# REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE ELK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION ON THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2022 IN THE AURA SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER.

Purpose: 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR REGULAR BOARD MEETING FOR JULY SEE PAGE (S) OF MINUTES AGENDA

Special Note: THE MEETING APPROVED AND PRE-SCHEDULED BEGAN 7:00 P.M.

Board Mem. Mrs. Colleen Barbaro Mrs. Mary Snively- Absent

Pres. Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett Mr. Eugene Thomas Ms. Cheryl Potter Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski

Admin. Pres. Dr. Piera Gravenor, Superintendent, Mr. Joseph Collins, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Statement: As President of the Elk Township Board of Education, I hereby certify that all provisions of the "Open Public Regular Meeting Law" P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, have been met. Notice of this meeting was mailed to "The South Jersey

Session: Times", The Sentinel", as well as to the Municipal Clerk of Elk Township.

Pledge: Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mission Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. read the statement below: Statement:

We strive to educate students and assist them in realizing their full potential as responsible, productive, contributing members of society by providing an educational environment in which students are challenged, differences are

valued, and excellence is expected.

Oath of Office Mr. Joseph Collins, Board Secretary, administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Eugene Thomas newly seated Board

member.

**MINUTES:** 

Aprv. Minutes: Motion by Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter to approve the June 2022 minutes as listed:

1. Regular Session -6/9/22

- 2. Executive Session -6/9/22
- 3. Special Meeting -6/30/22
- 4. Special Meeting Executive 6/30/22

Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett – Abstain (6/9/22 Regular/Executive)

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

Motion carried

# **COMMUNICATIONS/ PRESENTATIONS:**

Mr. Wayne Murschell reviewed information he received while attending safety professional development

Mr. Wayne Murschell informed the Board that summer school is going well with approximately fifty students, and the student voice program currently has twelve to fifteen students

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. questioned when summer school ended due to his concerns about giving the custodial staff time to properly clean the building

Mr. Wayne Murschell stated that summer school will end on August 4, 2022 and stated that the custodial staff will have time to complete the cleaning

Regular Meeting of the Elk Township School District Board of Education on July 14, 2022

#### **COMMITTEES:**

# PERSONNEL - Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski

(all hiring is pending completion of required state paperwork and is dependent upon COVID 19 legislation and funding)

Aprv. LOA: Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the following leave of absence as listed:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Leave</u> <u>Requested</u>	Paid/Unpaid Days	<u>Federal</u> <u>Medical</u> <u>Leave Act</u>	<u>State</u> <u>Medical</u> <u>Leave Act</u>
Brooke Rose Tharp-Traina	9/01/2022 through 2/14/2023	Paid: 9/01/2022 through 9/26/2022 Unpaid: 9/27/2022 through 2/14/2023	9/27/2022 through 11/15/2022 (7 weeks)	11/16/2022 through 2/14/2023 (12 weeks)

Motion by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

# Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

# Motion carried

# Aprv. K. Plowman:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the amended new teaching staff hire as listed:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<b>Effective</b>
Kristen Plowman	1	BA +15	\$52,061	9/01/2022

Motion by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

## Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

#### Motion carried

Aprv. 22-23 Sub Nurse:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the following salary rates for the 2022-2023 school year as listed:

Summer Nurse	\$250/day
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Motion by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski, seconded by Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr.

# Roll Call Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

 $Mrs.\ Colleen\ Barbaro-Yes$ 

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. – Yes

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Yes

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

#### Motion carried

Aprv. D. Paoline 22-23 Web. Maint.:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved David Paoline for Website Maintenance at a rate of \$25 per hour for the 2022-2023 school year

Motion by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski, seconded by Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr.

#### Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 1 Mrs. Colleen Barbaro – Yes Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. – Yes Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter – Yes Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski – Yes Mrs. Mary Snively – Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

# Motion carried

#### **POLICY** – Mrs. Colleen Barbaro

Aprv. Policies:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved on first reading the following policies as listed:

Policy #0163	Quorum (R)
Policy #1511	Board of Education Website Accessibility (M) (R)

Motion by Mrs. Colleen Barbaro, seconded by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett

## Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

# Motion carried

# CURRICULUM & TECHNOLOGY - Ms. Cheryl Potter

Aprv. Rowan Student Clinical: Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the following Rowan University student for the clinical practicum in teaching and learning as listed:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Course/Requirement</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Cooperating</u> <u>Teacher</u>
Nicholas Shimkus	Fall 2022: October 31, 2022 - December 14, 2022 (Mondays & Wednesdays - 2 days per week, 7 hours per day) Spring 2023: January 17, 2023 - March 10, 2023 (5 days per week, 7 hours per day)	Health & Physical Education	Brian Cougle

Motion by Mrs. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski

# Voice Vote:

 $\frac{}{\text{Yes}-6}$  No -0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively – Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

# Motion carried

Aprv TESO for the 22-23 School year: Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the TESO Consulting Group to facilitate Family Engagement Planning for \$5,000 in fulfillment of the family engagement and outreach portion of the Climate Team Grant

Motion by Mrs. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski

# Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 1 Mrs. Colleen Barbaro – Yes Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. – Yes Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter – Yes Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski – Yes Mrs. Mary Snively – Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

## Motion carried

Aprv. Rutgers for CESP for the 22-23 School Year: Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the Rutgers Center for Effective School Practices as a technical assistance and training partner for Response to Intervention and a Multi-Tiered System of Support for \$5,500 (Paid for with Title II-A funds)

Motion by Mrs. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr.

#### Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 1 Mrs. Colleen Barbaro – Yes Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. – Yes Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes Ms. Cheryl Potter – Yes Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski – Yes Mrs. Mary Snively – Absent Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

#### Motion carried

Aprv. GCSSSD BCS for 22-23 School Year: Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved Gloucester County Special Services to provide Behavioral Consultation Support as needed, at a rate of \$125 per hour, for both ESY and the 2022-2023 school year

Motion by Mrs. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr.

# Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 1 Mrs. Colleen Barbaro – Yes Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. – Yes Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes Ms. Cheryl Potter – Yes Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski – Yes Mrs. Mary Snively – Absent Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – Absent Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

# Motion carried

Aprv.

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved Gloucester County Special Services to provide

GCSSSD OE for 22-23

Occupational Evaluations at a rate of \$445 per evaluation

School Year:

Motion by Mrs. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski

# Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 1 Mrs. Colleen Barbaro – Yes Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. – Yes Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter – Yes Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski – Yes Mrs. Mary Snively – Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

# Motion carried

Aprv. GCSSSD SE Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved Gloucester County Special Services to provide Speech Evaluations at a rate of \$445 per evaluation

for the 22-23 School Year:

Motion by Mrs. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr.

#### Roll Call Vote:

Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstentions – 1 Mrs. Colleen Barbaro – Yes Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. – Yes Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes Ms. Cheryl Potter – Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski – Yes Mrs. Mary Snively – Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

## Motion carried

Aprv. 22-23 Summer Workshops/ Trainings: Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the following 2022 Professional Development Summer Workshops/Trainings at a previously approved rate as listed:

OG / LLI / BAS Workshop (ESSER II Funds) - 5 days			
Christine Bunting Eileen Tharp			
Jennifer Everwine	Dawn Williams		
Donna Foote			
American Reading Company Summer Semester Training (ESSER III Funds) - 1 day June 28, 2022			
Kristen Plowman			

Motion by Mrs. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr.

# Roll Call Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions - 1 Mrs. Colleen Barbaro - Yes

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. – Yes Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

 $Ms.\ Cheryl\ Potter-Yes$ 

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski – Yes

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

# Motion carried

# Aprv. Workshop:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the following workshop as listed:

<u>Name</u>	Location	Workshop	<u>Date</u>	Reg. Fee	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Total</u>
^Dina Holmes	Penns Grove High School	School Safety Summer Symposium	7/14/2022		\$ 7.35	\$ 7.35

<sup>^</sup> at a previously approved rate

Motion by Mrs. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski

#### Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

## Motion carried

# BUDGET & FINANCE/FACILITIES/CAFETERIA/TRANSPORTATION

#### **BUDGET & FINANCE** – Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett

Aprv. Secretary's Report: Approved Board Secretary's Report in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9 for the month of May 2022. The Board Secretary certifies that no line item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A – 16.10 (c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

On File Superintendent's Office

Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski

# Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively – Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

#### Motion carried

Aprv. Treasury Report: Approved the Treasurer Report in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9 for the month of May 2022. The Treasurer's Report and Secretary's Report are in agreement for the month of May 2022.

