

ROCKAWAY BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY
Special Public Meeting
Thomas Jefferson School
August 31, 2010

I. Call to Order and Flag Salute

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President, Debbie McNally.

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, Christa Smith and Board President, Debbie McNally.

Board Member Absent: Vice-President, Eileen Haynes

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

IV. Superintendent's Report

P/T Bus Driver vs. Custodian – Dr. Tierney discussed the amount of bus runs that need to be done this year with the Board. Dr. Tierney went on to explain that because of this an additional custodian is needed so coverage in both buildings will be provided. Dr. Tierney suggested hiring a part time custodian that has his bus driver license. The Board agreed.

V. Comments from the Public

Carol Coulther asked when the punch list will be conducted. Mr. Hurley said after the construction has been completed.

Carol Coulther said that Sue Lonergan lost materials from the flood. Mr. Hurley said that he asked Ms. Alpaugh to contact teachers when the flood occurred about lost material. Mr. Hurley added that he will need a list of damaged items and replacement prices.

Carol Coulther asked when the floors will be done being painted in Lincoln. Mr. Hurley said when the construction is completed and if it is impossible to do now, it will be done over a break.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Finance

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Finance Items # 1 and 2.

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

1. **WHEREAS**, the New Jersey School Boards Insurance Act, Assembly 1373, enacted and signed by the Governor in 1983, enables school districts to cooperate with each other to make the most efficient use of their powers and resources on a basis of mutual advantage in the areas of insurance and self-insurance and related services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Rockaway Borough School District desires to secure protection, services, and savings relating to insurance and self-insurance for itself and its departments and employees; and

WHEREAS, the Rockaway Borough Board of Education School District finds that the best and most efficient way of securing this protection and services is by cooperating with other school districts across the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group and its bylaws provide a basis for securing this protection for member districts;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
Rockaway Borough School District:

THAT, the Rockaway Borough Board of Education joins with other school districts in organizing and becoming members of the Sub fund of the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group (Educational Risk Insurance Consortium); and

THAT, by adoption and signing of this resolution, the Board of Education is hereby joining the Sub fund of the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group (Educational Risk Insurance Consortium) effective the date indicated below, and for the duration of three consecutive years. Adopted by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education, for a membership term which began July 1, 2010 and ends July 1, 2011.

2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to enter into contract with NJPA for 2010-2011 school year.

B. Personnel

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Personnel Items # 1 - 4

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Heather Doering as a personal aide for the 2010-2011 school year at an hourly rate of \$14.00 per hour.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Jim Golden as a bus aide for the 2010-2011 school year at an hourly rate of \$14.00 per hour
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Robert Hayzler for lateral movement on the salary guide from BA-8 to BA+30 -8 effective September 1, 2010.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Denise Jacobus to be hired as an emergent hire as the district's 80% Pre-K to 3rd Nurse/Health Teacher for the 2010-2011 school year. Ms. Jacobus will be placed on Step BA-1 of the teachers guide at an annual rate of (\$42,885.00 * 80%) \$34,308.00.

C. POLICY

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Policy Items # 1-2.

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve student #500 to go to Morris Knolls High School for approximately 2 hours per day to take Math courses at a high school level.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to adopt Policies 8310 and R8310 Public Records .

XI. Old Business

Mr. Rogers said that Good Friday is not listed on the School Calendar. Dr. Tierney will look into it.

XII. New Business

Mr. Hurley informed the Board that the NJSBA Annual Conference is in October.

XIII. Comments from the Public

None.

XIV. Executive Session

The next topic on the agenda relates to student personnel, 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 student personnel, 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 in a unanimous roll call vote at 7:18pm. (Lugo/Smith)

XV. Motion to Return to Open Session

A motion was approved to return to open session at 7:33 p.m. (Lugo/Smith)

XVI. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was approved at 7:35 p.m. to adjourn for the evening. (Lugo/Smith)

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph P. Hurley Jr.
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary