Regular Board Meeting / Public Hearing (Thursday, April 30, 2026)

Members present
Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

A. MEETING OPENING
Procedural: 1. Call to Order
The Regular Meeting of the Ocean City Board of Education was called to order by President Barnes on Thursday, April 30, 2026, at 6:02 p.m. in the Ocean City High School Library, 501 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, NJ.

Procedural: 2. President's Announcement of Adequate Meeting Notice
President Barnes announced that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975. Notice of the time, place and agenda were filed with the city clerk, posted in the lobby of City Hall, and delivered to the Ocean City Sentinel and the Press of Atlantic City.

Procedural: 3. Roll Call
On roll call, members present were Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Chris Halliday, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl, and Kevin Barnes. Also present were Christian Angelillo, Ed.D. Superintendent, Timothy E. Kelley, Business Administrator, and Michael Stanton, Esquire. Member absent was Kelly Ann Emberger. There were no members of the public present.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION - if needed (not open to the public)

Action: 1. Executive Session
Motion to enter into Executive Session.

Motion by Andrew Shawl, second by Chris Halliday. The Board entered executive session at 6:03 p.m.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private session; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Ocean City Board of Education, that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving:

Matters involving personnel issues, including but not limited to, the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance, promotion or discipline of any public officer or employee, and specifically: OCEA grievance; superintendent search.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ocean City Board of Education WILL return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session. The Board anticipates returning to open session in approximately 60 minutes.

Motion by Andrew Shawl, second by Chris Halliday.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Return to Public Session
Motion to return to Public Session.

The Board returned from executive session at 7:07 p.m.

Motion by Andrew Shawl, second by Chris Halliday.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

C. REGULAR MEETING OPENING

Procedural: 1. Call to Order
The Regular Meeting of the Ocean City Board of Education was called to order by President Barnes on Thursday, April 30, 2027, at 7:08 p.m. in the Ocean City High School Library, 501 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, NJ.

Procedural: 2. President's Announcement of Adequate Meeting Notice
President Barnes announced that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975. Notice of the time, place and agenda were filed with the city clerk, posted in the lobby of City Hall, and delivered to the Ocean City Sentinel and the Press of Atlantic City.

Procedural: 3. Salute to the Flag
President Barnes led everyone present in a salute to the flag.

Procedural: 4. Roll Call
On roll call, members present were Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Chris Halliday, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl, and Kevin Barnes. Also present were Christian Angelillo, Ed.D. Superintendent, Timothy E. Kelley, Business Administrator, Michael Stanton, Esquire, Sue Williamson from Sea Isle City, Ryan Slaven from Longport, and Student Representatives Sophia Pero and Molly Quinn. Member absent was Kelly Ann Emberger. There were 30 members of the public present.

D. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT/COMMENTS

Procedural: 1. Board President's Report/Comments
Mr. Barnes welcomed everyone to the meeting.

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/PRESENTATIONS

Information: 1. Retiree Recognitions
Dr. Angelillo, Dr. O'Neal, and Mr. Engle recognized 2026 district retirees. Mr. Barnes recognized Dr. Angelillo on his retirement at the end of the school year.

Information: 2. 2026-27 Budget
Mr. Kelley presented information on the 2026-2027 budget.

Information: 3. Student Representatives' Update
Student representatives Sophia Pero and Molly Quinn provided an update to the Board of Education.

F. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2026-27 BUDGET

Action: 1. Public Hearing on the Proposed 2026-27 Budget
The Board adopts the Final Budget for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote.

WHEREAS, the Ocean City Board of Education adopted a tentative budget on March 26, 2026, and submitted it to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval, and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was approved by the Executive County Superintendent of Schools on April 6, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was posted on the districts website on April 13, 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Ocean City Board of Education hereby adopts the final budget for the school year 2026-2027 utilizing the 2026-2027 state aide allocation as follows:

A.	**General Fund**	$49,839,902
	Less: Anticipated Revenues	$21,683,365
	Amount to be raised by local taxes	$28,156,537
B.	**Special Revenue Fund**	$1,883,950
	Less: Anticipated Revenues	$1,883,950
	Amount to be raised by local taxes	$0

C.	**Debt Service Fund**	$0
	Amount to be raised by local taxes	$0

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.2(a), maximum dollar amounts for public relations and professional services have been established and are detailed in the appropriations section of the 2026-2027 budget,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: to include in the final budget the CAP adjustment in the amount of $1,111,893 for an increase in health care costs. This CAP adjustment will be utilized to pay for the additional increases in health benefit premiums,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that this CAP adjustment will be used in the 2026-2027 budget and will not be carried over as banked CAP in future budgets,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the proposed budget includes an adjustment for banked CAP in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-10.1(b). The district has fully exhausted all eligible statutory spending authority and must increase the base budget in the amount of $190,996 for the purpose of the procurement of instructional materials. The district intends to complete said purposes by June 2027.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that as per N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.2(d) the general fund appropriations include $400,000 to be withdrawn from the Maintenance Reserve Account to be utilized for required maintenance at District schools as reported in the comprehensive maintenance plan pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26-20.5,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that $150,000 be withdrawn from the Emergency Reserve Account to be utilized for District security improvements,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that $1,500,000 be withdrawn from the Tuition Reserve Account which were deposited into the account in 2024-2025 and are now required to be withdrawn in the 2026-2027 school year,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Ocean City Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and WHEREAS, the Ocean City Board of Education established $125,000 as the maximum travel amount for the current school year and has expended $2,233 as of this date;
now THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of $125,000 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jocelyn Palaganas.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Procedural: 2. Public Comments

There were no public comments on the 2026-2027 budget.

Action: 3. Vote on 2026-27 Budget (Full Board)
Motion to vote on 2026-27 budget (Full Board).

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jocelyn Palaganas.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS (on Agenda Items Only)

Procedural: 1. Public Comments (on Agenda Items Only)

There were no public comments on agenda items only.

H. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Action: 1. Use of Facilities
The Board approves the following requests for use of facilities at the High School:

	Requested by	Activity	Dates/Times Requested	Rooms Needed	Fee Charge
1	Empire Fundraising LLC	HS Crew Fundraiser	June 27, 2026 (Sat) 10:00 am - 5:00 pm 7:30 am - 10:00 am (setup)	Main Gym	$360.00
2	Cru	College Ministry End of Summer Celebration	August 4, 2026 (Tues) 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm (setup)	Cafeteria	$660.00
3	City of Ocean City	Men's League Basketball	May 11, 2026 (Mon) 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Main Gym	No charge

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Use of Facilities (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following requests for use of facilities at the Intermediate School:

	Requested by	Activity	Dates/Times Requested	Rooms Needed	Fee Charge
1	City of Ocean City	OC Pops Band Camp	June 22 - 26, 2026 (Mon-Fri) 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Intermediate School MPR (stage side); Rooms 308, 403, 404, 405, 406 & 412	No Charge
2	Warriors Lacrosse	Lacrosse Games	May 2, 2026 (Sat) 8:00 am - 1:30 pm May 8, 2026 (Fri) 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Intermediate School 19th & Haven Field	No charge

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Information: 3. Drills

School	Date	Drill(s)
High School	March 23, 2026 March 24, 2026	Fire Security
Intermediate School	March 20, 2026 March 16, 2026	Fire Security
Primary School	March 18, 2026 March 16, 2026	Fire Security

Reports: 5. Buildings and Grounds Committee Report
Mr. Allegretto provided a report from the Building and Grounds Committee.

I. CURRICULUM AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Action: 1. High School Voter Registration Statement of Assurance
The Board approves the submission of the attached High School Voter Registration Statement of Assurance for the 2025-26 school year.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. High School Field Trips
The Board approves the attached High School Field Trip list.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 3. Intermediate School Field Trips (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the attached Intermediate School Field Trip list.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 4. Primary School Field Trips (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the attached Primary School Field Trip list.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Information: 5. Out-of-School Suspension Report - March 2026

Reports: 7. Curriculum and Student Affairs Committee Report
Mr. Niemiec provided a report from the Curriculum and Student Affairs Committee.

J. FINANCE

Action: 1. Bill List
The Board approves the payment of bills for April 2026 in the amount of $5,068,092.10.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Secretary and Monthly Cash Reconciliation Reports
The Board approves the Board Secretary's Monthly Financial Report and the Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report for March 2026. The Board Secretary's Monthly Financial Report and Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report are in agreement with each other.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 3. Line Item Transfers
The Board approves the revenue and appropriation transfers for March 2026. The Board also acknowledges receipt of the State of NJ mandated transfer reconciliation form for March 2026.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 4. Travel and Expense Reimbursement
The Board approves the April 2026 list of Board of Education Members and School District Staff travel and related expense reimbursements.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 5. Food Service Report
The Board accepts the Food Service Monthly Finance Report for March 2026.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 6. Tuition Contract Agreements
The Board approves the following 2025-26 Tuition Contract Agreements:

	Sending District	Receiving District	Student ID	Effective Dates	Total Cost
1	Bridgeton BOE	Ocean City BOE	1000032867	3/12/26-6/30/26	$6,560.00
1	Bridgeton BOE	Ocean City BOE	1000032866	3/12/26-6/30/26	$6,560.00

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 7. Annual Service Provider
The Board approves the following provider for services for the 2025-26 school year:

	Provider	Service	Cost
1	Educational Consultants of New Jersey*	Bilingual/Monolingual Evaluations (on an as needed basis)	$700-$750/evaluation

*This professional service appointment is recommended for approval as an authorized exception to the Public School Contracts Law
(N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1, et seq.) competitive bidding requirements.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 8. Contract Award | Ocean City High School Roof
The Board approves the following resolution awarding a contract for a roofing project at Ocean City High School:

WHEREAS, the Ocean City Board of Education (the “Board”) has identified the need for roof restoration services at Ocean City High School (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Board is a registered member of the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (“ESCNJ”) Cooperative Pricing System, Co-op #65MCESCCPS, pursuant to a duly adopted membership resolution authorizing participation; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11 and N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5), as amended by P.L. 2025, c. 180, authorize a contracting unit to purchase construction services for a public works project through a cooperative purchasing agreement, provided the underlying contract was awarded by a contracting unit within the State of New Jersey and was competitively bid in full compliance with all public bidding, bid security, performance guarantee, insurance, and other public contracting requirements applicable to public works contracts; and

WHEREAS, ESCNJ Bid #ESCNJ23/34-30, titled "Roofing and Envelope Services," was competitively bid and awarded by ESCNJ, a New Jersey contracting unit, in compliance with the *Public School Contracts Law* (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the ESCNJ contract referenced herein is structured as an Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract, which is expressly permitted under P.L. 2025, c. 180, and is not a time-and-materials contract, the use of which is now prohibited through cooperative purchasing agreements for public works projects subject to the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act; and

WHEREAS, the scope of work for this Project will be performed pursuant to a fixed-price task order issued under the IDIQ contract, with unit pricing, materials, and labor rates established through the underlying competitively bid ESCNJ contract; and

WHEREAS, Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc. is an ESCNJ-approved vendor under the above-referenced contract and has submitted a proposal dated March 24, 2026 in the total amount of $4,985,365.58 for the Project, a copy of which is on file with the Business Office; and

WHEREAS, the Project constitutes a "public works" project subject to the Public Works Contractor Registration Act (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48 et seq.) and the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq.), and the vendor and all subcontractors shall comply with both Acts, including the submission of certified payroll records for the duration of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary has certified that funds are available for the local share of this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the state share of the project is being funded at 40.0000% through an SDA Grant (Grant # G5-6998) for NJDOE project 3780-050-23-R501.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Ocean City Board of Education that:

1. The Board hereby awards a contract to Weatherproofing Technologies Inc. for roof restoration services at Ocean City High School in the total amount of $4,985,365.58, pursuant to ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing System #65MCESCCPS, Bid/Contract #ESCNJ 23/24-30, Project #5070051, structured as an IDIQ contract with a fixed-price task order for this Project.
2. The Board Secretary/School Business Administrator are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to execute this award.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 9. Donations (OC Reps Only)
The Board accepts the following donations for the 2025-26 school year:

	Donor	School	Amount	Use
1	Ocean City PTA	Primary School	$876.70	Grade 1 Field Trip-Salt & Clover Farm (Bus)
			$1,193.70	Grade 2 Field Trip-Tuckerton Seaport (Bus)
			$455.88	Grade 3 Field Trip-Playland (Bus)
			$50.97	Grade 3 Spelling Bee Trophies

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

K. PERSONNEL - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent

Action: 1. Superintendent Employment Contract
This motion was pulled from the regular full Board vote, and was voted on separately by the Board of Education.

WHEREAS, the Ocean City Board of Education ("Board') desires to employ Brian Latwis, Ed.D. in the position of Superintendent of Schools;

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7-8(j) and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-3.1(a), the Board forwarded the proposed Employment Contract for Brian Latwis, Ed.D. to the Cape May County Interim Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval, and has received approval and notice from the Cape May County Interim Executive County Superintendent of Schools that the Contract of Employment for Brian Latwis, Ed.D. is in compliance with the Fiscal Accountability, Efficiency and Budgeting Regulations;

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board approves and adopts the Contract of Employment for Brian Latwis, Ed.D. as Superintendent of Schools, consistent with the terms and conditions set forth therein.

