EXECUTIVE SESSION
ROCKAWAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
June 12, 2024

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Mrs. Shields called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

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Mrs. Curelaru joined at 6:32 pm.

Also present were Dr. Corbett, Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Anita West, and Ms. Morgese, Board Attorney, and no members of Press.

The following items were discussed in closed session:

- Budget Review
- Agenda - Questions//Changes
- HIB /Suspensions
- President's Update
- Legal Update
- Superintendent Evaluations

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya Shields
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Board President

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Public announcement was read regarding the "Open Public Meeting Act."

RESOLVED, that in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" the Rockaway Township Board of Education will meet in closed session to discuss matters involving personnel, Student and Administrative issues, the content of said discussions will be disclosed to the public at such time and extent as is required by law.

No Board Member objected to the conduct of the meeting as advertised.

Motion made by Dr. Tomasini, seconded by Mrs.Anderson to go into closed session at 6:02 PM.

Show of hands on above, all present voting yes, motion carried.

The Public Meeting reconvened at 8:00 PM.

RETIREE RECOGNITION CEREMONY
The full Retiree Recognition Ceremony can be viewed on the Rockaway Township Board of Education's YouTube Channel, Rockaway Streamer under 'Board of Education Meeting – 2024-6-12' or by clicking this link: 'Board of Education Meeting – 2024-6-12'.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION
Motion by Mrs. Mezik, seconded by Mrs. Curelaru to open Public comment.

Show of hands to open Public comment, all present voting yes, motion so carried

Four members of our community came up and spoke.

Motion by Mrs. Curelaru, seconded by Dr. Tomasini to close Public comment.

Show of hands to open Public comment, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

I. COMMUNICATIONS

Patrick Hass	Policy 5756
April Matera-Patiro	Rescind Policy 5756
Donna Marie Suszynski	Rescind policy 5756
Mary Dunn	Policy 5756
Donna Suszynski	POLICY 5756
Kelly Koopman	POLICY 5756
Jason Warner	Policy 5756
Marisa Priore	RESCIND POLICY 5756
David T. May	Rescind Policy 5756
Stanley Patiro Jr.	POLICY 5756
John McKeon	Policy 5756

Agnes Maye	Policy 5756
Stephen O'Donnell	POLICY 5756
Mary Dunn	Policy 5756
April Matera-Patiro	Meeting 5/15/24 comment

II. APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Dr. Tomasini, seconded by Ms. McGeary to approve the minutes of May 15, 2024 and May 23, 2024.

Roll Call Vote to approve the minutes of May 15, 2024 and May 23, 2024, Mrs. Curelaru abstained, all others present remaining voting yes, motion carried.

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Organization for Autism Research has awarded a grant **to** CMS student Kayla Andreazza and teacher Kelly McEvoy. *The Empathy for the Spectrum* initiative aims to show Copeland Middle School students the importance of embracing and celebrating neurodiversity rather than stigmatizing **it.** Kayla and Ms. McEvoy planned a program dedicated to fostering a more inclusive and empathetic learning environment for autistic students at the school **while** continuing educational and social experiences through OAR **materials,** as well as encouraging neurotypical students to create compassionate and meaningful connections with autistic peers.

On June 4 and June **6,** our hiring committee interviewed 8 candidates applying for the principal position **at** DBO. The committee overwhelmingly recommended Gaetano Sollazzo. This evening**, I** am pleased to officially recommend to **the** board Mr. Sollazzo for the position of DBO principal.

The final referendum focus groups were held on May 20 and May 22 **at** KDM and Dwyer, respectively. The focus group/discussion with the town council was held on May 23. I will be providing a synopsis of all the focus groups at the next board meeting.

The first-ever LEAD / Moving-Up celebration was held June 11, at Morris Knolls High School. **It** was a great event involving all five elementary schools in **the** district. I am thankful to Dr. Macones for taking the initiative to **plan the** event, and to all our principals, staff, and members of **the** board who participated.

