

**ROCKAWAY BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY**  
**Regular Public Meeting**  
**Thomas Jefferson School**  
**Room 128**  
**July 12, 2011**  
**7:30pm**

**I. Call to Order and Flag Salute**

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by Board President, Tim Rogers.

**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, Laura Lugo, Christa Smith Vice-President, Debbie McNally and Board President, Tim Rogers.

**Board Member Absent:** N/A

**Administration Present:** Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Patrick Tierney.

**IV. Board Secretary, Pro-temp**

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to appoint Dr. Patrick Tierney as the Board Secretary, pro-temp, to preside over the July 12, 2011 Board Meeting.

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

**V. Superintendent's Report**

1. Board Self-Evaluation and Goal Setting – Joanne Borin, New Jersey School Boards Association, and the Board discussed their self evaluation and setting the setting of goals.
2. State Aid – Dr. Tierney discussed the additional State Aid Rockaway Borough will receive.
3. Interviews – Dr. Tierney discussed the interviews with the Board.
4. Facilities:
  - a. Fire Escape – Dr. Tierney discussed the progress with the Board.
  - b. Lincoln School Floors – Dr. Tierney informed the Board that the floors are done.
  - c. Thomas Jefferson Ceiling Tiles – Dr. Tierney told the Board that the ceilings are almost done.
  - d. Thomas Jefferson Paving – Dr. Tierney informed the Board that the paving is done.
  - e. Lincoln School Fence – Dr. Tierney told the Board that the fence is almost done.
  - f. Lincoln School Pipe – Dr. Tierney told the Board we are in the process setting up the date.
  - e. Custodians – Dr. Tierney discussed the progress of the summer work and complimented the staff on their work.

**VI. Comments from the Public**

The teaching staff complimented this year's summer custodians on a job being well done.

**VII. Approval of the Manifest of Bills**

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

**June Supplemental - \$389,789.44**  
**July \$62,356.83**

The regular register is on file in the Office of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

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

**VIII. Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve the minutes from the June 14 and 21, 2011 meetings of the Rockaway Borough Board of Education.

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

**IX. Approval of Budget Transfers**

Motion to approve the attached list of budget transfers.

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

**X. Approval of the Certification 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. (McNally/Lugo)

**XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. FINANCE**

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to provide transportation for student #502 to Morris Hills Regional School District to take classes at a high school level for the 2011-2012 school year. Transportation will be provided in house.

The motion was approved in a unanimous roll call vote. (Haynes/Smith)  
Debbie McNally and Laura Lugo abstained.

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Finance Items # 2 – 14.

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

2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a contract with Protective Measures for the purpose of providing fire alarm monitoring, inspections, testing and maintenance for the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years. The cost is \$1,902.00 per school per year.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Cafeteria Checking and Reconciliation Reports for June 2011.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached Professional Development/Travel Expenditure requests.

5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to enter into an agreement with Filemaker, Inc. for the purchase of a one year maintenance agreement beginning August 2011 and ending August 2012. The cost is \$175.
6. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following Child Study Team request for following students to attend out of district placement for 11/12 school year as per IEP:

Student #	Location	Tuition Cost	Transportation Cost	Other
100	Phoenix Center	\$52,977.60	Rockaway Borough	Personal Aide - \$140.00 per day
07	Montgomery Academy	\$50,254.20	Through ESC – to be determined	
50	Denville Township School	\$1244 – ESY \$35,030 11/12	NA at this time	\$55 session for OT/Speech and PT for ESY only
86	Youth Consultation Service/Sawtelle Learning Center	57,857.40	Through ESC – to be determined	Personal Aide – 156.45 per day
39	Chapel Hill Academy	\$294 per day for 8 days of 10/11 school year (2,352) 11/12 school year : \$52,280.00	Through ESC – to be determined	

7. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following Child Study Team request for a psychiatric evaluation for student #45 with Dr. Lee Suckno at a cost of \$500.
8. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following Child Study Team request for a speech evaluation for student # 321 with Speech Therapy Center, LLC at a cost of \$350.
9. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following Child Study Team request to accept student #142 from a sending district at annual rate of \$12,069.00 plus the additional cost of a personal aide to attend Multiple Disabilities class at Lincoln School for the 11/12 school year.
10. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following Child Study Team request for a personal aide for student #142 for 6 hours per day at hourly rate of \$14.00.

11. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following Child Study Team request for PG Chambers to provide Physical Therapy services to students for the 2011/2012 school year at an hourly rate of \$80.00. Students to receive PT services as indicated in their IEP.
12. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following Child Study Team request for ABA Home component services as per IEP for 2011/2012 school year as follows:

Student #	Hours per week	2011/2012 school year	Provider	Provider Rate
#27	2 hours ABA and ½ hour consult per week	9/6/2011 – 6/18/2012	Jeanette Murphy	\$50.00
#16	2 hours ABA and ½ hour consult per week	9/6/2011 – 6/18/2012	Jeanette Murphy	\$50.00
#37	1 hour ABA per week and 1 hour per month consult	9/6/2011 – 6/18/2012	Jeanette Murphy	\$50.00
#100	1 hour ABA per week and 1 hour per month consult	9/6/2011 – 6/18/2012	Jeanette Murphy	\$50.00
86	5 hours ABA per week (*10 hours when school not in session)	9/7/2011 – 6/20/2012	Dave Koenig	\$50.00

13. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following Child Study Team request for OT services as per IEP for 2011/2012 school year as follows:

Student #	Hours per week	2011/2012 school year	Provider	Provider Rate
07	30 minutes Occupational Therapy per week	9/8/2011 – 6/22/2012	Dawn Odell	\$80.00

14. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following Child Study Team request of following contractors to provide speech, occupational therapy, physical therapy and behavioral services and/or evaluations for the 2011/2012 school year on an as needed basis if necessary:

Dynamic Therapeutic Services  
Educational Services Commission of Morris County  
Speech Therapy, LLC  
PG Chambers  
Advance Education Advisement  
Hillmar, LLC – Bilingual evaluations  
Behavior Therapy Associates  
Progressive Therapy  
Michelle Lawton, BCBA

**B. PERSONNEL**

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Personnel Items 1 – 6. Item #1 was tabled.

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Albert Diorio as a Full Time Special Education Teacher at Thomas Jefferson School for the 2011-2012 school year. Mr. Diorio will be placed on Step MA-4 of the teachers guide at an annual rate of \$48,840.00.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Laurel Hartmann as a Grade 1 Teacher at Lincoln School for the 2011-2012 school year. Ms. Hartmann will be placed on Step MA-1 of the teachers guide at an annual rate of \$48,150.00.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a contract with Joseph P. Hurley, Jr. as the Board Secretary/Business Administrator effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at an annual salary of \$94,086.99.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Jerry Cole as an emergent hire as a Bus Aide for the ESY and 2011-2012 school year at an hourly rate of \$14.00 per hour.
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Cheryl Sanchez as a Personal Aide for the 2011-2012 school year at an hourly rate of \$14.00 per hour.
6. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve with regret the resignation of Ms. Indira Brcvak effective June 27, 2011.

**C. Policy**

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Personnel Items 1 – 3.

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 the attached revised school calendar.

2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to abolish the policies below:

Policy #	Title
5512	Hazing
5512.02	Cyber Bullying

3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the policies below for a second reading:

Policy #	Title
0144	Board Members Orientation and Training
1230	Superintendents Duties
1522	School Level Plan
2132	School District Goals and Objectives
2414	Program and Services for Pupils in High Poverty and in Night Needs Districts
2440	Summer Session
3125.2	Employment of Substitute Teachers
5350	Pupil Suicide Prevention
5512	Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying
5561	Use of Physical Restraint
5600	Pupil Discipline – Code of Conduct
6150	Tuition Income
6220	Budget Preparation
6311	Contracts for Goods or Services Funded by Federal Grants
6820	Financial Reports
8461	Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse
R2440	Summer Session
R3144	Certification of Tenure Charges
R5512	Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying
R5561	Use of Physical Restraint
R5600	Pupil Discipline
R8461	Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse

**E. Addendum Items**

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Addendum Items 1 – 9.

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a salary increase for Frank Talty, Supervisor of Building and Grounds, in the amount of \$900. Mr. Talty is entitled to a \$400 increase for 25+ years of service to the District and a \$500 increase for possessing a Black Seal License. This increase will go into effect immediately.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to rescind approval of addendum item #3 from the June 14, 2011 Rockaway Borough Board of Education minutes.

3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to a contract with Phyllis Alpaugh as the Principal of Lincoln School effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at an annual salary of \$101,758.48.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to renew the contract with Maximus, Inc. to provide maintenance and support services for the 2011-2012 school year. The cost is \$2006.64.
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to enter into an agreement with Discovery Education to provide streaming for the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years. The prices are \$4,062.99 and \$5,140.00, respectively.
6. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to enter into a contract with iObservation for the purpose of providing administrative evaluation software and training. The cost is \$6,222.00.
7. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to rescind approval of personnel item #1 from the May 10, 2011 Rockaway Borough Board of Education minutes.
8. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a maternity leave for Mrs. Cathy Forte. She will be utilizing 21 of her accumulated sick days beginning September 1, 2011. At that time, Ms. Forte will utilize New Jersey Family Leave with intentions of returning to work on February 1, 2012.
9. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a 2.25% increase for the following non association staff members for the 2011-2012 school year.

Last	First	Position	10/11 Hourly Rate	11/12 Hourly Rate
Bonnet	Jean-Paul	School Physician	\$6,325.78	\$6,468.11
Nestor	Melissa	Treasurer	\$6,617.17	\$6,607.05
Patamia	Sandy	Accounts Payable	\$18,480.47	\$18,896.28

**XII. Old Business**

None.

**XIII. New Business**

None.

**XIV. Comments from the Public**

Carol Coulther asked about the students for Extended School Year Program. Dr. Tierney responded.

Carol Coulther asked who evaluates the CST. Dr. Tierney responded.

**XV. Closed Session**

"The next topic on the agenda relates to 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, 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 8:40pm in a unanimous roll call vote. (McNally/Smith)

**IX. Open Session**

A motion was approved to return to open session at 8:57p.m.

The motion was approved in a unanimous roll call vote. (Haynes/McNally)

**X. Motion to Adjourn**

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was approved at 8:59p.m. to adjourn for the evening. (McNally/Smith)

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Tierney Ed. D.,  
Board Secretary, Pro-temp