted and submitted and attached to and made part of the minutes of this meeting, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(c)4 that after a review of the secretary’s monthly financial report and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

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D-4 CONTRACT

RESOLUTION to abolish the contract between Oceanport School District and CPC Highpoint School effective 1/21/2021.

On a **MOTION** by Mr. Fleming seconded by Mr. Peltz and carried on unanimous roll call vote ItemsD-1 through D-4 were approved.

E. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Rick McKenna, Chairperson

Committee Report: January 21, 2021

E-1 Emergency Drill Logs -

1. Wolf Hill School

Date	Drill	Participants
1/15/2021	Bomb Threat/Shelter in Place Drill	Staff & Students
1/25/2021	Fire Drill	Staff & Students

2. Maple Place School

Date	Drill	Participants
1/21/2021	Fire Drill	Staff & Students
1/26/2021	Medical Emergency Drill	Staff & Students

On a **MOTION** by Mr. McKenna seconded by Mrs. Wilhalme and carried on unanimous roll call vote ItemsE-1 was approved.

IX. LIAISON REPORTS

NJSBA/MCSBA - Deirdre Bova

February 8, 2021 Board retreat with NJSBA field representative Kathy Winecoff.

PTO - Mark Patterson and Deirdre Bova reporting

Super Bowl Pizza kit fundraiser is underway

SEPAG - Jamie Gough

No report ~ next meeting is 2/8/2021 at 7:30PM

FMERA - Patricia Kelly

The site plans for the Somerset parcel were approved

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Oceanport Borough Council – Mark Patterson

Borough offices and the police will be moving into the new complex on Oceanport Way.

Sea Bright Borough Council – Jamie Gough

The Mad Hatter was given a granted a conditional liquor license

X. SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMENTS

Request for Executive Session – Reason #8

XI. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S COMMENTS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

XIV. CORRESPONDENCE

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. allows for the exclusion of the public from that portion of a public meeting when certain matters which might endanger the public interest or risk the deprivation of individual rights are discussed; and the Board of Education wishes to discuss the following matters in a non-public closed meeting with the resulting discussion being made public when a proper conclusion has been reached and there is no longer a need for confidentiality:

Brief Description:

- _____ 1. Matters rendered expressly confidential by state or federal law or a rule of court.
- _____ 2. Matters in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the United States Government.
- _____ 3. Any matter the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy unless the affected individual or his or her parent or guardian shall request in writing that the matter be disclosed at a public meeting.
- _____ 4. Pending or anticipated negotiations concerning a collective bargaining agreement with the Oceanport Education Association.
- _____ 5. Any matter involving the purchase of real property with public funds, the

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setting of banking rates or investment of public funds.

- _____ 6. Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigations of violations or possible violations of law.
- _____ 7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations other than collective bargaining contract negotiations in which the Board of Education is or may become a party or any matter falling within the attorney-client privilege to the extent confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his or her ethical duties as an attorney.
- X 8. Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment and the conditions of employment, evaluation or disciplining of any specific employee, unless the individual employee requests in writing that the matter be discussed at a public meeting.
- _____ 9. Any deliberations that may result in the imposition of a civil penalty or suspension.
- _____ 10. Any appointment of a public official.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Oceanport Board of Education will hold a closed executive session remotely, as advertised. It is anticipated that the closed session will not last longer than one hour. [Action may be taken during the public portion of the meeting following the recess of the executive session unless otherwise indicated].

XVI. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a **MOTION** by Mrs. Wilhalme seconded by Mr. Peltz and carried on unanimous roll call vote the board adjourned to executive session at 7:39PM

XVII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION .

On a **MOTION** by Mrs. Kelly seconded by Mr. Fleming and carried on unanimous roll call vote the board returned to Open session at 8:35PM

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

WHEREAS, there being no further business of the Oceanport Board of Education to attend to on the 27th day of January, 2021; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the January 27, 2021 meeting of the Oceanport Board of Education be and is hereby adjourned at 8:36 PM, **MOVED** by Mr. Fleming seconded by Mrs. Kelly and carried on voice vote.