



Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2021

Time: 6:30 pm Board Training

7:30 pm Regular Board Meeting

Zoom attendance via link posted on district website

Location: On a Zoom hosted site posted on the Rumson District website.

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by the Board President at 6:37 p.m., on a Zoom hosted site posted on the Rumson District website. We ask visitors to mute themselves.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Notice of Meeting

Announcement of this meeting has been sent to the Asbury Park Press and the Two River Times. An Agenda has been posted in the Deane-Porter and Forrestdale Schools, Rumson Borough Hall and the Oceanic Library, and an agenda has been posted on the Rumson School District website.

4. Roll Call

Mr. Caldwell	Present	Mrs. Ginsberg	Present	Mrs. Markiewicz	Present
Dr. Connors	Present	Mrs. Izzo	Present	Mrs. Scoble	Present
Mrs. D'Uva	Present	Dr. Jones	Present	Mrs. Swain	Present

Others virtually present: Dr. John E. Bormann, Superintendent; Mrs. Denise McCarthy, SBA/BS; Anthony P. Sciarillo, Board Attorney, and the public virtually.

5. Board Professional Development

- a. Budget Revenues - Was presented by Denise McCarthy, SBA/BS

6. Board Training

- a. Ethics Training for Board Members was presented by Sciarillo, Cornell, Merlino, McKeever & Osborne, LLC
- b. Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Board of Education Training

7. Welcome of Visitors

8. Communications

Permitted the fair and orderly expression of comments, on agenda items, we ask for the public to:

- Wait to be recognized
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- Discuss only concerns that have been previously addressed through proper administrative channels
- Refrain from using any pupil or staff member's name
- We ask visitors to unmute and ask their question/make their comment when called upon by the Board President, or enter your question/comment into the chat feature.
- We will also address any questions forwarded to the Board Secretary prior to the meeting at this time.

The board is happy to listen to all comments, but this may not be the forum for any and all questions.

9. **Correspondence - None**

10. **Approval of Minutes**

RECOMMENDATION

Approved the following minutes:

- December 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes
- January 6, 2021 ReOrganization Meeting Minutes

Moved: Mrs. Markiewicz Seconded: Mrs. Swain

Roll Call: AYES: 9

11. **Report of the Superintendent**

The Superintendent reported on the following activities and events:

- Presentation by the Superintendent of the Period 1 Report SSDS 9/01/2020 - 12/31/2020 Incident, Trainings & Programs

• **Teacher / Educational Services Professional of the Year / Exemplary Educator Recognition**

These staff members to be recognized at the Annual Recognition Ceremony in May 2021:

- **Ms. Kathryn Gregory**, Gr. 3 ICR Teacher -Deane-Porter Teacher of the Year
- **Ms. Denise Walker**, Gr. 3 ParaProfessional - Deane-Porter Ed Services Professional of the Year
- **Ms. Kate Sullivan**, Gr. 8 ELA Teacher - Forrestdale Teacher of the Year
- **Ms. Janet Alter**, Occupational Therapist - Forrestdale Ed Services Professional of the Year
- **Mrs. Megan Siclare**, Gr. 3 Teacher - Exemplary Educator Recognition Award
- **Ms. Brittany Flynn**, Gr. 4-5 Science Teacher - Exemplary Educator Recognition Award

• **School Suspensions for the period of Dec. 16, 2020 to Jan. 26, 2021**

The Superintendent to reported on the following suspensions for the period of 12/16/20 - 1/26/21

Month	Deane-Porter	Forrestdale
January 2021	0	0

• **Enrollment - as of January 26, 2021**

Deane-Porter	Forrestdale	District	Virtual
356	574	930	121

• **SSDS REPORT PRESENTATION**

Presented the Student Safety Data System (SSDS) report for Dec. 16, 2020 - Jan. 26, 2021

Incidents	Forrestdale	Deane-Porter	District
# of total SSDS Incidents	0	0	0
# of HIB Investigations	0	0	0
# of HIB Incidents determined	0	0	0

Approved the following consent agenda item (a), to be approved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

Moved: Mrs. Swain Seconded: Mrs. Izzo
 Roll Call: AYES: 9

a. SSDS REPORT APPROVAL

Presented the Student Safety Data System (SSDS) report for Nov. 18, 2020 - December 15, 2020

Incidents	Forrestdale	Deane-Porter	District
# of total SSDS Incidents	0	0	0
# of HIB Investigations	0	0	0
# of HIB Incidents determined	0	0	0

12. Education Committee

- Report of Meeting - Mrs. Markiewicz reported on the meeting held on 1/13/2021.
- Approved the following consent agenda item (a-e) being presented for approval, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

Moved: Mrs. Swain Seconded: Mrs. Izzo
 Roll Call: AYES: 9

a. School Events / Fundraisers

Approved the following School Events / Fundraisers:

Class / Group	Event / Location	Date / Time
SGA	Virtual Valentine Bingo Fundraiser (All proceeds go to the Boomer fund)	Dates TBD between 2/12 & 2/28

b. Annual Tuition Rates

Approved the 2021-2022 annual tuition rates as follows:

- Preschool \$ 3,500
- Preschool \$ 5,000 (Non-resident)
- Gr. K - 5 \$ 10,000 (Non-resident)
- Gr. 6 - 8 \$ 11,000 (Non-resident)

c. Extra-Curricular Participation Fee Adjustments

Approved the following Extra-Curricular participation fee adjustments for the 20-21 School Year due to COVID-19:

- Sign-up fee is now \$50.00 (adjusted from \$75.00)
- Club fee is now \$15.00 (adjusted from \$25.00)
- Basketball fee is now \$50.00 (adjusted from \$100.00)
- Spring Sports TBD

d. Student Identification and Placement

1. Approved adjustments to the Gr. 3-5 ELA and Math JET Rubrics for the 21-22 School Year due to COVID-19
2. Approved adjustments to the Gr. 6-8 ELA and Math Placement Rubrics for the 21-22 School Year due to COVID-19.

e. New Curriculum Units of Study

Approved Grades 4-8 Science units of study “*Viruses and Vaccines.*”

13. **Personnel Committee**

- **Report of Meeting - Mrs. Ginsberg reported on the meeting held on 1/13/2021.**
- **Approved the following consent agenda items (a -g) being presented for approval, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:**

Moved: Mrs. Markiewicz **Seconded:** Mrs. Izzo

Roll Call: AYES: 9

a. Resignation

1. Library Aide

Retroactively accepted the resignation notification from **Evelyn Cooper-Baker**, AM Library Aide effective 1/21/2021.

b. Increased Hours Adjustment

Approved the increased hours adjustment for **Judy Cooper**, as the AM Library Aide, from 3.5 hrs/day to 4.0 hrs/day at the hourly rate of \$16.95/hr, beginning on Thursday, February 4, 2021 for the remainder of the 20-21 school year.

c. Student Intern/Observer

Approved **Nicole Gallagher**, Monmouth University student, to complete her school counseling 300 hours Internship during the Spring 2021 semester. She will be mentored by Jessica Piernik, K-3 Guidance Counselor, and Nancy Pearson, 7-8 Guidance Counselor. Pending Criminal History Review approval and TB test results.

d. Maternity Leave Request

Approved the maternity leave request from **Susan Graye**, Gr. 6-8 Spanish Teacher, to commence on 2/22/21, using 10 sick days from 2/22/21 to 3/05/21 and then 20 sick days following birth from on/or about 3/08/21 to 4/09/21. Following completion of maternity leave, then requesting to begin NJFLA on/or about 4/12/21 and continue to the last day of school 6/08/21. Anticipated returning to work on the first day of school in September, 2021 for the 21-22 school year.

e. MOA between the Rumson Board of Education and the Rumson Administrative Association (RAA)

Upon the recommendation of the negotiations committee for the rumson Board of Education, (a) the Board approved the Memorandum of Agreement between the Rumson Board of Education and the Rumson Administrative Association for a one year extension of the Successor Agreement expiring June 20, 2021.

f. Additional Compensation

Approved the following additional compensation (*retroactive approval):

Staff Member	Date	Event/Duty/Location	Hours/Amount Paid
Dan Morrone Allie Copman Sandy Self Jen Wargo	As needed	Bus aide sub	\$45/day each

g. Statement of Assurance (SOA) Regarding the Use of Paraprofessional Staff 20-21 - January 2021 Submission

Approved submission of the January 2021 ParaProfessional SOA for Para-Professional staff as listed:

Location	First Name	Last Name	Certification(s)
Deane-Porter School	Beth	Brister	Para Pro Assessment
Forrestdale School	Lauren	Krystopowicz	Standard - Elementary School Teacher

Forrestdale School	Carol	Low	Para Pro Assessment
Deane-Porter School	Jennifer	O'Connell	CEAS – Elem. School Teacher
Forrestdale School	Lisa	Taddeo	Standard - Elementary School Teacher
Deane-Porter School	Denise	Walker	Para Pro Assessment
Forrestdale School	Edward	Downey	CEAS - Teacher of Social Studies
Forrestdale School	Megan	Hrunka	Substitute Teacher Certificate
Deane-Porter School	Nancy	Petrucelli	Para Pro Assessment
Forrestdale School	Evelyn	Cooper-Baker	CEAS - Elementary School Teacher CEAS - Elementary w/Spec. Math 5-8
Forrestdale School	Judy	Chen-Cooper	Substitute Teacher Certificate

14. Finance and Facilities Committee

- **Report of Meeting - No meeting held.**
- **Approved the following consent agenda items (a - h) being presented for approval, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:**

Moved: Mrs. Izzo Seconded: Dr. Connors

Roll Call: AYES: 9

a. Bills & Claims

Approved the January 2021 bills presented for payment as per the attached Bills & Claims and hand check list.

Fund 11	\$ 1,622,263.99
Fund 20	\$ 60,727.98
Fund 30	\$ 507,364.13
Fund 40	\$ 451,279.83
<u>Fund 60</u>	<u>\$ 250.00</u>
Total	\$ 2,641,885.93

b. Board Secretary's Report

Accepted the Board Secretary's Report to the Board of Education for the month ending December 31, 2020 including report of amounts appropriated, expended and transferred into or out of any item of appropriation, and to note that the report has been reconciled with adjustments to PANDA, LLC Reconciliation Service.

c. Transfers

Approved the Board to ratify transfers made in the past 30 days by the Chief School Administrator within the 2020- 2021 budget. See attached.

d. Board Secretary's Monthly Certification

To accept the Board Secretary's Monthly Certification Budgetary Line Item Status Report:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3, I certify that as of January 27, 2021 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

Board Secretary

Date

e. Monthly Certification Budgetary Major Account Fund Status Report

To accept The Monthly Certification Budgetary Major Account Fund Status Report:

RESOLVED: That pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2-11(c)4 the Board certifies that as of January 27, 2021 after review of the Board Secretary's and monthly financial reports, in the minutes of the Board each month no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b).

f. Request for SEMI Waiver

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 2021-22, and

Whereas, the Rumson Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than 40 Medicaid eligible classified students in the 2021-22 school year.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Rumson Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Monmouth an appropriate waiver of the requirements of NJAC 6A23A-5.3 for the 2021-22 school year.

g. Professional Development/Travel and Related Expenses

Approved the following Professional Development/Travel and related expenses: (*Retroactive approval)

Name	Date(s)	Event / Location	Cost	R/T Mileage /Total
Kate Sullivan*	1/18/2021	Virtual Global Allyship Summit	NA	Virtual
Katie Gregory	2/1/2021 2/2/2021 2/3/2021	Wilson Reading Introductory Course	\$649	Virtual
Brittaney Flynn	2/11/2021 2/12/2021 3/17/2021 3/18/2021 3/19/2021	State Assessment Committee Meetings Science Advisory Board	Reimbursed by NJDOE	Virtual

h. Change Orders

Approved the following change orders to G&P Parlamas in the net amount of **\$156,252**, as follows:

PCO #	Description	Amount
PCO #17	Soil Remediation	\$ 92,129
PCO #18	Foundation Backfill with stone	\$ 64,123

15. Planning Committee

- Report of Meeting - Mrs. D'Uva reported on the meeting held on 1/25/2021.

16. Policy Committee

- Report of Meeting - No meeting held
- Approved the following consent agenda item (a) being presented for approval, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

Moved: Mrs. Izzo Seconded: Dr. Connors

Roll Call: AYES: 9

a. **Bylaw Suspension and Adoption**

Moved the Board of Education suspend Bylaw 0131 that requires two readings to adopt a Bylaw or Policy and adopt **Bylaw 0164.6 - Remote Public Board Meetings During a Declared Emergency**, with one reading to be in compliance with the new emergency regulations regarding remote meetings held during a Governor-declared emergency, N.J.A.C. 5:39-1.1 through 1.7, promulgated by Department of Community Affair.

17. **New Business**

- **March 2021 meeting date changes:**
 - **Planning Committee - 3/22 changed to 3/15 @ 6:00 pm**
 - **Finance Committee - 3/22 changed to 3/15 @ 5:00 pm**
 - **BOE Meeting - 3/24 changed to 3/16 @ 6:30 pm**

18. **Communications**

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19. **Executive Session**

RECOMMENDATION:

Approved the following resolution at 8:09 p.m.

I move that the Board of Education recess to an Executive Session for consideration of issues dealing with

- **Contract Negotiations**
- **Health & Safety**

Action may be taken on these items when the Board later returns to Public Session. Minutes of the Executive Session will be released to the public after the reasons for non-disclosure no longer exist.

Motion: Mrs. Swain Seconded: Dr. Connors

All in Favor: AYES: 9

20. **Roll Call upon return to public session at 9:41 pm**

Mr. Caldwell	Present	Mrs. Ginsberg	Present	Mrs. Markiewicz	Present
Dr. Connors	Present	Mrs. Izzo	Present	Mrs. Scoble	Present
Mrs. D’Uva	Present	Dr. Jones	Present	Mrs. Swain	Present

21. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

All in favor: AYES: 9

Respectfully submitted by,

Denise McCarthy, SBA/Bs

Dated: January 27, 2021