

**ROCKAWAY BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY
THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL LIBRARY
REGULAR SESSION MEETING
January 19, 2010**

I. Call to Order and Flag Salute

The meeting was called to order at 7:31p.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, Tim Rogers, Vice President, Ruben Fuentes and President, Eileen Haynes.

Board Members Absent: Debbie McNally

Administration Present: Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Patrick Tierney and Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Joseph P. Hurley Jr.

IV. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Tierney briefly discussed his report from January 12.

V. Comments from the Public

None.

VI. Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from December 8 and December 15, 2009 meeting of the Rockaway Borough Board of Education.

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

VII. Approval of Major Account and Line Item Status

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

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

VIII. Approval of Budget Transfers

Motion to approve the attached list of budget transfers.

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

IX. Manifest of Bills

Motion to approve the manifest of bills from the finance committee as follows:

January \$807,754.70

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

X. Committee Reports

A. Finance

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the Board Secretary and Treasurer’s Reports for December 2009.

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

2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the December 2009 Cafeteria Checking Account Report and Cafeteria Reconciliation Report.

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

3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached Professional Development/Travel Expenditure requests.

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

4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Pre-School Tuition at a monthly rate of \$1,850 for the 2010-2011 school year.

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

5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve student #50 to receive a neurological evaluation on 2/10/10 with Dr. Harvey Bennett, Morristown NJ at a cost of \$650.00.

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

B. Curriculum

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

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

C. Policy

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached Rockaway Borough District Calendar for the 2010-2011 school year.

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

2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following policies and regulations for a first reading:

Policy #	Title
2423	Bilingual and ESL Education
2560	Live Animals in School
3126	Induction Program for Provisional Teachers
3240	Professional Development
3281	Inappropriate Staff Conduct
2415.03	Highly Qualified Teachers
3431.3	NJ Family Leave Insurance Program
4281	Inappropriate Staff Conduct
4431.3	NJ Family Leave Insurance Program

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

D. Personnel

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Sandy Patamia to work 5.5 hours per day, 5 days per week in the Accounts Payable Department effective January 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010.

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

XI. Old Business

Dr. Tierney reminded the Board about the January 28 Board Meeting.

XII. New Business

None.

XIII. Comments from the Public

Maryann Kudlacik-Kawiecki asked how the Board prioritize items when working on the budget. Dr. Tierney informed her things that required/ necessary are given priority.

Maryann Kudlacik-Kawiecki asked if special education will cost less under the Christie Administration. Dr. Tierney said he does not know.

Ruth Champagne asked if any fire codes limit the amount of students in a classroom. Mr. Hurley did not know but will look into it.

Maryanne Kaweicki asked how extracurricular activities are funded. Dr. Tierney said through the tax levy.

XIV. Executive Session

"The next topic on the agenda relates to personnel and a student personnel 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 personnel 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 8:10 pm in a unanimous roll call vote. (Lugo/Fuentes)

Motion to Return to Open Session

A motion was approved to return to open session at 8:17 p.m. (Haynes/Rogers)

XV. Personnel

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education approve intermittent leave for Mary Leslie effective February 15, 2010 until June 30, 2010.

The motion was approved in a unanimous roll call vote. (Lugo/Fuentes)
Eileen Haynes abstained.

2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to extend Mary Leslie's health insurance until June 30, 2010.

The motion was approved in a unanimous roll call vote. (Lugo/Fuentes)
Eileen Haynes abstained.

XVI. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was approved at 8:21 p.m. to adjourn for the evening. (Haynes/Lugo)

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph P. Hurley Jr.
Business Administrator/Board Secretary