

Rockaway Borough Board of Education
Rockaway, New Jersey
WORKSESSION
Thomas Jefferson School
Cafeteria
April 8, 2014
7:30pm
MINUTES

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
- 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, Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Edward J. Appleton
- IV. Superintendent's Report
 - ✓ 2014-2015 School Calendar
 - ✓ HIB Report – 8 incidents, 4 confirmed
 - ✓ PARCC – thank staff who participated
 - ✓ State Funding – Education Law Center pushing use of funding formula
 - ✓ Rescheduling of High Honor Roll Presentation – April 22nd
- V. Comments from the Public (related to the agenda)
- VI. Resolutions

A. FINANCE

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Finance Items # 1- 3.
The motion was approved by a unanimous roll call vote (McNally/Lugo)

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve student #220 to receive home instruction beginning retro actively to March 31, 2014 for 5 hours per week not to exceed 25 hours.
2. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE **ROCKAWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT** TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION NUMBER 26EDCP

WHEREAS N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 (5) authorizes contracting units to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements; and

WHEREAS the Educational Services Commission of Morris County, hereinafter referred to as the “Lead Agency”, has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System known as the “Educational Cooperative Pricing System” for the purchase of work, materials and supplies; and

WHEREAS, the **ROCKAWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT** within the County of MORRIS New Jersey, desires to participate in the Educational Cooperative Pricing System.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on the eighth day of April, 2014 by the said Board of Education as follows:

AUTHORITY

As directed by N.J.S.A. 18A-18A-11 et seq. and pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 (5), the Board President is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

CONTRACTING UNIT

The Lead Agency shall advertise for and receive bids from vendors who will make school supplies, equipment and other related goods and services available to participating members of the said Cooperative Pricing System at the agreed upon price; and

The Lead Agency entering into contracts on behalf of the **ROCKAWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT** shall be responsible for complying with the 54 provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the submission of a grant application for the 2014 Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey Schools

Insurance Group's ERIC WEST Subfund for the purposes described in the application, in the amount of \$4,000 for the period July1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

B. POLICY

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Policy Items # 1 - 2.
The motion was approved by a unanimous roll call vote (Lugo/McNally)

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the Superintendent's Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report dated April 8, 2014 for incident numbers 8, 4 confirmed
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached calendar for the 2014 – 2015 school year.

VII. Recommendations

A. FINANCE

Recommendation to approve the minutes from the February 11, 2014 and February 25, 2014 Rockaway Borough Board of Education meeting.

Recommendation to approve the attached list of budget transfers for the month of March 2014 .

Recommendation to approve the Certification of Major Account and Line Item Status.

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

April 2014 _____

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

Recommendation to approve the Board Secretary and Treasurer's Reports for March 2014.

Recommendation to approve the renewal contract with Delta-T Group North Jersey Inc. for the referral of interim professionals for the 2014-2015 school year. Billing rates to follow in the minutes.

Recommendation to approve the renewal contract with Saint Clare's Hospital Inc. for behavioral health services for the period May 8, 2014 through June 30, 2015 at a discount of 80% off Saint Clare's usual billed charges.

Recommendation to approve the attached list of Professional Development/Travel Expenditure Requests

B. CURRICULUM

Recommendation to approve the attached field trip requests.

VI. Resolutions (continued)

C. PERSONNEL

Be it Resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Personnel Items # 1-2

The motion was approved by a unanimous roll call vote (Haines/Smith)

1. Be it Resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Kathryn Flaherty as a substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2013 – 2014 school year at a rate of \$80.00 per day.
2. Be it Resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve to approve Meghan Murphy as a substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2013 – 2014 school year at a rate of \$80.00 per day.

VIII. Old Business - none

IX. New Business - none

X. Comments from the Public - none

XI. Motion to go into Executive Session

The next topic on the agenda relates to a student matter 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 a student matter, 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 8:20pm in a unanimous roll call vote. (McNally/Smith)

XII. Motion to go into open session

A motion was approved to return to open session at 8:20 pm. (Rogers/Smith)

XIII. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was approved at 8:20 pm to adjourn for the evening. (Rogers/Smith)

Respectfully submitted,

Edward J. Appleton
Interim School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary

**ROCKAWAY BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
FIELD TRIP REQUESTS**

GRADE	TEACHERS	DATE	TIME DEPART/RETURN	DESTINATION	# OF STUDENTS	# OF ADULTS	COST PER STUDENT	REASON FOR TRIP
ESL 8 th	Hurley	5/30/14	12:00 am 2:00 pm	Rockaway Ice Cream Shop	6	1	\$0.00	To practice vocabulary, listening and speaking skills.
ESL 8 th	Hurley	5/29/14	10:00 am 1:00 pm	Anthony's Pizzeria	6	1	\$0.00	To practice vocabulary, listening and speaking skills.
6 -8 th	Onischuk	5/1/14	4:00 pm 10:30 – 11:00 pm	Yankee Stadium	20	4	\$25.00	Team building activity; opportunity to watch and learn from professional baseball players.
Kindergarten	Marsh Milite	6/17/14	9:00/1:45	Turtle Back Zoo	49	5	\$24.00	The students will be provided an enriching recreational experience that fosters excellence in wildlife education and wildlife conservation, so that they are inspired to understand, appreciate, and protect the fragile interdependence of all living things.
1 st grade	Hartmann, Parent, Rich	6/11/14	9:00/1:15	World of Wing, Teaneck, NJ	75	20	\$19.00	Purpose of trip is to enhance our butterfly unit of study

Approved on: _____

Superintendent's Approval: _____

**ROCKAWAY BOROUGH PUBLIC SCHOOLS
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/TRAVEL EXPENDITURE APPROVAL REQUEST**

NAME	TRAVEL/WORKSHOP LOCATION	DATE	WORKSHOP/ CONVENTION EXPENSES	OTHER EXPENSES	PURPOSE OF THE TRIP
Caitlin Starr	East Rutherford, NJ	6/6/2014	215.00		This will supplement the handwriting program for my students.
Elizabeth Milite	East Rutherford, NJ	6/6/2014	215.00		This will supplement the handwriting program for my students.

SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL: _____ DATE: _____

THE FOLLOWING TRAVEL EXPENSES WERE APPROVED BY THE ROCKAWAY BOROUGH BD OF ED ON _____