Good News ***from our Schools***

Birchwood Elementary ended the year strong, **with** many fun and exciting field **trips** taking place **in** June. Thanks to **the** staff, teachers, and **the** Rockaway Police Department for hosting another fantastic LEAD Day at Peterson Field. Students enjoyed several end-of-the-year celebrations **with** their friends. The Birchwood Student Council contributed to several service learning projects throughout the year, raising money for organizations, food banks, and animal **shelters**. The Rockaway **Township** Education Foundation generously provided the Birchwood pre-K classrooms and therapists with light sensory technology and tables to assist students in the classroom. Birchwood is looking forward to the August release of the NJSLA **test** scores and **the** upcoming school year **with** the theme *"Discovery and Learning Adventures Await at Birchwood Elementary."*

This year DBO students and staff participated in a record number of service learning projects, contributing to their local community in meaningful ways. DBO students who took state tests last year exceeded state expectations for growth in English Language Arts and Math. DBO implemented a new online tutoring program to help students who showed gaps in their learning and offered 11 after-school clubs. The PTA once again stepped up and provided the school **with** many different events and activities as well as fundraising. Finally, the DBO staff showed resilience, professionalism, and collegiality to help improve student academic growth, and school climate and culture. As he departs, Dr. Marangon would like the community to know that he is thankful for the years of memories; he feels truly blessed to have served as DBO principal and wishes the community health and happiness.

• KDM Students completed their final round of assessments this month and performed well on their iReady Diagnostics. Faculty and staff are completing their academic lessons and preparing for **the** next school year. For their respective recognition week, KDM celebrated and honored their librarian, staff assistants, administrative assistants, teachers, and faculty. This month 92 Positive Office Referrals were given, the highest number of referrals ever. This brings the year-end total to 460 Positive Office Referrals and incidents of students demonstrating kindness and respect to their teachers and peers. Looking ahead, KDM plans to continue initiatives that promote a culture of H.E.A.R.T. (Honesty, Empathy, Acceptance, Respect, Trust). This year, KDM doubled the number of after-school enrichment programs and clubs. They plan to continue expanding offerings **that** provide well-rounded and versatile experiences for all students. Recently, GATE Day recognized the innovative and brilliant ideas of many students. The year finished strong with Field **Day,** and the LEAD Moving **Up** Ceremony.

The dedication and hard work of Stony Brook students and staff have been exceptional. Students have shown remarkable growth in **ELA** and Math, as demonstrated by our end-of-year benchmark assessments. During May's NJSLA testing, 3rd to 5th graders gave their best effort, and our test coordinators and teachers ensured everything ran smoothly. Students across all grade levels have enjoyed field trips to Turtle Back Zoo, Sterling Mine Museum, Donaldson Farms, and Brookhollow Barnyard. In addition, Stony Brook hosted Field Day, the Kindergarten and 2nd-grade plays, and the annual spring concert and art show. Stony Brook recognized **the** fifth graders with a Bagel Breakfast, picnic, and LEAD Day. Finally, the Stony Brook PTA and parent volunteers deserve a hearty "thank you" for their tireless support.

Dwyer is completing the school year with fourth and fifth-grade students interacting with Smokey the Bear and the Forestry Fire Service. Multiple Language Learners in K-2 experienced a visit from Home Depot to learn about the tools needed to build a toolbox. Although Field Day and Project Jump have passed, they are very much in the minds of everyone who enjoyed the day's festivities. The Dwyer PTA provided planetarium experience for all grades and will be completing their work this year with our annual fifth-grade **student** and parent dinner.

Academically, our entire school has finished the last diagnostic. The third through fifth grades have completed the NJSLA and WIDA Assessments. Finally, students are preparing for the final celebration which includes chick hatchings, and fantasy plays while getting ready for the Fairytale Ball and demonstrating their Passion Projects. The Dwyer students have experienced another successful year, thanks to the commitment of parents and staff to the school's mission.

The Copeland Middle School staff and students are celebrating a successful year with fun events such as field day at Peterson Field. The Rockaway Township Substance Abuse Alliance (RTSAA) Celebrity Day was a huge hit. On Monday, June 10th, the annual 8th Grade Awards Ceremony was held at CMS, and graduation is scheduled for Tuesday, June 18th. As we look to the 2024-2025 school year, we will continue to build upon our theme of Building Our Community: Brick by Brick.

We hope that all families have a restful and enjoyable summer break and that our students come back in September recharged for another great year.

IV. DISTRICT GOALS AND STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

The District Goals and Strategic Plan Update was presented by the Rockaway Township Administrative Team. It can be viewed on the Rockaway Township Board of Education's YouTube Channel, Rockaway Streamer under 'Board of Education Meeting – 2024-6-12' or by clicking this link: 'Board of Education Meeting – 2024-6-12'.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

The full Committee Report can be viewed on the Rockaway Township Board of Education's YouTube Channel, Rockaway Streamer under 'Board of Education Meeting – 2024-6-12' or by clicking this link: 'Board of Education Meeting – 2024-6-12'.

VI. RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION

A. Personnel

Motion made by Dr. Tomasini, seconded by Ms. McGeary to approve the following personnel recommendations.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following personnel:

A.	Appointment

	Position	Name	Salary	Location	Start Date *On/Before Eff.	Date Termin. *On/Before	Discussion
1.	Special Education Kindergarten Teacher	Christina Bielski	**Prorated** $60,630.00 BA (Step 1)	BW	5/17/24	6/30/24	Extended Leave Replacement (Replacing Employee: 5539)
2.	Grade 4 Teacher	Jennifer Cassidy	**$80,620.00 MA+30 (Step 17)	KDM	8/28/24	6/30/25	Pending: Physical/Mantoux and fingerprint approval (Replacing: D. Cooper)
3.	Home Instructor	Jodi Complitano	$46.00 p/hr.	DIST.	23/24 SY		As assigned
4.	Kindergarten Teacher	Lauren Corsini	**$65,535.00 BA+15 (Step 5)	SB	8/28/24	6/30/25	(Replacing: A. Arico)
5.	Bus Assistant	Laura Dunn	$20.62 p/hr. (Step 1)	TRANS.	6/13/24	6/30/24	As needed Pending: License, Physical/Mantoux, and fingerprint approval
6.	Bus Assistant	Laura Dunn	**$20.62 p/hr. (Step 1)	TRANS.	7/1/24	6/30/25	As needed Pending: License, Physical/Mantoux, and fingerprint approval
7.	Small Fry Staff Asst.	Eliana Evers	$21.82 p/hr.	SB	7/8/24	7/24/24	Pending: Physical/Mantoux Summer Enrichment Program Not to exceed 35 hrs.
8.	Mail Courier	Rosemary Fitzsimmons	$9,000.00	DIST.	7/1/24	6/30/25	Stipend
9.	Resource Room Teacher	Abigail Geddes	**$68,975.00 MA (Step 5)	CAD	8/28/24	6/30/25	Leave Replacement (Replacing: 6083)
10.	PT Staff Asst.	Nelly Habib	**$20.62 p/hr. (Step 1)	CAD	9/3/24	6/30/25	17.5 hrs. p/wk. Kindergarten Class Pending: Physical/Mantoux, transcripts, and fingerprint approval (Replacing: E. Nemeth)
11.	Temporary Summer Maintenance Worker	Alvin Hill	$17.00 p/hr.	MAINT.	7/1/24	8/30/24	Pending: Physical/Mantoux
12.	Bus Mechanic	Michael Koval	$69,500.00	TRANS.	7/1/24	6/30/25	Pending: Physical/Mantoux (Replacing: K. Burmeister)

13.	Language Arts Teacher	Deborah Linnell	**$64,255.00 BA+15 (Step 4)	CMS	8/28/24	6/30/25	Extended Leave Replacement Pending: Physical (Replacing: Employee 4374)
14.	Temporary Summer Maintenance Worker	Jesus Perdomo Rivas	$17.00 p/hr.	MAINT.	7/1/24	8/30/24	
15.	PT Staff Asst.	Francheska Perez	**$20.62 p/hr. (Step 1)	CAD	9/3/24	6/30/25	26 hrs. 4 days p/wk. K-1 MLL Pending: Physical/Mantoux and fingerprint approval
16.	District Translator	Francheska Perez	$46.00 p/hr.	DIST.	24/25 SY		As assigned Spanish
17.	Immigrant Liaison	Tangelin Rivera	$3,000.00	DIST.	24/25 SY		Stipend
18.	Summer Enrichment Staff Asst.	Bidisha Sarkar	$21.82 p/hr.	DIST.	7/8/24	7/25/24	1:1 per the student IEP Not to exceed 68 hrs.
19.	Summer Enrichment Staff Asst.	Barbara Scarrillo	$21.82 p/hr.	DIST.	7/8/24	7/25/24	1:1 per the student IEP Not to exceed 68 hrs.
20.	Bus Assistant	Raena Scherwa	$20.62 p/hr. (Step 1)	TRANS.	6/13/24	6/30/24	As needed Pending: License
21.	Bus Assistant	Raena Scherwa	**$20.62 p/hr. (Step 1)	TRANS.	7/1/24	6/30/25	As needed Pending: License
22.	Principal	Gaetano Sollazzo	**PRORATED** $129,000.00	DBO	*8/13/24	6/30/25	Pending: Physical/Mantoux, fingerprint approval, and other relevant personnel paperwork. (Replacing: C. Marangon)
23.	Speech Language Therapist	Matthew Stone	**$64,695.00 MA (Step 1)	CAD/BW	8/28/24	6/30/25	0.6 FTE at CAD 0.4 FTE at BW Pending: Certification and Physical/Mantoux (Replacing: C. Henze)
24.	Resource Room Teacher	Jacqueline Trentacoste	**$60,630.00 BA (Step 1)	BW	8/28/24	6/30/25	Leave Replacement (Replacing: 6465)
25.	MLL and Grants Coordinator and Instructional Technology Supervisor	Vanessa Waxman	$100,000.00	DIST.	7/1/24	6/30/25	

26.	Summer Curriculum Instruction Staff	Erinn Young	Per the contracted rate of pay	DIST.	7/1/24	8/27/24	Not to exceed 75 hrs.
27.	Child Study Team Staff	Per the attached list	Per the contracted rate of pay	DIST.	7/8/24	8/30/24	CST Meetings as needed
28.	ESY Staff Assistants/Staff Assistant Substitutes	Per the attached list	$21.82 p/hr.	SB	7/8/24	8/2/24	Not to exceed 75 hrs. ea.
29.	ESY Teachers	Per the attached list	$46.00 p/hr.	SB	7/8/24	8/2/24	Not to exceed 75 hrs. ea.
30.	ESY Bus Drivers/Bus Monitors/Staff Assistants/ Substitutes	Per the attached list	Per the contracted rate of pay	TRANS.	Per the attached list		Per the attached
31.	Kindergarten Meet and Greet Teachers, Nurses/Staff Assistants	Per the attached list	Per the contracted rate of pay	Per the attached list	6/20/24 & 6/21/24		Per the attached

B.	Leave of Absence						
	Position	**Name**	**Salary**	**Location**	**Start Date *On/About Eff.**	**Date Termin. *On/Before**	**Discussion**
1.	Grade 4 Teacher	5997		SB	8/28/24 9/27/24	9/26/24 12/20/24	With Pay under FMLA Without Pay under NJFLA Return: 1/2/25
2.	Bus Driver/ Mech. Helper	6505		TRANS.	5/6/24	6/5/24	With Pay Return: 6/6/24
3.	Bus Driver/ Mech. Helper	6505		TRANS.	6/6/24	6/19/24	Extended With Pay Return: 6/20/24
4.	Language Arts Teacher	4374		CMS	8/28/24 9/9/24	9/6/24 6/30/25	With Pay Without Pay Return: 25/26 SY
5.	Special Education Math Teacher	6685		CMS	5/21/24 5/29/24	5/28/24 6/30/24	With Pay Without Pay under FMLA Return: 24/25 SY
6.	Academic Intervention Teacher	6929		CAD	9/30/24 11/4/24 11/24/24	11/1/24 11/22/24 2/21/25	With Pay Without Pay under FMLA Without Pay under NJFLA Return: 2/24/25

C.	Resign/Retire						
	Position	**Name**	**Salary**	**Location**	**Date Eff. (*on/ before)**	**Date Termin.**	**Discussion**
1.	Bus Driver	Patrick Andrews		TRANS.	7/1/24		Resign
2.	School Counselor	Ashley Banks		CAD	7/1/24		Resign
3.	Bus Driver	Diane Boykow		TRANS.	7/1/24		Retire
4.	PT Staff Asst.	Sophia Boyle		CMS	7/1/24		Resign
5.	PT Staff Asst.	Rebekka Ferrary		KDM	7/1/24		Resign
6.	Physical Education/Health Teacher	Gionna Florey		CMS	7/1/24		Resign
7.	PT Staff Asst.	Shirley Gibson		CMS	6/1/24		Resign
8.	PT Staff Asst.	Jacqueline Hendershot-Sapio		CMS	7/1/24		Resign
9.	PT Staff Asst.	Evelyn Hoffman		DBO	7/1/24		Resign
10.	PT Staff Asst.	Lori Udina		SB	7/1/24		Retire

D.	Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following amendment to the previously approved motion under Personnel (Motion E-6, 5-1-24 agenda) to correct Salary/Step						
	Position	**Name**	**Salary**	**Location**	**Start Date *On/Before Eff.**	**Date Termin. *On/Before**	**Discussion**
1.	Grade 2 Teacher	Kelly Der Kinderen	$66,695.00 MA (Step 3)	CAD	24/25 SY		Renewal Step was incorrect

E.	Reassignment - approve the reassignments for the following staff, for the 2024-2025 school year							
	Nature of Action	**Position**	**Name**	**Salary**	**Location**	**Date Eff.**	**Date Termin.**	**Discussion**
1.	Internal Transfers	Staff	Per the attached	N/A	DIST.	24-25 SY		Per the attached list
2.	Reassignment	Staff	Per the attached	N/A	DIST.	24-25 SY		Per the attached list

F.	Job Descriptions				
	Category	Name	Date Effective	Date Termin.	Discussion
1.	E-25	Summer Extended School Year Program Coordinator	6/13/24		New

Key
* On/Before Eff. Date
**Salary/Step frozen for the 24/25 school year
*** Concurrent

Roll Call Vote on all above recommendations, Mrs. Smith abstained, all others present voting yes, motion carried.

B. HIB Determination

Motion made by Mrs. Curelaru, seconded by Dr. Tomasini to approve the HIB determination..

HIB Resolution

HIB Resolution

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of schools has provided the Board of Education with reports regarding HIB incidents: #11089 unconfirmed, #11094 unconfirmed, #11096 unconfirmed, which were conducted following these complaints; and

WHEREAS the Board of Education was advised of any consequences and /or remedial measures related to these matters as well as the Superintendent's recommendation regarding the results of these investigations; and

THEREFORE, BE IT Resolved that the Board of Education votes to affirm the Superintendent's recommendations on HIB cases:

HIB Current Investigations: #11109, #11114, #11128 and #11154

HIB Incident Summary *(as per attached)*

Roll Call Vote on all above recommendations, all others present voting yes, motion carried.

C. Education

Motion made by Mrs. Mezik, seconded by Mrs. Smith to approve the following education recommendations.

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board agrees to rescind the student placement of Meghan Caughey with Diana Calvanico at Stony Brook Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year. (C:3, 5/15).

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following Student Teacher(s) to complete their Clinical I requirements, during the 2024 Fall Semester and their Clinical II requirements during the 2025 Spring Semester.

Student Teacher	College/University	Cooperating Teacher/School
Meghan Caughey	Montclair State University	J. VanWingerden/M. Gardner/SB
Susan Sanchez	Montclair State University	Kathleen Robinson/BW

3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board agrees to allow Stacey Dowling, a student at Rutgers University, complete a 4-hour observation assignment at Copeland Middle School with Stacy Murphy (7th Grade Special Education Teacher) as a requirement for her Graduate School of Education coursework.

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the salary and stipends funded with Federal Grants as follows:

Teacher	Grade/Position	Location	Stipend/Salary	% Funded
Leanne Cougle	ESSER After School Teacher	KDM	$350.00	100% ESSER
Ivan Kaltman	ESSER After School Teacher	SB	$650.00	100% ESSER
Jennifer Meyers	ESSER After School Teacher	CAD	$350.00	100% ESSER
Kimberly Rettino	ESSER After School Teacher	DBO	$189.00	100% ESSER

Requested Field Trips for Approval

5. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board concurs with the 06-12-2024 list of field trips *(as per attached)*.

Roll Call Vote on all above recommendations, all present voting yes, motion carried.

No Public comment.

D. Special Education

Motion made by Dr. Tomasini, seconded by Ms. McGeary to approve the following education recommendations.

Rescind Out of District Placement – ESY 2024-2025

1. Motion to rescind the following student from out of district placement - ESY 2024-2025 *(parent confirmed student will not be attending the program):*

Student #	School	Location	Tuition Rate
2400314	Sage Alliance Schools	Mahwah	$5,860.00

Out of District Placement Tuition – SY 2024-2025

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the tuition contract for the following out of district placement students for the 2024-2025 school year:

Student #	School	Location	Tuition Rate
2400314	Sage Alliance Schools	New Brunswick	Tuition Cost $74,878.20 (10 months) or $415.99 per diem
2500081	Chapel Hill Academy	Mahwah	Tuition Cost $85,260.00 (210 billable days) or $406.00 per diem

Out of District Placements– Extraordinary Services for SY 2024-2025

3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the Out of District contract for the extraordinary services for the 2024-2025 school year:

Student #	School	Location	Tuition Rate
2500081	Chapel Hill Academy	New Brunswick	Aide $85,260.00 (210 billable days) or $210.00 per diem

Speech Services Service Contract - Small Talk Speech NJ LLC

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the contract between Rockaway Township Board of Education and Small Talk Speech NJ LLC for speech services at $95.00 per hour for a minimum of 3.5 billable hours per day for the period of July 8, 2024 until August 1, 2024 *(as per attached).*

Audiological Evaluation Service Contract - Advancing Opportunities

5. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the contract between Rockaway Township Board of Education and Advancing Opportunities for services for the 2024-2025 school year *(as per attached).*

Extended School Year 2023-2024 Transportation

6. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board approves the extended school year transportation provided by the Educational Services Commission of Morris County for the following students as per their IEP need.

3002234 attending Stony Brook E.S.

#2700423 attending Stony Brook E.S.

#2520304 attending Stony Brook E.S.

No public comment

Roll Call Vote on all above recommendations, all present voting yes, motion carried.

E. Administration

Motion made by Mrs. Curelaru, seconded by Ms. McGeary to approve the following administration recommendations.

Danielson Framework for Teaching

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the use of the updated Danielson 2022 Framework for Teaching as the teacher evaluation rubric for the 2024-2025 school year.

NJ Principal Evaluation for Professional Learning

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the use of the New Jersey Principal Evaluation for Professional Learning as the principal and vice principal evaluation rubric for the 2024-2025 school year.

Joint Transportation Agreements

3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the joint transportation agreements with the following entities to provide transportation for students to athletic events and trips for the 2024-2025 school year:

   Boonton School District
   Morris Hills Regional School District
   Parsippany-Troy Hills School District
   Rockaway Borough School District
   Wharton School District

Fleet Maintenance Agreements

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the fleet maintenance agreements with the following entities for the 2024-2025 school year:

   Boonton School District
   Parsippany-Troy Hills School District
   Rockaway Borough School District

Employment Contract – School Business Administrator/Board Secretary – Megan S. Slamb

5. **Be it resolved,** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment contract of Megan Slamb, School Business Administrator / Board Secretary for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 in accordance with the contract approved by the Executive County Superintendent for the 2024-2025 school year *(as per attached)*.

Employment Contract – School Business Administrator/Board Secretary - Daniel A. Borgo

6. **Be it resolved,** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment contract of Daniel A. Borgo, d/b/a DAB Solution LLC, Interim School Business Administrator / Board Secretary for the period of June 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024 in accordance with the contract approved by the Executive County Superintendent for the 2024-2025 school year *(as per attached)*.

Employment Contract – School Business Administrator/Board Secretary - Daniel A. Borgo

7. **Be it resolved,** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the employment contract of Daniel A. Borgo, d/b/a DAB Solution LLC, Interim School Business Administrator / Board Secretary for the period of July 1, 2024 through September 3, 2024 in accordance with the contract approved by the Executive County Superintendent for the 2024-2025 school year *(as per attached)*.

School Security Drill Statement of Assurance

8. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board approves the submission of the Annual School Security Drill Statement Assurance to the New Jersey Department of Education - Morris County - Executive Superintendent *(as per attached)*.

Frontline Education Service Agreement – IEP Direct and 504 Program Management

9. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board authorizes the service agreement between Rockaway Township Board of Education and Frontline Education for IEP Direct and 504 program management services. The cost of service is $22,096.46 for the 2024-2025 school year *(as per attached)*.

Frontline Education Service Agreement – Absence Management, Applicant Tracking and Professional Learning Management

10. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board authorizes the service agreement between Rockaway Township Board of Education and Frontline Education for absence & substitute management, applicant tracking and professional learning management services. The cost of service is $45,807.16 for the 2024-2025 school year *(as per attached)*.

Purchasing Cooperative Membership - North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System

11. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board approves membership in the North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System, NJWCPS.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ROCKAWAY TOWNSHIP BOE TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT

Whereas, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

Whereas, the North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System (NJWCPS) hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency " has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

Whereas, on June 13, 2024 the governing body of the Rockaway Township Board of Education, County of Morris, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

Now, therefore be it resolved as follows:

Title
This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Rockaway Township Board of Education.

Authority
Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the Business Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

Contracting Unit
The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

Effective Date
This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Purchasing Cooperative Membership – Omnia Partners Purchasing

12. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board approves membership in the Omnia Partners Purchasing Cooperative.

Shared Services Agreement – Educational Services Commission of Morris County

13. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board authorizes the shared services agreement. Addendum, and invoice for the bidding and purchasing program between Rockaway Township Board of Education and Educational Services Commission of Morris County for the 2024-2025 school year. The term of the agreement shall be from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. The Commission shall provide the following professional support services in the amount of $6,835.00 *(as per attached)*.

Food Service Management Company Contract Renewal – Maschio's Food Service, Inc.

14. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board approves a renewal contract with Maschio's Food Service, Inc. for the 2024-2025 school year with an FSMC flat fee of $35,525.00, a guarantee return of $570.00 and a total cost of the contract of $950,301.04 as recommended by the Superintendent.

Medical, Prescription Drug, Dental and Vision Plan Renewals – Brown and Brown

15. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board authorizes the medical, prescription drug, dental and vision plan renewal contract with Brown and Brown. The Horizon medical and prescription drug plans will be at +4.5% for

the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. The Delta Dental and VSP Vision Plan rates will remain the same for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 *(as per attached)*.

Resolution Recognizing the Service and Contribution of Eagle Scout Andrew Michael Scott

16. **Whereas,** in partial fulfillment of his Eagle Scout requirements, Andrew Michael Scott sought to provide a service to the students of Rockaway Township; and,

    Whereas, this service included raising funds to plan and build five Gaga Ball pits at each one of the Rockaway Township Elementary Schools; and,

    Whereas, in the course of this planning, Andrew Michael Scott received the appropriate approvals and permissions from the Rockaway Township Board of Education; and,

    Whereas, upon completion of this project, Andrew Michael Scott diligently reported the final and successful outcome to the Rockaway Township Board of Education; and,

    Whereas, hundreds of current and future students do now and will benefit from the use of said Gaga Ball pits;

    Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Rockaway Township Board of Education hereby recognizes the service and contributions made to the Rockaway Township Board of Education by Eagle Scout Andrew Michael Scott and hereby offers their sincere gratitude for his unwavering commitment to the young people of Rockaway Township.

17. Walk in motion with a student.

No public comment.

Roll Call Vote on all above recommendations, Mrs. Anderson yes to #'s 1-16 and no to #17, Mrs. Curelaru yes to all, Ms. McGeary yes to all, Mrs. Mezik yes to all, Mrs. Smith yes to #'s 1-16 and abstained to #17, Dr. Tomasini yes to all, and Mrs. Shields yes to all. The motion was carried.

F. Finance

Motion made by Dr. Tomasini, seconded by Mrs. Anderson to approve the following finance recommendations.

Financials

Outstanding Checks List

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following checks to be removed from the outstanding checks list.

Check #	Date	Amount
Cafeteria Account		
7308	9/1/2023	$39.40
7309	9/1/2023	$6.75
7313	9/25/2023	$20.60
Total Cafeteria		**$66.75**
After School Activities Account		
1477	10/11/2023	$35.00
Total After School Activities		**$35.00**

Total Outstanding Check Amount		**$101.75**

No public comment.

Roll Call Vote on all above recommendations, all present voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Mezik, seconded by Mrs. Smith to open the public session of the meeting.

Show of hands on above, all present voting yes.

Two members of the community came up and spoke asking about Policy 2260.

Motion by Dr. Tomasini, seconded by Mrs. Curelaru to close the public session of the meeting.

Show of hands on above, all present voting yes, motion carried

G. Policy

Motion made by Mrs. Curelaur, seconded by Mrs. Smith to approve the following policy recommendations.

Motion to tabled Policy 2260 made by Mrs. Curelaur, second by Dr. Tomasini.

Roll Call to Vote to Tabled Policy 2260, all present voting yes, motion carried.

Roll Call Vote on all other Policy for First read, all present voting yes, motion carried.

P 1140	Educational Equity Policies/Affirmative Action (M) (Revised)
P 1523	Comprehensive Equity Plan (M) (Revised)
P 1550	Equal Employment/Anti-Discrimination Practices (M) (Revised)
P 2260	Equity in School and Classroom Practices (M) (Revised)
P 2411	Guidance Counseling (M) (Revised)
P 3211	Code of Ethics (Revised)
P 4432.2	Sick Leave Donation to an Employee
P 5750	Equitable Educational Opportunity (M) (Revised)
P 5755	Equity in Educational Programs and Services (M) (Abolished)
P 5841	Secret Societies (Revised)
P 5842	Equal Access of Student Organizations (Revised)
P 7610	Vandalism (Revised)
P 9323	Notification of Juvenile Offender Case Disposition (Revised)

Motion by Mrs. Mezik, seconded by Mrs. Smith to open the second public session of the meeting.

Show of hands on above, all present voting yes.

Motion by Mrs. Curelaru, seconded by Mrs. Smith to close the second public session of the meeting.

Show of hands on above, all present voting yes, motion carried

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Old Business

Mrs. Anderson - Thank all the principals for the unity with all the 5th graders that are coming to CMS.
Mrs. Smith - Attended the SEPAC Fair it was very helpful and tremendous resources for families.

New Business

No new business

The full discussion of old and new business and Board commentary can be viewed on the Rockaway Township Board of Education's YouTube Channel, Rockaway Streamer under 'Board of Education Meeting – 2024-6-12' or by clicking this link: 'Board of Education Meeting – 2024-6-12'.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Return to Executive Session for about an hour.

Motion by Dr. Tomasini, seconded by Ms. McGeary adjourned the meeting at 9:41PM.

Show of hands, all present voting yes, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Dr. Tomasini, seconded by Mrs. Mezik.

Show of hands, all present voting yes.

Meeting adjourned at 10:36PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya Shields
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Board President