Rockaway Borough Board of Education

103 E. Main Street, Rockaway, NJ 07866

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Monday, June 15, 2026, 7:30 PM

Thomas Jefferson School Cafeteria, 95 E. Main Street, Rockaway, NJ 07866

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ROCKAWAY BOROUGH SCHOOLS' 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 Student Learning Standards.

Executive Session I: 6:30-7:30 pm (Closed to the Public)

Be it Resolved, that the Board enters into an Executive Session (Private) to discuss exempt matters pertaining to personnel and legal matters; the nature of which will be made public only when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Motion to Enter:	***Moved by:***	***Dahl***	***Seconded by:***	***Hernandez***	***Voice Vote: ALL yes***
Motion to Adjourn:	***Moved by:***	***Dahl***	***Seconded by:***	***Hernandez***	***Voice Vote: ALL yes***

1. Call to Order: 7:30 PM

The public portion of this meeting will be called to order at approximately 7:30 p.m. by Mr. Graf, Board President, by reading the following announcement:

"In accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, The Rockaway Borough Board of Education has provided adequate notice of this meeting to the public by having the time, date, and location advertised in The Citizen Newspaper, posted on our website and at town hall. Official action will be taken."

2. Board Member Roll Call:

Mr. Michael Dougherty

Elected 2025 to 1st term (3-year seat to Dec. 31, 2028)

Mrs. Faride Hernandez

Elected 2024 to 1st term (3-year seat to Dec. 31, 2027)

Mrs. Vanessa Dorgilles

Elected 2024 to 1st term (3-year seat to Dec. 31, 2027)

Ms. Jennifer Dahl, VP

Elected 2023 to 1st term (3-year seat to Dec. 31, 2026)

Mr. Edward Graf, President

Elected 2023 to 1st term (3-year seat to Dec. 31, 2026)

Pledge of Allegiance

3. Reports & Updates:

A. SGO Student Reports

B. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Grieco

-District Update

-TJ Update- Mr. Samuels

C. Board Reports:

- **Mr. Dougherty-** Rec update, tech update, Policy update, and Special Ed.
- **Ms. Dorgilles-** TJ Update, HSA, NJSLA, Programs
- **Ms. Dahl-** Strategic Plan, Safety/Security
- **Ms. Hernandez-** High Notes Festival, Lincoln Update, Various Events, NJSBA Update, Ms. Skomial, Jam Theater
- **Mr. Graf-** Facilities, Negotiations

D. Board Secretary's/Business Office Report:

1. **Board Correspondence:** *Received (R) or Sent (S) since our last meeting:*

N/A

E. Any Other Items/Comments for the Good of the Order

F. Board Review of Agenda Items

4. Public Hearing:

Agenda items only: limited to 3 minutes each. Please state your name.

The President will open the floor for the Board to hear the public and then close the floor.

Please direct all dialogue to the President. Board replies are not required.

During the board meeting, the Board offers members of the public an opportunity to comment on issues regarding the operation of our schools. If you wish to speak, please raise your hand and proceed to the podium. When called on by the President, state your first name, last name, and municipality of residence. The President may limit each statement made by a participant to three (3) minutes in duration. The President may also interrupt, warn, and/or terminate a participant's statement, question, or inquiry when it is too lengthy or the inquiry is abusive, obscene, or may be defamatory. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.

Our goal is to maintain the formality, decorum, and efficiency of our meetings according to District Policies and state law. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board, and the President may direct a response after the public comment session.

Members of the public should be courteous and aware of others' rights when speaking. Families and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey and therefore be advised:

- *The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for any comments made by members of the public.*
- *Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected by or identified in their comments.*
- *Members of the public should be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.*

The Board also encourages community members to follow the chain of command—beginning with the classroom teacher and progressing through the Administrative hierarchy. When the chain of command is used properly, it improves communication and permits the Board to act as the final arbiter on issues that have not been resolved at other steps in the chain.

- *Ms. Hamilton- Rockaway, NJ- ELA Plus changes*
- *Ms. O'Dell/Ms. Langan- Rockaway, NJ- HSA Update, Principal Welcome*

5. Enrollment & Staffing Report:

Grade Level & School	Students June 30, 2025	Students June 10, 2026	Difference from June 30, 2025	Sections (Classes)	Avg. Class Size	Certificated Staff - Teachers
Preschool - Lincoln AM/PM & Full Day	**26**	**27**	**+1**	**3**	**9**	**2**
Kindergarten - Lincoln	**67**	**56**	**-11**	**3**	**19**	**3**
Grade 1 - Lincoln	**58**	**67**	**+9**	**3**	**22**	**3**
Grade 2 - Lincoln	**62**	**59**	**-3**	**3**	**20**	**3**
Grade 3 - Lincoln	**66**	**63**	**-3**	**3**	**21**	**3**
Total Lincoln School:	**279**	**272**	**-7**	**15**	**18**	
Grade 4 - TJ	**63**	**65**	**+2**	**3**	**22**	**3**
Grade 5 - TJ	**65**	**65**	**0**	**3**	**22**	**3**
Grade 6 - TJ	**64**	**68**	**+4**	**3**	**23**	**3**
Grade 7 - TJ	**54**	**66**	**+12**	**3**	**22**	**3**
Grade 8 - TJ	**65**	**55**	**-10**	**3**	**18**	**3**
Total Thomas Jefferson:	**311**	**319**	**+8**	**15**	**21**	
Administrative: (Supt, BA, CIA, CST 1, Sec 4, Maint 2, Bus Drivers 2, Bus Aides 2)	-	-	-	-	-	**3**
Special/Reg Ed Out-of-District:	**8**	**8**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
Resident Students:	***598***	***599***	**+1**	***30***	***21***	-
Charter/Choice Schs Out:	**0**	**0**	0	-	-	-
Spec. Ed Tuition Incoming:	**3**	**3**	0	-	-	-

Total Students (593)/ Staff (140) Ratio: 4.25/1	**601**	**602**	**+1**	**-**	**-**	**66.5**

6. Meeting Minutes:

A. Be it resolved to approve and accept the following meeting Minutes:

- May 5, 2026, Board of Education Meeting- Regular and Executive Sessions

7. Finance:

A. Be it resolved to approve the manifest of Payrolls and Bills & Claims Lists, which are on file in the Business Office:

- Bills, Claims, and Payrolls List: May 6th through June 15th.
  $1,426,285.43

B. Be it resolved to approve and accept the Board Secretary's Financial Report(s) for the months listed below, as submitted. Be it further resolved, pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A2.3(e), that as of the dates listed on the monthly reports, no budgetary line item(s) have been over-expended in violation of NJAC 6:23-2.11(a).

- April 2026
- May 2026

C. Be it resolved to approve and accept the Treasurer of School Monies Financial Reports for the months listed below, as submitted:

- April 2026
- May 2026

D. Be it resolved to approve the Budgetary Transfer Reports for the following months, as submitted:

- April 2026
- May 2026

E. WHEREAS, the Rockaway Borough Board of Education recognizes the need to establish and maintain a Capital Reserve Account in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:21-2 and N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-31(c); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that it is in the best interest of the district to deposit funds into the Capital Reserve Account to support future capital projects and facilities needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rockaway Borough Board of Education hereby authorizes the deposit of $47,500 into the Capital Reserve Account for the 2025–2026

school year, such funds to be derived from available unassigned fund balance and/or other legally permissible sources; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to make the appropriate accounting entries to effectuate this deposit.

F. Resolution Urging Relief from Rising Public School Employee Health-Care Costs

WHEREAS, At a time of continued fiscal uncertainty and mounting challenges, local boards of education from across the state of New Jersey continue to suffer under the growing crisis posed by the rising cost of health benefits and are desperate for relief; and

WHEREAS, Despite record levels of state investments in public education, these school districts are facing fiscal pressures similar to those confronting the state budget, including the unsustainable growth in health-care premiums and the mounting insolvency of the state's public employees health benefits programs; and

WHEREAS, Both within the School Employees' Health Benefits Program (SEHBP) and the private market, year-over-year double-digit increases are placing tremendous strain on district budgets and local taxpayers alike; and

WHEREAS, Governor Sherrill and legislative leadership have publicly acknowledged the urgent need to address rising health-care costs and the challenges facing the state's health benefits plans, including both the state and local portions of the State Health Benefits Program and the SEHBP; and

WHEREAS, The seriousness of this issue is underscored by the mid-year SEHBP analysis released by the Treasury Department in March 2026, which concluded that "based on these projected losses and building in future trends, active premium rate increases for 2027 are likely to be in the double digits;" and

WHEREAS, These projected increases would follow the 31.9 percent premium increase that took effect in January 2026, further exacerbating an overall premium increase of nearly 74 percent in the preceding five years; and

WHEREAS, This growth in health-care costs far exceeds inflation, state aid increases and the fiscal capacity of local communities; and

WHEREAS, Rising health-care premiums are consuming an ever-larger portion of already constrained school district budgets, forcing difficult decisions that directly affect students, staff and educational quality; and

WHEREAS, These cost pressures also have significant consequences for taxpayers, as districts are often compelled to utilize the full extent of their available tax levy, even after which many districts remain unable to fully offset these increases due to the constraints of the property tax levy cap, despite the limited health-care exception; and

WHEREAS, For the families and students these districts serve, the downstream consequences — including district deficits, program cuts and school closures — mean the loss of community stability, continuity of services, and in many cases, access to the specialized supports that our most vulnerable students depend on; and

WHEREAS, These are also precisely the conditions that erode student achievement and weaken the family engagement that is central to strengthening New Jersey's public schools; and

WHEREAS, Implementing real, sustainable solutions to the rising cost of health benefits and reforming how benefits are delivered through the SEHBP would demonstrate the Governor's

and Legislature's leadership and continued commitment to New Jersey's students, educators and families, which directly advances our shared goal of affordability and effective, efficient government for all New Jerseyans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rockaway Borough Board of Education in the county of Morris calls upon the Governor and State Legislature to provide immediate, short-term relief from the unsustainable increased health-care costs experienced by school districts in recent years; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rockaway Borough Board of Education in the county of Morris urges the Governor to engage in meaningful engagement with all affected stakeholders to develop and implement practical long-term reforms to the state's system of delivering health care to its public employees in order to generate meaningful, long-term savings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Mikie Sherrill, State Treasurer Aaron Binder, Senate President Nicholas Scutari, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin, State Senator Anthony M. Bucco, Assemblywoman Aura K. Dunn and Assemblywoman Marisa Sweeney and the New Jersey School Boards Association.

G. RESOLUTION APPROVING THREE-YEAR LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR 400 NEW HP CHROMEBOOKS

WHEREAS, the Rockaway Borough Board of Education has determined that there is a need to acquire replacement student and staff Chromebooks and related products and HP support services to support district operations and instructional programs; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed a proposal submitted through First American Equipment Financing for a three (3) year Lease-Purchase program for the technology equipment (24-TELE-720087- M0483- Computer Equipment); and

WHEREAS, the proposal identifies equipment and related technology products with a total acquisition cost of $245,856.00, sales tax exempt, pursuant to HP Product Quotes Q-068353v1 and Q-069333v1, plus interest in the amount of $12,941.85 based on current financing rate of 3.971%; and

WHEREAS, the proposed financing structure consists of three (3) annual payments of $86,265.95 each over a term of three (3) years; and

