

**ROCKAWAY BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY**  
**Regular Public Meeting**  
**Thomas Jefferson Science Lab**  
**Room 128**  
**September 11, 2012**

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Board President, Christa Smith.

Dr. Purzak held a moment of silence for all those whose lives were touched by the events that transpired on September 11, 2001.

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

**Board Member Absent:** Laura Lugo

**Administration Present:** Superintendent of Schools/Thomas Jefferson School Principal, Dr. Brian Purzak, Lincoln School Principal, Phyllis Alpaugh, Thomas Jefferson School Vice-Principal, Mark Schwarz and Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Joseph P. Hurley Jr.

**IV. Rotary of the Rockaways**

President Rod Seifert and Past President Sheila Seifert presented the Board with a donation of \$3,859 to be used for Lincoln School Playground.

**V. Superintendent's Report**

1. Principal's Reports – Ms Alpaugh and Mr. Schwarz discussed the goings on in their schools.
2. Re-registration – Dr. Purzak informed the Board that all students have been re-registered.
3. Enrollment – Dr. Purzak informed the Board that the current district enrollment is 667.
4. Opening Day – Dr. Purzak discussed the opening day events.
5. Transportation – Dr. Purzak informed the Board that all transportation routes are running smoothly.
6. Technology – Dr. Purzak informed the Board that Mr. Reyes is working hard to get things in order.
7. Facilities:
  - a. Lincoln School Classroom Doors – Mr. Hurley informed the Board all the classroom doors except Room 211 have been installed. The company had ordered the wrong size door and a replacement is being manufactured.
  - b. Lincoln School Playground – Mr. Hurley informed the Board that he had received a quote for a railing. The cost is \$1,451. Mr. Hurley will issue a purchase order Wednesday.
  - c. Lincoln School Roof Project – Mr. Hurley informed the Board that the bid will be advertised in next week's newspaper.

8. Board Goals and Objectives – Ms. Jane Kirshner from New Jersey School Boards Association discussed the Board Goals and Objectives for the 2012-2013 school year.

**VI. Comments from the Public**

Carol Coulther asked if Dr. Purzak could provide the staff with a weekly update on the status of the technology problems. Dr. Purzak said he will have Mr. Reyes provide a weekly update. The Board also discussed some of the problems that the Lincoln School staff is having with the computer system.

Bethann Donald asked if the Calendar of Events will be posted on the website. Dr. Purzak said yes.

**VII. Minutes**

Motion to approve the minutes from the July 10 and August 2, 2012 Rockaway Borough Board of Education meeting.

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

**VIII. Approval of the Manifest Bills**

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

September - \$178,980.38

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/Haynes)

**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/Haynes)

**X. Certification of Major Account and Line Item Status**

Motion to approve the Major Account and Line Item Status.

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

**XI. Committee Reports**

**A. Finance**

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Finance Items #1-5.

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the Cafeteria Reconciliation Report and the Cafeteria Checking Account Reconciliation Report for August 2012.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the Board Secretary and Treasurer's Report for July 2012.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached Professional Development/Travel Expenditure requests.

4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the submittal of the FY 2012 NCLB Amendment Grant Application #1.
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to submit the 2012 Safety Grant application to the NJ School Boards Association Insurance Group. The total amount of the grant is \$3,800 and the funds will be used for sidewalk repair.

**B. Personnel**

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following new hires for the 2012-2013 school year:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Step/Salary</b>	<b>Position</b>
Donna Hawkes	\$80.00 per day	Substitute Teacher/Aide
Gina Marie Nappi	\$80.00 per day	Substitute Teacher/Aide
Allison Richards	\$80.00 per day	Substitute Teacher/ Aide

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

**C. Policy**

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following bus runs for the 2012 – 2013 school year:

- A TO NUTLEY FOR DROP OFF
- B ANDREA DRIVE INCLUDING ACADEMY AND FARVIEW
- D MID DAY RUN TO ANDREA DRIVE
- E TO NUTLEY FOR PICK UP
- F LINCOLN STUDENTS TO ANDREA DRIVE
- G TJ STUDENTS TO ANDREA DRIVE
- H CONTINUE TO FARVIEW AND ACADEMY

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

**D. Addendum**

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve with regret the resignation of Valerie Bertoli to pursue her career in education.

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

**XII. Old Business**

None.

**XIII. New Business**

Mr. Hurley informed the Board that he and Mr. Coppola are doing a NJQSAC facilities walkthrough tomorrow. Mr. Hurley also mentioned that he has joined with several schools and will conduct facilities walkthroughs in their districts as well.

Mr. Hurley informed the Board that he found a company that will make the facilities signs the Board has requested, for \$27.90 per sign.

**XIV. Comments from the Public**  
None.

**XV. Motion to Adjourn**

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was approved at 8:19 p.m. to adjourn for the evening. (McNally/Smith)

Respectfully submitted,

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