

**ROCKAWAY BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY
Regular Public Meeting
Thomas Jefferson Cafeteria
May 7, 2013**

ROCKAWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL'S MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of the Rockaway Borough School District, a caring and diverse community, is to propel the success of each student by creating an environment that fosters self-confidence and encourages creativity through quality instruction and educational opportunities aligned with the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards.

I. Call to Order and Flag Salute

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Board President, Christa Smith.

II. Notice of Announcement

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the Rockaway Borough Board of Education has provided adequate written notice of the time, date and place of this meeting to the Daily Record and The Citizen.

III. Roll Call

Board Members Present: Eileen Haynes, Laura Lugo, Vice-President, Tim Rogers and Board President, Christa Smith

Board Member Absent: Debbie McNally

Administration Present: Vice-Principal/Director of Curriculum, Mark Schwarz, Director of Buildings and Grounds, Anthony Coppola and School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Joseph P. Hurley Jr.

IV. Superintendent's Report

1. Facilities – Anthony Coppola discussed maintenance issues with the Board.
2. NJQSAC – Mr. Hurley discussed the QSAC visit that will take place, Wednesday, May 8.
3. Technology and Nursing Reports – Ms. Haynes and Mr. Hurley discussed the 2012-2013 reports.

V. Comments from the Public

None.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Finance

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Finance Items #1-6.

The motion was approved in a unanimous roll call vote. (Lugo/Smith)

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the following bids for the removal of garbage for the Rockaway Borough School District, pursuant to 18A: 18A-3, Public School Contracts Law.

Bidder	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Blue Diamond Disposal, Succasunna, NJ	\$15,792	\$15,792	\$15,792
Gaeta Recycling Inc., Paterson, NJ	No bid	No bid	No bid
Interstate Waste Services, Jersey City, NJ	\$14,102.40	\$14,102.40	\$14,102.40
N. Tassielle Disposal Inc., Rockaway, NJ	\$20,139.08	\$20,139.08	\$20,139.08
Waste Management, Ewing, NJ	\$7,145.78	\$7,288.69	\$7,434.47

2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to award the contract to Waste Management, in the amount \$7,145.78 for year one, \$7,288.69 for year 2, and \$7,434.47 for year 3, for the removal of garbage and refuse at the Rockaway Borough School District, pursuant to 18A: 18A-42, Public School Contract Law.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a tuition rate for the general education pre-school students at a rate of \$280.00 for the 2013-2014 Extended School Year Program.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following reduced pre-school tuition rates:

Summer School Rate: Full Rate \$280
Students qualifying for reduced priced lunch: \$140
Students qualifying for free lunch: \$92

Regular School Year Rate: Full Rate \$2,800
Students qualifying for reduced priced lunch: \$1,400
Students qualifying for free lunch: \$924

5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to increase the maximum dollar limit for the below listed professional services, pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-5.2(a).

	Approved Amount	Revised Amount
Negotiator -	\$10,896	\$20,000
Purchased Health Services -	\$7.053	\$20,000

6. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following people for duty coverage of the computer lab on a rotation basis for 30 minutes per day for 5 days per week from 8:15am to 8:45am at a rate of \$14.00 per hour for the remainder of the 2012 – 2013 school year.

Cheryl Hennessy	Russ Grueter
Donna Van Duyne	Christine Capan

B. Policy

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Curriculum Items # 1-2.

The motion was approved in a unanimous roll call vote. (Smith/Lugo)

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the Superintendent's Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report dated May 7, 2013 for incident numbers TJ20121339 – TJ20121343. Incident # TJ20121340 was confirmed.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the below listed policies for a first reading:

P 1631	Residency Requirements for Person Holding School District Office Employment or Position
P 2363	Pupil Use of Privately Owned Technology
P 3324	Right of Privacy – Teaching Staff Members
P 4324	Right of Privacy - Support Staff Members
P 4282	Use of Social Networking Sites
P 5112	Entrance Age
P 5117	Interdistrict Public School Choice
P 5600	Pupil/Discipline/Code of Conduct
P 7510	Use of School Facilities
P 8613	Waiver of Pupil Transportation
P 9270	Home Schooling and Equivalent Education Outside the Schools
R 3230	Outside Activities - Teaching Staff Members
R 4230	Outside Activities - Support Staff Members
R 5600	Pupil/Discipline/Code of Conduct
R 7510	Use of School Facilities

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the Superintendent's Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report dated March 5, 2013 for incident numbers 24 – 24.

C. Addendum

The Board thanked Ms. Lerner for her hard work and dedication.

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Addendum Items #1-5.

The motion was approved in a unanimous roll call vote. (Rogers/Smith)

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to enter into a contract with St. Clare's Hospital, Inc. to provide outpatient behavioral services. The contract will begin May 8, 2013 to May 7, 2014 and the District will receive an 80% discount on the services.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to enter into a contract with Bayada Nurses to provide substitute nurses on an as needed basis. The contract will begin May 8, 2013 and end August 31, 2013. The cost is \$60.00 per hour.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve, with regret, the resignation of Ms. Randee Lerner effective June 30, 2013 due to relocation.

4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Jennifer Berk as a substitute nurse for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year at a rate of \$100 per day.
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to enter into a contract with the Educational Services Commission of Morris County to provide substitute nurses on an as needed basis. The contract will begin May 8, 2013 and end June 30, 2013. The cost is \$53 per hour.

