

Rockaway Borough Board of Education
Rockaway, New Jersey
WORK SESSION MEETING
Thomas Jefferson Science Lab
Cafeteria
Tuesday, September 9, 2014
MINUTES
7:30pm

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: Eileen Haynes, Tim Rogers, Christa Smith, Board President Debra McNally
Board Member Absent: Vice-President Laura Lugo
Administration Present: Interim Superintendent of Schools Dennis Mack,
Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Edward J. Appleton

IV. Superintendent's Report

- ✓ Re-registration – kindergarten enrollment down, recommend looking at full-day program
- ✓ Opening Day/Staff Orientation
- ✓ Technology Update – new switches installed, servers delivered, installation to start 9/10/2014, Lincoln School WiFi still not up completely
- ✓ Facilities Update – Security System contractor in district today, Lincoln School Electrical Project completed, awaiting fence installation
- ✓ Substitute Teacher Rate – recommend starting at \$85 per diem, increasing to \$90 after 10 days
- ✓ New Food Service Management Company, Pomptonian, off to a good start

V. Comments from the public (Related to Agenda Items Only)

Teachers need the substitute teacher list

VI. Recommendations

1. Recommend approval of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for August 31, 2014.
2. Recommend approval of the minutes from the August 19, 2014 and August 26, 2014 Board of Education Meetings.
3. Recommend approval of the attached list of budget transfers dated August 20, 2014 to September 8, 2014.
4. Recommend approval of the Major Account and Line Item Status.
5. Recommend approval of the attached Professional Development/Travel Expenditure requests.

VII. Committee Reports

A. FINANCE

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

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a contract with Message Logix Inc. (K12 Alerts) for the 2014 – 2015 school year at a cost of \$1992.90.

B. PERSONNEL

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Personnel Item # 1, 2, 4.

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

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Personnel Item # 3 as amended.

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Heather Den Heyer as a personal/instructional aide for the Rockaway Borough Schools for the 2014 – 2015 school year for 5.75 hours per day at an hourly rate of \$14.00 pending receipt of criminal history review letter.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Brianna Jozwiak as a personal/instructional aide for the Rockaway Borough Schools for the 2014 – 2015 school year for 5.75 hours per day at an hourly rate of \$14.00 pending receipt of criminal history review letter.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following teachers to be mentors for the 2014 -2015 school year:

Mentor	New Teacher
Nicole McCarter	Courtney Hartnett
Tara Keegan	Morgan Abrams
Michael Leahey	Amy McConnell
Cindy O'Brien	Catherine Orosz
Janet Dobbs	Steven Petry

4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following teachers to be buddies for the 2014 -2015 school year:

Buddy	New Teacher
Jennifer Fassnacht	Antonia Zangara

C. 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 (Smith/Haines)

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following bus runs for the 2014 – 2015 school year:

- YCS Sawtelle Learning Center/TCI -The Children's Institute
- Wharton Public School / Hillside Avenue
- Academy Street & TJ Andrea Drive Run
- Walnut & Lincoln Andrea Drive Run
- Mid Day to Andrea Drive
- Run to/from Morris Hills High School
- Lincoln/Pals

D. Addendum

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 (Haines/Rodgers)

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Essex Pediatric Rehabilitation to provide physical therapy services for the 2014-2015 school year

VIII. Old Business - none

IX. New Business

- McNally – recommend an agenda item to discuss superintendent search.
- Smith – recommend that budget process start earlier

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was approved unanimously at 8:00pm to adjourn for the evening. (Haines/Smith)

Respectfully submitted,

Edward J. Appleton
Interim School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary

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

NAME	TRAVEL/WORKSHOP LOCATION	DATE	WORKSHOP/ CONVENTION EXPENSES	OTHER EXPENSES	PURPOSE OF THE TRIP
Ceil Isenberg	Art Educators of NJ 2014 conference/ Long Branch	10/5, 10/6, 10/7	\$225. registration	\$110.00 workshops	Many vendors and hands on workshops will be available for art educators. In addition workshops on Achieve NJ will be offered that are geared completely to art education. Its purpose is to promote and maintain the highest possible quality of instruction in visual arts in the state of New Jersey.
Susanne Lonergan Jennifer Marsh	Ringoes, NJ	9/17, 10/8, 11/12, 12/3		9/17-mileage 101mi.@.31 – \$31.31 10/8- mileage 101mi.@.31 – \$31.31 11/12- mileage 101mi.@.31 – \$31.31 12/3- mileage 101mi.@.31 – \$31.31	Ongoing professional development in adherence with reading recovery guidelines to assure the quality of the program.

**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
6-8	Love	10/9/14	9:00 am 2:30 pm	Morris Knolls HS	Approx. 25	Approx. 2	\$0.	TJ students will get the experience of meeting, working, and playing with other band students from the sending district, as well as getting familiar with the program and opportunities offered to them in the HS years. At the same time this will provide a musically rich and rewarding experience for those students involved.
3	Izzo, Parry, Schumacher	12/10/14	8:30am / 12:30pm	Paper Mill Playhouse, Millburn, NJ	66	15	9.50	CCSS.ELA Grade 3: Reading Literature, Language, etc. ELA Units 1-5