

**FLEMINGTON-RARITAN REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
November 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 Vice President at 6:12 p.m. in the Auditorium at the J.P. Case Middle School.

Members Present

Robin Behn	Anna Fallon
Sandra Borucki	Eric Liszt
Alan Brewer	Laurie Markowski*

Members Absent

Marianne Kenny
Bruce Davidson

Board Attorney Present

Jeffrey Caccese

*arrived at 6:15p.m.

On the motion of Ms. Borucki, seconded by Ms. Fallon, the meeting was adjourned, unanimously viva voce, at 6:13 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.

Personnel/Regulations
Possible Litigation – Custodial Services
Negotiations

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 7:03 p.m.

CITIZENS ADDRESS THE BOARD

Robin Behn read the following statement regarding public comment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(a), the Open Public Meetings Act. Members of the public are invited to address the Board according to the Board's policy and bylaws. Please be aware that this portion is your opportunity to comment, and is not a forum for the Board to respond to your comments. However, the Board will certainly give all comments appropriate consideration.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Hart presented a report on the New Jersey ASK results, as attached.

PERSONNEL

The next meeting is yet to be determined.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL:

All Personnel items were approved under one motion made by Mr. Liszt, seconded by Ms. Borucki.

Certified Staff – Appointments, Resignations and Leaves of Absence

1. Approval was given to amend the 2014-2015 salaries of the following the staff members, effective November 1, 2014. Rates will be adjusted at the conclusion of negotiations.

Last Name	First Name	Degree/Salary	Degree/Salary
Smith	Shannan	BA+15/\$67,835	MA/\$70,035
Stines	Kristin	BA+15/\$54,075	MA/\$56,275

2. Approval was given for the following staff member to take a maternity leave as follows:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Grade	Leave	Anticipated Date(s)
a.	Braynor	Jessica	RFIS	Resource Center	Disability Leave	March 2, 2015-May 4, 2015
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	May 5, 2015-June 30, 2015

3. Approval was given to amend the motion of November 17, 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.	Miller	Jennifer	JPC	LLD	Disability Leave	February 17, 2015-April 17, 2015
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	April 20, 2015-June 30, 2015
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	September 2, 2015-November 30, 2015

to read:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Loc	Grade	Leave	Anticipated Date(s)
a.	Miller	Jennifer	JPC	LLD	Disability Leave	February 17, 2015-April 17, 2015
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	April 20, 2015-June 30, 2015
					Family Leave/NJ Paid	September 2, 2015- September 30, 2015

4. Approval was given to appoint the following mentors for the 2014-2015 school year. Stipend to be \$550, and \$1,000 for alternate route mentoring per year. Prorated as needed.

Item	Mentor	Mentor's Location	Novice Teacher
a.	Stacey Cagenello	RFIS	Kelly Miller

5. Approval was given to employ the following JP Case MS teachers to participate in up to 2 additional evenings of parent-teacher conferences at a rate of 1/400 of their annual salary. Rates will be adjusted at the conclusion of negotiations.

Item	Last Name	First Name	Location	Purpose	Max. # of Hours	Rate
1.	Assini	Andrew	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
2.	Baills	Colette	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
3.	Bajorek	Jennifer	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
4.	Blay	Oliver	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
5.	Boelhouwer	Peter	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
6.	Brugnoli	Susan	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
7.	Cahill	William	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
8.	Campbell	Kristen	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
9.	Casterline	Christine	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
10.	Cataldo	Lynn	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary

11.	Cherkezian	Donna	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
12.	Ciasulli	Nadine	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
13.	Dolen	Jaime	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
14.	Dufford	Melanie	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
15.	Eckhardt	Cristin	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
16.	Ellenberg	Kelley	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
17.	Gilmurray	Mindi	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
18.	Hallock	Patrick	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
19.	Harter	Amy-Karen	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
20.	Hering	Carly	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
21.	Hlavsa-Suk	Dawn	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
22.	Holthaus	Kimberly	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
23.	Horowitz	Steven	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
24.	Hubert	Susan	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
25.	Kodidek	Sherry	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
26.	Kosensky	Matthew	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
27.	Krukowski	Megan	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
28.	Machusak	Patricia	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
29.	Maguire	Anna	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
30.	Martinez-Wright	Ameloisa	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
31.	McAnlis	Melissa	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
32.	Meyer	Misti	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
33.	O'Brien	Megan	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
34.	O'Leary	John	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
35.	Pirog	Michelle	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
36.	Plichta	David	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
37.	Roll	Elizabeth	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
38.	Ruppel	Ann	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
39.	Schmidt	Cherylann	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
40.	Schorr	Jaclyn	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
41.	Seymour	Stephanie	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
42.	Squicciarini	Therese	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
43.	Tamburino	Megan	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary
44.	Tasker	Raymond	JP Case	Parent-Teacher Conference	N/A	1/400 annual salary

Substitutes

6. Approval was given to employ the following applicant(s) as a Substitute(s) for the 2014-2015 school year pending fingerprinting:

Item	Last Name	First Name	Position(s)	Certification(s)
a.	Polizzi	Lucille	Teacher/Teacher Assistant	Substitute Certificate
b.	Smisek	Judith	Library Clerk; Cafeteria aide	N/A
c.	Taylor	Denise	Nurse; Teacher / Teacher Assistant	Substitute Certificate Renewal
d.	Thaper	Seema	Library Clerk	N/A
e.	Reich	Jody	Teacher/Teacher Assistant/Library Clerk	Substitute Certificate
f.	Taggart	Maura	Teacher/Teacher Assistant/Library Clerk	Substitute Certificate Renewal

Field Placements

7. Approval was given for the following student(s) to observe classes during the 2014-2015 school year:

Item	Last Name	First Name	From	Location
a.	Drew	Megan	HC PolyTech Teachers Academy	RFIS
b.	Kearsley	Michelle	HC PolyTech Teachers Academy	RFIS
c.	Kolvites	Abigail	HC PolyTech Teachers Academy	RFIS
d.	Levigion	Kristina	HC PolyTech Teachers Academy	RFIS
e.	Malara	Tara	HC PolyTech Teachers Academy	RFIS
f.	Reichert	Andrew	HC PolyTech Teachers Academy	RFIS

8. Approval was given for Susan Toth, NJAHPERD awards chair, to observe Jill Goldman-Botwin, Health & Physical Education Teacher at Francis A. Desmares School, for the NJAHPERD Elementary Teacher of the Year Award 2015, during the month of December.

Aye: Ms. Behn Ms. Fallon Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
 Ms. Borucki Mr. Liszt
 Mr. Brewer Ms. Markowski

CURRICULUM

The next meeting will be December 11, 2014.

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

1. Approval was given to accept 2014-2015 No Child Left Behind Grant (ESEA) Amendment funds as indicated below:

		2014-2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
NCLB Title	Description	Amount	Carry forward	Amended
Title I, Part A	Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Education Agencies	\$89,698	\$19,383	\$109,081
Title II, Part A	Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting Fund	\$64,625	\$37,827	\$102,452
Title II, Part D	Enhancing Education Through Technology	\$0	\$0	\$0
Title III	English Language Acquisition and Language Enhancement	\$31,450	\$8,916	\$40,366
Title III	Immigrant	\$0	\$2,308	\$2,308
Title IV	Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act	\$0	\$0	\$0
Title V	Innovative Programs	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total		\$185,773	\$68,434	\$254,207

Ms. Fallon thanked Mr. Hart for his presentation.

Aye: Ms. Behn Ms. Fallon Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
 Ms. Borucki Mr. Liszt
 Mr. Brewer Ms. Markowski

FACILITIES/OPERATIONS

The next meeting will be December 9, 2014.

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

1. Approval was given for the attached resolution regarding Aramark in breach of contract.

Aye: Ms. Behn Ms. Fallon Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
 Ms. Borucki Mr. Liszt
 Ms. Brewer Ms. Markowski

TRANSPORTATION

The next meeting will be December 10, 2014.

FINANCE

The next meeting will be December 3, 2014.

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

Ms. Markowski stated that the meeting last week on Student Achievement was very good.

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE NJ SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION/ LEGISLATIVE ADVISOR

Ms. Markowski noted that the New Jersey School Boards Association adopted the Strategic Plan two weeks ago.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

The next meeting is yet to be determined.

The Policy item was approved under one motion made by Ms. Markowski, seconded by Mr. Liszt.

1. Approval was given to present the following new policy for second reading and adoption, as attached:
 a. 5339 – Screening for Dyslexia

Aye: Ms. Behn Ms. Fallon Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
 Ms. Borucki Mr. Liszt
 Mr. Brewer Ms. Markowski

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Investigations for the 2014-2015 school year:

School	Date of Incident	Report #	Classified HIB (Y/N)	Additional Action Taken
Reading-Fleming	October 27, 2014	4	No	Remedial measures outlined in report
Desmares	November 10, 2014	4	No	Remedial measures outlined in report

MISCELLANEOUS

All Miscellaneous items were approved under one motion made by Ms. Borucki, seconded by Ms. Markowski.

1. Approval was given to adopt a new job description for the position of Literacy Coach, as attached.
2. Approval was given to certify that the findings from the Consolidated Monitoring Report were discussed in a public meeting on Monday, November 17, 2014 and to adopt a corrective action plan which addresses the issues raised in the undisputed findings and/or an appeal of any monetary findings in dispute.
3. Approval was given for RWJ University Hospital Somerset to provide student #2001742 with five hours per week of bedside instruction at a cost of \$47 per hour, for as long as medically necessary.

4. Approval was given for J. P. Case Middle School to accept a donation from the 3M Company of miscellaneous school supplies manufactured by 3M for a total of approximately \$2000.

Aye: Ms. Behn Ms. Fallon Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
 Ms. Borucki Mr. Liszt
 Mr. Brewer Ms. Markowski

CORRESPONDENCE

None

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Fallon noted she wrote a 1st draft on the Goals Update and Board Orientation. She will send the changes by December 10th to be ready for the December 15th Board Meeting. Ms. Markowski thanked Laura Bruhn for all the work she does to promote the district.

NEW BUSINESS

None

CITIZENS ADDRESS THE BOARD

Marie Corfield, representing the FREA, demanded an apology from Mr. Brewer for leaking the confidential security plan.

Lou Reiner, resident, came to wish Mr. Liszt and Mr. Stager all the best. He also wishes the Board the best during the holiday season.

Mr. Brewer stepped away from the Board table and spoke as a citizen at the microphone.

Alan Brewer, Board Member, took the microphone and raised an objection to the Board Policy regarding speaking to the public. He stated he wanted to speak to Ms. Corfield regarding her request for an apology over coffee.

On the motion of Ms. Fallon, seconded by Ms. Markowski, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m. viva voce.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Voorhees
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Upcoming Board Meetings

December 15, 2014

December 22, 2014