

RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORKSESSION – APRIL 2, 2009

The Worksession Meeting was called to order at 7:32 P.M. in the High School Cafeteria by President Casadonte with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. On roll call the following members were present: Mrs. Ahmed, Mrs. Cevasco, Mr. Jasko, Mrs. Jones, Mr. Novosielski, Ms. Williams and Mr. Casadonte. Dr. Fiume and Mr. McLean were absent for the entire meeting. Ms. O’Keefe and Mr. Brown were also present for the meeting.

N.J. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Rutherford Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted on the bulletin board outside the Borough Clerk’s Office, mailed to the News Leader, Herald, South Bergenite, and the Record newspapers, and filed with the Borough Clerk.

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As approved by the Rutherford Board of Education, we are taping and broadcasting our worksessions and regular meetings. These meetings will be broadcast without editing during a two-hour time segment on Tuesday evenings at 8:00 PM on the Comcast public access channel. At the conclusion of the two-hour segment, the broadcast will end regardless of what part of the meeting is currently being viewed due to the Comcast time constraint. Any member of the public who wishes to view the two-hour tape should make a written request to the Board Secretary who will have a copy of the tape made available within two weeks of the request. There will be a nominal fee charged for this tape reproduction. We welcome comments from residents viewing the broadcast.

MINUTES APPROVAL

1A. Resolution by Mr. Novosielski, seconded by Mrs. Jones.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION that the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session of March 16, 2009 be approved as recorded.

Mrs. Ahmed - aye	Dr. Fiume - absent	Mr. McLean - absent
Mr. Casadonte - aye	Mr. Jasko - abstain	Mr. Novosielski - aye
Mrs. Cevasco - aye	Mrs. Jones - aye	Mrs. Williams - aye

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2009-2010 PROPOSED BUDGET

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC (Action Items Only) 8:07 p.m.

- Frank Wilson had questions on administrative costs, library costs, and secretarial substitutes.
- Chris McCarthy had a question on the fiscal year dates of the district

Meeting closed to the public at 8:11 p.m.

Recess at 8:12 p.m.

Returned to the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS: (Action to be Taken)

PERSONNEL:

MOIRA LOUGHLIN

1A. Motion by Mrs. Ahmed seconded by Mrs. Cevasco to accept, with regret, the retirement of Mrs. Moira Loughlin, grade 4 teacher at Union School, effective 6/30/09.

LORRAINE BROWN

2A. Motion by Mrs. Ahmed seconded by Mrs. Cevasco to adjust the retirement of date of Mrs. Lorraine Brown from 6/30/09 to 4/1/09.

LORRAINE BROWN

3A. Motion by Mrs. Ahmed seconded by Mrs. Cevasco to approve an unpaid medical leave with benefits under the Family Leave Act effective 3/19/09 through 3/31/09.

Approved.

FINANCE:

**APPROVAL OF BUDGET
2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR**

1A. Resolution by Mr. Jasko, seconded by Mrs. Williams.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION that the final School District Budget be approved for the 2009-2010 school year as follows:

Current Expense	\$37,019,217
Special Revenue Funds	733,776
Debt Service	1,555,463
Total	\$39,308,456

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that for funding the School District Budget for the 2009-2010 school year, the following amounts are the amounts necessary to be raised by local taxation:

Current Expense and Capital Outlay	\$33,702,430
Debt Service	1,555,463
Total	\$35,257,893

Mrs. Ahmed - aye	Dr. Fiume - absent	Mr. McLean - absent
Mr. Casadonte - aye	Mr. Jasko - aye	Mr. Novosielski - aye
Mrs. Cevalasco - aye	Mrs. Jones - aye	Mrs. Williams - aye

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Opened at 8:35 p.m.

The meeting was closed to the public at 8:35 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Mr. Novosielski, seconded by Mrs. Williams that an Executive Session be held at 8:36 P.M. for the purpose of discussing Personnel. Action may or may not be taken. The Board expects to return within 30 minutes.

Approved.

The Board returned at 9:59 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mr. Jasko, seconded by Mr. Novosielski that the meeting be adjourned at 9:59 P.M.

Approved.