

Rockaway Borough Board of Education
Rockaway, New Jersey
REGULAR MEETING
Thomas Jefferson School
Cafeteria
April 22, 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.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Laura Lugo, Debra McNally, Tim Rogers, Vice-President
Christa Smith, 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,
Lincoln School Principal Phyllis Alpaugh, Thomas Jefferson School Principal Mark Schwarz

III. High Honor Roll Presentation

Presentation of Certificates: Thomas Jefferson School Principal Mark Schwarz,
Board Member Tim Rogers

IV. Superintendent's Report

✓ **Principal's Reports**

Lincoln School Principal Phyllis Alpaugh: Preschool Registration, Substitute Teachers/St. Elizabeth's College, Virtual Fire Extinguishers Assembly, School Concert, Reading Theater, School Newsletter, Tornado Drill, Emergency management Video for Staff, Donation of Flash Cards, Teddy Bear Picnic, T-Shirt Contest

Thomas Jefferson School Principal Mark Schwarz: Spring Concert, Meeting With Home & School, National History Museum Field Trip, Evaluation of Student Administration System, PARCC Pilot, Washington D.C. Trip Meeting, Rotary Student of the Month, NJASK Information Night, Hoops For Heart Fundraiser, Baseball & Softball teams Status

- ✓ Enrollment Summary
- ✓ Nurse's Reports
- ✓ Technology Update
- ✓ Facilities Updates – Status of District Phone System
- ✓ Legislative Updates

V. **Comments from the Public (Related to Agenda Items Only) - none**

VI. **Motion to approve the attached list of budget transfers dated February 1, 2014 to March 31, 2014.**

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

VII. **Motion to approve the Certification of Major Account and Line Item Status.**

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

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

April 2014 \$450,889.79

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

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

IX. **Motion to approve the minutes from the February 11, 2014 and February 25, 2014 Board of Education meetings.**

The motion was approved by a unanimous roll call vote (Lugo/McNally)

X. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. **FINANCE**

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education 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.

2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education 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.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached list of Professional Development/Travel Expenditure Requests.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Aileen Schumacher (previously approved at 11/19/13 meeting) to complete home instruction for student #220 at a rate of \$35.98 per hour for 5 hours. (final rate to be determined upon the completion of negotiations.)
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve to appoint Nathanya Simon, of Schwartz Simon Edelstein and Celso LLC, of Whippany, New Jersey, as Counsel for Special Education for the remainder of the 2013 – 2014 school year.
6. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve for Speech Therapy Center, LLC to provide speech therapy at home for student #162 on home instruction for 1 hour per week at rate of \$130.00/hour, retroactive to 4/14/2014 through 6/24/2014.
7. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve for Stephanie Pavese to provide occupational therapy at home for student #162 on home instruction for 1 hour per week at a rate of \$80.00 per hour, retroactive to 4/14/2014 through 6/24/2014.
8. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve for Kelly Ann Consulting, LLC to provide ABA Instruction at home for student #162 on home instruction for 10 hours per week at a rate of \$75.00 per hour, retroactive to 4/14/2014 through 6/24/2014.
9. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve for Elissa Rael to provide physical therapy at home for student #162 on home instruction for 1 hour per week at a rate of \$80.00 per hour, retroactive to 4/14/2014 through 6/24/2014.
10. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve as a result of assistive technology evaluation approval to purchase following items for student #168:
 - Ipad min - \$329.00
 - Touchchat HD AAC – 149.99
 - Ishare subscription – 59.99
 - Gateway in-app – 149.99
 - 2 hours training through CPNJ at \$150/hour.
11. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve for a neuropsychological evaluation for student #124 at cost of \$3,000 through DC Fagan Psychological Services, Franklin Lakes NJ.

The motion was approved by a unanimous roll call vote (Lugo/McNally)

B. PERSONNEL

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Eric Medore to return as a summer custodian beginning May 5, 2014 through August 30, 2014 for no more than 7.5 hours per day/5 days per week at a rate of \$9.25 per hour pending criminal history review results.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Robert Lenahan to return as a summer custodian beginning as early as June 25, 2014 through August 30, 2014 for no more than 7.5 hours per day/5 days per week at a rate of \$9.25 per hour pending criminal history review results.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Timothy Yobs to return as a summer custodian beginning as early as June 25, 2014 through August 30, 2014 for no more than 7.5 hours per day/5 days per week at a rate of \$9.50 per hour pending criminal history review results.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Brandon Medore as a summer custodian beginning as early as June 25, 2014 through August 30, 2014 for no more than 7.5 hours per day/5 days per week at a rate of \$9.00 per hour pending criminal history review results.
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Nolan Panzica to return as a summer custodian beginning May 19, 2014 through August 30, 2014 for no more than 7.5 hours per day/5 days per week at a rate of \$9.25 per hour pending criminal history review results.

The motion was approved by a unanimous roll call vote (Lugo/McNally)

C. POLICY

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the Superintendent's Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report.

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

D. CURRICULUM

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached field trip request.

