

ABSECON BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Tuesday, April 30, 2019 - 7:00 PM
Library Media Center

A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm in the Media Center of the Marsh School, with the president, Dr. Grites presiding.

B. FLAG SALUTE

C. SUNSHINE LAW

Dr. Grites announced that the meeting is being held in compliance with the Sunshine Law, in that a notice was posted with the City Clerk, and on the Bulletin Board in the City Hall, and the newspapers were notified.

Dr. Grites announced that a mechanical device will be used to record these proceedings.

D. ROLL CALL

Board Members	Present	Absent	Administration	Present
Mr. Cottrell	X		Tina Maruca	X
Mr. Rynkiewicz	X		Dr. Daniel Dooley	X
Ms. Wallace		X		
Ms. Law	X			
Ms. Marczyk	X			
Mr. Neal	X			
Dr. Grites	X			

THE ABSECON BOARD OF EDUCATION USES A “CONSENT AGENDA” PROCEDURE.

E. MINUTES -

a. Mr. Cottrell moved to approve the following minutes as read:

Board Meeting

March 26, 2019

The motion was seconded by Ms. Marczyk, and unanimously carried by a roll call vote. Ms. Wallace, Absent.

b. Mr. Cottrell moved to approve the following minutes as read:

Executive Session Board Meeting

March 26, 2019

The motion was seconded by Ms. Marczyk, and unanimously carried by a roll call vote. Ms. Wallace, Absent.

F. CORRESPONDENCE

The Absecon Historical Society, Inc. sent a letter to gratefully acknowledge the gift of paintings from the William Lee Collection gifted to them in October, 2018.

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G. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Meeting was opened/closed to the public at 7:15 pm. No public comments.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2019/2020 SCHOOL BUDGET

Dr. Dooley and Ms. Maruca presented the 2019/2020 School Budget

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2019/2020 SCHOOL BUDGE

Meeting was opened/closed to the public at 7:45 pm. No public comments.

Board Comments:

Mr. Rynkiewicz asked about out-of-district tuition.

Mr. Neal asked about tuition to ACIT.

Dr. Dooley and Ms. Maruca addressed the questions.

H. MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- ★ Superintendent
- ★ Attales Principal
- ★ Marsh Principal
- ★ Special Services/Curriculum
- ★ Facilities Committee
- ★ Technology
- ★ Negotiations
- ★ Enrollment Report
- ★ Delegate to NJSBA - Mr. Cottrell addressed upcoming meetings. Will be attending the Biannual Assembly on May 18, 2019.

I. EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE:

1. HIB Reports -

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee moves to confirm the February HIB reports.
- b. HIB Reports: March 2019
HAM: 1 Reported 0 Confirmed
ECA: 0 Reported 0 Confirmed

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J. PERSONNEL -

2. Retirement -

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to accept the retirement of Ann Clark, Special Education Aide and PALS Teacher, as of June 30, 2019.
- b. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to accept the retirement of Kim Horton, Third Grade Teacher, as of June 30, 2019.
- c. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to accept the retirement of Patricia Jasinski, English as a Second Language Teacher, as of June 30, 2019.

3. Resignation - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to accept the resignation of Haley Sykes, First Grade Teacher, as of June 30, 2019.

4. New Hire -

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee moves to approve Andrew DiPasquale and Carleigh Cooper as Substitute Teachers for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year, effective May 1, 2019. They will be compensated at \$85 per day.

Employment is provisional pending the employment history verification and background check.

- b. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee moves to ratify Hugo Riveros as a 1:1 Aide, effective April 29, 2019. He will be compensated at a prorated Step 1 rate on the Instructional Assistant Salary guide at \$18,152.(11-000-217-106-02-1000)

Employment is provisional pending the employment history verification and background check.

- c. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee moves to approve Oliver Kirschmann as a Part Time Maintenance/Custodian (62.5%) for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year, effective May 15, 2019. He will be compensated at a prorated Step 1 rate on the Custodian Salary Guide at 62.5% of \$31,971. (11-000-262-100-00-1000)

Employment is provisional pending the employment history verification and background check.

5. Substitute Coordinator - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve Laura Mills as the Substitute Coordinator for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year. She will be compensated at a prorated stipend amount of \$3,000.00.

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6. Director of PALS Program- Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee moves to approve Christine Urmson as the Director of the PALS Program, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Mrs. Urmson will be compensated at the annual salary of \$14,500. From May 2, 2019 through June 30, 2019 she will be compensated at \$17 per hour, not to exceed 25 hours.
7. Assistant Director of PALS Program- Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee moves to approve Douglas Scholder as the Assistant Director of the PALS Program effective July 1, 2019 through June 3, 2020.. Mr. Scholder will be compensated at the annual salary of \$9,500. From May 2, 2019 through June 30, 2019 he will be compensated at \$17 per hour, not to exceed 25 hours.
8. Long Term Substitute -
 - a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to ratify Lisa Litz-Neavear as a Middle School Language Arts Teacher from April 4, 2019 through June 30, 2019. She will be compensated at the substitute rate of \$90 per day for the first 20 days of employment, and then will be compensated at the per diem daily rate of Step 1 of the BA guide, \$52,151.
 - b. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to ratify Rachael Hamby as a First Grade Teacher, effective April 29, 2019 through June 17, 2019. She will be compensated at the substitute rate of \$85 per day for the first 20 days of employment, and then will be compensated at the per diem daily rate of Step 1 of the BA guide, \$52,151 pending receipt of certification.
9. Medical Leave - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the extended Medical Leave of employee #37825932 from April 29, 2019 through June 30, 2019, utilizing thirty eight {38} accumulated sick days.
10. Voluntary Transfer - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the voluntary transfer of Erin Borkowski from a 62.5% employee to a 100% employee as of September 15, 2019.
11. Business Administrator Employment Contract - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the submission of the 2019-2020 Business Administrator contract to the County Office for approval.
12. Rehire Business Administrator - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve Tina Maruca as the Business Administrator for the 2019-2020 school year.

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13. Rehire Director of Special Services and Curriculum: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve Lindsay Reed as the Director of Special Services and Curriculum for the the 2019-2020 school year. Salary to be determined upon completion of negotiations.
14. Rehire Middle and Elementary School Principals: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the following Principals for the 2019- 2020 school year. Salary to be determined upon completion of negotiations:

Joseph Giardina	H. Ashton Marsh Elementary School Principal
Kevin Burns	Emma C. Attales Middle School Principal

15. Rehire Certificated Staff: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the following certificated staff for the 2019-2020 school year. Step/Degree and Salary to be determined upon completion of negotiations:

Abbatemarco, Meghan	D'Amato, Alexandra	Liepe, Sherri
Adams, Christine	Davis, Russell	Maletta, Lisa
Adair, Matthew	Deleener, Mariella	McSorley, Kristin
Akeret, Jacqueline	DeNafo, Stacey	Montgomery, Kelly
Alabarda, Coskun	Ewell, William	Morgan, Susan
Alvarado, Mary	Fahy, Beverly*	Nastasi, Donna
Anaya, Eileen	Fey, Jessica	Pelly, Hillary
Barron, Valerie	Fitzpatrick, MaryEllen	Person, Jennifer
Batten, Julie	Flynn, Michelle	Ralph, Becca
Bell, Caroline	Flynn, Stephanie	Ramirez, Nilceya
Bell, Christopher	Fortunato, Chelsea	Roberts, Currie
Bellettini, April	Gallagher, Shannon	Saparito-Austin, Kim
Bergeron, Danielle	Graves, Jenna	Scalfaro, Amy
Biel, Justin	Grdic, Michele	Scholder, Douglas
Blanco, Lora	Guenther, Kathleen	Seals, J. David

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Brady, Allene	Guerrera, Rosemary	Sharpley, Gina
Broomhead, Carly	Hamburg, Valerie	Stanton, Sandra
Broomhead, Robert	Hess, Alison	Stefano, Courtney
Brown, Rita	Hewitt, Allison	Torcicollo, Jessica
Bruccoleri, Sabrina	Hincks, Lisa	White, John
Caligiuri, Christina	Horner, Barbara	Witmer, Amanda
Camac, Alice	Irwin, Katherine	Ziller, Megan
Cavileer, Caleb	Jamison, Susan	
Cialini, Marybeth	Kaplan, Shannon	
Clevenger, Jan	Keeney, Jennifer	
Colletta, Jennifer	Kehoe, Brian	*Indicates Tenure Year

16. Rehire Instructional Assistants: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to rehire the following Instructional Assistants from September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Step and Salary to be determined upon completion of negotiations:

Allen, Kelci	Echevarria, Alexandria	Rafferty, Suzanne
Auge, Jennifer	Mills, Laura	Rhodes, Suzanne
Barbieri, Nicole	Morrison, Beverly	Wescoat, Rachael
Custer, Sharon	O'Connor Kimberlee	Wittland, Deanna

17. Rehire Secretarial Staff: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the following secretarial staff from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Step and Salary to be determined upon completion of negotiations:

Cappuccio, Kimberly	Clarke, Janice
Chubb, Karen	Steelman, Theresa

18. Rehire Custodians: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the following custodians from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020:

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Borkowski, Erin	O'Brien, Neil
Hopkins, Robert	Petrosh, Joseph
Horan, Allen -	Riggsbee, John
Juarez, Flavia	Snyder, Donald
Oliver Kirschmann	

19. Rehire Cafeteria Aides: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the following cafeteria aides from September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020:

Keyser, Emily	Mattiacci, Patricia	Myer, Linda
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20. Rehire Crossing Guards: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the following crossing guards from September 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019:

Riffle, Kitty	Riffle, Wayne
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21. Rehire Independent Employees: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the following independent employees for the 2018-2019 school year:

Goglas, Kenneth	District Data Coordinator/Support to the BA
McCormick-Baner, Alaina	Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent
Melton, Mila	Accounts Payable Clerk/Secretary to the BA
Mills, Brian	Director of Facilities and Grounds
Morris, Michael	Technology Coordinator
Witherspoon, Sonia	Payroll Accountant

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K. CURRICULUM

22. HAM Title 1 Parent Event -

- a. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee moves to approve the following staff to work the HAM Title 1 Parent Event on May 2, 2019 for 2 hours at \$40 per hour to be paid through Title 1 funds (20-231-100-101-03-2000).

William Ewell	Sabrina Bruccoleri	Chelsea Fortunato
Danielle Bergeron	Susan Jamison	Sandra Stanton
Rose Guererra		

- b. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee moves to approve the following staff to work the HAM Title 1 Parent Event (Welcome To Our World) on May 2, 2019 for 2 hours at \$40 per hour to be paid through Title III funds (20-241-200-101-03-1000).

Patricia Jasinski	Josh Alabarda	Jackie Akeret
Kelly Marino	Terri Steelman	Kim
Cappuccio		
Kathy Guenther	Marybeth Cialini	Mary Alvarado
Michele Grdic	Mary Ellen Fitzpatrick	Julie Batten
Karen Chubb	Donna Nastasi	Emily Keyser
Lisa Maletta	Valerie Barron	Jenna Graves
Valerie Hamburg	Lisa Hincks	

- c. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee moves to approve the following staff to work the HAM Title 1 Parent Event on May 2, 2019 for 2 hours at \$40 per hour to be paid through PEG funds

Beverly Fahy	Christina Caligiuri	(20-220-100-101-03-1000)
Suzanne Rhodes	Beverly Morrison	(20-220-100-106-03-1000)

- d. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee moves to approve the following staff to work the HAM Title 1 Parent Event on May 2, 2019 for 2 hours at \$40 per hour to be paid through PEA funds).

