

**FLEMINGTON-RARITAN REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
February 24, 2014
MINUTES**

The regular session of the Flemington-Raritan Regional Board of Education was called to order in conformance with the "Sunshine Law" by the Board President at 6:31 p.m. in the Auditorium at the J.P. Case Middle School.

Members Present

Robin Behn*	Marianne Kenny**
Sandra Borucki*	Eric Liszt
Alan Brewer	Laurie Markowski
Bruce Davidson	Dennis Copeland
Anna Fallon	

Members Absent**Board Attorney Present**

Kathryn H. Acosta

***Robin Behn and Sandra Borucki arrived at 7:09 p.m.**

****Marianne Kenny arrived at 7:00 p.m.**

On the motion of Ms. Fallon, seconded by Ms. Markowski, the meeting was adjourned, unanimously viva voce, at 6:32 p.m. to executive session in Room D111.

Be It Resolved, by the Flemington-Raritan Regional Board of Education that it does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss the matters stipulated, in conformance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975.

Negotiations/Possible Litigation/CSA Evaluation

The matters discussed will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required and formal action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a meeting to which the public has been invited.

The Board returned to public session at 7:14 p.m. in the Auditorium.

On the motion of Ms. Borucki, seconded by Ms. Fallon, minutes of the Executive Session on January 27, 2014 were approved viva voce.

On the motion of Ms. Markowski, seconded by Mr. Brewer, minutes of the Regular meeting on January 27, 2014 were approved viva voce.

CITIZENS ADDRESSED THE BOARD

Debbie Tyler, parent at Francis A. Desmares, thanked the Board and Administration for immediate response to concerns. She asked that we consider using a company called Revolution for food service. She distributed information.

Urmi Foster, parent at Copper Hill, stated that she is concerned about artificial food dyes. She also is concerned about children being offered desserts in the cafeteria. She also requested that water be served instead of milk.

Donna Schenkel, parent at Barley Sheaf, requested we provide a more nutritious lunch.

James Thompson, resident, supports full day kindergarten.

Greg MacRitchie, resident, supports full day kindergarten.

Tony ViKenny, resident, supports full day kindergarten.

Beth Granato, parent at Robert Hunter, supports full day kindergarten, but is concerned with how we will fund it and she does not want larger class sizes.

Jodi Reed, parent at Barley Sheaf, supports full day kindergarten.

Brad Currie, parent at Copper Hill, supports full day kindergarten. He shared the educational advantages.

Dr. Copeland stated that the Board is committed to bringing full day kindergarten to the Flemington-Raritan School District.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Schilder & Ms. Judson both from the Wellness Committee and Nurses in our district presented a Wellness Timeline, the results of the Lunch Menu Survey and the CDC's School Health Index, as attached.

Mr. Bland presented on the Feasibility of Full-Day Kindergarten and the PARCC Technology Readiness, as attached.

REPORTS OF THE SECRETARY AND TREASURER OF SCHOOL MONIES

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education accept the monthly financial reports of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of December 2013 and further certifies that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of 6A: 23-2.11(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's known financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year 2013-2014.

I, Stephanie Voorhees, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary certify that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23-2.11(a), as of December 31, 2013. As of these dates, sufficient funds are available to meet the district's known financial obligations for the remainder of school year 2013-2014.

On the motion of Mr. Davidson, seconded by Ms. Behn, approval was given to accept the Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the month of December 2013:

Aye:	Ms. Behn	Dr. Kenny	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0
	Ms. Borucki	Mr. Liszt		
	Mr. Brewer	Ms. Markowski		
	Mr. Davidson	Dr. Copeland		
	Ms. Fallon			

PERSONNEL

The next meeting will be March 11, 2014.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL:

All Personnel items were approved under one motion made by Ms. Markowski, seconded by Mr. Davidson.

Certified Staff – Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence

- Approval was given to amend the motion of December 16, 2014:

to employ the following maternity leave replacements. These candidates will be highly-qualified for this position. Fingerprinting and health exam required.

Item	Last Name	First Name	Position/Loc/ Replacing	Dates	Salary/Degree/Step	Certification/ College
c.	Santoro	Lisa	Grade 2/FAD/ Joey Mulholland	September 3, 2013- December 3, 2013	Per Diem Sub Pay	CEAS-Preschool- Grade3/ Montclair University
				December 4, 2013- January 2, 2014 (<i>pending County approval for extension</i>)	\$48,770/BA/1 prorated	

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Position/Loc/ Replacing	Dates	Salary/Degree/Step	Certification/ College
c.	Santoro	Lisa	Grade 2/FAD/ Joey Mulholland	April 24, 2013- September 27, 2013 September 30, 2013- January 2, 2014 (<i>pending County approval for extension</i>)	Per Diem Sub Pay \$48,770/BA/1 prorated	CEAS-Preschool- Grade3/ Montclair University

2. Approval was given for the following certificated staff members to take days without pay for personal reasons:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Location	Dates
a.	Amundsen	Karen	BS	February 26-28, 2014
b.	Beckwith	Frances	CH	February 21, 2014 & April 11, 2014
c.	Importico	Carol	BS	April 11, 2014
d.	Hallock	Patrick	JPC	April 9, 2014
e.	Genovese	Mary	BS	June 11 & 12, 2014

3. Approval was given to employ the following maternity leave replacements. These candidates will be highly-qualified for these positions. Fingerprinting and health exam required.

Item	Last Name	First Name	Position/Loc Replacing	Dates	Salary/Degree/Step	Certification/ College
a.	Maestri	Stephanie	Resource Center/ Marybeth Madlinger/RFIS	February 4, 2014- May 6, 2014 May 7, 2014- June 30, 2014	Per Diem Sub Pay \$48,770/BA/1 prorated	CEAS-Elementary K-5 & Students with Disabilities / Rider University
b.	Benack	Daniel	Grade 6 Math/ Lori Koehler/ RFIS	February 6, 2014- May 9, 2014 May 12, 2014- June 30, 2014	Per Diem Sub Pay \$48,770/BA/1 prorated	CEAS-Elementary K- 5/Elementary with Specialization in Math 5- 8/Bloomsburg University

4. Approval was given to amend the motion of December 16, 2013:

for the following staff member to take a maternity leave as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Grade	Leave	Anticipated Date(s)
b.	Quinones	Wanda	RFIS	VP	Disability Leave	December 5, 2013-January 10, 2014
					Vacation Days	January 13, 2014-January 28, 2014
					Family Leave	January 29, 2014-April 1, 2014

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Grade	Leave	Anticipated Date(s)
b.	Quinones	Wanda	RFIS	VP	Disability Leave	December 3, 2013-January 10, 2014
					Vacation Days	January 13, 2014-January 28, 2014
					Family Leave	January 29, 2014-April 1, 2014

5. Approval was given to amend the motion January 27, 2014:

for the following staff member to take a maternity leave as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Grade	Leave	Anticipated Date(s)
a.	Chesseri	Brenda	RFIS	Autism	Disability Leave	November 7, 2013-January 16, 2014
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	January 17, 2014-April 21, 2014

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Grade	Leave	Anticipated Date(s)
a.	Chesseri	Brenda	RFIS	Autism	Disability Leave	November 7, 2013-January 16, 2014
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	January 17, 2014-April 21, 2014
					Childcare Leave	April 22, 2014-June 30, 2014

6. Approval was given to amend the motion of November 18, 2014:

to employ the following maternity leave replacements. These candidates will be highly-qualified for these positions. Fingerprinting and health exam required.

Item	Last Name	First Name	Position/ Replacing/Loc	Dates	Salary/Degree/Step	Certification/College
b.	Miller	Kelly	Autism/Brenda Chesseri/RFIS	December 11, 2013- March 17, 2014	Sub Per Diem Pay	CEAS-Elementary K-5, CEAS- Students w/Disabilities/University of Scranton
				March 18, 2014- April 24, 2014	\$48,770/BA/1	

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Position/ Replacing/Loc	Dates	Salary/Degree/Step	Certification/College
b.	Miller	Kelly	Autism/Brenda Chesseri/RFIS	December 11, 2013- March 17, 2014	Sub Per Diem Pay	CEAS-Elementary K-5, CEAS- Students w/Disabilities/University of Scranton
				March 18, 2014- June 30, 2014	\$48,770/BA/1	

7. Approval was given to accept the resignation of Sharon **Shepperd**, School Social Worker, effective March 31, 2014, for the purpose of retirement.
8. Approval was given to accept the resignation of Sandra **Pollock**, Math/ Science Supervisor, effective June 30, 2014, for the purpose of retirement.
9. Approval was given to amend the motion of November 18, 2014:
- for the following staff members to take a maternity leave as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Grade	Leave	Anticipated Date(s)
a.	Humphrey	Christi	RFIS	Grade 6 Language Arts	Disability Leave	March 17, 2014- May 23, 2014
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	May 27, 2014-June 30, 2014
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	September 2, 2014-October 24, 2014
					Childcare Leave	October 27, 2014-October 31, 2014

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Grade	Leave	Anticipated Date(s)
a.	Humphrey	Christi	RFIS	Grade 6 Language Arts	Disability Leave	February 10, 2014- May 23, 2014
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	May 27, 2014-June 30, 2014
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	September 2, 2014-October 24, 2014
					Childcare Leave	October 27, 2014-October 31, 2014

10. Approval was given to amend the motion of January 27, 2014:

to employ the following maternity leave replacements. These candidates will be highly-qualified for these positions. Fingerprinting and health exam required.

Item	Last Name	First Name	Position/Replacing/ Loc	Dates	Salary/Degree/Step	Certification/College
a.	Lynott	Andrea	Grade 6 LA/Christi Humphrey/RFIS	March 17, 2014- April 11, 2014	Per Diem Sub Pay	Elementary School Teacher/Teacher of English/University of Fair Haven
				April 14, 2014- June 30, 2014	\$51,970/MA/1 prorated	

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Position/Replacing/ Loc	Dates	Salary/Degree/Step	Certification/College
a.	Lynott	Andrea	Grade 6 LA/Christi Humphrey/RFIS	February 6, 2014- March 6, 2014	Per Diem Sub Pay	Elementary School Teacher/Teacher of English/University of Fair Haven
				March 7, 2014- June 30, 2014	\$51,970/MA/1 prorated	

11. Approval was given to amend the motion of November 18, 2013:

for the following staff members to take a maternity leave as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Grade	Leave	Anticipated Date(s)
b.	Koehler	Lori	RFIS	Grade 6 Math	Disability Leave	February 24, 2014-April 28, 2014
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	April 29, 2014-June 30, 2014

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Grade	Leave	Anticipated Date(s)
b.	Koehler	Lori	RFIS	Grade 6 Math	Disability Leave	February 6, 2014-March 10, 2014
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	March 11, 2014-June 10, 2014
					Childcare Leave	June 11, 2014-June 30, 2014

12. Approval was given to compensate the following staff member for unused sick days as per the Flemington-Raritan Education Association contract.

Item	First Name	Last Name	Days
a.	Maria	Mykulak	136

13. Approval was given to amend the motion of January 27, 2014:

to employ the following candidates. These candidates are or will be highly qualified for this position. Fingerprinting and health exam required:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Position/Loc	Dates	Salary/Degree/Step	Certification/College
b.	Murkli	Jennifer	School Psychologist/SS	Effective upon receipt of emergency certification	\$52,880/MA+30/1 prorated	Emergency School Psychologist pending/Rowan University
d.	Rodriguez	Brittany	Resource Center/CH	Effective upon receipt of certificate	\$48,770/BA/1 prorated	CEAS pending-Elementary Gr. 5-8 Mathematics/CEAS Students with Disabilities-Pending/ Monmouth University

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Position/Loc	Dates	Salary/Degree/Step	Certification/College
b.	Murkli	Jennifer	School Psychologist /SS	March 3, 2014	\$52,880/MA+30/1 prorated	Emergency School Psychologist pending/Rowan University
d.	Rodrigues	Brittney	Resource Center/CH	January 29, 2014	\$48,770/BA/1 prorated	CEAS pending-Elementary Gr. 5-8 Mathematics/CEAS Students with Disabilities-Pending/ Monmouth University

14. Approval was given to employ Richie **Lachner** as the JV Lacrosse Coach at J.P. Case Middle School for the 2013-2014 school year for a maximum of 108 hours at \$30.62 per hour. Fingerprinting and health exam required.**All Staff – Additional Compensation**

15. Approval was given to amend the motion of November 18, 2013:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Purpose	Max. # of Hours per Event	Rate/Stipend
b.	Dufford	Melanie	JPC	Lunch Duty-Every Day 12/2/13-5/5/14	92	\$1,622.60

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc.	Purpose	Max. # of Hours per Event	Rate/Stipend
b.	Dufford	Melanie	JPC	Lunch Duty-Every Day 12/2/13-1/31/14	35	\$617.40
c.	Bontempo	Emil	JPC	Lunch Duty-Every Day 2/3/14-5/5/14	57	\$1,005.20

16. Approval was given to appoint the following mentors for the 2013-2014 school year. Stipend to be \$550 per year, prorated as needed:

Item	Mentor	Mentor's Location	Novice Teacher
a.	Carol Hecky	RFIS	Stephanie Maestri
b.	Carol Hecky	RFIS	Rosemary Rarich
c.	Kimberly Servetnick	CH	Brittney Rodrigues

17. Approval was given to employ/confirm the following staff members for additional compensation during the 2013-2014 school year:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Purpose	Max. # of Hours per Event	Rate/Stipend
1.	Blampey	Zoey	RFIS	LAL Curriculum Writing Grades 5-8	180 hours shared	\$33.78
2.	Conway	Caitlin	RFIS	LAL Curriculum Writing Grades 5-8	180 hours shared	\$33.78
3.	Mack	Paul	RFIS	LAL Curriculum Writing Grades 5-8	180 hours shared	\$33.78
4.	Tavares	Anabela	RFIS	LAL Curriculum Writing Grades 5-8	180 hours shared	\$33.78
5.	Malchick	Jamie	RFIS	LAL Curriculum Writing Grades 5-8	180 hours shared	\$33.78
6.	Ibach	Ben	RFIS	CPR / AED Training	3	\$33.78
7.	Corigliano	Frank	RFIS	CPR / AED Training	3	\$33.78
8.	Quattrochi	Megan	RFIS	CPR / AED Training	3	\$33.78

Substitutes

18. Approval was given to employ the following applicant(s) as a Substitute(s) for the 2013-2014 school year pending fingerprinting:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Position(s)	Certification(s)
a.	Bergamo	Natalie	Teacher, Teacher Assistant, Library Clerk	Renewal of Substitute Certificate
b.	Larsen	Jacqueline	Teacher, Teacher Assistant	Substitute Certificate
c.	Kiley	Kellie	Teacher, Teacher Assistant	Substitute Certificate

Field Placements

19. Approval was given for the following students to observe classes during the 2013-2014 school year:

Item	Last Name	First Name	From	Location
a.	Solemon	Jennifer	Raritan Valley Community College	Reading-Fleming Intermediate
b.	Scott	Joanna	College of New Jersey	Copper Hill
c.	Cooney	Tara	Raritan Valley Community College	J.P. Case
d.	Sebastin	Sandra	College of St. Elizabeth	Copper Hill
e.	Klementovivz	Coryn	Rutgers University	Robert Hunter
f.	Hayes	Jonathan	Rutgers University	Robert Hunter
g.	Punla	Rhea Mae	Rutgers University	Robert Hunter
h.	Hostuttler	Brianne	Rutgers University	Robert Hunter
i.	Eladawy	Sarah	Rutgers University	Robert Hunter
j.	Bell	Bryan	Rutgers University	Barley Sheaf
k.	Caruso-Gilbert	Marianna	College of New Jersey	J.P. Case
l.	Crocco	Gabriella	College of New Jersey	J.P. Case
m.	Dalton	Rebecca	College of New Jersey	J.P. Case
n.	Deirotini	Grace	College of New Jersey	J.P. Case
o.	Ganz	Desiree Prima	College of New Jersey	J.P. Case
p.	Lazur	Lianna	College of New Jersey	J.P. Case
q.	McCarthy	Margaret Grace	College of New Jersey	J.P. Case

r.	Miller	Sarah	College of New Jersey	J.P. Case
s.	Nasir/Muhammad	Surah Aneesah	College of New Jersey	J.P. Case
t.	Spriggs	Joy A	College of New Jersey	J.P. Case
u.	Birliga	Emilia	Raritan Valley Community College	Robert Hunter/RFIS

Professional Development/Travel

20. Approval was given of the following travel expenditures for staff members or their designated alternate to attend professional development conferences/workshops. This travel is deemed educationally necessary and fiscally prudent and all travel expenditures shall be directly related to and within the scope of the staff member's current responsibilities and the district's professional development plan.

Item	Last Name	First Name	Workshop/Conference	Dates	Includes (See Below)	Max. Amt.
a.	Schmidt	Cherylann	NW Regional Council of Teachers of English Conference, Portland, OR	February 28 – March 3, 2014	R	\$190
b.	Kassick	Joseph	2014 Reading Recovery Teacher Leader Institute, Oak Brook, IL	June 10-15, 2014	R,M,L,F,O	\$2,200
c.	John	Lindsay	Section 504 in New Jersey, Princeton, NJ	February 27, 2014	R	\$190
d.	Albanese	Heather	Section 504 in New Jersey, Princeton, NJ	February 27, 2014	R	\$190
e.	Cascio	Leigh Anne	2014 Best Practices in Teaching Writing Conference, Center Valley, PA	April 5, 2014	R, M	\$70
f.	Slagle	Karen	35 th Annual LRP's National Institute on Legal Issues of Educating Individuals with Disabilities, Lake Buena Vista, FL	May 3-7, 2014	R,M,L,F,O	\$2,925
g.	Hutto	Rebecca	Responsive Classroom Course Training, Alexandria, VA	March 12-15, 2014	M,L,F,O	\$950
h.	Weil	Meredith	Judy Freeman's Winners! Workshop, Somerset, NJ	May 1, 2014	R,M	\$215
i.	Baker	Carol	NY-NJ Google in Education Summit, Union, NJ	March 13-14, 2014	R	\$249
j.	Bland	Daniel	NY-NJ Google in Education Summit, Union, NJ	March 13-14, 2014	R	\$249
k.	Castellano	Robert	NY-NJ Google in Education Summit, Union, NJ	March 13-14, 2014	R	\$249
l.	Gabruk	Karen	NY-NJ Google in Education Summit, Union, NJ	March 13-14, 2014	R	\$249
m.	Howell	Carol	NY-NJ Google in Education Summit, Union, NJ	March 13-14, 2014	R	\$249
n.	McPeck	Kevin	NY-NJ Google in Education Summit, Union, NJ	March 13-14, 2014	R	\$249

o.	Mitchell	Michael	NY-NJ Google in Education Summit, Union, NJ	March 13-14, 2014	R	\$249
p.	Pollock	Sandra	NY-NJ Google in Education Summit, Union, NJ	March 13-14, 2014	R	\$249
q.	Slagle	Karen	NY-NJ Google in Education Summit, Union, NJ	March 13-14, 2014	R	\$249
r.	Suchorsky	Kathleen	NY-NJ Google in Education Summit, Union, NJ	March 13-14, 2014	R	\$249
s.	Ten Kate	Kelliann	NY-NJ Google in Education Summit, Union, NJ	March 13-14, 2014	R	\$249
R = Registration Fee; M = Mileage; L = Lodging; F = Food; O = Other						

Aye: Ms. Behn Dr. Kenny Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
 Ms. Borucki Mr. Liszt
 Mr. Brewer Ms. Markowski
 Mr. Davidson Dr. Copeland
 Ms. Fallon

Dr. Copeland thanked Ms. Sandy Pollock on behalf of the Board for her contributions to the Flemington-Raritan School District.

CURRICULUM

The next meeting will be March 13, 2014.

The Curriculum item was approved under one motion made by Ms. Fallon, seconded by Ms. Borucki.

Ms. Fallon noted that the Board and Administration worked very hard to bring this program forward.

1. Approval was given to direct the Superintendent of Schools to implement a full-day Kindergarten program, effective September 1, 2014.

Ms. Behn stated that she is in favor of the full day kindergarten, but she thinks we are rushing this initiative. Mr. Liszt asked if the Board doesn't vote now, what would be impacted. Dr. Copeland noted Kindergarten registration happens next week. What if we voted yes and something happens. Dr. Copeland noted we would work through whatever comes up depending on the issue. Mr. Davidson noted that the presentation clearly identified the major requirements. He further noted that the Administration also noted that more details need to be worked through. He believes the Administration would have alerted the Board to any major concerns to not move forward. Ms. Voorhees noted that there will be a give and take, financially, but believes it can happen. Priorities for maintenance and other areas may need to be phased in or put on hold to accomplish initiative.

Aye: Ms. Behn Dr. Kenny Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
 Ms. Borucki Mr. Liszt
 Mr. Brewer Ms. Markowski
 Mr. Davidson Dr. Copeland
 Ms. Fallon

FACILITIES/OPERATIONS

The next meeting will be March 6, 2014.

The Facilities/Operations item was approved under one motion made by Ms. Behn, seconded by Mr. Davidson.

1. Approval was given of the Custodial Services Agreement with ARAMARK Management Services Limited Partnership, effective July 1, 2012 for a two (2) year period through June 30, 2014, and may be renewed for two (2) consecutive one (1) year terms, as attached.

Aye:	Ms. Behn	Dr. Kenny	Nay:	0	Abstain:	0
	Ms. Borucki	Mr. Liszt				
	Mr. Brewer	Ms. Markowski				
	Mr. Davidson	Dr. Copeland				
	Ms. Fallon					

TRANSPORTATION

The next meeting will be March 12, 2014.

The Transportation item was approved under one motion made by Ms. Borucki, seconded by Ms. Fallon.

1. Approval was given for a contract extension agreement to the existing 2011-2014 labor agreement between the Joint Transportation Committee, comprised of the Hunterdon Central Regional High School Board of Education and the Flemington-Raritan Regional School District Board of Education, and the Hunterdon Central Bus Drivers Association that extends the existing labor agreement one year to cover the 2014-2015 school year at a wage increase of 2.25% as detailed in the attached agreement.

Aye:	Ms. Behn	Dr. Kenny	Nay:	0	Abstain:	0
	Ms. Borucki	Mr. Liszt				
	Mr. Brewer	Ms. Markowski				
	Mr. Davidson	Dr. Copeland				
	Ms. Fallon					

FINANCE

The next meeting will be March 5, 2014.

All Finance items were approved under one motion made by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Ms. Markowski.

1. Approval was given of the attached transfer list from January 22, 2014 to February 18, 2014.
2. Approval was given of the attached bill list for the month of is February totaling \$2,823,460.60.

Ms. Behn asked about deadlines for the budget. Ms. Voorhees outlined the process.

Aye:	Ms. Behn	Dr. Kenny	Nay:	0	Abstain:	0
	Ms. Borucki	Mr. Liszt				
	Mr. Brewer	Ms. Markowski				
	Mr. Davidson	Dr. Copeland				
	Ms. Fallon					

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

The next meeting will be March 8, 2014.

The March Meeting is the Leadership Breakfast.

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE NJSBA/LEGISLATIVE ADVISOR

The next meeting will be March 22, 2014.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

The next meeting will be March 18, 2014.

The Policy items were approved under one motion made by Ms. Markowski, seconded by Ms. Fallon.

1. Approval was given of the following revised policies, as attached:

Ms. Markowski gave a brief overview of Strauss Esmay and will ask them to help us craft together with the nurses a Lice policy.

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| a. 1550 | Affirmative Action Program for Employment and Contract Practices |
| b. 2270 | Religion in the Schools |
| c. 2431.4 | Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries |
| d. 2560 | Live Animals in School |
| e. 2610 | Educational Program Evaluation |
| f. 3142 | Nonrenewal of Nontenured Teaching Staff Members |
| g. 5513 | Care of School Property |
| h. 5620 | Expulsion |
| i. 8670 | Transportation of Disabled Students |

Aye:	Ms. Behn	Dr. Kenny	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0
	Ms. Borucki	Mr. Liszt		
	Mr. Brewer	Ms. Markowski		
	Mr. Davidson	Dr. Copeland		
	Ms. Fallon			

INFORMATION

1. Drills to date for the 2013-2014 School Year:

Month	Fire Drills					
	BS	CH	FAD	JPC	RFIS	RH
Sept	9/10	9/10	9/13	9/13	9/4	9/10
Oct	10/2	10/30	10/02	10/3	10/16	10/3
Nov	11/4	11/25	11/25	11/6	11/20	11/11
Dec	12/3	12/18	12/20	12/20	12/4	12/20
Jan	1/16	1/13	1/27	1/6	1/27	1/27
Feb						
March						

Month	Security					
	BS	CH	FAD	JPC	RFIS	RH
Sept	9/19	9/24	9/19	9/17	9/5	9/19
Oct	10/21	10/14	10/25	10/14	10/15	10/21
Nov	11/18	11/6	11/15	11/15	11/6	11/20
Dec	12/19	12/16	12/3	12/12	12/19	12/13
Jan	1/27	1/31	1/31	1/29	1/23	1/9
Feb						
March						

2. Suspensions for the months of January and February:

School	Reason for Suspension	Duration
Robert Hunter	Physical Aggression	One Day
Robert Hunter	Unsafe Behavior in the Classroom	One Day

3. Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Investigations for the 2013-2014 school year:

School	Date of Incident	Report #	Classified HIB (Y/N)	Additional Action Taken
J.P. Case	1/14/14-1/16/14	3	No	None
J.P. Case	1/24/14	4	No	None
J.P. Case	Various Physical Education Classes during 2 nd Trimester; Report dated 1/30/14	5	No	None

MISCELLANEOUS

All Miscellaneous items were approved under one motion made by Dr. Kenny, seconded by Ms. Fallon.

- Approval was given of the revised 2013-2014 Student Calendar, as attached.
- Approval was given for the Hunterdon County Tricentennial Celebration & Historical Education Association to hold a fireworks display at the Reading-Fleming Intermediate School on March 22, 2014 with the required documentation.
- Approval was given for Gabriela Bonnavent to translate during parent meetings at Robert Hunter School for a maximum of 4 hours at \$30.62 per hour.
- Approval was given for the following Resolution:

Waiver of Requirements Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program

Whereas, NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district's participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2014-15, and

Whereas, the Flemington – Raritan School Regional District Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that:

The SEMI Revenue Projection estimated that there are 72 Medicaid eligible/special education students in the district, and that, the district obtained parental signatures on 361 (63%) SEMI forms, and that, Of the 361 responses, only 48 parents of classified students consented to participate in the SEMI program, and it is unknown how many of these 48 students is Medicaid eligible.

Therefore, participation would not provide a cost benefit to the district based on 1) the projected SEMI reimbursement, 2) the small number of parents who consented to SEMI participation, and 3) lack of knowledge as to how many of the 48 parents who provided consent have children who are Medicaid eligible.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Flemington – Raritan School District Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Hunterdon an appropriate waiver of the requirements of NJAC 6A23A-5.3 for the 2014-15 school year.

- Approval was given for the Autism and Multiple Disabilities classes from Reading-Fleming Intermediate School and Copper Hill School to attend the musical performance at J.P. Case on February 26, 2014 of *Thoroughly Modern Millie Jr.* Transportation costs to be paid by the J.P. Case Musical.

6. Approval was given for Emilia Birliga, RVCC student nurse, to observe district nurses in February 2014 at Robert Hunter and Reading-Fleming Intermediate School as part of her coursework in pediatric nursing.
7. Approval was given to confirm the employment of Carolyn Albanese to provide A.P.A. Portfolio Development consultation services during the 2013-2014 school year at a maximum per diem rate of \$1,000.
8. Approval was given to contract with Stericycle for the disposal of the district's medical waste, as attached.
9. Approval was given for Eden Institute to conduct 2 evaluations of student #2013111 at a cost not to exceed \$1,000, per evaluation.
10. Approval was given for the following donation for the Francis A. Desmares Elementary School.

Donor	Donation	Amount
Francis A. Desmares PTO	Fans for the gym	\$804.42

Aye: Ms. Behn Dr. Kenny Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
 Ms. Borucki Mr. Liszt
 Mr. Brewer Ms. Markowski
 Mr. Davidson Dr. Copeland
 Ms. Fallon

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Davidson noted that we have just received 3 pieces. He will review them.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Behn asked about the Board correspondence chart. Mr. Nolan stated he has and uses it internally. Mr. Nolan did not receive direction for how often to share. Dr. Copeland asked Mr. Nolan to share monthly. Mr. Brewer asked if security would be better suited for the Facilities/Operations Committee. Dr. Copeland stated that working through the process we were left to prioritize Finances. Mr. Brewer asked if we should reconsider placing it under Facilities/Operations. Mr. Davidson stated we are at the end at this point and switching Committees may not be wise. Ms. Markowski suggested that we might share information with Mr. Brewer. Ms. Behn suggested again that the full Board get the agenda for each Committee Meeting. Mr. Brewer is concerned that he has little input in security. Ms. Fallon asked for the Policy Committee minutes to be shared.

Ms. Fallon thanked the nurses for the wellness presentation.

NEW BUSINESS

None

CITIZENS ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

Ms. Borucki noted she received correspondence from Mr. Stevens. The Board will address.

On the motion of Ms. Markowski, seconded by Ms. Fallon, the meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m. viva voce.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Voorhees
 Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Upcoming Board Meetings

March 17	July 21	November 17
April 28	August 18	December 15
May 19	September 15	
June 16	October 20	