VII. Recommendations

A. FINANCE

1. Recommend approval of the minutes from the April 2, 2013, April 17, 2013, April 23, 2013 and April 29, 2013 Rockaway Borough Board of Education meetings.
2. Recommend approval of the attached list of budget transfers.
3. Recommend approval of the Certification of Major Account and Line Item Status.
4. Recommend approval of the manifest of bills from the Finance Committee as follows:

April _____
5. Recommend approval of the Board Secretary and Treasurer's Reports for April 2013.
6. Recommend approval of the April 2013 Cafeteria Reconciliation and Cafeteria Checking Account Report.
7. Recommend approval of the attached list of Professional Development/Travel Expenditure Requests.
8. Recommend approval to renew a contract with Netop in the amount of \$150.00. The contract will begin 6/16/13 and end 6/17/14.
9. Recommend approval to enter into a contract with St. Clare's Hospital, Inc for the purpose of safety risk assessments at a rate of 80% off the regularly billed charges effective May 8, 2013.
10. Recommend approval for a Child Study Team request for Tara Renehan (pre-approved on November 6, 2012) to provide home instruction for student # 163, 10 hours per week effective Monday April 29, 2013 at contracted rate of \$35.98(rate to be determined upon the completion of negotiations). Length of time to be determined.
11. Recommend approval for a Child Study Team request for student#162 to receive 10 hours ABA/home instruction effective 5/6/2013 through 6/21/2013. Rate to be determined.
12. Recommend approval for a Child Study Team request for student #163 to attend Cornerstone Day School at per diem rate of \$325.00. Estimated effective date 5/6/2013 through end of 12/13 school year.

13. Recommend approval for a Child Study Team request for Christine Matrisciano, occupational therapist, to be paid up to 10 additional hours over the summer to conduct new student occupational therapy evaluations, attend eligibility meetings and compose evaluation reports. Therapist to be paid at hourly rate to be determined at completion of negotiations.
14. Recommend approval for a Child Study Team request for the following students (referenced by student #) to attend extended school year as per IEP:

PALS	MD	PreK-K	1-3	4/5	6-8
03	65	169	136	85	42
128	27	155	12	29	98
162	23	144	17	36	61
145	142	33	139	14	66
	108	18	148	31	153
			149	32	40
			62	165	08
				141	134
				68	124
				147	45
				4	34
				157	84
				38	

15. Recommend approval for a Child Study Team request for PG Chambers contract for physical therapy services and occupational therapy services for the six week extended school year (June 27 – August 9, 2013).Rate to be determined upon receipt of contract.
16. Recommend approval for a Child Study Team request for Speech Therapy Center, LLC contract to provide speech evaluations (\$350 each evaluation).
17. Recommend approval for a Child Study Team request for ABA Home component services as per IEP for 2013/2014 extended school year:

Student #	Hours per week	ESY Dates	Provider	Provider Rate
#27	2 hours ABA and ½ hour consult per week	June 27, 2013 – August 9, 2013	Jeanette Murphy	\$50.00
#108	1 hour ABA per week and 1 hour per month consult	June 27, 2013 – August 9, 2013	Jeanette Murphy	\$50.00
#86	5 hours ABA per week (*10 hours when school not in session)	7/1 – 7/31, 5 hours per week 8/5 – 8/31, 10 hours per week	Dave Koenig	\$50.00

18. Recommend approval for a Child Study Team request for an out of district extended school year 13/14 placements as per IEP:

Student #	`Location	Amount	Transportation	Amount
86	YCS Sawtelle	TBD upon	Rockaway	

	Learning Center	receipt of contract	Borough	
16	Wharton A-Starr	TBD upon receipt of contract	Rockaway Borough	
07	WillowGlen	TBD upon receipt of contract	WillowGlen	TBD upon receipt of contract
50	Denville	TBD upon receipt of contract	Parent	
160	Cornerstone	TBD upon receipt of contract	ESC	TBD upon receipt of contract
163	Cornerstone	TBD upon receipt of contract	ESC	TBD upon receipt of contract
167	The Children's Institute	TBD upon receipt of contract	Rockaway Borough	
168	The Children's Institute	TBD upon receipt of contract	Rockaway Borough	

B. Curriculum

1. Recommend approval by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached field trip requests.

C. Personnel

1. Recommend approval of Kaitlin Nazario as a substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2012 – 2013 school year at a daily rate of \$80.00 per day.

D. CURRICULUM

1. Recommendation to approve the attached school calendar #3 for the 2013-2014 school year.

E. PERSONNEL

1. Recommendation to approve Monica Kline as the district Guidance Counselor/Anti Bullying Specialist from April 9, 2013 to June 30, 2013. Ms. Kline will be placed on Step MA-1 of the teachers guide at an annual rate of \$48,150.00 pro-rated.
2. Recommendation to approve the second reading of the Job Description for Confidential Bookkeeper/Secretary.
3. Recommendation to approve Mrs. JoAnn Morena as a substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year at a rate of \$80.00 per day.

VIII. Old Business

None.

IX. New Business

None.

X. Comments from the Public

Carol Coulther when will the summer school positions be posted. Mr. Hurley said they will be posted as soon as the needs of the student population is identified.

XI. Executive Session

“The next topic on the agenda relates to personnel, which constitutes an exception to the Open Public Meetings Act.”

Therefore, the Board is permitted to have a private discussion and I will entertain a motion in that regard:

I move that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel, the nature of which will be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists. At the conclusion of this discussion, the Board may reconvene in public session and action may be taken.

The motion was approved at 7:44pm in a unanimous roll call vote. (Smith/Rogers)

XII. Motion to return to Open Session

A motion was approved to return to open session at 9:34pm. (Smith/Lugo)

XIII. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was approved at 9:35 p.m. to adjourn for the evening. (Rogers/Lugo)

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph P. Hurley Jr.
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary