

**ROCKAWAY BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY  
THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL  
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING  
October 19, 2010**

At 7:34 p.m. Board President, Debbie McNally swore, in SGO President, Abby Chan.

SGO President, Abby Chan, then proceeded to swear in the rest of the SGO representatives and alternates.

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m. by SGO President, Abby Chan.

**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, Vice President, Eileen Haynes, and Board President, Debra McNally.

**Board Members Absent:** N/A

**Administration Present:** Lincoln School Principal, Phyllis Alpaugh, Superintendent of Schools, Patrick Tierney and Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Joseph P. Hurley, Jr.

**Others Present:** Approximately 40 members from the community.

**IV. SGO Award Presentation**

**V. Superintendent's Report**

1. Principal's Reports – Dr. Tierney, Thomas Jefferson Principal, and Phyllis Alpaugh, discussed the events that took place in their buildings during the month
2. Enrollment – Dr. Tierney discussed enrollment. We are currently at 668 students.
3. Shared Services – Dr. Tierney discussed sharing services with the Borough of Rockaway. In return for using the Thomas Jefferson Fields, the will maintain the fields after the goal posts come down.
4. Acknowledgement of Negotiated Contracts – Dr. Tierney discussed the document and the distributed copies for the Board to sign.
5. Private Investigator – Dr. Tierney informed the Board that the investigator in looking into a residency issue.
6. Charter School – Dr. Tierney informed the Board that two students were going to attend a charter school, but then the parents changed their minds.
7. Board to Board Meeting Update – Dr. Tierney updated the Board.
8. 2011 – 2012 Budget – Dr. Tierney informed the Board that the annual timelines were distributed to the staff.
9. Nurse's Services Plan 2010-2011 – Dr. Tierney discussed the plan with the Board.

10. Violence and Vandalism Report 2009-2010 – Dr. Tierney reviewed the report.
11. Emergency Management Plan 2010-2011 - Dr. Tierney discussed the revisions with the Board.
12. Comprehensive Maintenance Plan 2010-2012 – Dr. Tierney reviewed the plan with the Board.
13. Legislative Update – Dr. Tierney discussed some pending legislation with the Board.
14. NJASK Presentation – Dr. Tierney discussed the score in his slide show.

**Laura Lugo left at 8:45pm.**

15. Rockaway Borough Recreation – Dr. Tierney informed the Board that the Recreation Department requested to use the Thomas Jefferson School on Friday nights from 6:00pm – 8:00pm. Dr. Tierney told the Board that he has reservations, but has permitted them to use the facilities on a probationary period. They must clean up after themselves and be off the premises by 8:15pm.

**VI. Comments from the Public**

John Dennehy asked why the students are not allowed to wear shorts after October 15. Dr. Tierney said that is a policy to maintain the health of the students.

**VII. Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve the minutes from the September 16, 2010 meeting of the Board of Education.

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

**VIII. Approval of the Manifest of Bills**

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

October \$724,304.65

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. (Haynes/Smith)

**IX. Approval of Budget Transfers**

Motion to approve the attached list of budget transfers.

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

**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. (Haynes/Smith)

**XI. Approval of the Board Secretary and Treasurer's Report**

Motion to approve the Board Secretary and Treasurer's Report's for August 2010 and September 2010.

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

**XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Finance**

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Finance Items # 1-13.

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the September 2010 Cafeteria Reconciliation and Checking Reconciliation Report.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Home Instruction for student #207, 5 hours per week, retroactive to 9/28/2010, provided by St. Clare's Hospital at an hourly rate of \$49.00 for approximately two weeks.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Home Instruction for student #208, 5 hours per week, retroactive to 10/4/2010, provided by Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission at an hourly rate of \$63.00 for approximately two weeks.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve a psychiatric evaluation with Dr. Elfenbein, of Roseland, NJ for student #112 at a fee of \$650.00.
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve student #23 to attend the Wharton A-Stars program at the Wharton Borough Public Schools for the 2010/11 School Year. The annual tuition of \$46,118 plus cost for a personal aide of \$10,645. Total cost is \$56,763.00.
6. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Tara Renehan to provide home instruction for student #206 for 5 hours per week for approximately 6 weeks at an hourly rate of \$35.27 retroactive to September 20, 2010.
7. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group Safety Grant Program award in the amount of \$3,900.00. The check will be presented at the December 9, 2010 ERIC-West meeting.
8. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the Education Jobs Grant in the amount of \$20,705.00 from the United States Department of Education.
9. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Change Order #1 for the Lincoln School fire Door Replacement Project in the amount of \$1,364.00.

10. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to enter into a shared services agreement for technology services with Morris Hills Regional High School. The contract will begin July 1, 2010 and end June 30, 2011. The cost will be \$43,640.
11. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the following quotes to transport students from Morristown, NJ to Rockaway, NJ and back to Morristown, pursuant to NJAC 18A:18-3
 

Mark Jordan Transportation - \$75/day  
 Morris County Education Services Commission – \$175/day  
 Morris Hills Regional Board of Education – Did not submit  
 Rockaway Township Board of Education – Did not submit
12. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to award the contract to transport students from Morristown, NJ to Rockaway, NJ and back to Morristown, to Mark Jordan Transportation, pursuant to NJAC 18A:18-3, in the amount of \$75 per day.
13. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached list of travel expenditure/professional development requests.

## **B. Policy**

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Policy Items # 1-6.

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept the Violence and Vandalism Report for the 2010 - 2011 school year.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the 2010 - 2011 School Nursing Plan.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the 2010 - 2011 Rockaway Borough School District Emergency Management Plan.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the 2010 - 2011 NJQSAC Long Term Improvement Plan.
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the 2010 - 2011 Memorandum of Agreement of Agreement (MOA) between Law Enforcement and School Officials.
6. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the following policies and regulations for a first reading:

<b>Policy #</b>	<b>Title</b>
0146	Board Member Authority
0171	Duties of Board President and Vice President
0173	Duties of Public School Accountant
2431.4	Concussion Testing and Return-to-Play

3144	Certification of Tenure Charges
R3144	Certification of Tenure Charges
4159	Support Staff/School District Reporting Responsibilities
5516	Use of Electronic Communication and Recording Devices (ECRD)
6112	Reimbursement of Federal and Other Grant Expenditures
R6112	Reimbursement of Federal and Other Grant Expenditures
6830	Audit and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

### **C. Facilities**

Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve Facilities Item # 1.

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the 2010 - 2012 Comprehensive Maintenance Plan.

### **D. Personnel**

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

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to accept with regret the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Mr. Edilbrando Correa effective February 1, 2011.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to provide student teaching /field experience for Joseph Kresse in Sally Snelson's class at the Thomas Jefferson School from January 18, 2010 through May 9, 2010.
3. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to hire Dave Pickett as a half-time custodian, on Step 1 of the Custodial Salary Guide at \$30,935, pro-rated, effective September 1, 2010 until June 30.
4. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to appoint Phyllis Alpaugh as the district liaison for the Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS).
5. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to appoint Phyllis Alpaugh as the Homeless liaison for the Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS).

### **E. Curriculum**

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

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

1. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the Gifted and Talented curriculum.
2. Be it resolved by the Rockaway Borough Board of Education to approve the attached list of field trip requests.

**XIII. Old Business**

None.

**XIV. New Business**

Christa Smith pointed out that the updates in the Fire Drill laws go into effect January 1, 2011. Any changes done prior to that would need approval from the fire marshal.

**XV. Adjournment**

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was approved at 9:07 p.m. to adjourn for the evening. (Smith/Haynes)

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph P. Hurley Jr.  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary