

# RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION

## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF August 26, 2013

A Special meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday evening, August 26 , 2013 in the High School Library. Meeting was called to order by President Casadonte at 7:30 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On roll call the following members were present: Mr. Arce, Mr. Casadonte, Mr. Griggs, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Lanni, Mr. McLean and Mr. Tully. Also present were Dr. Jones and Mr. Kelly.

Absent: Mrs. Ahmed and Mr. Novosielski.

### **N.J. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW**

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act 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 posted on the bulletin board outside the Borough Clerk's Office, mailed to the *Herald*, *South Bergenite*, and the *Record* newspapers, and filed with the Borough Clerk.

### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

1. Resolution by Mr. Griggs seconded by Mrs. Lanni.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION that the minutes of the August 12, 2013 Worksession/Regular Meeting be approved as recorded.

### Roll Call Vote on Minutes Approval

Mrs. Ahmed – absent	Mrs. Jones – abstained	Mr. Novosielski – absent
Mr . Arce – aye	Mrs. Lanni – aye	Mr. Tully - aye
Mr. Griggs - aye	Mr. Mc Lean - abstained	Mr. Casadonte - abstained

### **NEW BUSINESS (Action to be Taken)**

#### **PERSONNEL:**

Motion by Mrs. Lanni, seconded by Mr. McLean to move the following resignations, retirements, salary adjustments, reassignments, appointments, etc., as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, pending approval from the State Department of Education, subject to the New Jersey Criminal Background Check and other legal requirements.

Approved by Voice Vote.

**Motion by Mrs. Lanni, seconded by Mrs. Jones to approve Personnel Items #1 thru #14.**

KORI MEERHOLZ

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Kori Meerholz as a part-time Special Education teacher at Lincoln School effective September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at the annual salary of \$26,442 (.56) (step 1, level 1). This is a new position.

ERICA FATA

2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Erica Fata as a teacher assistant at Pierrepont School effective September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at the hourly rate of \$18.80 (step 1) for 6.5 hours per day. This is a replacement position.

REBEKAH PEARSALL

3. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Rebekah Pearsall as an elementary teacher at Lincoln School effective September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at the annual salary of \$51,097 (step 5, level 1). This is a replacement position.

CARLOS DURAN

4. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Carlos Duran as a substitute bus driver at the hourly rate of \$18.00 effective August 20, 2013.

RHONDA VILLANI

5. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Rhonda Villani as a 12 month part-time clerical assistant in the Business Office effective September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at the hourly rate of \$20.02 (step 5) for 20 hours per week. This is a new position.

COACHES LONGEVITY

6. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following longevity stipend for Michael Blanchard for the 2012-2013 school year:

After 7 years - \$150

MEGAN CURLEY

7. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Megan Curley as an after school Orton-Gillingham tutor for two hours per week at the rate of \$35.00 per hour for the 2013-2014 school year.

STEPHANIE RAIMO

8. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Stephanie Raimo as a part-time Basic Skills Instructor at Lincoln School effective September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at the annual salary of \$29,872 (step 2, level 3) (.56). This is a replacement position.

COACHES

9. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following coaching assignments for the 2013-2014 school year and revised stipends:

		<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Football – Head	Andrew Howell	3	\$9434
“ Assistant	Joseph Purcella	3	\$6635
“ Assistant	Steven Dunn	3	\$6635
“ Assistant	Jeffrey Rehain	3	\$6635
“ Assistant	Silverio Bastiao	3	\$6635
“ Assistant	Frank Viola	2	\$6535
Soccer – Boys –Head	John Randazzo	3	\$7102
“ “Assistant	Richard Blanchard	3	\$5003
Volunteer “	David Jones		
“ “	Ronald Galarza		
Soccer – Girls –Head	Marisa Yoda	3	\$7102
“ “Assistant	Jim Pickel	3	\$5003
Cross Country – Boys	Robert Hemmel	3	\$6635
Cross Country – Girls	Justin Van Dyk	3	\$6635
Volunteer Assistant	Season Lyons		
Volleyball –Head	Helen Antzoulides	3	\$6635
“ Assistant	Ed Guy	3	\$4677
“ Assistant	Tom Potor	3	\$4677
Tennis –Girls-Head	David Padilla	3	\$6635
“ Assistant	John Parnofiello	3	\$4677
Tennis-Boys-Head	Michael Mayerczak	3	\$6635
“ “Assistant	Steven Mett	3	\$4677
Cheering –Fall-Head	Robyn Cafiero	3	\$4774
“ Assistant	Kaitlin Kuchar	3	\$3661
Cheering-Winter-Head	Robyn Cafiero	3	\$4774
“ “Assistant	Kaitlin Kuchar	3	\$3661
Basketball –Boys-Head	Nick DeBari	3	\$8034
“ Assistant	Tom Potor	3	\$5656
“ Assistant	Daniel Balaban	2	\$5556
Volunteer Assistant	Greg Vogel		

Basketball-Girls-Head	Danica Miller	2	\$7934
" Assistant	Edward Guy	3	\$5656
" Assistant	James Parnofiello	2	\$5556
Wrestling – Head	Jeffrey Rehain	3	\$8034
" Assistant	Cory Dunn	1	\$5456
Bowling – Head	David Padilla	3	\$4774
Baseball – Head	Carmen Spina	3	\$7102
" Assistant	Andrew Howell	3	\$5003
" Assistant	James Parnofiello	2	\$4903
"Volunteer Assistant	Joseph Urbanovich		
" " "	Andrew Van Der Hoof		
Softball – Head	Helen Antzoulides	3	\$7102
" Assistant	Jennifer Hoch	3	\$5003
" " "	Christine Dyson	2	\$4903
Volunteer Assistant	Allyson Gerdes		
Strength & Conditioning Coach (stipend per season, Summer, Fall, Winter, Spring)	Roy Hinchman	3	\$4774

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

10. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following substitute teachers for the 2013-2014 school effective September 1, 2013 at the per diem rate of \$80.00 and in accordance with law:  
Jennifer Rogers  
Thomas Sherlock

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER ASSISTANTS

11. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following substitute teacher assistants for the 2013-2014 school year at the hourly rate of \$10.00 effective September 1, 2013:  
Jennifer Rogers  
Thomas Sherlock

LUNCH MONITOR

12. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following lunch monitor at Washington School effective September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at the hourly rate of \$11.25 (step 5) for two hours per day:  
  
Beverly Lally

AUNDREA GEORGATOS 13. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Aundrea Georgatos as a full-time teacher assistant at Pierrepont School for 6.25 hours per day effective September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at the hourly rate of \$18.80 (step 1). This is a new position.

TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENTS 14. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following travel reimbursements for the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Name of Activity</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Trans.</u>	<u>Meals</u>	<u>Lodgings</u>	<u>Other</u>
Anne Nuara	Teacher	Units of Study	9/27/13	\$165	None	None	None	None

Roll Call Vote on Personnel Items #1 thru #14:

Mrs. Ahmed – absent	Mrs. Jones – aye	Mr. Novosielski – absent
Mr . Arce – aye	Mrs. Lanni – aye	Mr. Tully - aye
Mr. Griggs - aye	Mr. Mc Lean - aye	Mr. Casadonte - aye

**CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:**

**Motion by Mrs. Lanni, seconded by Mrs. Jones to approve Curriculum & Instruction Items #1 and Item #2:**

UNIFORM MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the Annual Uniform Memorandum of Agreement between the Rutherford Board of Education and the Rutherford Police Department for the 2013-2014 school year.

OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENT 2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve/rescind the following out-of-district placement (name on file in the office of special services) for the 2013-2014 school year:

Rescind:  
 Student #2012020 – SBJC Primetime (half day)  
 Tuition: \$19,975.00

Approve:  
 Student #2012020 – SBJC Primetime (full day)  
 Tuition: \$36,700.00

Roll Call Vote on Curriculum & Instruction Items # 1 and # 2:

Mrs. Ahmed – absent	Mrs. Jones – aye	Mr. Novosielski – absent
Mr . Arce – aye	Mrs. Lanni – aye	Mr. Tully - aye
Mr. Griggs - aye	Mr. Mc Lean - aye	Mr. Casadonte - aye

**FINANCE:**

**Motion by Mr. McLean, seconded by Mrs. Jones to approve Finance Item # 1.**

APPROVAL OF BILLS

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION that the bills listed below be approved.

Accounts Payable	52,944.31
Offline Check	358,059.01
Payroll Expense	274,888.23
General Activities	<u>450.00</u>
Grand Total	686,341.55

Roll Call Vote on Finance Item #1 :

Mrs. Ahmed – absent	Mrs. Jones – aye	Mr. Novosielski – absent
Mr . Arce – aye	Mrs. Lanni – aye	Mr. Tully - aye
Mr. Griggs – aye, abstained on Ck #:10293	Mr.Mc Lean – aye	Mr. Casadonte - aye

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:**

**Motion by Mr. Tully seconded by Mr. Arce to approve Building & Grounds Addendum Item #1:**

**ADDENDUM**

SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECTS

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the Rutherford Board of Education in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) desires to proceed with school facilities projects consisting generally of:

1. High School Storm Water System at Rutherford High School (State Project # 4600-050-14-1001)
2. Rutherford HS 100 Gym Roof Replacement at Rutherford High School (State Project #4600-050-14-1002)

3. RHS Wall Rehabilitation at 230 Gym at Rutherford High School (State Project #4600-050-14-1003)
4. RHS Lintel Repair Project at 230 Gym at Rutherford High School (State Project #4600-050-14-1004)
5. Lincoln School Classroom Addition (State Project # 4600-070-14-1005)
6. Sylvan Electrical Service and Distribution Improvements (State Project #4600-090-14-1006)
7. Union School Site Improvements and Retaining Wall Repairs (State Project #4600-100-14-1007)
8. Pierrepont School Fire Alarm System Upgrade (State Project # TBD)
9. Pierrepont School Selected Flat Roof Replacements (State Project # TBD)
10. Sylvan School Fire Alarm System Upgrade (State Project # TBD)
11. Sylvan School Selected Lintel Replacements (State Project # TBD)
12. Sylvan School Vault Roof Reconstruction (State Project # TBD)
13. Union School Selected Classroom Floor Replacements (State Project # TBD)
14. Union School Gym Floor Replacement (State Project # TBD)
15. Washington School Playground Renovation (State Project # TBD)
16. Washington School Exterior Envelope Restoration (State Project # TBD)
17. Lincoln School Exterior Envelope Restoration (State Project # TBD)
18. Union School Selected Masonry Wall Repair at Union School (State Project # TBD);
19. Rutherford HS PARCC Compliance Network Upgrades (State Project #TBD);
20. Union School PARCC Compliance Network Upgrades (State Project #TBD);
21. Pierrepont School PARCC Compliance Network Upgrades (State Project #TBD);
22. Lincoln School PARCC Compliance Network Upgrades (State Project #TBD);
23. Washington School PARCC Compliance Network Upgrades (State Project #TBD);

(hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Projects”) and

WHEREAS, the Board now seeks to take the initial steps in order to proceed with the Projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

1. In accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:26-3 of the New Jersey Administrative Code, the Board hereby approves the Educational Specifications prepared by Chapin Architectural Services in connection with the Projects and the Board further authorizes the submission of same to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education for approval.

2. In accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:26-3 of the New Jersey Administrative Code, the Board hereby approves the Schematic Plans prepared by Chapin Architectural Services in connection with the Projects and the Board further authorizes the submission of same to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education for approval. The Board will be seeking a Regular Operating District (ROD) Grant for the Projects as part of the submission. The Board further authorizes the submission of the Schematic Plans to the Municipal Planning Board for its review, if required.

3. The Board representatives, including, but not limited to, the Board President, the Superintendent of Schools, the School Business Administrator, the School Principal, the Architect, the Board Attorney and Bond Counsel, are hereby authorized to perform such other acts, to execute such other documents and to do such other things as are necessary to implement the determinations of the Board set forth in this Resolution, including the submission of information to the New Jersey Department of Education as set forth in N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-5, in connection with receipt of a grant with respect to the proposed Projects.

4. The Board hereby authorizes amendments to its Long-Range Facilities Plan, as needed, in order to reflect the proposed Projects.

5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Roll Call Vote on Building & Grounds Addendum Item # 1:

Mrs. Ahmed – absent	Mrs. Jones – aye	Mr. Novosielski – absent
Mr . Arce – aye	Mrs. Lanni – aye	Mr. Tully - aye
Mr. Griggs - aye	Mr. Mc Lean - aye	Mr. Casadonte - aye

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Dr. Jones reminded the Board of several issues to be considered:

- Setting a date for a Board retreat to discuss district goals.
- Scheduling the STEM Lab ribbon cutting ceremony for Sept. 9.
- Board members are welcome to attend the luncheon for new faculty members on Aug. 27.
- Board members are welcome to attend the program for the return of faculty on Sept. 3.
- In a recent article in the Star Ledger, Rutherford High School earned an "A" grade.
- Despite ongoing rumors in town, there are no plans to change the district mascot.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Mr. Griggs, seconded by Mr. Arce, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:11 P.M.

Approved by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph P. Kelly  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary