

# **OGDENSBURG BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION**

## **Minutes: September 3, 2024**

The Regular Session of the Ogdensburg Board of Education is called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Library of the Ogdensburg School, 100 Main Street, Ogdensburg, New Jersey, 07439.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE:** Read by Mr. Donegan

"This is to advise the general public and to instruct that it be recorded in the Minutes that in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act", Ogdensburg Board of Education, caused notice of this meeting to be posted at the Office of Ogdensburg Board of Education, mailed to the newspapers circulated in the district and to the Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Ogdensburg, and be posted at the Ogdensburg Elementary School and the school website, setting forth the time, date, and location of this meeting."

### **FLAG SALUTE**

**THE AMERICAN'S CREED**, by William Tyler Page, 1917

### **ROLL CALL:**

AYE: Mr. Donegan, Ms. Schinn, Ms. Allen, Ms. Kondik, Mr. Gorsky, Mr. Mendendez, Mr. Mortensen

ABSENT:

Superintendent/Principal, David Astor  
Business Administrator, Rich Rennie

### **PRESENTATION(S):**

N/A

### **OPEN SESSION #1:**

N/A

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS**

**Board Business:**

The annual NJ School Board Workshop training conference will take place from Monday, Oct. 21 to Thursday, Oct. 24 at the Atlantic City Convention Center. Please let Mr. Astor know if you're interested in attending.

**Personnel/Program:**

N/A

**Facilities/Finance:**

N/A

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**Drills for the previous month:**

- Fire drill: 8/29/24- ABCODE
- Security drill/discussion: Review procedures with Chief Gordon & MOA- August/ September

**HIB REPORT** *All policies and procedures have been followed and met; the report is based on the recommendation of the Superintendent.*

*PSA (architects) will be attending a future BOE meeting to discuss univents. At the October meeting, there will be a discussion about busing, safety patrol, etc*

HIB's for the previous month: 0

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

N/A

**BOARD BUSINESS**

MOTION presented by Ms. Allen and seconded by Ms. Kondik to approve:

**BB 01:** Approval of Minutes: August 20, 2024 Meeting

AYE: Mr. Donegan, Ms. Schinn, Ms. Allen, Ms. Kondik, Mr. Gorsky, Mr. Mendendez, Mr. Mortensen

ABSENT:

**PERSONNEL/PROGRAM**

MOTION presented by Ms. Schinn and seconded by Ms. Allen to approve:

**P/P – 01** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, affirms the Superintendent’s Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Report for August 2024 as presented on September 3, 2024 with Board options to affirm, reject or modify the report.

**P/P – 02** Second reading and adoption of the following District Policies & Regulations from Alert(s) 233:

- P 0141 Board Member Number and Term (Revised)
- P 0164.6 Remote Public Board Meetings During a Declared Emergency (M) (Abolished)
- P 2200 Curriculum Content (M) (Revised)
- P & R 3160 Physical Examination (M) (Revised)
- P & R 4160 Physical Examination (M) (Revised)
- P 5337 Service Animals (Revised)
- P 5350 Student Suicide Prevention (M) (Revised)
- P 7231 Gifts From Vendors (M) (Abolished)
- P 8420 Emergency and Crisis Situations (M) (Revised)
- P & R 8467 Firearms and Weapons (M) (Revised)
- P 9181 Volunteer Athletic Coaches and Co-Curricular Activity Advisors/Assistants (Revised)

**P/P – 03** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the attendance at the NJ School Boards Association 2024 Workshop in Atlantic City (10/2xx - 10/2xx) for Mr. Astor and Ms. Schinn. Total estimated cost for workshop registration, transportation and lodging in Atlantic City: Aprox. \$1,580 (\$1,100 even registration + \$480 lodging)

**P/P – 04** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following leave as listed below:

- Name: Deirdre Cooke
- Est. leave date: October 1, 2024
- Estimated return: October 31, 2024

Employee will be placed on a leave of absence using accumulated sick days, with benefits. It is anticipated the employee has sufficient sick days to cover the leave estimated to end on or around October 31, 2024. Afterwards, the employee could also be placed on additional leave using sick days, or under the Federal and State family leave acts, subject to modifications as may be necessary with documentation.

**P/P - 05** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves Dave Sasso as a substitute teacher for the 2024-2025 school year at the rate of \$120.00 per day.

**P/P – 06** **MOVEMENT ACROSS GUIDE:** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent moves Mrs. Wendy Ranson, Classroom Teacher for the 2024-2025 School Year from Level BA - STEP 3 to **Level BA - STEP 3 +30**

**P/P – 07** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following community based instruction trip(s):

COMMUNITY BASED INSTRUCTION

Ms. Stagg’s Class will be going to the following location, as part of the Community Based Instruction Program.

- Drayer Physical Therapy Institute (ecosystem discovery work)

The students will be transported in the Ogdensburg School van.

AYE: Mr. Donegan, Ms. Schinn, Ms. Allen, Ms. Kondik, Mr. Gorsky, Mr. Mendendez, Mr. Mortensen  
ABSENT:

**FACILITIES/FINANCE**

MOTION presented by Mr. Mortensen and seconded by Mr. Gorsky to approve:

**F/F – 01** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education approves the attached check Register through August 2024 for checks from 018495 through 040195 for a total of \$156,703.19

**F/F – 01A** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education approves the attached updated check register for the full month of July 2024 for checks from 018408 through 040196 for a total of \$449,404.60

**F/F – 02** RESOLVED that Ogdensburg Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10, accepts that as of July 2024 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10.

**F/F - 03** RESOLVED that the Ogdensburg Board of Education accepts the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial reports for July 2024.

**F/F – 04** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education accepts, in compliance with N.J.A.C 6A:23A-16.10, line item transfers for the month of July 2024, to ensure that no line items are over-expended, and the Board acknowledges that this/these transfer(s) may increase / decrease the maximum dollar limit established as part of the budget process for various budget lines.

**F/F - 05** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education accepts the attached Monthly Transfer Report for the month of July 2024.

**F/F – 06** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education approves the attached interlocal service agreement with Sussex County Technical School for the 24-25 school year (regarding services to include ASE certified mechanics and part ordering for maintenance of Ogdensburg School Vehicles).

**F/F - 07** RESOLVED, that the Ogdensburg Board of Education, approves the attached application for use of school facilities for ORA Spring Soccer Program. 9/9/24 - 11/9/24 (Mon & Weds 5:30 - 8pm)  
Saturday (8am - 1pm)

AYE: Mr. Donegan, Ms. Schinn, Ms. Allen, Ms. Kondik, Mr. Gorsky, Mr. Mendendez, Mr. Mortensen  
ABSENT:

**OPEN SESSION #2:**

Ms. Stagg commented that the opening day of the 24-25 school year seemed great and calm.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

N/A

**OTHER BOARD BUSINESS:**

N/A

**ADJOURN**

MOTION presented by Mr. Mortensen, and seconded by Ms. Schinn that the Ogdensburg Board of Education adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

The motion passed by voice vote of all members in attendance

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Rennie  
Board Secretary