

ROCKAWAY BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY
Regular Public Meeting
Thomas Jefferson School
July 16, 2013
6:00pm

I. Call to Order and Flag Salute

The meeting was called to order at 6:04p.m. by Board President, Eileen Haynes

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: Laura Lugo, Debra McNally, Tim Rogers, Vice-President, Christa Smith and Board President, Eileen Haynes

Board Member Absent: N/A

Administration Present: Interim Superintendent of Schools, Dennis Mack, Lincoln School Principal, Phyllis Alpaugh, Thomas Jefferson School Principal/Curriculum Coordinator, Mark Schwarz and School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Joseph P. Hurley Jr.

IV. Superintendent's Report

1. Principal Reports – Ms. Alpaugh and Mr. Schwarz discussed the events that took place in their schools.
2. Technology Report – Mr. said discussed a summer checklist that Mr. Reyes has given him.
3. Facilities Update – Mr. Hurley told the Board that the classroom doors are set be installed in August. Mr. Hurley also reported the summer maintenance and cleaning is on schedule.
4. Legislative Updates – None.
5. MD Tuition Rate – The Board discussed the Multiple Disabilities tuition rate for the 2013-2014 school year and agreed upon \$25,000.
6. HIB – Mr. Schwarz discussed.
7. EVVRS – Mr. Schwarz discussed the Electronic Violence, Vandalism, Substance Abuse report with the Board.
8. District Improvement Plan - Mr. Schwarz discussed.

V. Comments from the Public

Pat McDonald, Home and School, informed the Board that SLAP is available to help with work on July 29 and July 31. Mr. Hurley will coordinate.

Ms. Listwan asked if the Board is going to update the security system. Mr. Hurley said nothing there are no plans at this time.

Ms. Rich asked if there is a start date for the doors. Mr. Hurley said not yet.

Ms. Coulther asked if the second bathroom in the nurse's office is available for use. Mr. Hurley said he would like to close it. Ever since has been opened for use, people have been flushing

stuff down the toilet that clogs the pipes. When this happens we need to call in a plumber to have the blockage removed.

VI. Budget Transfers

Motion to approve the attached list of budget transfers from June 26, 2013 to June 30, 2013.

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

VII. Certification of Major Account and Line Item Status

Motion to approve the Major Account and Line Item Status.

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

VIII. Approval of the Manifest Bills

Motion to approve the manifest of bills from the Finance Committee as follows:

June Supplemental:	<u>\$493,739.05</u>
July:	<u>\$186,275.09</u>

The regular register is on file in the Office of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

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

IX. Committee Reports

A. Finance

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Finance Item 1.

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to enter into a agreement with the Educational Services Commission of Morris County to join a shared services agreement for the purpose of purchasing various types of services and supplies. The contract will begin July 1, 2013 and end June 30, 2014. The cost is \$2,400.

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Finance Items 2-20.

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

2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the June 2013 Cafeteria Reconciliation and Cafeteria Checking Account Report.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached field trip requests.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the minutes from the June 11, 2013 and June 25, 2013 Board of Education meetings.

5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following REVISED monthly school property tax payments from the Borough of Rockaway on the first of each month:

July 2013	\$306,165.00
August 2013	\$306,163.00
September 2013	\$1,224,654.00
October 2013	\$612,326.00
November 2013	\$612,326.00
December 2013	\$612,326.00
January 2014	\$612,326.00
February 2014	\$612,326.00
March 2014	\$612,326.00
April 2014	\$612,326.00
May 2014	\$612,326.00
June 2014	\$612,326.00

TOTALS	\$7,347,916.00
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6. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to submit the 2013 Clean Communities Slam Dunk the Junk Grant application to the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority.
7. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority for 2013 Clean Communities Slam Dunk the Junk Grant in the amount of \$500.
8. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a Child Study Team request for student #07 to attend Willowglen Academy for the 2013-2014 school year, beginning on or about September 12, 2013 at a rate of \$289.01 per day.
9. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the renewal of a contract with Protective Measures for the purpose of providing fire alarm monitoring, inspections, testing and maintenance for the 2013-2014 school year. The cost is \$1,902.00 per school.
10. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to set the out-of-district 2013-2014 tuition rate for the Multiple Disabilities program at \$25,000.
11. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to not require Willowglen Academy – New Jersey to charge for meals during the 2013-2014 school year.
12. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to renew a contract with Carousel Industries of North America to provide technical support for the switches throughout the district. This contract will begin June 30, 2013 and end June 29, 2014. The cost is \$2,576.71.
13. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept student #142 from the Mine Hill Board of Education for the 2013-2014 school year to attend MD class at Thomas Jefferson School at annual tuition rate of \$25,000. Rockaway Borough to bill Mine Hill School District.

14. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve employment of personal aide for student #142 from Mine Hill Board of Education for 2013-2014 school year. Six hours per day at hourly rate of \$14.00. Rockaway Borough to bill Mine Hill District.
15. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept student #172 from the Wharton Board of Education for the 2013-2014 school year to attend MD class at Thomas Jefferson School at annual tuition rate of \$25,000. Rockaway Borough to bill Wharton District.
16. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve student #124 to attend Harbor Haven for 3 weeks (7/15/13 – 8/2/13) at cost of \$5,935.00 for tuition (including transportation).
17. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve for education, psychological evaluations and central auditory processing screen for student #124. Provider to be determined and cost not to exceed \$400 for each evaluation.
18. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve for Jeanette Murphy to provide 1 additional hour of home ABA service for student # 100 and # 37 for the week of June 24, 2013 to complete services, as per the IEP, through year end 6/30/2013 at a rate of \$50.00 per hour.
19. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve for Kelly Ann Consulting, LLC to add an additional 0.5 hours per week of indirect service at a rate of \$75 per hour for student#162 which includes program development and graphing.
20. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Dr. Lisa Spano from Behavioral Therapy Associates to attend a follow up meeting for student #16 regarding recent Functional Behavior Assessment evaluation and discuss transition back to Rockaway Borough School District. Three (3) hours at a rate of \$195 per hour.

B. Personnel

Mr. Mack discussed items 2 and 5 with the Board.

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Personnel Items #1-11.

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Nate Stevens as a evening custodian at the Thomas Jefferson School retroactively to June 30, 2013 to work additional hours on an as needed basis at an hourly rate of \$15.68, not to exceed 15 hours per week prior to September 1, 2013 (final rate to be determined upon the completion of negotiations).
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to employ Mark Schwarz as the Thomas Jefferson Middle School Principal at an annual salary of \$105,558.00. This contract will be retroactive to July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Amy McConnell as a substitute teacher for the 2013-2014 school year at a rate of \$80.00 per day.

4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Eric Medore as a summer custodian at an hourly rate of \$9.00 per hour. Mr. E. Medore will be employed no more than 7.5 hours per day/5 days per week from June 24, 2013 through August 30, 2013.
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Dominick Patamia as the district Interim Supervisor of Building and Grounds beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014 at an annual salary of \$55,000.
6. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Evan O'Brien as a summer custodian at an hourly rate of \$9.00 per hour pending receipt of criminal background check. Mr. E. O'Brien will be employed no more than 7.5 hours per day/5 days per week from July 17, 2013 through August 30, 2013.
7. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Michael Antonelli as a summer custodian at an hourly rate of \$9.00 per hour pending receipt of criminal background check. Mr. M. Antonelli will be employed no more than 7.5 hours per day/5 days per week from July 17, 2013 through August 30, 2013.
8. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve with regret the resignation of Ms. Emily Orinski to further her career opportunities in Pequannock Valley Middle School.
9. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Danielle Ferrone as the district's 7th grade math teacher from September 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014. Ms. Ferrone will be placed on Step BA-3 of the teachers guide at an annual rate of \$44,550.00 (final rate to be determined upon the completion of negotiations).
10. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Michael Morales as a custodian at Thomas Jefferson School beginning August 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Mr. Morales will be placed on Step C-2 of the custodial guide at a pro-rated annual salary of \$32,620.00 (final rate to be determined upon the completion of negotiations).
11. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Monica Kline for an additional 10 days between July 1, 2013 and August 30, 2013 to assist and complete district guidance counselor tasks at a per diem rate of \$260.27 (final rate to be determined upon the completion of negotiations).

C. Policy

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

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the Superintendent's Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report dated July 16, 2013 for incident number TJ201213-49.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the acceptance of the Violence and Vandalism Report for January 16, 2013 through June 30, 2013.

D. Curriculum

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

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

- 1 Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached professional development requests.

E. Addendum

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. (Haynes/Smith)

1. Be is resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the New Jersey Department of Education School Self Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act for submission to the DOE by August 5, 2013.
2. Be is resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the submission of the District Wide Improvement Plan to the New Jersey Department of Education on or before August 1, 2013.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve and submit the 2011-2012 NJQSAC District Improvement Plan for the DPR of Instruction and Program.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to enter into a contract with Renaissance Learning to provide _____. The contract with begin July 1, 2013 and end June 30, 2014.
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached list of field trips.

X. Old Business

None.

XI. New Business

None.

XIII Comments from the Public

None.

XIV. 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 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 7:29 pm in a unanimous roll call vote. (McNally/Smith)

XV. Motion to return to Open Session

A motion was approved to return to open session at 8:05 pm. (Smith/Lugo)

XVI. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was approved at 8:06 p.m. to adjourn for the evening. (Smith/Lugo)

Respectfully submitted,

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