# ROCKAWAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
# MARCH 18, 2026 – REGULAR MEETING

**5:00 pm - Closed Session** — **Copeland Middle School – Faculty Room**
**7:30 pm – Public Session** — **Copeland Middle School – Cafeteria**

**Details for how to access the Public Meeting through remote means will be posted on the district website at www.rocktwp.net. The Public is strongly encouraged to participate. Community members can watch the meeting live online. Members of the public are encouraged to attend in person to provide public comment.**

| *VISION* |
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| Rockaway Township Schools…Opening minds, openings worlds, so every child's potential becomes a reality and challenges become opportunities for personal success! |

| *MISSION* |
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| To nurture a supportive culture embracing individual diversity that will ensure academic, social and emotional success for all. |

| *2025-2026 BOARD GOALS* | | | |
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| GOAL I | GOAL II | GOAL III | GOAL IV |
| Ensure continued academic excellence by:<br>a. Evaluating consistent practical application of the district-aligned curriculum.<br>b. Analyzing internal and external data points to ensure curriculum consistency and effectiveness. | Maintain a safe and supportive school district culture by:<br>a. Promoting inclusivity, equity, and a culture of mutual respect for all students and staff.<br>b. Providing the resources to support a school environment conducive to social and emotional health and increased cohesive service-learning initiatives. | Promote community outreach and enhanced communications by:<br>a. Bridging the gaps in communication with the Rockaway Township community members.<br>b. Providing guided, expectation-based discourse to facilitate conversations with the individuals who live, work, and learn in Rockaway Township. | Support operational excellence that is sensitive to the growing and changing educational landscape by:<br>a. Evaluating the needs of the district and creating fiscally responsible priorities through the use of the provided financial and operational reports.<br>b. Determining and executing the next steps for investing in operational priorities. |

| *2025-2026 DISTRICT GOALS* | | | | |
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| GOAL I | GOAL II | GOAL III | GOAL IV | GOAL V |
| By June 2026, the district will increase the percentage of students meeting or exceeding expectations on the NJSLA in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics by an additional 5% across all grade levels (4–8) compared to the 2024–2025 performance results. | By the end of each instructional unit during the 2025–2026 school year, 100% of district math teachers will administer the "End of Unit" i-Ready assessment. In ELA, 100% of teachers in grades K–2 will administer the SuperKids Benchmark Assessments, Grade 3 teachers will administer the Magnetic Reading End of Unit Assessment, and teachers in grades 4–8 will administer the Common Assessments outlined in the District Curricula. | Improve the climate and culture in each school by completing the following items:<br>● Revising the district Culture and Climate Surveys to be more relevant to current needs.<br>● Decreasing the number of confirmed HIBs.<br>● Sending nine counselors to Strauss-Esmay HIB training with uniform messaging.<br>● Sending five district principals to the Strauss-Esmay HIB training with uniform messaging.<br>● Continuing to review and dissect exemplars of HIBs. | Building principals will collaborate with Instructional Council representatives, PTA leadership, SEPAC, and teachers to coordinate a minimum of five parent presentations a year that reflect the academic programming in their schools and district.<br>● Teachers will create Engaging presentations that reflect instructional practices and programing in the district.<br>● Coordinate topics and events that are aligned with the district curricula.<br>● Provide parents with a schedule of topics and dates for presentations.<br>● Survey parents on the effectiveness of presentations. | Continue addressing the district's facility needs through the systematic execution of the district's Long-Range Facilities Plan (LRFP), while incorporating any emergent needs that necessitate amendments to that plan.<br>Create a sustainable cyclical schedule of repair and replacement across the district to ensure buildings remain in their best possible operating condition at all times. |

**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER**
**ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL**
**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**
**PUBLIC NOTICE**
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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
**DBO STUDENT RECOGNITION**
**SPELLING BEE RECOGNITION**
**MCCEA ESP OF THE YEAR**
**PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

I. **COMMUNICATIONS**
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III. **SUPERINDENDENT'S REPORT**
IV. **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**
V. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
VI. **RECOMMENDED ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION**
- A. **Personnel**
- B. **HIB**
- C. **Education**
- D. **Special Education**
- E. **Administration**
- F. **Policy**

VII. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**
- A. **Old Business**
- B. **New Business**

VII. **ADJOURNMENT**

| **Call to Order** |
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| _____ called the meeting to order at _____pm. |

| **Attendance Roll Call** | | | | | | |
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| **Mrs. Anderson** | **Mr. Eory** | **Dr. Gorman** | **Mrs. Mezik** | **Ms. Richardson** | **Ms. Tourne** | **Ms. McGeary** |
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| **Others in Attendance** | | | | |
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| Dr. Corbett | Mrs. Slamb | Board Attorney | Visitors | Press |
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**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

The New Jersey "Open Public Meetings Act" was passed to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed and acted upon. In accordance with the provision of the "Act", the Rockaway Township Board of Education has caused notice of the date, time, and place of said meetings to be published in "The Daily Record," "The Star Ledger," and be posted in all schools in the district, in the Municipal Building of the Township and the Township Library.
*Does any Board Member wish to object to the conduct of this meeting for the purpose as stated in the public notice?*

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

All documentation and materials considered by the Board of Education as part of this agenda are available for public review and comment. Members of the public are invited to come to the Board of Education building, off Green Pond Road, during the regular business hours of 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, if they wish to inspect any of the referenced items.

| **Pledge of Allegiance** | | | |
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| **Motion to waive Pledge until Open session by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to waive Pledge*** | | | |

**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, litigation, acquisition of real property, security, negotiations, receipt of governmental funds, the content of said discussions will be disclosed to the public at such time and extent as is required by law.

**CLOSED SESSION**

| **Motion to go into closed session by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
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| ***Show of hands to enter closed session*** | | | |
| **Closed Session starts at _____ pm.** | | | |

| **Motion to come out of closed session by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
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| ***Show of hands to end closed session*** | | | |
| **Closed Session ends at _____ pm.** | | | |

**Reconvene at _____ pm**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**DBO STUDENT RECOGNITION**

**SPELLING BEE RECOGNITION**

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**PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

During the course of the board meeting, the Rockaway Township Board of Education offers members of the public an opportunity to address issues regarding the operations of the Rockaway Township Public Schools. The Board reminds those individuals who take this opportunity to identify themselves by name and address and to limit their comments to items listed on the agenda and/or items directly related to the operations of the School District. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of others individuals when speaking, Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for any comments made by the members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in the comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.
**In accordance with Board Policy 0167, public discussion is limited to fifteen (15) minutes with a three (3) minute limit per member of the public. The Board President shall have the right to modify the length of public discussion, as he/she deems appropriate.**

| **Open First Public Comment** | | | |
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| **Motion to open public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to open public comment*** | | | |

| **Close First Public Comment** | | | |
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| **Motion to close public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to close public comment*** | | | |

**I. COMMUNCATIONS:**

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| Dylan Eory | Resignation |

**II. APPROVE MINUTES:**

| **Approve Minutes** | | | |
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| **Motion to approve the minutes by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
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Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the minutes of February 18, 2026.

| **Approve Minutes Roll Call** | | | | | | |
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| **Mrs. Anderson** | **Mr. Eory** | **Dr. Gorman** | **Mrs. Mezik** | **Ms. Richardson** | **Ms. Tourne** | **Ms. McGeary** |
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**III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/HIB**

**IV. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

**VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**VII. RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION**

| **A. Personnel** | | | |
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| **Motion to approve Personnel Items by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |

***Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following personnel resolutions.***

| A. | Appointment | | | | | | |
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| | **Position** | **Name** | **Salary** | **Location** | **Start Date Eff.** | **Date Term.** | **Discussion** |
| 1. | Resource Teacher | Christina Bielski | $58,167.00 BA (Step 3) prorated | KDM | 4/7/26 | 6/30/26 | Extended Leave Replacement (Employee 6370) Reduction of hours from 1.0 FTE to 0.9 FTE |
| 2. | Admin. Assistant Elementary School | Brianna Bird | $56,912.00 (Step 6) prorated | BWD | 4/1/26 | 6/30/26 | Reassignment *from* Admin. Secretary to Special Education *to* Admin. Assistant Elementary School (Replacing M Bender) |
| 3. | PT Staff Assistant | Jenny Hurtado | $22.18/hr. (Step 1) | KDM | ***3/19/26 | 6/30/26 | 1:1 per student IEP, 26 hrs./wk. Pending physical/Mantoux Step frozen for 26-27 school year |
| 4. | District Translator | Jenny Hurtado | $48.00/hr. | DIST. | 25-26 SY | | Spanish, as assigned |
| 5. | Long-term Substitute | Kristin Lewis | $200.00 per day | CMS | **2/27/26 | **3/13/26 | Pending return of LOA (Employee 6176) |
| 6. | PT Mechanic's Assistant | Katherine Pepin | $25,850.00 prorated | TRANS. | **3/1/26 | 6/30/26 | Reassignment *from* FT Mechanic's Assistant/Bus Driver *to* PT Mechanic's Assistant, 20 hrs./wk. |
| 7. | Admin. Assistant to the Business Administrator | Tanya Shields | $65,000.00 prorated | CO | 4/1/26 | 6/30/26 | Pending physical/Mantoux Salary frozen for 26-27 SY |
| 8. | PT Staff Assistant | Julia Styrnik | $22.18/hr. (Step 1) | KDM | 3/19/26 | 6/30/26 | 1:1 per student IEP, 26 hrs./wk. Pending physical/Mantoux Step frozen for 26-27 school year |
| 9. | District Translator | Julia Styrnik | $48.00/hr. | DIST. | 25-26 SY | | Polish, as assigned |
| 10. | Admin. Secretary to Special Education | Laura Tempesta | No change in salary | CO | 4/1/26 | 6/30/26 | Reassignment *from* Admin. Secretary to the Director of Student Services *to* Admin. Secretary to Special Education |
| 11. | Interim PT Music Teacher | Theresa Weniger | $42,567.00 MA+30 (Step 4) prorated | CMS | 4/1/26 | 6/30/26 | Extended 0.6 FTE |
| 12. | Admin. Secretary to the Director of Student Services | Anne Yacavino | No change in salary | CO | 4/1/26 | 6/30/26 | Reassignment *from* Admin. Assistant to the Business Administrator *to* Admin. Secretary to the Director of Student Services |

| B. | Appointment Per Attached Lists | | | | | | |
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| | **Position** | **Name** | **Salary** | **Location** | **Start Date Eff.** | **Date Term.** | **Discussion** |
| 1. | 2025-2026 After School Clubs - CMS | Per the attached list | Per contracted rate of pay | Per the attached list | 25-26 SY | | Spring Pay-to-Play Clubs per the attached list |
| 2. | 2025-2026 After School Clubs - DBO | Per the attached list | Per contracted rate of pay | Per the attached list | 25-26 SY | | Spring Pay-to-Play Clubs per the attached list |
| 3. | 2025-2026 JNHS Field Trip | Per the attached list | $775.00 | CMS | 4/13/26 | 4/15/26 | Washington D.C. Trip Stipend |
| 4. | 2025-2026 Superior Attendance Plan - TRANS. | Per the attached list | $350.00 (stipend) | TRANS. | **9/1/25 | **1/31/26 | Per the attached Bus Drivers (more than 2.5 hrs. per day) |

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| 5. | Family Math Night | Per the attached list | Per contracted rate of pay | Per the attached list | 3/24/26 | 3/24/26 | Not to exceed 2 hours per staff member |
| 6. | Kindergarten - Parent Presentation | Per the attached list | Per contracted rate of pay | DIST. | 5/14/26 | 5/14/26 | Not to exceed 2 hours per staff member, inclusive of planning and preparation |
| 7. | Kindergarten Meet and Greet | Per the attached list | Per contracted rate of pay | Per the attached list | 6/23/26 | 6/24/26 | Teachers, Nurse, and Staff Assistant per attached list<br>Not to exceed 14 hours per staff member |
| 8. | Kindergarten Open House | Per the attached list | Per contracted rate of pay | Per the attached list | 9/3/26 | 9/3/26 | Not to exceed 2 hours per staff member |

| C. | Leave of Absence | | | | | | |
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| | **Position** | **Employee Number** | **Salary** | **Location** | **Start Date Eff.** | **Date Term.** | **Discussion** |
| 1. | PT Staff Assistant | 7195 | | KDM | **3/2/26<br>**3/13/26 | **3/12/26<br>3/27/26 | With Pay<br>Without Pay<br>Return: 4/7/26 |
| 2. | PT Staff Assistant | 7072 | | KDM | **3/5/26 | 3/27/26 | Without Pay<br>Return: 4/7/26 |
| 3. | Special Education Teacher | 6176 | | CMS | **2/19/26 | **3/10/26 | With Pay under FMLA<br>Return: 3/11/26 |
| 4. | School Counselor | 6371 | | SB | **2/26/26 | **3/15/26 | Extended With Pay under FMLA<br>Return: 3/16/26 |
| 5. | Special Education Teacher | 6370 | | KDM | 4/7/26 | 6/30/26 | Extended Without Pay<br>Return: 1st day of 26-27 SY |
| 6. | Admin. Assistant to the Business Administrator | 6285 | | CO | **2/2/26 | **2/13/26 | Without Pay under FMLA<br>Return: 2/16/26 |

| D. | Resignation/Retirement | | | | | | |
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| | **Position** | **Name** | **Salary** | **Location** | **Start Date Eff.** | **Date Term.** | **Discussion** |
| 1. | PT Staff Assistant | Scarlett Eckert | | DBO | | **2/28/26 | Resignation |
| 2. | Academic Intervention Teacher | Christine Garabrant | | BWD | | 6/30/26 | Retirement |
| 3. | Special Education Teacher | Gina Guarino | | CMS | | 10/1/26 | Retirement |
| 4. | Supervisor of Facilities and Safety Management | Michael Martino | | MAINT. | | 4/14/26 | Resignation |
| 5. | FT Staff Assistant | Lynn Schoner | | KDM | | 6/30/26 | Retirement |
| 6. | Bus Driver | Linda Szollosy | | TRANS. | | 6/30/26 | Retirement |
| 7. | PT Office Staff Assistant | Krista Zygmunt | | SB | | 4/15/26 | Resignation<br>Remain a substitute teacher in the district |

| E. | Substitute Teachers | | | | | | |
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| | **Position** | **Name** | **Salary** | **Location** | **Start Date Eff.** | **Level** | **Discussion** |
| 1. | Substitute Teacher – New Hires | Per the attached list | $175.00 per day | DIST. | 25-26 SY | Per the attached list | Per the attached list |

| F. | Job Descriptions | | | | | |
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| | **Category** | **Position** | **Location** | **Date Effective** | **Date Term.** | **Discussion** |
| 1. | C-5A | Courier | TRANS. | **3/1/26 | | Revised |
| 2. | C-36 | Part-time Mechanic's Assistant | TRANS. | **3/1/26 | | New |

| G. | Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves revisions of the following previously approved motions under Personnel (Motion A-3, 1-28-26 agenda, and Motions A-1, A-10, and A-16, 2-18-26 agenda). | | | | | | |
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| | **Position** | **Name** | **Salary** | **Location** | **Start Date Eff.** | **Date Term.** | **Discussion** |
| 1. | English Teacher | Mai-Anh Betancur | $79,875.00 MA (Step 13) prorated | CMS | **3/9/26 | 6/30/26 | Revised start date from 4/7/26 to 3/9/26 |
| 2. | Language Arts | Christine D'Antuono | $12,889.00 prorated | CMS | **2/16/26 | **3/13/26 | Revised end date for 6th Period Language Arts Coverage from 3/31/26 to 3/13/26 |
| 3. | Language Arts | Kelly McEvoy | $16,396.00 prorated | CMS | **2/16/26 | **3/13/26 | Revised end date for 6th Period Language Arts Coverage from 3/31/26 to 3/13/26 |
| 4. | Language Arts | Shannon Podprugin | $12,000.00 prorated | CMS | **2/16/26 | **3/13/26 | Revised end date for 6th Period Language Arts Coverage from 3/31/26 to 3/13/26 |

| *Personnel Items Key* | | |
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| **on/before effective date* | ***concurrent* | ****on/after effective date* |

| **Roll Call Vote on Personnel Items** | | | | | | |
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| **Mrs. Anderson** | **Mr. Eory** | **Dr. Gorman** | **Mrs. Mezik** | **Ms. Richardson** | **Ms. Tourne** | **Ms. McGeary** |
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| **B. HIB Determination** | | | |
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| **Motion to approve HIB Determination by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |

**HIB Resolution**

**WHEREAS,** the Superintendent of Schools has provided the Board of Education with reports regarding HIB Incidents:
# 302105 confirmed, # 302656 unconfirmed, # 302694 unconfirmed, # 302695 unconfirmed, # 302696 unconfirmed, # 302697 unconfirmed, # 302906 unconfirmed, # 303103 unconfirmed, # 303104 unconfirmed, # 303519 unconfirmed

**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 recommendation on HIB cases:
# 302105 confirmed, # 302656 unconfirmed, # 302694 unconfirmed, # 302695 unconfirmed, # 302696 unconfirmed, # 302697 unconfirmed, # 302906 unconfirmed, # 303103 unconfirmed, # 303104 unconfirmed, # 303519 unconfirmed

| **Roll Call Vote on HIB Determination** | | | | | | |
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| **Mrs. Anderson** | **Mr. Eory** | **Dr. Gorman** | **Mrs. Mezik** | **Ms. Richardson** | **Ms. Tourne** | **Ms. McGeary** |
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HIB Current Investigations:

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| # 303408 | # 303438 | # 303439 | # 303516 | # 303569 |
| # 303619 | # 303621 | # 303687 | # 303757 | # 304356 |
| # 304357 | # 304419 | # 304559 | # 304619 | # 304758 |
| # 304816 | # 304817 | | | |

HIB Incident Summary: (as per attached)

## C. Education

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| **Motion to approve Education recommendations by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |

**1.** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board agrees to the following unavoidable registration and/or travel costs as presented, which are educationally necessary and fiscally prudent and are related to and within the scope of the employee's current responsibilities and promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district. The reimbursements are in compliance with the State travel reimbursement guidelines as established by the Department of Treasury and Board of Education policy in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A-23B-1.1 et seq.

| Employee | Workshop Title | Organization | Workshop Location | Workshop Dates | Registration Fee | Travel/Hotel/ Incidentals Cost | Total Cost |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Luba Chesky | School Based SLPs: Enhancing Your Formal Assessment Practices to Best Identify & Target Student Needs | Bureau of Education & Research | Virtual | 5-11-26 | $295.00 | N/A | $295.00 |
| Richard R. Corbett | PR Productivity Lab: Maximizing Impact with Minimal Time | NJ School Boards Association | West Windsor, NJ | 4-24-26 | $149.00 | $55.74 | $204.74 |
| Richard R. Corbett | 2026 Spring School Law Forum | New Jersey School Boards Association | Monroe, NJ | 6-11-26 | $299.00 | $49.82 | $348.82 |
| Michael McGovern | Leading Through Change and Uncertainty | Morris County Administrators Association | East Hanover, NJ | 3-19-26 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Lynn Mondello | Visualizing & Verbalizing | Linda Mood Bell | Virtual | 4-13-26, 4-14-26, 4-15-26, 4-16-26 | $850.00 | $378.00 | $1228.00 |
| Kathryn Pietrowski | Summer Inclusion Leadership Conference | All In For Inclusive Ed | Union, NJ | 5-28-26 | N/A | $28.00 | $28.00 |

**2.** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following student(s) to complete their fieldwork requirements during the Fall 2026 semester and/or the Spring 2027 Semester.

| Student Teacher | College/University | Cooperating Teacher/School |
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| Juliana Felipa* | Kean University | Claudine Porracchio/SB |

**3.** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following students to complete their observation hours during the 2025/2026 school year.

| Student Teacher | College/University | Cooperating Teacher/School |
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| Jack Hartsuiker* | County College of Morris | Eugene Budd/BW |
| Staci Cocuzza | William Paterson University | Loriana Takacs/DBO |
| Molly Jacobs* | County College of Morris | Various classrooms/KDM |

*Pending satisfactory completion of District requirements

**4.** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following employees for CPR Certification on March 23 or 24, 2026. The cost to the District will be $10.50/employee for the cost of the American Heart Association e-card.

| Employee | Location | Employee | Location |
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| Blasi, Corie | CAD | Bodnar, Kelly | KDM |
| Casey, Amber | SB | Carradini, Noreen | Transportation |
| Doorly, Erin | Transportation | Eisenhauer, Bari | KDM |
| Eshete, Roman | Transportation | Fried, Jacqueline | BW |
| Hillegass, Lisa-Anne | KDM | Jacobs, Rachael | Transportation |
| Katz, Cynthia | Central Office | Kong, Samuel | Maintenance |
| Kostelnik, Molly | Transportation | Kramer, Erin | BW |
| Massey, Beth Ann | Transportation | Mastrostefano, Jean | Transportation |
| Nordland, Scott | CAD/KDM | Poylangada, Maria | DBO |
| Richardson, Tina | Transportation | Strazdas, Christine | SB |
| Stevens, Kelly | SB | Villacis, Susan | KDM |
| Taboadela, Anthony | BW | West, Anita | Central Office |
| Warnock, Daniel | CAD | Wisniewski, Stephen | SB |
| Willadsen, Patricia | Transportation | Zarriello, Donna | CMS |

**5**. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the amendments to the previously approved field trips (as per attached).

**6.** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following field trips (as per attached).

*Board Discussion*
**In accordance with Board Policy 0167, public discussion is limited to fifteen (15) minutes with a three (3) minute limit per member of the public. The Board President shall have the right to modify the length of public discussion, as he/she deems appropriate.**

| **Open Public Comment on Education items only** *(Ask if Necessary)* | | | |
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| **Motion to open public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to open public comment*** | | | |

| **Close Public Comment** | | | |
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| **Motion to close public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to close public comment*** | | | |

| **Roll Call Vote on Education items** | | | | | | |
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| **Mrs. Anderson** | **Mr. Eory** | **Dr. Gorman** | **Mrs. Mezik** | **Ms. Richardson** | **Ms. Tourne** | **Ms. McGeary** |
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| **D. Special Education** | | | |
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| **Motion to approve Special Education recommendations by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |

**1. <u>BeeWise Behavior, LLC</u>**
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Rockaway Township Board of Education and BeeWise Behavior, LLC and parent to provide ABA services to student #00064 (as per attached).

*Board Discussion*
**In accordance with Board Policy 0167, public discussion is limited to fifteen (15) minutes with a three (3) minute limit per member of the public. The Board President shall have the right to modify the length of public discussion, as he/she deems appropriate.**

| **Open Public Comment on Special Education items only** *(Ask if Necessary)* | | | |
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| **Motion to open public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to open public comment*** | | | |

| **Close Public Comment** | | | |
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| **Motion to close public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to close public comment*** | | | |

| **Roll Call Vote on Special Education items** | | | | | | |
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| **Mrs. Anderson** | **Mr. Eory** | **Dr. Gorman** | **Mrs. Mezik** | **Ms. Richardson** | **Ms. Tourne** | **Ms. McGeary** |
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| **E. Administration** | | | |
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| **Motion to approve Administration recommendations by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |

1. **Donation**
   Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board accepts the following check donation of $1,000.00 from Lake Hopatcong Elks #782 (as per attached).

2. **Equipment Disposal**
   Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the disposal and/or surplus property/obsolete equipment from the IT department (as per attached).

3. **Vehicle Disposal**
   Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the disposal and/or sale of surplus/obsolete equipment for the Transportation Department as follows:

| Vehicle # | Year | Make | Vin Number | License |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 18 | 2005 | Thomas | 1GDHG31V351162650 | 2389MG |
| 259 | 2012 | Bluebird | 1BABJBPA7CPF288353 | A484S1 |
| 263 | 2013 | Bluebird | 1BABJBPA2DF294448 | B783S1 |
| 264 | 2013 | Bluebird | 1BABJBPA4DF294449 | B784S1 |
| Van | 2006 | Chevy G3500 | 1GBJG31U551156060 | 32034MG |
| Truck | 2009 | Ford F350 | 1FTWF31549EA15105 | MG84799 |
| Topkick | 2007 | GMC | 1GDE5C3257F408079 | 26802MG |
| Pick Up | 2008 | Ford F350 | 1FTWF31R48ED69093 | MG79830 |
| HD | 2012 | GMC 2500 | 1GT02ZCG6CZ154834 | MG92723 |
| Ford Van | - | - | 1FTSE34L1XHA42804 | - |

4. **Anticipated Facility Use – Change of Use**
   Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the submission of applications for the Anticipated Facility Use-Change of Use rooms to the Executive County Superintendent for the 2025- 2026 school year for the following classrooms (as per attached).

| School | Room # | Description |
|---|---|---|
| Dennis B. O' Brien E.S. | Rm 11 | Original Use: Child Study Team Offices<br>Proposed Use: Pull Out Resource Room Class |
| Copeland Middle School | Rm 431 | Original Use: Child Study Team Office<br>Proposed Use: Reading Strategy Intervention Room |

*Board Discussion*

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| **Open Public Comment on Administration Items only** *(Ask if Necessary)* | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Motion to open public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to open public comment*** | | | |

| **Close Public Comment** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Motion to close public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to close public comment*** | | | |

| Roll Call Vote on Administration items | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Mrs. Anderson** | **Mr. Eory** | **Dr. Gorman** | **Mrs. Mezik** | **Ms. Richardson** | **Ms. Tourne** | **Ms. McGeary** |
| | | | | | | |

**F. Finance**

| **Motion to approve Finance recommendations by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
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**1. Financials**

Be It Resolved that the Rockaway Township Board of Education approves the Report of the Secretary and Report of Appropriations, for the period ending January 31, 2026.

Be It Further Resolved that this Budget does not include any unapproved appropriations or monies.

Be It Resolved that the Rockaway Township Board of Education acknowledges that Megan Slamb, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, certifies the following statement:

Pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.11(c)(3) and (4), I, Megan Slamb, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, certify that no budgetary line item accounts are over appropriated nor over expended for the period ending January 31, 2026.

Authorize January 2026 account transfers as submitted.

**2. Bills**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools. The Board authorizes payment of the following as approved by the Finance committee:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| A. | February | Cafeteria | $184,709.78 |
| B. | March | After School Activities | $128.69 |
| C. | February | Student Activities | $1,639.64 |
| D. | March | Student Activities | $15,587.20 |
| E. | February | State Unemployment Bills | $29,389.46 |
| G. | February | District Bills | $4,934,365.58 |

*Board Discussion*

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| **Open Public Comment on Financial items only** *(Ask if Necessary)* | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Motion to open public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to open public comment*** | | | |

| **Close Public Comment** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Motion to close public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to close public comment*** | | | |

| Roll Call Vote on Finance items | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Mrs. Anderson** | **Mr. Eory** | **Dr. Gorman** | **Mrs. Mezik** | **Ms. Richardson** | **Ms. Tourne** | **Ms. McGeary** |
| | | | | | | |

**G. Policy**

| **Motion to approve Policy recommendations by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
|---|---|---|---|

1. Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board approves the following policies/regulations for first read *(as per attached).*

P 1636.01 **NOTIFICATION OF PROMOTION, NEW JOB, AND TRANSFER OPPORTUNITIES**

2. Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board approves the following policies/regulations for first read *(as per attached).*

P 0141 **BOARD MEMBER NUMBER AND TERM**

*Board Discussion*

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| **Open Public Comment on Policy Items only** *(Ask if Necessary)* | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Motion to open public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to open public comment*** | | | |

| **Close Public Comment** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Motion to close public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to close public comment*** | | | |

| **Roll Call Vote on Policy Items** | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Mrs. Anderson** | **Mr. Eory** | **Dr. Gorman** | **Mrs. Mezik** | **Ms. Richardson** | **Ms. Tourne** | **Ms. McGeary** |
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*Board Discussion*

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| **Open Second Public Comment** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Motion to open public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to open public comment*** | | | |

| **Close Second Public Comment** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Motion to close public comment by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to close public comment*** | | | |

## VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

### A. Old Business

### B. New Business

## VIII. ADJOURNMENT

**Return to Executive Session** *(if needed)*

For the discussion of _____ for approximately _____ minutes.

| **Motion to go into closed session by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| ***Show of hands to enter closed session.*** | | | |
| **Closed session starts at _____ pm.** | | | |

| **Motion to adjourn closed session by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| ***Show of hands to end closed session.*** | | | |

**Closed sessions ends at _____ pm.**

| **Meeting Adjournment** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Motion to adjourn meeting by:** | | **Seconded by:** | |
| ***Show of hands to adjourn meeting.*** | | | |

Meeting adjournment at _____ pm.