



## Special Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, March 19, 2019  
Time: 7:30 pm Special Board Meeting  
Location: Higgins Library, Forrestdale School

### 1. Call to order

The Board Secretary opened the meeting at 7:40 pm and immediately recessed the meeting for lack of a quorum. The meeting was called to order by the Board President at 7:50 p.m., in the Higgins Library of the Forrestdale School, Rumson, New Jersey.

### 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 School, Rumson Borough Hall and the Oceanic Library.

### 4. Roll Call

Mrs. Beyer	Present	Dr. Connors	Absent	Mrs. Markiewicz	Present
Mr. Binns	Present	Mrs. Ginsberg	Present	Mrs. Melia	Present
Mr. Caldwell	Present	Dr. Jones	Present	Mrs. Swain	Absent

Also present Dr. John Bormann, Superintendent, Ms. Debra Allen, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and the public.

### 5. Welcome Visitors

### 6. Communications

To permit the fair and orderly expression of comments, on agenda items, we ask that the public:

- Wait to be recognized
- Preface comments with your name and address
- Direct all comments to the presiding officer
- Discuss only concerns that have been previously addressed through proper administrative channels
- Refrain from using any pupil or staff member's name

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

### 7. Executive Session

RECOMMENDATION

Motion to approve the following resolution at 7:53 pm.

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

- Negotiations

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 nondisclosure no longer exist.

**Moved: Dr. Jones      Seconded: Mrs. Melia**

**All in Favor: AYES: 7      Absent: Dr. Connors and Mrs. Swain**

**Mrs. Markiewicz and Mr. Caldwell left the meeting at 7:54 pm and returned at 8:15 pm**

**8. Roll Call upon return to public session at 8:15 pm**

Mrs. Beyer	Present	Dr. Connors	Absent	Mrs. Markiewicz	Present
Mr. Binns	Present	Mrs. Ginsberg	Present	Mrs. Melia	Present
Mr. Caldwell	Present	Dr. Jones	Present	Mrs. Swain	Absent

Also present Dr. John Bormann, Superintendent, Ms. Debra Allen, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and the public.

**9. Tentative Budget 2019-2020**

**Motion to approve the following consent agenda items (a - b) upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:**

**Moved: Mrs. Beyer**

**Seconded: Mrs. Melia**

**Roll Call Vote: AYES: 7**

**Absent: Dr. Connors and Mrs. Swain**

**a. Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement 2019- 2020**

**WHEREAS**, the Rumson Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.2 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, a Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel as defined in NJAC 6A:23A-1.2, which includes attendance at regularly scheduled in-State county meetings, Department or Association sponsored events or in-State professional development activities for which the registration fee does not exceed \$150.00 per employee or board member, where prior Board approval shall not be required unless the annual threshold for a staff member exceeds \$1,500 in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

**WHEREAS**, the Rumson Board of Education established \$60,000 as the maximum travel amount for the current school year and has expended \$20,697.73 as of this date; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of \$75,000 for all staff and board members for the 2019-2020 school year.

**b. Adoption and Submission of the Tentative Budget 2019-2020**

The Board approved the 2019-2020 Tentative Budget as listed below for submission to the County Office of the N.J. Department of Education.

**Adjustment Banked Cap**

**RESOLVED** that the Rumson Board of Education includes in the proposed budget the adjustment for banked cap in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-10.3(b). The district has fully exhausted all eligible statutory spending authority and must increase the base budget in the amount of **\$82,723**. The district intends to utilize this adjustment to maintain class size and educational programs, in the 2019-2020 school year.

**Capital Reserve Withdrawal  
Pond Project**

**RESOLVED** that the Rumson Board of Education requests the approval of a reserve withdrawal in the amount of **\$480,000**. The district intends to utilize these funds to Renovate the Deane-Porter Pond including an outdoor instructional space.

**Maintenance Reserve Withdrawal**

**RESOLVED** that the Rumson Board of Education requests the approval of a reserve withdrawal in the amount of **\$201,356**. The district intends to utilize these funds to partially fund the CMP for both schools.

**Emergency Reserve Withdrawal  
Security Enhancement District Wide**

**RESOLVED** that the Rumson Board of Education requests the approval of an emergency reserve withdrawal in the amount of **\$50,000**. The district intends to utilize these funds for the purchase of radios coordinated with the RPD and enhance Class III security coverage by the RPD.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the tentative budget be approved for the 2019-2020 School Year using the 2019-2020 state aid figures and the Secretary to the Board of Education be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	DEBT SERVICE	TOTAL
<b>19-20 Total Appropriations</b>	<b>\$18,543,323</b>	<b>\$544,896</b>	<b>\$890,220</b>	<b>\$19,978,439</b>
<b>Less: Anticipated Revenues</b>	<b>2,060,104</b>	<b>544,896</b>	<b>41,419</b>	<b>2,646,419</b>
<b>Taxes to be Raised</b>	<b>\$16,483,219</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$848,801</b>	<b>\$17,332,020</b>

And to advertise said tentative budget in the Asbury Park Press in accordance with the form suggested by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a public hearing be held in the Higgins Library of the Forrestdale School, Rumson, New Jersey on May 7, 2019 for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2019-2020 school year.

**10. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

**Moved: Mrs. Melia      Seconded: Mr. Binns**

**Roll Call: AYES: 7      Absent: Dr. Connors and Mrs. Swain**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Ms. Debra Allen, SBA/BS**

**Dated: Marcy 19, 2019**