

**GREATER EGG HARBOR REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
OAKCREST-ABSEGAMI HIGH SCHOOLS
Mays Landing, NJ 08330**

January 7, 2008

AGENDA

This is to advise those present at this meeting of the Board of Education of the Greater Egg Harbor Regional High School District, in the County of Atlantic, that adequate notice has been given of this meeting as required by the provisions of Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975; that notice thereof has been forwarded for publication in the District official newspapers, posted in the Absegami and Oakcrest High Schools, and forwarded to all of the Clerks of the municipalities within this school district within the time required by said Act.

1. Call to Order
2. Reading of Notice of the Meeting/Announcements
3. Flag Salute
4. Invocation – Moment of Silence
5. Roll Call
6. Recommend approval of minutes of the following meetings:

December 3, 2007 – Work
December 3, 2007 – Executive
December 10, 2007 – Regular
December 10, 2007 - Executive
(Enclosed for Board Members)

Board Action

7. Correspondence

None
8. Open to Public (Questions/Comments – Agenda Items Only)

9. Board Secretary's Report

- (1) Recommend approval of the Report of the Secretary A148 for the period ending December 31, 2007. This report is in agreement with the Treasurer's records A149.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6:20-2.12(d) (e), we certify that as of December 31, 2007 the Board Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) did not reflect an over expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected on this report 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.

Board Action

- (2) Recommend approval of December 2007 Budget Bills, as per computer print-out, in the amount of \$ 5,826,143.83.

Board Action

- (3) Recommend approval of December 2007 Purchase Orders, as per computer print-out, in the amount of \$559,642.40.

Board Action

10. Superintendent's Report

- (1) **Exhibit S-1** – Attendance
Exhibit S-2 – Suspensions
Exhibit S-3 – Professional Trips Approved by Superintendent **Board Action**
- (2) Job Responsibility Approved by Superintendent
(Enclosed for Board Members) **Information**
- (3) Field Trips, Competitions & Athletic Events
Approved by the Superintendent
(Enclosed for Board Members) **Information**
- (4) Due to a 2007/2008 Absegami calendar oversight,
recommend approval for there to be a 12:57 p.m. dismissal
for students on May 16 2008 which is the date of the Senior
Prom. Teachers will work a full day and will be involved
in in-service programs and department meetings. **Board Action**
- (5) Discussion of meeting held with parents at Absegami High
School regarding MRSA and Minutes of that meeting held
on December 11, 2007. **(Enclosed for Board Members)** **Information**
- (6) Liaison Committee Meeting – Thursday, January 17, 2008,
6:00 p.m. in the Library at Absegami High School **Information**

11. Committee Reports

A. Finance, Building, Site, Transportation and School Safety Committee – Mr. Ross

(1) New High School Update. **Discussion**

(2) Recommend approval of a quoted contract between Greater Egg Harbor Regional High School District for Hamilton Township School District and First Student, Inc. Transportation is needed for one student to the Uptown Complex School in Atlantic City from January 2, 2008 to May 21, 2008 at a cost of \$175.00 per diem, for a total cost of \$16,100.00. The transportation cost will be the responsibility of Hamilton Township School District. **Board Action**

(3) Recommend approval of a quoted contract between Greater Egg Harbor Regional High School District for Absecon School District and Integrity Transportation. Transportation will be provided for students participating in an after-school activity for a period of 19 days for the H. Ashton March School. The program will run from January 3, 2008 to March 6, 2008 at a cost of \$75.00 per diem, for a total cost of \$1,425.00. The transportation cost will be the responsibility of Absecon School District. **Board Action**

(4) Recommend approval for the Business Administrator to authorize the advertisement for the following cooperative bid:

January 7, 2008 – Student Transportation Services (to and from school – regular and special education) for the 2007/2008 school year. **Board Action**

(5) Fire Drills were held in the month of December as listed below:

Absegami High School

Wednesday, December 12, 2007 – 1:53 to 1:58 p.m.

Tuesday, December 18, 2007 – 1:04 to 1:08 p.m.

Oakcrest High School

Monday, December 3, 2007 – 1:17 to 1:23 p.m.

Tuesday, December 18, 2007 – 1:59 to 2:04 p.m.

Alternate Program

Wednesday, December 5, 2007 – 9:00 to 9:03 a.m.