Motion by Lisa Mansfield, second by Jocelyn Palaganas.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Retirements
The Board accepts with deep regret, the following retirements by roll call vote:

	Name	Building/Location	Position	Effective Date
1	Elizabeth Frisby	District	Special Education Aide	July 1, 2026
2	James Monteleone	High School	Special Education Teacher	October 1, 2026

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 3. New Substitute Appointments
The Board approves the following substitute appointments by roll call vote:

	Name	Location	Position	Effective Dates
1	Maribeth Grasso	District	Substitute Teacher	5/1/2026-6/30/2026
2	Shawn Repetti	District	Substitute Teacher	5/1/2026-6/30/2026
3	Lauren Sorantino	District	Substitute Support Staff	5/1/2026-6/30/2026
4	Olivia Ginsburg	District	Substitute	5/1/2026-6/30/2026

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 4. Leave of Absence
The Board approves the following leave of absence by roll call vote:

	Employee #	Building/Location	Type of Leave	Effective Dates
1	2997	District	Paid/FMLA, revised	3/11/26-5/15/26

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 5. District Non-Affiliated Staff and Salaries
The Board approves the attached District non-affiliated staff and salaries for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 6. District and High School Administrative Staff and Salaries

The Board approves the attached District and High School administrative staff and salaries for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 7. District and High School Certificated Staff and Salaries
The Board approves the attached District and High School certificated staff and salaries for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 8. District and High School Support Staff and Salaries
The Board approves the attached District and High School support staff and salaries for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl
Abstain: Michael Allegretto

Action: 9. High School Coach 2025-26
The Board approves the following High School coach for the 2025-26 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Season	Sport	Position	Stipend
1	William Kleva	Spring	Baseball	Volunteer Coach	N/A

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 10. High School Coaches 2026-27
The Board approves the following High School coaches for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Season	Sport	Position	Stipend
1	Matthew Purdue	Fall	Boys' Cross Country	Head Coach	$7,011.00
2	Michael Eisenstein	Fall	Football	Assistant Coach	$5,390.00
3	Kenneth Miller	Fall	Football	Freshman Coach	$5,039.00
4	William Perna	Fall	Football	Freshman Coach	$5,039.00
5	Jacqueline Adams	Fall	Girls' Soccer	Assistant Coach	$5,390.00
6	Jennifer Carey	Fall	Girls' Volleyball	Freshman Coach	$5,039.00
7	Nathan Garza	Fall	Surf Team	Head Coach	$7,011.00
8	Ryan Gill	Winter	Boys' Basketball	Assistant Coach	$5,390.00
9	Thomas Ballezzi	Winter	Boys' Basketball	Freshman Coach	$5,039.00
10	John Bruno	Winter	Boys' Basketball	Head Coach	$7,011.00

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 11. District and High School Summer 2026 Appointments
The Board approves the following District and High School Summer 2026 appointments by roll call vote:

	Name	Position	Stipend
1	Cheryl Cantwell	Nursing Hours	$42.00/hr
2	Jill Berenato		
3	Mary McDowell-Campo	Academic Support/Student Services	$42.00/hr
4	Tobi Oves	Guidance	$42.00/hr
5	Christopher Banks		
6	All Certificated Staff	IEP Meetings	$42.00/hr

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 12. Curriculum Writing
The Board approves the following curriculum writing appointments by roll call vote:

	Name	Position	Stipend
1	Annelise Buono	Python	$35.00/hr
2	Paul Matusz	Studio Art 3	
3	Heather Cox	Yearbook I & II	
4	Ian Tapp	AP Physics I	
5	Craig Martin	Instrumental Guitar	
6	Adriana Palmer	Photography Scope	
7	Shawn Burke	Data Literacy	
8	Vincent Zigari	Sculpture & 3D Media, Foundations of Art	

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 13. Intermediate School Coach 2025-26 (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following Intermediate School coach for the 2025-26 school year by roll call vote:

	Name	Season	Sport	Position	Stipend
1	Dante DiPalma	Spring	Baseball	Volunteer Coach	N/A

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 14. Primary and Intermediate School Summer 2026 Appointments (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following Primary and Intermediate School Summer 2026 appointments by roll call vote:

	Name	Position	Stipend
1	Carole Maurer	ML Program	$42.00/hr
2	Abby Maurer		
3	Deepa McCabe	21st Century Challenge Program	$42.00/hr
4	Maura Cook		
5	Abigail Handshaw		

6	Christine George	Title I Program	$42.00/hr
7	Megan Gereaghty		
8	Meredith Jefferson		
9	Sharon Naplacic		
10	Olivia Swisher		

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 15. Curriculum Writing (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following curriculum writing appointments by roll call vote:

	Name	Position	Stipend
1	Francesca Lacey	Kindergarten (2.5 hours)	$35.00/hr
2	Frances Nugent-Berges	Kindergarten (2.5 hours)	

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 16. Intermediate School's Administrative Staff and Salaries (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the attached Intermediate School's administrative staff and salaries for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 17. Intermediate and Primary Schools' Certificated Staff and Salaries (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the attached Intermediate and Primary Schools' certificated staff and salaries for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 18. Primary School Support Staff and Salaries (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the attached Intermediate and Primary Schools' support staff and salaries for the 2026-27 school year by roll call vote.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 19. Primary & Intermediate Schools' Placements (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following Primary and Intermediate schools' placements by roll call vote:

	Name	Assigned Staff	College/University	Effective Dates

1	Drew Daily	Brittany Biederman	Stockton University	8/31/26-12/18/26
2	Brooke Stell	Christine Haury	Stockton University	8/31/26-12/18/26
3	Cecilia Nistico	Lindsay Morris	Stockton University	8/31/26-12/18/26

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 20. Leave of Absence (OC Reps Only)
The Board approves the following leave of absence by roll call vote:

	Employee #	Building/Location	Type of Leave	Effective Dates
1	4516	Intermediate School	Paid/FMLA/NJFLA, revised	4/15/26-6/30/26

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Reports: 22. Negotiations Committee Report
There was no report from the Negotiations / Personnel Committee.

L. POLICY

Action: 1. Policy - 1st Reading
The Board approves the following replacements, additions and/or deletions to the Board Policy and/or Regulation manuals:

	Policy Number	Policy Name	Mandated	New	Revised
1	P 5200	Attendance (M)	X		X
2	P 8505	Local Wellness Policy/Nutrient Standards for Meals and Other Foods (M)	X		X

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Regulation - 1st Reading
The Board approves the following replacements, additions and/or deletions to the Board Policy and/or Regulation manuals:

	Regulation Number	Regulation Name	Manadated	New	Revised
1	R 5200	Attendance	X		X

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Reports: 4. Policy Committee Report
Mr. Halliday provided a report from the Policy Committee.

M. VOTE ON BOARD RESOLUTIONS (Full Board)

Action: 1. Vote on Board Resolutions (Full Board)
Motion to vote on board resolutions (Full Board).

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jacqueline McAlister.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

N. VOTE ON BOARD RESOLUTIONS (Ocean City Representatives Only)

Action: 1. Vote on Board Resolutions (Ocean City Representatives Only)
Motion to vote on board resolutions (Ocean City Representatives Only) (Resolutions #H.2, I.3, I.4, J.9, K.13, K.14, K.15, K.16, K.17, K.18, K.19, K.20) as presented/amended.

Motion by Jocelyn Palaganas, second by Lisa Mansfield.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas
Not Present at Vote: Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

O. Approval of Minutes

Action: 1. Minutes: 3/26/26 Regular and Executive Session
Motion to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2026, Regular Meeting and Executive Session as presented.

Motion by Corey Niemiec, second by Jennifer Dwyer.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

P. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Procedural: 1. Public Comments

Vic Staniec, Ocean City / Fairness in Taxes (FIT), addressed the Board regarding the high school roof project.

Q. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Procedural: 1. Unfinished Business
There was no unfinished business.

R. NEW BUSINESS

Procedural: 1. New Business
There was no new business.

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION - if needed (not open to the public)

Action: 1. Executive Session
Motion to enter into Executive Session.

Motion by Lisa Mansfield, second by Jennifer Dwyer. The Board entered executive session at 8:20 p.m.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private session; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Ocean City Board of Education, that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving:

Matters involving personnel issues, including but not limited to, the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance, promotion or discipline of any public officer or employee, and specifically: OCEA grievance; superintendent search.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ocean City Board of Education WILL NOT return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session. The Board anticipates returning to open session in approximately 30 minutes.

Motion by Lisa Mansfield, second by Jennifer Dwyer.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Action: 2. Return to Public Session
Motion to return to Public Session.

The Board returned from executive session at 8:55 p.m.

Motion by Lisa Mansfield, second by Jennifer Dwyer.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

T. MEETING CLOSING

Action: 1. Adjournment
Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by Lisa Mansfield, second by Jennifer Dwyer, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Kevin Barnes, Chris Halliday, Michael Allegretto, Jennifer Cawley-Black, Jennifer Dwyer, Lisa Mansfield, Jacqueline McAlister, Corey Niemiec, Jocelyn Palaganas, Donald Polo, Andrew Shawl

Respectfully submitted,

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Timothy E. Kelley
Business Administrator/Board Secretary