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

E. ADDENDUM

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Samantha Tavalare pf the County College of Morris to complete 5 hours of classroom observations. Ms. Widuta has agreed to allow Samantha to complete her observation requirements in her classroom.

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

2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a psychological evaluation with Dr. Platt Associates for student #07 to obtain clearance to return to a public setting at a cost of \$600.

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

XI. Old Business

XII. New Business

XIII. Comments from the Public

XIV. Motion to go into Executive Session

The next topic on the agenda relates to a Negotiations and 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 Negotiations and 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 8:15pm by a unanimous roll call vote (McNally/Lugo)

XV. Motion to go into open session.

The motion was approved at 8:50pm by a unanimous roll call vote (McNally/Lugo)

XVI. **Motion to Adjourn**

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was approved unanimously at 8:50pm to adjourn for the evening. (Rogers/Smith)

Respectfully submitted,

Edward J. Appleton
Interim School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary

Rockaway Borough Public Schools
Enrollment Summary
As of April 16, 2014

Level	Total in Grade	Asian/Pacific Islander	African-American	Hispanic	Alaskan Native/American Indian	White	Unclassified
Pre-K	<u>25</u> 15 / <u>10</u>	<u>1</u> 1 / <u>0</u>	<u>2</u> 1 / <u>1</u>	<u>5</u> 3 / <u>2</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>	<u>17</u> 10 / <u>7</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>
K	<u>48</u> 22 / <u>26</u>	<u>2</u> 0 / <u>2</u>	<u>1</u> 1 / <u>0</u>	<u>10</u> 3 / <u>7</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>	<u>35</u> 18 / <u>17</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>
1	<u>71</u> 32 / <u>39</u>	<u>5</u> 2 / <u>3</u>	<u>9</u> 3 / <u>6</u>	<u>13</u> 7 / <u>6</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>	<u>44</u> 20 / <u>24</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>
2	<u>58</u> 24 / <u>34</u>	<u>6</u> 3 / <u>3</u>	<u>2</u> 0 / <u>2</u>	<u>9</u> 6 / <u>3</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>	<u>41</u> 15 / <u>26</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>
3	<u>59</u> 30 / <u>29</u>	<u>3</u> 2 / <u>1</u>	<u>2</u> 1 / <u>1</u>	<u>14</u> 6 / <u>8</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>	<u>40</u> 21 / <u>19</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>
4	<u>74</u> 37 / <u>37</u>	<u>5</u> 2 / <u>3</u>	<u>3</u> 2 / <u>1</u>	<u>14</u> 9 / <u>5</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>	<u>51</u> 23 / <u>28</u>	<u>1</u> 1 / <u>0</u>
5	<u>67</u> 40 / <u>27</u>	<u>5</u> 3 / <u>2</u>	<u>4</u> 3 / <u>1</u>	<u>12</u> 8 / <u>4</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>	<u>46</u> 26 / <u>20</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>
6	<u>67</u> 45 / <u>22</u>	<u>4</u> 2 / <u>2</u>	<u>4</u> 2 / <u>2</u>	<u>14</u> 11 / <u>3</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>	<u>45</u> 30 / <u>15</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>
7	<u>74</u> 37 / <u>37</u>	<u>10</u> 7 / <u>3</u>	<u>2</u> 0 / <u>2</u>	<u>12</u> 7 / <u>5</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>	<u>50</u> 23 / <u>27</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>
8	<u>79</u> 42 / <u>37</u>	<u>11</u> 4 / <u>7</u>	<u>4</u> 3 / <u>1</u>	<u>14</u> 8 / <u>6</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>	<u>50</u> 27 / <u>23</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>
Total	<u>622</u> 324 / <u>298</u>	<u>52</u> 26 / <u>26</u>	<u>33</u> 16 / <u>17</u>	<u>117</u> 68 / <u>49</u>	<u>0</u> 0 / <u>0</u>	<u>419</u> 213 / <u>206</u>	<u>1</u> 1 / <u>0</u>

**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 pm 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	9:00am - 1:45pm	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	9:00am - 1:15pm	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: _____

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8 th grade	Baker/ Onischuk	5/12/2014	9:30am – 2:00pm	Diamond Gymnastics	22	2	\$15	To expand students knowledge of life-long physical activity in a non- traditional P.E. setting.
4 th – 6 th	Holmes	5/9/2014	11:30am - 1:00pm	Potbelly's Restaurant	5	4	\$0.00	To practice and improve students' verbal language skills in a social setting and to practice how to order food while out to eat at a restaurant.
7 & 8 th	Isenberg	5/2/14	9:45 am 1:15 pm	Morris Hills HS	15	2	\$0.	Attend Art Day
5 th	McCarter	5/23/14	9:00 am 12:30 pm	Dwyer elementary School	15	1	\$0.	Science Field Trip

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.
Gina Baker	Mount Olive Performing Arts Center	4/24/14	\$0.		To gain more knowledge regarding drug abuse and/or addiction through guest speaker, Chris Herren, former NBA player that was addicted to drugs. Also to acquire knowledge on the steps necessary to mentor students on drug abuse and/or addiction.

SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL: _____ DATE: _____

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