

RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
RED BANK, NEW JERSEY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING
MAY 12, 2009

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Peter Noble called the May 12, 2009 Board Meeting of the Red Bank Board of Education to order at 7:08 pm.

2. SUNSHINE STATEMENT

Pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was advertised as directed by resolution adopted April 28 2009. Notice of this meeting was published in the *Asbury Park Press*, *The Hub*, and the *Two River Times* newspapers per code and sent to the Municipal Clerk, Red Bank Borough, within 7 days per code.

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3. ROLL CALL

Present: Ben Forest, Rosemarie Kopka, Marjorie Lowe, Ann Roseman, Peter Noble
Absent: Janet Jones, Carrie Ludwikowski, Rickey Tharrington
Also Present: Laura C. Morana, Superintendent; Peter Sokol, Esq.

4. FLAG SALUTE

Mr. Noble led the Pledge to the Flag.

5. RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:08 pm Mr. Forest motioned, seconded by Ms. Ludwikowski, to convene to Executive Session.

- A. Personnel—Non-Reappointment
- B. Teachers' Contract Negotiations

6. RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

ROLL CALL:

Present: Ben Forest, Rosemarie Kopka, Marjorie Lowe, Carrie Ludwikowski (arrived 8:03 pm), Ann Roseman, Peter Noble

Absent: Janet Jones, Rickey Tharrington

Also Present: Laura C. Morana, Superintendent; Peter Sokol, Esq.

7. OATH OF OFFICE

Board Secretary administers Oath of Office to Newly-Elected Board Member. 3-Year Term: Grace Costa

8. ROLL CALL

Present: Grace Costa, Ben Forest, Rosemarie Kopka, Marjorie Lowe, Carrie Ludwikowski, Ann Roseman, Peter Noble

Absent: Janet Jones, Rickey Tharrington

Also Present: Laura C. Morana, Superintendent; Peter Sokol, Esq.

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Primary School Project—Update

Mrs. Morana announced that the bids that were received on May 6 are in the process of being reviewed by our attorney. She advised the Board that during the project, construction meetings will be held every few weeks to keep track of the progress.

B. Preschool Program Expansion—Update

Mrs. Morana had conversations with Head Start regarding a possible partnership dependent on the State Department of Education funding. Head Start is in the process of leasing/buying a building that could house classrooms. There

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was a question about how Head Start students would be enrolled, and Mrs. Morana advised the board that students attending Head Start would be based on eligibility and identified by them.

C. Ms. Kopka advised the Board that Mrs. Morana and Ms. Darrow and she met with the Rutgers team to review field reports that were completed during their observations. Their team highlighted the beautiful areas, as well as the challenges faced due to the location. Some of the suggestions we could not consider involving parking due to DEP regulations.

10. CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

11. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Recognition of Board Service—Mary-Ellen Mess and Toni Brown
Mr. Noble presented Ms. Mess with a token of the Board's appreciation for her years of service. Mrs. Morana thanked Ms. Mess for her work on the Board. Ms. Brown was absent.

B. Board Ethics Training—NJSBA Field Representative Kathy Winecoff
Ms. Winecoff provided the board with the required ethics training that included NJQSAC and ethics responsibilities and review of the code of ethics, which was read aloud by the Board members. She also reviewed the ethics do's and don'ts, common areas of concern, and theory into practice.

C. Committee Assignments

Mr. Noble distributed committee assignments and asked the chairs of the committees to review the schedule and confirm whether last year's schedule works for them.

12. HEARING OF PUBLIC - NONE

13. STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

Often times it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases a unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. If the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred to the appropriate committee. The members of the board committee work with Administration and the Superintendent to assure that the members fully understand the matter. When the committee is satisfied with the matter, it is presented to the Board of Education for discussion before any final action is taken. Only then is it placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting.

14. ACTION AGENDA

A request was made to take 4019 and 9011 separately.

Ms. Roseman motioned, seconded by Ms. Kopka, to accept the following:

BUSINESS – 3000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the following FINANCE resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

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3006. TRAVEL

Name	Date/Time	Location	Fee	Theme	Account #
Danielle Yamello	05/14/09 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Trenton, NJ	\$0.00	Community/Parent Involvement Specialist Meeting	NA
John Bombardier Brunilda Solano Jonelle Melton	05/21/09 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	RBRHS, Red Bank, NJ	\$0.00	Social Studies Articulation Meeting	NA
Maria Iozzi	06/29/09 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Freehold, NJ	\$0.00	County Behavioral Health, Child Protective Services & Education Systems Partnership	NA

3007. ADMINISTRATORS' CONTRACT – 2008 – 2011

To approve the ratification of the Administrators' Contract – 2008 – 2011.