WHEREAS, the District shall receive the 400 Chromebooks prior to the start of the 2026-27 school year, and at the conclusion of the lease term the Board owns the technology equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that entering into such lease-purchase arrangement is in the best interests of the District and represents an efficient and fiscally responsible method of acquiring needed technology equipment now and financing the Chromebooks over the next three (3) Budget years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rockaway Borough Board of Education hereby approves the entering into of a three (3) year Lease Purchase Agreement financed by First American Equipment Financing at a financing rate of 3.971% for 400 HP Chromebooks and related products and services at a total financed amount of $245,856.00, with three (3) annual payments of $86.265.95, subject to final review and approval of the lease documents by Board Counsel and the Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board President and the Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents and take all actions necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

H. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to enter into a Joint Transportation Agreement with Morris Hills Regional High School District for "School Related Activities-Athletics & Field Trips" as needed for the 2026-2027 school year, at an hourly rate of $86.00 with a 2 hour minimum per bus/van.

I. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Interim School BA, to approve a Professional Services Contract with Soliant, of Atlanta, Georgia to provide Speech Therapy for the 2026 Extended School Year (ESY). Terms of the contract are, 16 hours of service per week for 5 weeks, beginning June 22, 2026 through July 24, 2026, at a total cost of $9,576.

J. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Interim School BA, to approve a Professional Services Contract with Tiny Triumphs, LLC, Rockaway, NJ. Tiny Triumphs will provide occupational therapy services not to exceed 23 hours of service per week to the Rockaway Borough School District at a rate of $85 per hour for the 2026-2027 school year (to include 2026 Extended School Year program).

K. Be it resolved, to authorize the Business Administrator to collect and deposit into the Board of Education general fund, the following T-1 2026-2027 schedule of local tax levy payments to be received from the Rockaway Borough tax collector:

Municipal Tax Levy & Debt Service Payment Schedule July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027

PAYMENT	DATE	PAYMENT TYPE	Amount DUE
1	7/8/26	School Tax Levy	$985,463
2	8/12/26	School Tax Levy	$985,463
3	9/9/26	School Tax Levy	$985,463
4	10/14/26	School Tax Levy	$985,463
5	11/10/26	School Tax Levy	$985,463
6	12/9/26	School Tax Levy	$985,463
7	1/13/27	School Tax Levy	$985,463
8	2/10/27	School Tax Levy	$985,463
9	3/10/27	School Tax Levy	$985,462
10	4/14/27	School Tax Levy	$985,462
11	5/12/27	School Tax Levy	$985,462
12	6/9/27	School Tax Levy	$985,462
		TOTAL TAX LEVY	**$11,825,552**
1	***10/14/26***	***DEBT SERVICE LEVY***	*$399,641*
2	***4/14/27***	***DEBT SERVICE LEVY***	*$115,863*
		TOTAL DEBT SERVICE LEVY	***$515,504***

		GRAND TOTAL- TAX LEVY & DEBT SERVICE	**$12,341,056**

L. WHEREAS The Board recognizes the need to enhance operational efficiency, streamline approval processes, maintain secure records, and facilitate electronic transactions and document management;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED THAT:

1. Rockaway Borough Board of Education hereby approves the use of electronic and digital signatures for the preparation, approval, authorization, and processing of requisitions and related internal documents.
2. Any requisition bearing a digital signature affixed through an approved electronic signature platform or system authorized by Rockaway Borough Board of Education shall be deemed valid, binding, and equivalent to a handwritten signature for all internal purposes.
3. Rockaway Borough Board of Education's authorized officers, directors, managers, and employees designated by management may approve requisitions using digital signatures in accordance with the Board's approval matrix and internal policies.
4. Management is authorized to select, implement, and maintain appropriate electronic signature technologies and security controls to ensure the authenticity, integrity, confidentiality, and retention of digitally signed requisitions.
5. All digitally signed requisitions shall be retained and archived in accordance with the Board's document retention policies and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.
6. The officers of Rockaway Borough Board of Education are authorized to take all actions and execute all documents necessary or desirable to implement this resolution.
7. This resolution shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until amended or revoked by further resolution of the Board.