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Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski

# Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

#### Motion carried

Aprv. Secretary Certification: Approved the Board Secretary Certification, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 2 which certifies that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts or revenue sources.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski

## Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively – Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

# Motion carried

Aprv. BOE

Certification:

Approved Board of Education Certification – pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (c) 4 We certify that after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major accounts or funds have been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

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Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

# Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively – Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

# Motion carried

Aprv. May Transfer

Report:

Approved the May 2022 Transfer Report.

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Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

# Roll Call Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions - 1

Mrs. Colleen Barbaro – Yes

 $Mr.\ J.\ Wilson\ Hughes,\ Jr.-Yes$ 

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter – Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Yes

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

 $Mrs.\ Angelique\ Stoney-Siplin-Absent$ 

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

# Motion carried

Aprv. Monthly Bill

List:

Approved the monthly bill list as distributed:

General Bill List – 6/30/22
General Bill List – 7/14/22

\$ 469,600.90 \$ 126,835.39

3. Cafeteria Bill List

\$ 15,305.35

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Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

# Roll Call Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Colleen Barbaro - Yes

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. - Yes

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Yes

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

# Motion carried

# **FACILITIES** – Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr.

(All facility requests are pending proper insurance certificates)

None

# CAFETERIA - Mrs. Colleen Barbaro

Aprv. Cafeteria Report:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approved the May 2022 cafeteria report as listed:

Total Income	\$ 27,286.49	
Total Expense	\$ (17,514.81)	
Net Income or (Loss)	\$ 9,771.68	
Average Daily Attendance	311	
Average Daily Participation	297	
Percentage of Participation	95%	

Motion by Mrs. Colleen Barbaro, seconded by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett

# Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

# Motion carried

# TRANSPORTATION - Vacant

None

# SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Aprv.

Based upon recommendation of the Superintendent approved the May 2022 HIB report.

HIB Report:

Motion by Ms. Cheryl Potter, seconded by Mrs. Colleen Barbaro

Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively – Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

# Motion carried

# Aprv.

Based upon recommendation of the Superintendent acknowledge the receipt of the following reports as listed:

# **Board Reports:**

- Enrollment
- Staff Attendance
- Nurse's Report
- HIB Report June 2022
- Facility Manager's Report
- Principal's Report
- Fire Drills/Crisis Drills

	Date	Time
Fire Drill	6/13/2022	10:02am
Lockdown Drill	6/13/2022	10:08am

Motion by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

# Voice Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

#### Motion carried

# Aprv. Student ESY:

Based upon recommendation of the Superintendent approved the following student to attend ESY classes as listed:

Student	<u>Grade</u>	<u>School</u>	<b>Tuition</b>
B. L.	Pre-K	South Harrison	\$375/day

Motion by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski, seconded by Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr.

#### Roll Call Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions - 1

Mrs. Colleen Barbaro - Yes

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. – Yes

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Yes

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin – Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

#### Motion carried

Aprv. Student OT/PT during ESY:

Based upon recommendation of the Superintendent approved OT, PT and Speech services for student B. L. during

Motion by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski, seconded by Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr.

#### Roll Call Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions - 1

Mrs. Colleen Barbaro - Yes

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. – Yes

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Yes

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

# Motion carried

# **LEGISLATION - Ms. Cheryl Potter**

None

#### GLOUCESTER COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION - Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski

None

# SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - Mr. Joseph Collins

# Aprv. Shared Service:

Based upon recommendation of the Superintendent approved a shared service agreement with the Pitman Board of Education to provide Social Worker Evaluations from July 1, 2022 through August 31, 2022 at a rate of \$45.00/hour

Motion by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Ms. Cheryl Potter

#### Roll Call Vote:

Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstentions -1

Mrs. Colleen Barbaro - Yes

Mr. J. Wilson Hughes, Jr. – Yes

Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett - Yes

Ms. Cheryl Potter - Yes

Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski - Yes

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

 $Mrs.\ Angelique\ Stoney-Siplin-Absent$ 

Mr. Eugene Thomas - Abstain

Mrs. Jennifer Wirtz -Yes

#### Motion carried

# **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

# Adjourn meeting 7:33 p.m.:

<u>Motion</u> by Mrs. Joyce Massott-Burnett, seconded by Mrs. Sarah Ruczynski that the meeting be adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

# Voice Vote:

Yes - 7 No - 0 Abstentions -0

Mrs. Mary Snively - Absent

Mrs. Angelique Stoney-Siplin - Absent

# Motion carried

Joseph M. Collins,
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Respectfully Submitted,