Thursday, December 13, 2007 – 9:00 to 9:04 a.m. **Information**

B. Legislative & Policy Committee – Mrs. Guenther

(1) First Reading of Policy, Regulation (Reg.) and Bylaw
(Enclosed for Board Members)

Policy 3431.1	Family Leave-Teaching Staff	Mandated/Revised
Policy 4431.1	Family Leave-Support Staff	Mandated/Revised
Policy 5330	Administration of Medication	Mandated/Revised
Reg. 5330	Administration of Medication	Mandated/Revised
Policy 5530	Substance Abuse	Mandated/Revised
Reg. 5530	Substance Abuse	Mandated/Revised
Policy 8461	Reporting Violence, Vandalism, And Alcohol, and Other Drug Abuse	Mandated/Revised
Reg. 8461	Reporting Violence, Vandalism, And Alcohol, and Other Drug Abuse	Mandated/Revised
Policy 5512.01	Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying	Mandated/Revised
Reg. 5850	Class Trips	Recommended/Revised

Information

C. Program Committee – Mrs. Houck

- (1) Recommend approval of instruction for student placed at Daytop Village by the State. The cost is \$98.00 per day (homebound), beginning November 16, 2007:

Student ID # 67833

Board Action

- (2) Recommend approval for Oakcrest High School Senior, #50678, to complete Senior year at Oakcrest. Family has moved outside the Oakcrest area. Transportation will be provided to and from school by a family member.

Board Action

- (3) Recommend approval of the acceptance of the IDEA-B Entitlement Grant for the 2007/2008 school year.

Basic Award (based upon formula, not per pupil):
\$807,906.00.

This Grant was approved at the August 13, 2007 Board Meeting, but the Board Meeting to accept the funds had to occur on or after September 5, 2007.

Board Action

- (4) Recommend approval of Donation as listed on **Exhibit P-1**.

Board Action

- (5) Recommend approval to submit an amendment to the No Child Left Behind Act Consolidated Grant for 2007-2008 (Fiscal Year 2008) as listed below. The district recently received notification that it will be receiving an additional Title I School Improvement Allocation (SIA) of \$31,750. The other Title sub-grant allocations have not been affected as previously approved at the December 10, 2007 Board meeting. Project Director: Margaret Doran

Title I	\$243,727
Title I SIA	\$ 31,750
Title II, Part A	\$ 80,619
Title II, Part D	\$ 1,653
Title III – in Consortium with Hamilton Twp.	\$ 9,015
Title III – Immigrant	\$ 12,123
Title IV	\$ 11,875
Title V	\$ 4,390
TOTAL	\$395,152

Board Action

- (6) Recommend approval of a contract agreement with Atlantic County Special Services School District to provide Physical Therapy services at a rate of \$280.00 per evaluation and \$75.00 per hour / \$45.00 per half-hour inclusive therapy services.

Board Action

D. Technology Committee – Mrs. Garrison

Report of the Committee

Information

E. Athletics and Activities Committee – Mr. Cheatham

- (1) Recommend approval for the following Oakcrest Marching Band members and staff to receive jackets as per policy R5440 Pupil Awards for the following achievement, 2007 Guard Champions, Cavalcade of Bands, Yankee Open Conference:

Alvarado, Dianel	Beck, Valerie
Brickley, Jessica	Campbell, Camille
Carty, Darlene	Chosed, Julia
Hartline, Kathryn	LaTorre, Christine
Manalio, Alley	Noranbrock, Kelsey
Phifer, Madison	Steelman, Shelly
Van Scoy, Haylee	Wilson, Sarah
Staff: Shari Carty-Advisor, Fred Washington, Instructor	

Board Action

- (2) Recommend approval for the following Oakcrest Marching Band members and staff to receive patches as per policy R5440 Pupil Awards for the following achievement, 2007 Guard Champions, Cavalcade of Bands, Yankee Open Conference:

Cox, Danielle	Hayes, Kaitlyn
Jerdan, Arielle	Kaspar, Caitlin
Kelley, Brittney	McDermott, Melissa
Petruzzi, Holly	
Staff: Elaine Frick	

Board Action

- (3) Recommend approval to allow the Oakcrest High School Band (approximately 58 students) to travel to Branson, Missouri to perform at the Branson Variety Theater (opening act for Star Show) from April 23 – 27, 2008. Students will miss 2 days of school. Cost to students is \$925, fundraising is available. Cost to Board - \$190 for one substitute for 2 days, plus \$1,319 for administrator (Dr. Mary Steinacker) to accompany band, for a total cost of \$1,509.

Board Action

- (4) Recommend approval to allow the Oakcrest High School Social Studies Club (approximately 48 students) to travel to Washington, DC for the inauguration of the new president in January 2009. The trip is scheduled for Sunday, January 18, 2009 through Wednesday, January 21, 2009. Two school days will be missed. Club advisors – Mrs. Kane and Mrs. Foreman will accompany the group with chaperones Mr. Shiner and Mr. Dunn. Mr. Reina will be administrator on trip. Cost to students \$620, fund raising is available. Cost to the Board is 4 substitutes for 2 days.

Board Action

- (5) Recommend approval to allow the Oakcrest High School Chess Team (12 students) to participate in a tournament in Parsippany, NJ – US Amateurs Team Chess Championship February 16-18, 2008. No school days will be missed. Cost to students is \$100 – fundraising is available. No cost to Board. Chaperones are Dave Jungblut and Jim Rachiele.

Board Action

- (6) Recommend approval to allow the Oakcrest High School Chess Team (12 students) to compete in the New Jersey State Chess Championship in New Brunswick, NJ on March 1 and 2, 2008. No school days will be missed. Cost to students is \$50 – fund raising is available. Chaperones are Dave Jungblut and Jim Rachiele. No cost to Board.

Board Action

- (7) Recommend approval to allow the Oakcrest High School Chess Team (approximately 16 students) to travel to Atlanta, Georgia to compete in the National High School Chess Tournament from April 17-21, 2008. Cost to students is \$450 – fund raising is available. Two days of school will be missed. Cost to Board is \$190 (one substitute for 2 days). Chaperones are Dave Jungblut and Jim Rachiele.

Board Action

- (8) Recommend approval for the Absegami High School Choir (approximately 50 students) to travel to New York City for Performing Arts Consultants' "New York Music Festival" competition from Friday, April 11, 2008 through April 12, 2008. Cost to student \$425.00 – fundraising is available. Cost to Board: Substitute and Administrator (Barbara Noll) for a total of \$596.00.

Board Action

F. Administration and Personnel Committee – Mrs. Perone

The Superintendent recommends to the Personnel Committee and the Board of Education all teaching staff members as listed, including personnel hired under emergent employment. Appointment is pending receipt of required certification documents from the NJ Department of Education (if applicable), approval from the Office of Criminal History Review, and physical examination:

- (1) Recommend acceptance of the resignation of John W. Monahan, effective end of day December 10, 2007.

Board Action

- (2) Recommend approval for Fieldwork Experience for Spring 2008 semester at Absegami High School for the following Stockton University students.

<u>Student</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>
Jacqueline Wojtasek	Chemistry	John Ordille
David Dertinger	Social Studies	Kim Cramer
Jaclyn Dandorf	English	Denise Price

Board Action

- (3) Recommend approval for Fieldwork Experience for Spring 2008 semester at Oakcrest High School for the following Stockton University students.

<u>Student</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>
Alexis Plotkin	English	Dianne Robbins
Michael Stewart	English	Joseph Costal
Tina Mancine	Bio Science	Kristin Demark

Board Action

- (4) Recommend approval of Desmond Powell (Oakcrest High School graduate) as an Oakcrest High School winter track clinician for the 2007/08 season.

Board Action

- (5) Recommend approval of the following as substitute teachers:

Eleana Moore	Martyna Kuniewicz
Kevin Kady	Michael Cassidy

Board Action

- (6) Recommend acceptance of resignation of Katie Hallsworth as an Assistant, assigned to Absegami High School, effective January 4, 2008.

Board Action

- (7) Recommend approval for Jehron Holland, a student intern at Stockton State College, to do an internship (175 hours) at Absegami High School under the direction of Erin Newkirk, our Athletic Trainer. **Board Action**
- (8) Recommend approval for Suzanne Leichtnam to conduct a research study as part of her Masters Thesis project at Georgian Court University. The title of the study is High School Drop Outs: What are the Risk Factors? Through the use of a random sample of teachers at Absegami High School, 100 questionnaires will be distributed and collected. No students will be involved in the study. **Board Action**
- (9) Recommend approval of the appointment of Andrea Feeney, Absegami High School Assistant, to assist in the implementation of the Job Connection after school program. Payment will be funded by the Job Connection Grant at a rate of \$14.23 per hour for up to 6 hours per week and not to exceed a total of \$2,500. Project Director: Jim Yorke, Project Coordinator: Paul Lonergan. **Board Action**
- (10) Recommend approval for Katie Hallsworth to serve as the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program counselor/coordinator for Absegami High School in coordination with the Egg Harbor City School District for the remainder of the 2007/2008 school year. Salary funded by the grant through Egg Harbor City as the LEA. No cost to Board. **Board Action**
- (11) Recommend acceptance of the resignation of the Oakcrest High School Nurse, Lisa Haug, effective January 2, 2008. **Board Action**

G. Board Meeting Follow-Up

12. Old Business

13. New Business

14. Open to Public (All Matters)

RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
THE GREATER EGG HARBOR REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
TO PERMIT DISCUSSION OF SUBJECTS IN CLOSED SESSIONS**

RESOLVED: At a public meeting of the Board of Education held on January 7, 2008 that pursuant to sections 7 and 8 of the “Open Public Meetings Act”, the following subjects be discussed in a session of the Board of Education closed to the public:

- (1) Matters of pending or anticipated litigation
- (2) Personnel Matters
- (3) Student Matters
- (4) Negotiations

It is presently anticipated that the items mentioned in the Resolution can be disclosed to the public when a decision is made upon the same, and in personnel matter, with the consent of the employee. Formal action may be taken.

15. Adjournment.