

Rockaway Borough Board of Education
Rockaway, New Jersey
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
Thomas Jefferson Science Lab
Tuesday, August 18, 2015
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: Tim Rogers, Christa Smith, Vice-President Laura Lugo

Board Member Absent: Eileen Haynes, Board President Debra McNally

Administration Present: Superintendent of Schools Mark Schwartz, Interim School Business

Administrator/Board Secretary Edward J. Appleton, Lincoln School Principal Phyllis Alpaugh, Thomas Jefferson School Principal Stephanie Bonaparte

IV. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve, with regret, the resignation of Laura Lugo as member of the Rockaway Borough Board of Education effective August 19, 2015.

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

V. Interviews for Member of the Board of Education

Sarah Concannon

Jeffrey Tobias

VI. Superintendent's Report

- ✓ Tracy DeCrosta – Request that Board change her current assignment as a 4/5th data management & basic skills instructor to a 2/5th data management assignment. (Item tabled).
- ✓ Principal's Reports – Lincoln School Principal Phyllis Alpaugh & Thomas Jefferson School Principal Stephanie Bonaparte: Summer cleaning staff has done a wonderful job both in and outside of schools, Staff training workshops, Parent Academy, Out-of-office days.
- ✓ HIB Report 2015-2016 District Self-Assessment– Phyllis Alpaugh
- ✓ Kindergarten Enrollment and Staffing: Need for a third kindergarten class
- ✓ Executive Session – recommendation to schedule Private Executive Sessions of the Board at 7:00 pm immediately prior to the public meeting
- ✓ Facilities Update – Summer cleaning and landscaping
- ✓ 3rd and 6th Grade Re-registration - status
- ✓ Technology Update – WIFI and Computer backup system
- ✓ Legislative Updates – NCLB waiver request by the NJDOE
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VII. Comments from the public none

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

July - \$381,788.26

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 (Smith/Rogers)

IX. Motion to approve the attached list of budget transfers dated July 1, 2015 through July 30, 2015.

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

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

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

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. FINANCE

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Finance Items # 1 - 18.

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 the attached field trip requests.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached professional development/travel requests.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the minutes from the July 21, 2015 Board of Education meeting.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve an order in the amount of \$13,767.25 to W. B. Mason Co. Inc., Secaucus, NJ for office furniture at Lincoln School and Thomas Jefferson School. (State Contract No.88839)
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to award an order in the amount of \$840.00 to Tyco SimplexGrinnell, Rockaway, NJ for Annual (July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016) Fire Alarm Monitoring at Lincoln School and Thomas Jefferson School.
6. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to award an order in the amount of \$3,627.36 to CDW-G, Vernon Hills, IL for 144 Google Chrome OS Mgt Licenses. (Contract NJPA 100614)
7. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to award an order in the amount of \$5,200 to Discovery Education, Silver Spring, MD for two Discovery Education Streaming Plus K-8 Licenses.

8. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to award an order in the amount of \$1,400.00 to Follett Software Company, Chicago, IL, for Hosted Service Renewal and Online Service renewal at Lincoln School and Thomas Jefferson School for the period 8/15/2015 to 8/31/2016.
9. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve School Crossing Guard Training to provide training and certification to the Rockaway Borough School crossing guards at a rate of \$50.00 per person. Total cost not to exceed \$500.00.
10. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Jeffrey Oster, Private Investigator to investigate residency issues for the district for the 2015-2016 school year.
11. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the price of the school breakfast to remain at \$1.50 for students and \$2.00 for adults for the 2015-2016 school year.
12. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a Child Study Team request for PG Chambers to provide 1 individual 30 minute physical therapy session per week for student #400 between August 1, 2015 and August 31, 2015 per IEP at contracted rate of \$84.00 per hour.
13. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a Child Study Team request for PG Chambers to provide additional evaluations, on an as needed basis, at a rate of \$445.00 per evaluation.
14. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a Child Study Team request for PG Chambers to provide on-site Physical Therapy services to students listed below for the 2015-2016 school year as indicated in their IEP. Services to be billed to the district at a rate of \$84.00 per hour.

Student #	Grade	Frequency per week (30 minute session)
169	PreK	1x group & 1x individual
181	PreK	2x individual
155	K	2x individual
198	K	1x individual
3	1	1x group
13	1	2x group
128	2	1x individual
144	2	2x group per month
186	3	1x group
170	3	1x individual

400	3	1x individual
96	5	Consult as needed
189	7	Consult 1x month

15. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a Child Study Team request for the following contractors to provide speech therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy and behavioral services and/or evaluations for the 2015-2016 school year on an as needed basis if necessary:

- Educational Services Commission of Morris County
- Speech Therapy, LLC
- PG Chambers
- Hillmar, LLC – Bilingual evaluations
- AJL Therapy
- Essex Pediatric Rehabilitation

16. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a Child Study Team request for ABA home component services per IEP for the 2015-2016 school year:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>School Year</u>	<u>Provider</u>	<u>Rate</u>
#108	Up to 3.5 hours of ABA per week and .5 hour per week for program development and graphing	2015-2016	Kelly Ann Consulting	\$75.00 per hour
#16	Up to 2 hours per month of ABA-Contingency Management Instruction	2015-2016	Kelly Ann Consulting	\$75.00 per hour
#86	5 hours ABA per week (*10 hours when school is not in session)	2015-2016	Dave Koenig	\$50.00 per hour

17. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a Child Study Team request for Speech Therapy Center, LLC to perform up to 20 speech evaluations during the 2015-2016 school year at a rate of \$375.00 per evaluation.

18. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a Child Study Team request for the purchase of a Samsung tablet, case and Google Play license from CDW for student #108 per IEP at a cost of \$328.36.

B. PERSONNEL

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Personnel Items # 1, 3 & 5.

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

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to table Personnel Item # 4.

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve employment for Timothy Yobs as a custodial assistant at a rate of \$9.75 per hour from July 1, 2015 until on or about October 31, 2015.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve with regret the resignation of Maria Portillo as the Thomas Jefferson School World Language Teacher. Ms. Portillo plans on continuing her career in education at the Hackensack Public School District.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve continued employment for Nolan Panzica as a custodial assistant at a rate of \$9.75 per hour until on or about October 31, 2015
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Michael Onischuk for a horizontal movement from BA-30-6 to MA-6 effective September 1, 2015 as per the contract between the Rockaway Borough Board of Education and the Rockaway Borough Education Association.
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Jamie Argenziano for four additional days at a per diem rate of \$375.00 to complete curriculum work prior to the start of the 2015-2016 school year.

C. POLICY

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Policy Items # 1 (Policy Item #2 withdrawn).

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached revised 2015 – 2016 school calendar.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the Superintendent's Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report dated _____ for incident numbers _____ - _____.

D. CURRICULUM

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

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

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to submit the New Jersey Department of Education School Self Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act Report.

XII. Old Business/New Business - None

XIII. Comments from the Public

Jerry Hurley – status of Tracey DeCrosta request? (Mr. Schwartz – tabled)

Carol Coulther – additional card swipe boxes needed at schools.

Sarah Concannon – location of additional kindergarten class?

Mike Onischuk – thank Board for refinishing Thomas Jefferson gym floor, suggest Board post a sign indicating approved and unapproved use of facility.

Jerry Hurley & Carol Coulther – Board approval of principals' office furniture, classroom furniture also in need of replacement, students going without necessary instructional materials.

XIV. Motion to go into Executive Session

The next topic on the agenda relates to litigation and personnel matters which constitute 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 litigation and personnel matters, 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 9:02 pm by a unanimous roll call vote (Smith/Rogers)

XV. Motion to go into open session

The motion was approved at 9:16 pm by a unanimous roll call vote (Smith/Rogers)

I. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was approved unanimously at 9:16 pm to adjourn for the evening (Smith/Rogers).

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
Phyllis Alpaugh Jamie Argenziano Stephanie Bonaparte Mark Schwarz	Copeland Middle School 100 Lake Shore Drive Rockaway, NJ	8/19/2015	\$0	\$0	The Department of Education will provide resources and guidance to help teachers build on their successes. We will have the opportunity to work in effective teams to improve all aspects of the SGO process.
Phyllis Alpaugh	Middlesex Regional ESC Conference Center Somerset, NJ	9/18/2015	\$149.00	45 x 2=90 miles @.31= \$27.90	Gain Knowledge of chosen Administrative Training/Evaluation System
Denise Jacobus	NJAAP School Health Conference	10/14/2015	\$195.00	\$0	This conference will provide the opportunity to receive updated information relevant to school health, specifically to New Jersey schools.

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

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

APPROVED AT THE _____ BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

GRADE	TEACHERS	DATE	TIME DEPART/RETURN	DESTINATION	# OF STUDENTS	# OF ADULTS	COST PER STUDENT	REASON FOR TRIP
Third Grade	Izzo Parry Schumacher	12/14/15	8:30am to 12:30pm	Paper Mill Playhouse, Millburn, NJ	68	15	\$14	CCSS.ELA Grade 3: Reading, Literature, Language, etc. ELA Units 1-5

THE FOLLOWING FIELD TRIP REQUESTS WERE APPROVED BY THE ROCKAWAY BOROUGH BD OF ED ON _____