COMMENT: Mrs. Morana advised the Board that there was a revision to the salary guide. Ms. Darrow distributed the revised salary guide to Board members. The revision reflects correcting a typo to the Primary School principal's salary.

3008. TRANSPORTATION REROUTING

To approve Ross Haber, Associates to perform a bus stop analysis and revision that will maximize student transportation, at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00.

3009. GRANT SUBMISSION

To authorize the Superintendent to submit The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Food Service Equipment Grant application in the amount of \$17,847.00.

3010. GRANT SUBMISSION

To authorize the Superintendent to submit the Personalized Student Learning Plan Pilot Program as a collaborative project with Red Bank Regional High School, in the amount of \$15,000.00, over a two-year period for each school (2009-2011).

3011. CHANGE IN ROOM USE

To approve the submission to the Monmouth County Office of Education for increased capacity/change in use for Room #179 at the Middle School.

3012. OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENTS – EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR SUMMER 2009

That the Board approves the following students and tuition expense to attend the Extended School Year Program in their out-of-district placements for summer 2009.

STUDENT ID #	SCHOOL	LOCATION	PROGRAM	TUITION	AIDE/COST	TRANS COST	DATES	HOURS
ODP-1204	Search Day	Wanamassa	Autistic	\$10,075.84	\$5,550	TBD	7/1 - 8/21	8:45 - 2:45
18066	Search Day	Wanamassa	Autistic	\$10,075.84	No	TBD	7/1 - 8/21	8:45 - 2:45

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ODP-0404	Children Center	Neptune	MD Class	\$9,289.22	No	TBD	7/1 - 8/21	9:00 - 2:00
ODP-0207	Children Center	Neptune	MD Class	\$9,289.22	No	TBD	7/1 - 8/21	9:00 - 2:00
ODP-0504	SFC	Eatontown	MD Class	\$8,090.10	No	TBD	7/6 - 8/14	8:30 - 2:00
ODP-1504	SFC	Eatontown	MD Class	\$8,090.10	No	TBD	7/6 - 8/14	8:30 - 2:00
21119	Schroth	Wanamassa	PSD Class	\$9,089.05	No	TBD	7/1 - 8/21	9:00 - 2:00
61270	Schroth	Wanamassa	MD Class	\$9,089.05	No	TBD	7/1 - 8/21	9:00 - 2:00
ODP-0107	CPC	Morganville	SC	\$8,567.50	No	TBD	7/13- 8/14	9:00 - 2:00

3013. DONATION

To accept with gratitude the donation to the Primary School of 750 new and used children's books with an approximate value of \$900.00 from Mr. Brian Acken.

PERSONNEL – 4000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following PERSONNEL resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

- 4008. That the Board approves the reappointment of tenured and non-tenured Administrators and Teaching Staff for the 2009-2010 school year as per Attachment A.
- 4009. That the Board approves the reappointment of Instructional Assistants for the 2009-2010 school year as per Attachment B.
- 4010. That the Board approves the reappointment of Building Level Secretaries for the 2009-2010 school year as per Attachment C.
- 4011. That the Board accepts the resignation of Mary Castaldo, Primary School Special Education Teacher, effective July 1, 2009.
- 4012. That the Board accepts the resignation of Viviane Greenberg, Primary School ESL Teacher, effective July 1, 2009.
- 4013. That the Board approves the non-reappointment of William Pelly, Middle School Special Education Teacher, for the 2009 – 2010 school year.
- 4014. That the Board approves the reappointment of Hernando Villegas, as Long-Term Substitute Bilingual Math Teacher, at a BA Step 1 prorated salary of \$43,690.00, effective April 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009 (account #11-130-100-101-000).

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4015. That the Board approves the transfer of Karim Vitolo, from Primary School Spanish Teacher to First Grade Bilingual Teacher (salary remains the same), effective May 4, 2009 through June 30, 2009.
4016. That the Board approves the transfer of Patricia Alexander, from Primary School Instructional Assistant to Long Term Primary School Substitute Spanish teacher, at a BA Step 1 prorated annual salary of \$43,690.00, effect May 4, 2009 through June 30, 2009.
4017. That the Board approves a maternity leave of absence with benefits for Beth Ann Moran, Primary School teacher, from May 22, 2009 through June 19, 2009.
4018. That the Board approves a maternity leave of absence with benefits for Jamie Herman, Primary School teacher, from June 8, 2009 through June 19, 2009, and from September 1, 2009 through September 15, 2009, and an unpaid family leave of absence with benefits, from September 16, 2009 through October 23, 2009, in accordance with the Family Leave Act.
4020. That the Board approves the following as Guest Teachers effective May 13, 2009 through June 30, 2009.

Shary Ash	Megan Leonard
Alexa DeGiorgio	Patrick Lyons

4021. That the Board approves Dean Case as Substitute Custodian, at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

EXTRA WORK/EXTRA PAY

4022. That the Board approves the following staff members and their compensation as After-School/Evening Events Monitors, on an as-needed basis not to exceed three hours per event, effective May 13, 2009 through June 30, 2009, at their stipulated negotiated contractual hourly rate.

Earl Agee	\$17.00	Kay Carroll	\$12.21	Carla Chicas	\$17.00
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4023. That the Board approves the appointment of the following staff for post-testing scoring of SES Saturday Academy Program students for the 2008-2009 school year, not to exceed four (4) hours, at the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$30.00 (Account #20-231-100-101-014):

John Adranovitz	Kristine Covello	Blanca Ramirez
Edward Baidy	Donna Emeric	Jackie Rivera
Julius Clark	Luz Nieves	Laura Zakanych

4024. That the Board approves the appointment of Christine Borkes for post-testing scoring of third grade Saturday Academy students for the 2008-2009 school year, not to exceed four (4) hours, at the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$30.00 (Account #11-120-100-101-0BA).

4025. That the Board approves the following Guest Teacher's participation and compensation as a Club Advisor in the After School Programs (21st Century Community Learning Center), effective May 13, 2009 through June 15, 2009, funded by the 21st Century Grant.

Teacher's Name	Name of Club	Days of Week					Hours per Week
		M	T	W	TH	F	
Patricia Rick	Academic Support (3:10 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.)	X	X	X	X	X	5 X \$17.00

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CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM – 6000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

6004. That the Red Bank Board of Education deems student participation in curriculum related field trips to be educationally beneficial. Pursuant to regulation 6A:23A-5.8©(1), the Board hereby approves the resolution.

Location	Date
Navesink House, Red Bank, NJ (Grades 4-8, 21 st Century Grant After-School Community Outreach)	May 19, 2009
Oyster Point Hotel, Red Bank, NJ (12 Members of the Primary School Strings)	May 22, 2009
Build-It, Stevens Institute, Hoboken, NJ (5 8 th Grade Students)	June 3, 2009

6005. That the Board approves the submission of the application for a Summer Academic Enrichment Program, for students entering Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 8, from June 22, 2009 through August 14, 2009, to the Monmouth County Department of Education.

AYES: Costa, Forest, Kopka, Lowe, Ludwikowski, Roseman, Noble
 NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

Ms. Roseman motioned, seconded by Ms. Kopka, to approve:

BYLAWS OF THE BOARD – 9000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the following BYLAWS OF THE BOARD resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

9001. That the Board approves the following policy for first reading:

Policy 5131 Student Code of Conduct/Discipline

COMMENT: Several suggestions were made to revise the policy prior to the second reading. Mrs. Morana will take the suggestions and send the revised policy to the Board for their review.

AYES: Forest, Kopka, Lowe, Ludwikowski, Roseman, Noble
 NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: Costa

Policy 5131 approved as changed by Mrs. Morana with Board comments.

Ms. Roseman motioned, seconded by Ms. Ludwikowski, to approve:

4019. That the Board approves the appointment of Terence McCall as Middle School Special Education Teacher (LLD), at an MA Step 4 annual salary of \$47,190.00 (pending teachers' negotiations 2009-2010), effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

COMMENT: Mrs. Morana welcomed Mr. McCall to the district. Ms. Costa indicated that Mr. McCall was a past student of hers.

AYES: Costa, Forest, Kopka, Lowe, Ludwikowski, Roseman, Noble
 NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

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15. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - NONE

16. OLD BUSINESS

- Ms. Darrow reminded the Board that the Garden State Coalition Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 27 from 8:30 to 11:30 am. She is planning on attending and will need to know which Board members would like to go as this must be an approved travel item.

17. NEW BUSINESS

- It was noted that the band and chorus will be playing at the Red Bank Community Day.
- It was also noted that Friday and Saturday Red Bank Regional Board of Education is hosting a dance recital.

18. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:40 pm Ms. Roseman motioned, seconded by Ms. Ludwikowski, to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne E. Darrow
Board Secretary/School Business Administrator