M. Be it resolved that the Rockaway Board of Education "SFA" (School Food Agency) accepts the bid proposal for the Food Service Management Contract with The Pomptonian, Inc. "FSMC" (Food Service Management Company), of Fairfield, NJ, for the food service operation for 2025-2026 school year (year 1) as follows:

1. FSMC fee:
The FSMC shall receive, in addition to the costs of operation, an administrative/management fee of $0.3016 per reimbursable meal and meal equivalent to compensate the FSMC for administrative and

management costs. This fee shall be billed monthly as a cost of operation. The SFA guarantees the payment of such costs and fees to the FSMC.

Total meals are calculated by adding reimbursable meal pattern meals served and meal equivalents. The number of reimbursable meals served to the children shall be determined by the actual count. Cash receipts, other than from sales of reimbursable program meals served to the children, shall be divided by $4.70 to arrive at an equivalent meal count.

2. There is a guaranteed breakeven financial performance.

3. Total Estimated Cost of Contract:

Total expenses (costs) include food, labor, supplies, other expenses, and FSMC Management fees. The Total Cost of the Contract is $233,415.86.

N. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the board of education confirm/approve out of district placement(s) as regulated by N.J.A.C. 6A:14 and N.J.A.C. 6A-23A-18, Private/Public Schools for Students with Disabilities for the 2025/2026 school year as indicated:

ID#	School	Dates	Tuition
13374431	New Beginnings	7/1/26-6/30/27	$107,982.20 ($64,660.00)

O.

Be it resolved to approve the shared services agreement with the Morris Hills Regional School District Board of Education to provide Child Study Team (CST) Services for the 2026-2027 school year for $405,768.00 and an additional daily rate of $553.08/day for any summer work needed to review new student referrals, as submitted.

Motion to Table to Next Agenda-

Dougherty- Motion

Dahl- Seconded

4 Yes-

1 Abstain- Mr. Graf

P. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Interim School BA, to approve a Professional Services Contract with Elissa Rael, PT, MSPT who will provide physical therapy services not to exceed 13 hours of service per week to the Rockaway Borough School District at a rate of $85 per hour and $400 per evaluation as requested by the district for the 2026-2027 school year (to include 2026 Extended School Year program).

8. Personnel:

A. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the attached list of Staff Member **Professional Development Workshops & Travel Expenditure Requests** that have been deemed related to and within the scope of the employee's current job responsibilities and will enhance the efficient delivery of student instruction and/or furthers the efficient operation of the school district. Reimbursements listed are in accordance with guidelines established by the Dept. of Treasury, BOE Policy, and in accordance with NJAC 6A:23B-1.1., listed below.

Professional Development/Travel Expenditure Requests:

Staff Member	*Workshop Title*	*Workshop Location*	*Dates*	*Reg & Fees*	*Additional Cost to District*	*Justification for the Trip*
Grieco, A	Morris Cty. FY27 ESEA Original Application	County College of Morris, Randolph, NJ	6/22/26	N/A		Work session will provide districts with the support needed to make substantial progress toward application completion and submission.
Samuels, L.	interNETworking 2026	Ocean Place Resort, Long Branch, NJ	7/16/26	$0		Application of AI for teachers and students.
Yobs, T.	North/South Facilities Training	Morris Knolls HS	7/22/26	$0		CEFM, CEU's what is new in fire codes, AI in the work place and how it can help.

B. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept and approve the resignation of **Elvin Giordano,** Lunchroom aide effective May 15, 2026.

C. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept and approve the resignation of **Jean Swanick**, Principal Secretary, for the purpose of retirement, effective July 8, 2026.

D. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept and approve the resignation of **Nicholas Carlotti**, Paraprofessional effective June 30, 2026.

E. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept and approve the resignation of **Lindsay Ohlssen**, Lunch aide effective June 30, 2026.

F. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept and approve the resignation of **Marcy Rattay**, Crossing Guard, for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2026.

G. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept and approve the resignation of **Nathaniel Stevens**, Part time evening Custodian effective June 12, 2026.

H. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following as Seasonal Summer Help staff. They will be employed for no more than 40 hours per week for the summer of 2026 beginning on or about June 19, 2026 ($15.92/hr or current hourly rate).

Kassandra Sepulveda	Ellen Secallus	Leo Savini	Eduar Izaguirre
Tyler Klein	Neal Zabriskie - 4hours only	Thomas Lane	Aiden Marvel

I. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following ESY positions for 2026. The program will be closed on July 3, 2026. ESY Staff Assignments 2026

J. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following **Substitute Teachers** for the 2026/2027 school year at the current rate of $115 per diem (as submitted).

K. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following **Substitute Paraprofessionals** for the 2026/2027 school year at the rate of $92.00 (as submitted).

L. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following **Substitute Nurses** for the 2026/2027 school year at the current rate of $250 per diem. (as submitted).

M. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following staff members as **Substitute Bus Aides** for the 2026/2027 school year at their current 25/26 hourly rate, to be adjusted, if applicable, once a new CBA is in effect.

Afonso, Angela	Galagedara, Chathuri	Ilulia Luchka
Marrero, Kristen	New, Kathleen	Ellen Secallus

N. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve **Tyler Klein and Scott Schafran** as Substitute Custodians for the 2026/2027 school year. All required background checks have been completed.

O. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following Floating Substitute Teachers for the 2026/2027 school year at the current rate of $125 per diem. All background checks have been successfully completed.

Joseph Bitetto	Krista Gore	Jacob Hall	Allen Kaye	Amy Welsch

P. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to confirm/ approve a leave of absence for the following personnel.

Staff #	Location	Position	From	To
463	Thomas Jefferson	Teacher	9/2/26. Using 20 sick days. NJFLA. Will claim NJFLI	12/23/26

Q. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve **Jack Dzikowski, Bridget Jacobus,** and **Shannan Barkley** as Paraprofessionals for the 2026 ESY program, at the hourly rate of $17.95, pending successful completion of all required background checks, to be adjusted, if applicable, once a new CBA is in effect.

R. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the appointment of **Lorraine Pleger** as Payroll/Benefits/Transportation Coordinator effective on or about November 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Ms Pleger shall be compensated at an annual salary of $55,000, prorated from her actual start date. All required background checks have been completed.

S. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve a revised resignation date for **Casey Layne**, Physical Education Teacher, from May 27, 2026 to June 5, 2026.

T. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve all certificated staff to participate in Child Study Team meetings during the summer of 2026, if requested by the administration and if needed, not to exceed 10 hours each, at an hourly rate of $40.31, to be adjusted, if applicable, once a new CBA is in effect.

U. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve **Brianna Rigas**, Lincoln School Counselor, and **Bryanna Dennison**, Thomas Jefferson School Counselor, to perform September student set-up services in the summer of 2026, if needed, not to exceed 15 hours each, at an hourly rate of $40.31, to be adjusted, if applicable, once a new CBA is in effect.

V. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve **Denise Jacobus** and **Linda Savercool,** school nurses, to perform September student set-up services in the summer of 2026, if needed, not to exceed 15 hours each, at an hourly rate of $40.31, to be adjusted, if applicable, once a new CBA is in effect.

W. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to rescind the advisor position appointment of Neal Healy, as Girls Softball Head Coach, previously approved on December 9, 2025.

X. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Rockaway Borough Board of Education approves an Agreement with Dr. Giovanni Cusmano to be Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, effective July 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 or sooner, as approved by the Executive Morris County Superintendent of Schools, as submitted.

