

RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING

OF

April 20, 2015

A work session/regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday evening, April 20, 2015 in the High School Cafeteria. Meeting was called to order by President Novosielski at 7:30 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On roll call the following members were present: Mrs. Ahmed, Mr. Arce, Mr. Chu, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Lanni, Mr. McLean, Mr. Recine and Mr. Novosielski. Also present were Mr. Hurley and Mr. Kelly.

Absent: Mrs. Librera

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MINUTES APPROVAL

Regular Meeting - March 16, 2015

No corrections noted. Minutes approved as recorded.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Art Students – Mr. Mullins

Art Awards

Pierrepont School

Nick Brady
Carlo Flamer
Brandon Fried
Christian Goumas
Olivia Katafigiotis
Woo (Martina) Kim
Chanmi Lee
Lily Lorenz
Vishu Mangukiya
Delaney Manning
Hannah Martin
Bobby Philp
Christina Rodriguez
Emily Satterfield
Stacy Shang
Karolina Wisniewski

Chorus Students – Mr. Mullins

Choir Awards

Union School – North Jersey Region 1 Junior High School Choir

Aditi Chiney
Aidan McHugh
Sophia Masullo
Ola Szmackinski

Pierrepont School - Bergen County Choir

Casey Beidel

Pierrepont School – North Jersey Region 1 Junior High School Choir

Rian Chowdhury

Rutherford High School Bergen County Choir

Elijah Gomez
Megan Keegan
Larissa Nam
Alexandra Tasev
Emily Laskey

Rutherford High School – Region 1 Choir

Elijah Gomez
Kaylee Nam
Larissa Nam
Alexandra Tasev

Rutherford High School – All State Mixed Chorus

Larissa Nam
Alexandra Tasev

Performed Chorus Parts in Puccini’s LaBoheme with the Verismo Opera Company at the Bergen Performing Arts Center:

Jarett Sartori
Sophia Masullo
Ola Szmecinski
Aditi Chiney
Madison Mastrolia
Angie Espinal
Barbara Eubanks
Megan Keegan

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Mr. Hurley reported on the following:

- He congratulated the art and choir students honored earlier in the meeting, noting that these programs were flourishing in the district.
- He reported on the passing of three members of the Rutherford school community:
 - Mr. Alan Goodman passed away on April 5. Mr. Goodman was raised in Rutherford and was a teacher in the district for over forty years and had been active at Pierrepont School up until the time of his death. He made a tremendous impact in the community and will be missed by all.
 - Mrs. Jean Segers, long time secretary at Washington School
 - Mr. John Gibney, former member of the Board of Education
- He reported that today had been Discovery Day at Washington School, in which all classes had participated in practical but fun science projects, assisted by STEM students from the high school.
- The Bus Advisory Committee will meet next on Wednesday, April 22.
- The Popcert concert will be held on Thursday, April 23 at Rutherford High School.

KELLY WALSH

3. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Kelly Walsh, as a long term substitute teacher at Pierrepont School effective April 13, 2015 through June 23, 2015, at the per diem rate of \$240 (step 1, level 1).

BLEND A JOHANSEN

4. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Blenda Johansen, as a long term substitute teacher assistant at Pierrepont School effective April 13, 2015 through June 23, 2015, at the hourly rate of \$19.00 (step 1).

CATHY WENZELBERG

5. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve an unpaid leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act for Cathy Wenzelberg effective March 27, 2015 through June 23, 2015.

KAITLYN MASTROFILIPPO

6. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Kaitlyn Mastrofilippo, as a long-term substitute math teacher at Pierrepont School effective April 14, 2015 through June 23, 2015, at the per diem rate of \$240 (step 1, level 1).

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

7. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following substitute teachers for the 2014-2015 school year effective April 21, 2015 at the per diem rate of \$80.00 and in accordance with law:

Gianna Iannuzzi
Ryan Vettoso

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER ASSISTANT

8. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following substitute teacher assistant for the 2014-2015 school year effective April 21, 2015 at the hourly rate of \$10.00:

Gianna Iannuzzi

LETIZIA DERRO

9. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve Letizia Derro as a lunch monitor at Pierrepont School effective April 21, 2015 at the hourly rate of \$10.00 (step 1) for two hours per day. This is a replacement position.

BETH FESKEN

10. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to extend the family leave of Beth Fesken, Washington School special education teacher from June 30, 2015 to December 8, 2015.

TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENTS 11. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following travel reimbursements for the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 school years:

<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>
Kim Fecanin	Nurse	American Pediatric	05/13/15	\$180	none	none	none	none
Kim Fecanin	Nurse	PESI Health Care	04/8/15	\$189.99	none	none	none	none
Joseph Kelly	Administrator	NJASBO Conference	06/3-5/15	\$150	none	none	none	\$310
Marisa Yoda	Teacher	AP History Wkshop	08/10-13/15	\$1025	none	none	none	none

Roll Call Vote on Personnel Items # 1 thru #11

Mrs. Ahmed – aye	Mrs. Jones – aye	Mr. Mc Lean – aye
Mr. Arce – aye	Mrs. Lanni – aye	Mr. Recine – aye
Mr. Chu – aye	Mrs. Librera – absent	Mr. Novosielski – aye

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:

Motion by Mrs. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Lanni to approve Curriculum and Instruction Items #1 thru #6:

Mrs. Jones reported on the April 13 meeting of the Curriculum and Instruction Committee.

HOME INSTRUCTION

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve home instruction for the following students (names on file in the Office of the Superintendent):

- Student #10064 – effective 3/16/15
- Student #27019 – effective 3/12/15
- Student #12256 – effective 4/1/15
- Student #11388 – effective 4/10/15
- Student #10006 – effective 4/16/15

CALENDAR CHANGE

2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to change the Rutherford Board of Education Meeting calendar to reflect a change in the May regular meeting from May 18, 2015 to May 11, 2015.

SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS

3. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS – The Rutherford Board of Education seeks to participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools to focus attention and efforts on matters of sustainability and pursue initiatives that will lead to Sustainable Jersey for Schools Certification.

WHEREAS – The Rutherford Board of Education and District Superintendent seek to support and work with school staff and administrators, students, and parents to ensure a safe and healthy environment for students by encouraging our school community to implement sustainable, energy-smart, eco-friendly, and cost effective solutions.

WHEREAS – Extensive opportunities exist to teach students about ecological, economic and social sustainability, environmental health, and nutrition, to integrate sustainability education into classroom learning; and to support students in becoming leaders in making their schools healthier and more sustainable places.

WHEREAS – Many options and choices exist for schools to use resources more efficiently; to reduce, reuse, and recycle; to follow Green Building Standards for construction and major renovations; to form school partnerships; to eliminate toxic chemicals; to purchase (or produce) clean energy; and to purchase recycled paper, energy-efficient equipment and other green products to protect our global environment.

WHEREAS – Sustainability means using resources wisely, saving money, and reducing our impact on the environment, all of which will ensure the future health, safety, and prosperity of our children.

WHEREAS – The Rutherford Board of Education commits to the formation of at least one Sustainability Leadership Team (also referred to as “Green Team”), based on the guidance of Sustainable Jersey for Schools.

WHEREAS – Green Team members help schools adopt policies and practices addressing areas such as sustainability education and professional training, green purchasing, waste reduction, indoor air quality; energy-saving initiatives, and community partnerships.

WHEREAS – The Rutherford Board of Education will encourage Green Teams at all district schools by providing networking and educational opportunities.

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Rutherford Board of Education agrees to participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools, and it is the Board’s intention to pursue certification for schools in the district.

WE HEREBY APPOINT Karen Travellin to be the district’s liaison to Sustainable Jersey for Schools.

WE DO HEREBY RECOGNIZE Rutherford Public Schools to carry out our commitment to building a sustainable school district through the implementation of Sustainable Jersey for Schools actions.

WE AGREE TO complete district actions and to support the district’s schools in completing their actions.

TEXTBOOK ADOPTION

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

Writing Companion: by Andrea Stark

- Perfection Learning, Copyright 2014, latest revision 2014 Grade 10

Review, Practice, Mastery of Common Core English Language Arts
By Amy Bar, et.al.

- Perfection Learning, Copyright 2015, latest revision, 2015 Grade 10

Big Ideas Math, Algebra 1, A Common Core Curriculum
By Larson, Boswell

- Big Ideas Learning, Copyright 2015, latest revision 2015 Grades 8, 9

OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENTS

5. 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.

SERVICE PROVIDERS

6. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the attached list of service providers for the 2014-2015 school year.

Roll Call Vote on Curriculum and Instruction Items # 1 thru #6:

Mrs. Ahmed – aye	Mrs. Jones – aye	Mr. Mc Lean – aye
Mr. Arce – aye	Mrs. Lanni – aye	Mr. Recine – aye
Mr. Chu – aye	Mrs. Librera – absent	Mr. Novosielski – aye

FINANCE:

Motion by Mr. McLean, seconded by Mrs. Jones to approve Finance Items #1 thru #7:

APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

Accounts Payable	976,876.40
Offline Check	772,991.86
Food Service Checks	71.30
Payroll Expense	2,490,345.17
General Activities	<u>42,157.27</u>
Total	4,282,442.00

SECY/TREAS REPORT
FEBRUARY 2015

2. 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 February 28, 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.

SECY/TREAS REPORT
MARCH 2015

3. 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 March 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.

BUDGET
TRANSFERS

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

COORDINATED
TRANSPORTATION
SERVICES

5. BE IT RESOLVED that the Rutherford Board of Education does hereby approve an agreement with the South Bergen Jointure Commission, an approved Coordinated Transportation Services Agency, for the purposes of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the **2015-2016** school year. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to, the Coordinated Transportation of nonpublic, out of district special education, vocational and summer programs.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rutherford Board of Education agrees to abide by the Transportation Services Agreement as published by the South Bergen Jointure Commission and attached to this resolution.

BCSSSD CONTRACT

6. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to contract with the Bergen County Special Services School District for the 2015/2016 school year to provide IDEA services for non-public schools, consisting of the following:

Supplemental Instruction
Speech
Occupational Therapy
Physical Therapy
Teacher of the Deaf
Audiologist
Behaviorist
Social Worker

PENSION AND HEALTH
BENEFITS REFORM

7. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the health of New Jersey's public employee retirement systems affects the state's economy and its citizens' quality of life, and impacts critical functions, ranging from the state's ability to borrow to finance public works projects to its annual budget including state aid to education and, consequently, the operation of the public schools; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Pension and Health Benefits Study Commission, appointed by Governor Chris Christie in 2014, has issued its final report, "A Roadmap to Resolution," which proposes monumental changes in how public employee benefits, particularly the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and the School Employees' Health Benefits Program (SEHBP), are financed and administered; and

WHEREAS, the Rutherford Board of Education believes that reform must balance the health of the state's retiree benefits programs with local school boards' responsibility to provide sound educational programming; and

WHEREAS, TPAF benefits are established by the state and not through local school board action; and

WHEREAS, post-retirement medical benefits are provided to TPAF retirees through state legislation, not local school board action; and

WHEREAS, the Rutherford Board of Education believes that the TPAF and any new retirement program for certificated school district staff must be funded by the state government; and

WHEREAS, the Rutherford Board of Education believes that transferring payment of the employer's contribution to the teacher retirement plan and post-retirement medical benefits from the state to local school districts would have a detrimental impact on the resources necessary to maintain educational programming; and

WHEREAS, to restore solvency to, and avert future default of, the state's retirement programs, the pension and benefits reform act of 2011 (*P.L. 2011, c.78*) includes a schedule of annual state payments designed to close the deficit of the plans that serve school district employees; and

WHEREAS, medical benefits for retired school employees, which will total over \$1 billion in 2015-2016, are a major cost-driver in the state budget; and

WHEREAS, the Rutherford Board of Education supports the current statutorily required employee contributions toward health benefits, which reflect current practice in the private sector and in public employment in other states, and have provided significant financial relief for local school districts, thereby enabling them to direct resources toward educational programming, including teacher employment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rutherford Board of Education urges the state Legislature and Governor to ensure that the employers' cost for teacher pensions and post-retirement medical benefits—financial obligations created by the state—are not transferred to local school districts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that to provide local school districts and local property taxpayers with financial relief, the Legislature should amend *P.L. 2011, c.78* to make the current employee contributions toward health coverage a permanent requirement and not a subject of labor negotiations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that to provide further control over the cost of health benefits, the Legislature should give local boards of education unilateral authority to enroll in the School Employee Health Benefits Program if the board determines that such action would generate financial savings; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Rutherford Board of Education supports the goal of reducing the overall costs of public employee health and retirement benefits and urges the state Legislature and Governor to take a studied

and comprehensive approach that will ensure the long-term solvency of the state's public employee retirement programs without unduly burdening local school district budgets and endangering educational programming; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be delivered to Governor Chris Christie, State Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney, Assembly Speaker Vincent Prieto; and the Legislative District's representatives in the state Senate and General Assembly; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the New Jersey School Boards Association.

With regard to Finance Motion #7, Mr. Novosielski expressed support for the motion as a whole but asked the Board to reconsider the inclusion of a specific paragraph within it.

Motion to strike the following paragraph from Finance Motion #7 made by Mr. Novosielski and seconded by Mr. Chu:

“RESOLVED, that to provide local school districts and local property taxpayers with financial relief, the Legislature should amend P.L. 2011, c. 78 to make the current employee contributions toward health coverage a permanent requirement and not a subject of labor negotiations”

Mr. Novosielski noted that health benefit contributions have historically been negotiable between a Board of Education and its local bargaining units and non-affiliated employees until the Governor’s reforms of 2011 codified them. As the legislation will sunset in the coming years, Mr. Novosielski recommends that the negotiable nature of employee health benefit contributions be allowed to be reinstated.

Mr. McLean responded that the wording as it is best reflects the interests of the Board and recommended that the motion be accepted without change.

Roll Call Vote on Removal of Paragraph from Item # 7:

Mrs. Ahmed – no	Mrs. Jones – no	Mr. Mc Lean – no
Mr. Arce – no	Mrs. Lanni – aye	Mr. Recine – no
Mr. Chu – abstained	Mrs. Librera – absent	Mr. Novosielski – aye

Roll Call Vote on Finance Items # 1 thru #7:

Mrs. Ahmed – aye, abstained on#5, Ck#14304,14305,14306, 14307	Mrs. Jones – aye	Mr. McLean–aye
Mr. Arce – aye	Mrs. Lanni – aye	Mr. Recine – aye
Mr. Chu – aye	Mrs. Librera – absent	Mr. Novosielski – aye

POLICY:

Mr. Chu reported on the April 13 meeting of the Policy Committee.

Motion by Mr. Chu, seconded by Mrs. Jones to approve Policy Items #1 thru #28:

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6010 Goals and Objectives on first reading. (See attached.)

SCHOOL CALENDAR

2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6111 School Calendar on first reading. (See attached.)

SCHOOL DAY

3. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6112 School Day on first reading. (See attached.)

EMERGENCY AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

4. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6114 Emergency and Disaster Preparedness on first reading. (See attached.)

NONDISCRIMINATION/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

5. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6121 Nondiscrimination/Affirmative Action on first reading. (See attached.)

ARTICULATION

6. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6122 Articulation on first reading. (See attached.)

SUBJECT FIELDS

7. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6142 Subject Fields on first reading. (See attached.)

FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION

8. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6142.1 Family Life Education on first reading. (See attached.)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION
AND HEALTH

9. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6142.4 Physical Education and Health on first reading. (See attached.)

BASIC SKILLS

10. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to rescind the following Policy #6142.6 Basic Skills on first reading. (See attached.)

EXTRACURRICULAR
ACTIVITIES

11. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6145 Extracurricular Activities on first reading. (See attached.)

INTERSCHOLASTIC
COMPETITION

12. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6145.1 Interscholastic Competition on first reading. (See attached.)

PUBLICATIONS

13. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6145.3 Publications on first reading. (See attached.)

GRADUATION/PROMOTION
POLICY RHS

14. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6146.1 Graduation/Promotion Policy RHS on first reading. (See attached.)

EVALUATION OF INDIVIDUAL
STUDENT PERFORMANCE

15. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6147.1 Evaluation of Individual Student Performance on first reading. (See attached.)

ASSIGNMENT WITHIN
DISTRICT

16. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6150 Assignment within District on first reading. (See attached.)

FIELD TRIPS

17. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6153 Field Trips on first reading. (See attached.)

HOMEWORK POLICY

18. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6154 Homework Policy on first reading. (See attached.)

RESEARCH/STUDENT
SURVEYS

19. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6162.5 Research/Student Surveys on first reading. (See attached.)

INTERVENTION AND
REFERRAL SERVICES FOR
GENERAL EDUCATION
STUDENTS

20. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6164.1 Intervention and Referral Services for General Education Pupils on first reading.

CHILD STUDY TEAM

21. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6164.4 Child Study Team on first reading. (See attached.)

REMEDIAL INSTRUCTION

22. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6171.1 Remedial Instruction on first reading. (See attached.)

SPECIAL EDUCATION

23. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6171.4 Special Education on first reading. (See attached.)

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATIONAL
PROGRAMS

24. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Policy #6172 Alternative Educational Programs on first reading. (See attached.)

HOME AT SCHOOL
PROGRAM – BYLAWS

25. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to rescind the following Policy #6210 Home At School Program – By Laws on first reading. (See attached.)

REQUIRED ATTENDANCE
IN BSI PROGRAM

26. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to rescind Regulation #R6142.6 Required Attendance in Basic Skills Improvement Program on first reading. (See attached.)

GRADING SYSTEM
GRADES K-3

27. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Regulation #R6147.3 Grading System Grades K-3 on first reading. (See attached.)

DISAFFECTED STUDENTS

28. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION to approve the following revisions to Regulation #R6172 Disaffected Students on first reading. (See attached.)

Mr. Hurley provided clarification on the policy motions that reflect substantive changes:

- Basic Skills – policy rescinded as the program no longer exists in that form.
- Graduation – policy revision standardizes the presentation of graduation requirements at each grade level.

- Field Trips – policy revision provides the Superintendent with authority to not host a field trip in certain circumstances.
- Homework – policy reflects the elimination of recommended time spend doing homework assignments and an emphasis on teacher coordination of homework assignments.
- HASP program – policy rescinded as the program no longer exists.

Mr. Novosielski explained to the Board the need for first and second readings.

Roll Call Vote on Policy Items #1 thru #28:

Mrs. Ahmed – aye	Mrs. Jones – aye	Mr. Mc Lean – aye
Mr. Arce – aye	Mrs. Lanni – aye	Mr. Recine – aye
Mr. Chu – aye	Mrs. Librera – absent	Mr. Novosielski – aye

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

Mr. Arce reported on the April 13 meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, noting that there are no motions for Board Considerations.

OLD BUSINESS: [None]

➤ **Legislative Update**

Mrs. Jones reported that there are no legislative matters to be addressed, but that the American Civil Liberties Union believes that certain student enrollment procedures may be discriminatory and has provided guidance on acceptable means of identification of resident students.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: (Any Topic) [None]

9:23 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Mr. McLean, seconded by Mr. Arce that an Executive Session be held at 9:23 P.M. for the purpose of discussing Personnel and Student Matters. Action may or may not be taken. The Board expects to return within 10 minutes.

Vote [8-0-1]

The Board returned at 9:37 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mr. McLean, seconded by Mrs. Lanni that the meeting be adjourned at 9:37 P.M.

Approved by Voice Vote. [8-0-1]

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph P. Kelly
Business Administrator/Board Secretary