Becca Ralph	(20-218-100-101-03-1000)
Kelci Allen	(20-218-100-106-03-1000)

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- e. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the committee moves to approve the following staff to work the HAM Title 1 Parent Event on May 2, 2019 for 2 hours at \$40 per hour to be paid through General funds (11-216-100-101-01-0000).

Meghan Abbatemarco

- 23. ECA Title 1 Parent Event - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the following staff to work the ECA Title 1 Parent Event on May 8, 2019 for 1 hour at \$40 per hour to be paid through Title 1 funds.

Jennifer Coletta

Kristin McSorley

Jessica Torcicollo

Jennifer Keeney

Shannon Kaplan

- 24. Job Description - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the following new job descriptions:

- a. Seasonal Maintenance/Groundskeeper
- b. Occupational Therapist

- 25. Graduation Date - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the change in Middle School Commencement Ceremony date from June 20, 2019 to June 19, 2019.

Ms. Law moved to table item 25.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Marczyk , and unanimously carried by a roll call vote. Ms. Wallace, Absent.

- 26. Homebound Instruction - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to ratify the homebound instruction for student SID# 9814078228 as a result of disciplinary action. Instruction will take place from April 17, 2019 through May 2, 2019, for ten hours per week over no less than three days.

- 27. Elementary Learning Language Disabilities Program - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve and establish a special education Elementary Learning Language Disabilities (LLD) Program at the H. Ashton Marsh Elementary School.

- 28. Secondary Learning Language Disabilities Application - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve and establish a special education Secondary Learning Language Disabilities (LLD) Program at the Emma C. Attales Middle School.

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29. Stockton University Fieldwork Placement - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the following Stockton University Fieldwork Placements for Fall 2019:

Student Name	Placement	Grade	Cooperating Teacher	Dates
Carleigh Cooper	Student Teaching	Grade 3	Jan Clevenger	September 3, 2019 - December 11, 2019

30. Out of District Workshops - Motion to approve the following Out of District Workshops:

DATE	NAME	LOCATION	EVENT	REGISTRATION
May 3, 2019	Joseph Giardina	Clementon, NJ	PEEA Principal Meeting	The Cost of Mileage
May 6, 2019	Lindsay Reed	Monroe, NJ	Intro to the National Arts Standards	No Fee The Cost of Mileage
May 22, 2019	Kevin Burns Lindsay Reed	Somerset, NJ	STEM Made Simple	The Cost of Mileage

31. Trips - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve the following trips for the 2018-2019 school year:

GRADE	DATE	LOCATION	COST
STEAM	May 2, 2019	Flag Ship, AC	Cost of Busing
Kindergarten	May 9, 2019	Cape May Zoo	\$10 per Student
Eighth Grade	May 23, 2019	Smithville Inn	No Cost
Eighth Grade	June 6, 2019	Bacharach Rehabilitation Facility	No Cost
First Grade	June 11, 2019	Storybook Land	\$10 per Student
Second Grade	June 12, 2019	Cape May Zoo	\$5 per Student

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L. POLICY

32. Board of Education Policies - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion to approve and adopt the following Board of Education policies:

Policy Number	Reading	Policy
5141.21E	Second Reading	Exhibit: Emergency Administration of Naloxone

Ms. Law moved to approve items 1a, 1b, 2a, 2b, 2c, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5, 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24a, 24b, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Marczyk, and unanimously carried by a roll call vote. Ms. Wallace, Absent.

FISCAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

M. FINANCE

33. Renew Award of Food Service Management Company (FSMC) Contract: Motion to renew the contract with Nutri-Serve Food Management, Inc. for the 2019/2020 school year: (Base year: 2017/2018, Renewed for 2018/2019)

- FSMC Fees \$19,170 flat fee per annum per one school calendar year
- Guarantee Break Even: Nutri-Serve guarantees that the bottom line on the operational financial report for the school year will be at a break even or no subsidy to the bottom line of the Absecon Public Schools. If the actual bottom line is a loss, Nutri-Serve will subsidize the bottom line of the Absecon City Elementary School District up to 100% of the management fee.

34. Additional 2018/2019 Chapter 192/193 Aid - Motion to accept additional 2018/2019 Chapter 192/193 examination & classification aid of \$3,648 and supplemental instruction aid of \$317 for total Chapter 192/193 aid of \$136,858 as follows:

Comp Ed	\$ 75,297
Exam & Class	\$ 33,495
Corrective Speech	\$ 6,339
Supplemental Instruction	\$ 21,727

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35. Approve participation with New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing - Motion to approve participation with the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing, 1NJCP, contract award to Howard Technology Solutions, state contract # A89976, NJASPO Valuepoint contract MNWNC-114 for computer equipment.

36. Approve Purchase of Chromebooks - Motion to approve the purchase of 275 chromebooks and 5 carts from Howard Technology Solutions, NJ State contract # A89976, M-00478, NASPO Value POint contract MNWNC-114 for 275 chromebooks, licenses, and 5 carts for a total amount of \$84,035.75. This purchase will partially paid by the PALS program (60%) and the remainder by the general fund (40%). The chrome books will be used across grades K-8.

275 Chromebooks	ASUS N40000	\$ 253.33	\$ 69,665.75
275 Licenses	License	\$ 25.00	\$ 6,875.00
5 Carts	Cart	\$ 1,499.00	\$ 7,495.00

37. Agreement with Payschools - Motion to approve the agreement with Payschools to process online payments to student cafeteria accounts. The associated fees will be paid by parents:

ACH Check per Transaction	\$1.95
Credit Card Under \$49.99	\$1.95
Credit Card \$50 and Over	4% of transaction

38. Students Sent to ACSSSD - Motion to ratify the placement of two students at Atlantic County Special Services Schools District for the 2018/2019 school year:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
11108017	February 1, 2019
11108005	April 10, 2019

39. Award MSRP Furniture Bid - Motion to award the Ed Data Bid#8576 for classroom furniture for lockers in the classroom as follows:

Academy Furniture and Supplies	120 triple tier lockers	\$11,376.08
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40. Award MRESC Flooring Bid 14/15-64 - The Committee moves to approve the MRESC Flooring Bid 14/15-64 and approve the purchase with Direct Flooring for vinyl flooring in the STEAM Lab for a total cost of \$20,856.46

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41. FY 2019 ESSA Grant Amendment 2 - Motion to approve the FY2019 ESSA Grant Amendment 2.
42. FY2019 PreSchool Expansion Grant Amendment 1 - Motion to approve the FY2019 Preschool Expansion Grant Amendment 1.
43. FY2019 Preschool Education Expansion Aid Amendment 1 - Motion to approve the FY2019 Preschool Education Expansion Aid Amendment 1.
44. Receipt of Donation - Motion to approve the receipt of 300 tickets to the Blackjacks (AFL) Home Opener on May 4, 2019 at BoardWalk Hall, AC.
45. 2019/2020 School Budget

BE IT RESOLVED, motion to approve the 2019/2020 school budget, as follows:

	Budget	Local Tax Levy
General Fund	\$ 15,894,010	\$ 11,914,429
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 1,437,666	\$ - 0 -
Debt Service Fund	\$ 398,882	\$ 262,660
Total Budget	\$ 17,730,558	\$ 12,177,089

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 11-12, in each pre-budget year, the Absecon Board of Education is required to establish a maximum travel expenditure amount for the budget year which may not be exceeded; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has determined that the maximum travel expenditure amount includes all travel that is supported by State and local funds; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education had previously established a maximum amount for the pre-budget year 2018/2019 as \$40,000; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has expended \$13,951.14 of the maximum amount for the 2018/2019 year; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has elected to exclude travel expenditures supported by federal funds from the maximum travel expenditure amount; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has determined that the total amount of travel expenditures supported by federal funds from the 2018/2019 school year is \$6,584, and

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RESOLVED, That the Absecon Board of Education hereby establishes the maximum travel expenditure amount for the 2019/2020 school year as \$55,000, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2019/2020 budget includes a withdrawal from Maintenance Reserve of \$20,000 for HVAC or other system repair and maintenance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2019/2020 budget includes a withdrawal from Capital Reserve of \$12,000 for an upgrade to technology network infrastructure, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2019/2020 budget includes a withdrawal from Tuition Reserve of \$165,030 for tuition adjustments to high school tuition, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.2(a), maximum dollar amounts for professional services have been established and are detailed in the appropriations section of the 2019/2020 budget.

Mr. Cottrell moved to approve items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44 and 45.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Rynkiewicz, and unanimously carried by a roll call vote. Ms. Wallace, Absent.

N. OTHER BUSINESS

46. TREASURER'S & SECRETARY'S REPORT - Mr. Cottrell moved to acknowledge the receipt of the Treasurer's and Secretary's Report for March *which is in agreement*.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Rynkiewicz, and unanimously carried by a roll call vote. Ms. Wallace, Absent.

47. BOARD SECRETARY MONTHLY CERTIFICATION - Mr. Cottrell moved, that after review and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, the Absecon Board of Education certifies that as March 31, 2019, after review of the Secretary's and Treasurer's Monthly Financial Reports (Revenue and Appropriation Sections), and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials that, to the best of our knowledge, no Major account or fund has been expended in violation of N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1-8.2, and there have been no changes in anticipated revenue sources and/or amounts so that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Rynkiewicz, and unanimously carried by a roll call vote. Ms. Wallace, Absent.

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48. TRANSFERS - Mr. Cottrell moved to ratify March transfers.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Rynkiewicz, and unanimously carried by a roll call vote. Ms. Wallace, Absent.

49. MONTHLY PURCHASE ORDERS/BILLS - Mr. Cottrell moved to approve the following:

Bills to be Approved for Payment	\$ 668,822.18
Payroll (March) to be Ratified	\$ 783,046.64

The motion was seconded by Mr. Rynkiewicz, and unanimously carried by a roll call vote. Ms. Wallace, Absent.

O. OLD BUSINESS - None

P. NEW BUSINESS - None

Q. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Meeting opened to public at 8:25 pm.

- **Robert Broomhead**, AEA President, thanked the Staff and Board members for their professionalism and for working without a contract. Everyone is on the same page. It's time to move forward.
- **Ms. Munn**, 1109 New York Avenue, spoke about the experience her child had as a student at Absecon schools. Ms. Munn spoke in favor of teacher Stephanie Swift and expressed disappointment that Ms. Swift was not on the list of teachers being renewed on tonight's agenda. Ms. Munn asked the Board to reconsider their decision.
- **Matthew Munn**, 1109 New York Avenue, noted that Ms. Swift was one of the most caring teachers when he was a student at Absecon Schools and felt compelled to speak on her behalf. He asked the Board to reconsider their decision to not renew Ms. Swift for the 2019/2020 school year.

Meeting closed to public at 8:45 pm.

R. NEXT MEETING DATE - May 28, 2019

The Board moved to the Board Office conference room at 8:45 pm.

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mr. Cottrell moved to adopt the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED by the Absecon Board of Education that, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq.) it shall enter into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation and other matters of attorney client privilege. The information discussed can be disclosed to the public only upon formal written request to the board secretary at the next

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work, special or regular meeting to determine if the time and circumstances would be appropriate to disclose the information discussed. At the conclusion of this session the Board of Education will reconvene the regular portion of the meeting and action may, or may not, be taken.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Neal, and unanimously carried by a roll call vote. Ms. Wallace, Absent.

On a motion by Mr. Cottrell, seconded by Ms. Marczyk, and unanimously carried by a voice vote, the Executive Session was declared closed at 11:00 pm. Ms. Wallace, Absent.

T. ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Mr. Cottrell, seconded by Mr. Neal and unanimously carried by a voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Maruca
Board Secretary