

RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION

WORKSESSION MEETING

MARCH 2, 2015

AGENDA

MEETING CALL TO ORDER AT 7:30 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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 **Worksession/Regular Meeting, February 9, 2015**
Executive Sessions, Worksession/Regular Meeting, February 9,
2015

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Annual District Violence and Vandalism Report

	2014-2015 (Report Period 1)	2013-2014 (Report Periods 1&2)	2012-2013 (Report Periods 1&2)
Violence	2	10	9
Vandalism	1	1	2
Weapons	1	0	1
Substance Abuse	2	3	5
HIB	7	6	5

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

Preliminary 2015/2016 Budget Discussion – Mr. Joseph Kelly

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

REPORT OF THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC (Action Items Only)

NEW BUSINESS (Action to be Taken)

PERSONNEL: Motion by M_____, seconded by M_____ 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.

Vote _____.

MAUREEN BERTONE 1A. Motion by M ____, seconded by M ____ to accept the resignation of Maureen Bertone, lunch monitor at Union School, effective February 27, 2015.

Vote _____.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:

HARASSMENT/INTIMIDATION 1A. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M _____.

BULLYING DECISION BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to uphold the Superintendent's decision in HIB investigation #2014-015, (#16851) for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's decision to the students' parents, and directs the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents.

On roll call all members present voted _____.

HARASSMENT/INTIMIDATION 2A. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M _____.

BULLYING DECISION BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to uphold the Superintendent's decision in HIB investigation #2014-015, (#16753) for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's decision to the students' parents, and directs the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents.

On roll call all members present voted _____.

FINANCE:

APPROVAL OF BILLS

1A. Resolution by M_____, seconded by M_____.

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

Accounts Payable	382,009.24
Offline Checks	413,711.55
Food Service Checks	22,339.83
Payroll	2,579,335.08
General Activities	<u>19,849.96</u>
Total	3,417,245.66

On roll call all members present voted _____.

SECY/TREAS REPORT
JANUARY 2015

2A. Resolution by M_____, seconded by M_____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION that it has received and accepts the financial reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the month ending January 31, 2015, and certifies that the reports indicate that no major account or fund is over expended in violation of NJAC 6:20-2.13 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the school year. Summary pages are included in the official minute book and a detailed summary is on file in the office of the Board Secretary.

On roll call all members present voted _____.

BUDGET
TRANSFERS

3A. Resolution by M_____, seconded by M_____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve budget line transfers for the period January 1, 2015 through January 31, 2015 as attached.

On roll call all members present voted _____.

NEW BUSINESS: (Action will not be taken)

PERSONNEL:

Chairperson Ahmed will report on the items to be acted upon at the March 16, 2015 regular meeting

KRISTEEN CRUISE

1. Resolution by M_____, seconded by M_____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve a disability leave with pay for Kristeen Cruise, grade 5 teacher at Pierrepont School, effective April 13, 2015 through (20)

days following the birth of her baby to be followed by a child rearing leave of absence under the Family Leave Act without pay through February 1, 2016.

On roll call all members present voted ____.

ALAYNE LAMBA

2. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve a disability leave with pay for Alayne Lamba, grade 5 teacher at Union School, effective June 1, 2015 through (20) days following the birth of her baby to be followed by a child rearing leave of absence under the Family Leave Act without pay through December 18, 2015.

On roll call all members present voted ____.

ERIN TIFFNER

3. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve a disability leave with pay for Erin Tiffner, grade 5 teacher at Union School, effective May 4, 2015 through (20) days following the birth of her baby to be followed by a child rearing leave of absence under the Family Leave Act without pay through December 18, 2015.

On roll call all members present voted ____.

STEPHANIE CASTELLANO

4. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve a disability leave with pay for Stephanie Castellano, art teacher at Rutherford High School, effective May 27, 2015 through (20) days following the birth of her baby to be followed by a child rearing leave of absence under the Family Leave Act without pay through June 23, 2015.

On roll call all members present voted ____.

CHELSEA LEARY

5. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Chelsea Leary as a long term substitute teacher at Rutherford High School effective March 21, 2015 through June 30, 2015 at the per diem rate of \$240 (step 1, level 1).

On roll call all members present voted ____.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

6. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following substitute teachers for the 2014-2015 school year effective March 17, 2015 at the per diem rate of \$80.00 and in accordance with law:

Gillian Bonner
Katherine Calabrese
Megan Cockcroft
Ellen Plumaker
Abbey Rabinovich

On roll call all members present voted ____.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER ASSISTANTS

7. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following substitute teacher assistants for the 2014-2015 school year effective March 17, 2015 at the hourly rate of \$10.00:

Gillian Bonner
Katherine Calabrese
Megan Cockcroft
Ellen Plumaker

On roll call all members present voted ____.

SUBSTITUTE BUS ASSISTANT

8. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following substitute bus assistant for the 2014-2015 school year effective March 17, 2015 at the hourly rate of \$9.00:

Meritxi Andujar

On roll call all members present voted ____.

ALEXANDER MICELI

9. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Alexander Miceli, as a part-time courier for the district, effective March 17, 2015 through June 30, 2015 at the annual salary of \$17,250(.50) (step 1) (pro-rated). This is a replacement position.

On roll call all members present voted ____.

KIMBERLEE BRADLEY

10. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.
 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Kimberlee Bradley, as a part-time teacher assistant at the Kindergarten Center, effective March 17, 2015 through June 30, 2015 at the hourly rate of \$19.00 (step 1) for 4.9 hours per day. This is a replacement position.

On roll call all members present voted ____.

TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENTS

11. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.
 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following travel reimbursements for the 2014-2015 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>
Laurie Catalano	Teacher	Orton-Gillingham	05/4-8/15	\$975	none	none	none	none
Megan Joyce	Teacher	Orton Gillingham	05/4-9/15	\$975	none	none	none	none
Anthony Paterno	Supervisor	NJ B&G Convention	03/16-18/15	\$100	none	none	none	\$390
Maria DeTrizio	Teacher	Intro to PROMPT	04/13-14/15	\$700	none	none	none	none

On roll call all members present voted ____.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:

Chairperson Jones will report on the meeting of the Curriculum Committee and items to be acted upon at the March 16, 2015 regular meeting.

HOME INSTRUCTION

1. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.
 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve home instruction for the following student (name on file in the office of the superintendent):

Student #11388 – effective 2/20/15

On roll call all members present voted ____.

CURRIUCULUM GUIDES

2. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.
 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revised curriculum guides:

Social Studies

- Social Studies/World Geography Grade 7
- World History Honors

World Languages

- Spanish Grade 6
- Spanish 1a Grade 7
- Spanish 1B grade 8
- Spanish 1
- Spanish 2

On roll call all members present voted ____.

TEXTBOOK ADOPTION

3. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following textbooks:

Growing Your Vocabulary: Learning from Latin and Greek Roots by Paul Moliken

- Prestwick House Publishers, Copyright 2008, latest revision 2008
Grades 4, 5, &6

Vocabulary from Latin and Greek Roots: A Study of Word Families by Elizabeth Osborne

- Prestwick House Publishers, Copyright 2005, latest revision 2010
Grades 7, 8, & 9

On roll call all members present voted ____.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT
PLACEMENTS

4. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the attached list of contracts for tuition and other services provided for out-of-district placements for the 2014-2015 school year.

On roll call all members present voted ____.

SERVICE PROVIDER

5. Resolution by M ____, seconded by M ____.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the attached list of a Service Provider for the 2014-2015 school year.

On roll call all members present voted ____.

FINANCE:

Chairperson McLean will report on the meeting of the Finance Committee and items to be acted upon at the March 16, 2015 regular meeting.

POLICY:

Chairperson Chu will report on items to be acted upon at the March 16, 2015 regular meeting.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

Chairperson Arce will report on the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee and items to be acted upon at the March 16, 2015 regular meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: (No action to be Taken)

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by M____, seconded by M____ that an Executive Session be held at _____ P.M. for the purpose of discussing _____ . Action may or may not be taken. The Board expects to return within _____ minutes.

Vote_____

The Board returned at _____ P.M.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by M____, seconded by M____ that the meeting be adjourned at _____ P.M.

Vote_____