Y. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve **Hailey Hogan**, ELL teacher at Thomas Jefferson School, beginning on or about September 2, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Mrs. Hogan will be paid based on Salary/Guide BA+30-6 at the current 25/26 rate of $63,045, pending successful completion of Criminal History background check required by P.L. 1986 c.116 and Sexual Misconduct/Child Abuse Disclosure required by P.L. 2018 c.5. (Final rate will be determined when a new CBA is in effect).

Z. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve **Rebecca Marin**, Principal Secretary at Thomas Jefferson School, beginning on or about July 9, 2026 to June 30, 2027, at an annual salary rate of $53,000 (to be prorated from actual start date), pending successful completion of Criminal History background check required by P.L. 1986 c.116 and Sexual Misconduct/Child Abuse Disclosure required by P.L. 2018 c.5. (Final rate will be determined when a new CBA is in effect).

AA. Be it resolved, based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve **Jennifer Gallegly,** to serve as the principal of Lincoln School, effective on or about, August 15, 2026, or sooner, through June 30, 2027, at an annual salary rate of $138,000, (to be prorated from actual start date), pending successful completion of Criminal History background check required by P.L. 1986 c.116 and Sexual Misconduct/Child Abuse Disclosure required by P.L. 2018 c.5.

9. Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment:

A. Be it resolved to approve the **Student Field Trip/District Events/Miscellaneous** requests as listed below.

B. Be it resolved to approve the submission of the 2026-2027 Bilingual Program Waiver, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:15-1.4(b). *Local educational agencies (LEAs) must implement a fulltime bilingual education program when enrolling 20 or more Multilingual Learners (MLs) in a single language group throughout grades kindergarten through 12.*

C. Be it resolved to approve the submission of the 2026-2027 Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan.

Student Field Trips - N/A

District Events List / Miscellaneous

School Activity	Loc./School	Date/Time	Participants	District Cost	Adm./ Teacher/ Coach/ Advisor
Nourish NJ	TJ School	6/15/26. Time: TBD	Community Service Club Students	$0	Samantha Selikoff

10. Technology and Buildings & Grounds:

A. N/A

11. Policy and NJDOE

A. Be it resolved, to approve the submission of the 2026 Survey on Lactation-Related Policies, as per State Law (P.L.2019,c. 242).

12. Consent Agenda:

A. Move and Vote on all Agenda Resolutions & Recommendations in One Motion:

Roll Call Vote:	Moved & Seconded By:	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Recuse	Not Present
Mr. Dougherty		**X**		**8A.**		
Mrs. Dorgilles		**X**				
Mr. Graf, President		**X**		**7H.**		
Ms. Dahl, VP	**Motion**	**X**				
Mrs. Hernandez	**Seconded**	**X**				

13. New Business/Any Other Items/Board Comments for the Good of the Order:

14. Public Hearing: Limited to 3 minutes each.

Please state your name.

The President will open the floor for the Board to hear the public and then close the floor.
Please direct all dialogue to the President. Board replies are not required.

- *Ms. Hook- Rockaway, NJ- Notifications from the district*
- *Ms. Rueda- ELA Plus/Schedule Changes*

15. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting:

A. Monday, July 6, 2026

The public portion of the Meeting will begin at 7:30 pm in the Cafeteria of Thomas Jefferson Middle School.

16. Executive Session II (if necessary)

Be it resolved, that the Board enter into Executive Session (Private) for the purpose of discussing LEGAL matters, the nature of which will be made public only when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Moved by: Dahl Seconded by: Hernandez Voice Vote: ALL

THE BOARD ANTICIPATES BEING IN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES.
BOARD ACTION will not BE TAKEN AFTER THIS SESSION CONCLUDES.

17. Motion to Adjourn the Meeting:

With no further business before the Board, the meeting is hereby adjourned at _____ pm.

Moved by: Dahl Seconded by: Hernandez Voice Vote: ALL