

**RAHWAY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
RAHWAY 7TH & 8TH GRADE ACADEMY**

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023 - 6:00 P.M.

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. ROLL CALL

Ms. Allen
Mr. Antisz
Mr. Garay
Mrs. Giacobbe
Ms. Moteiro
Mrs. Raysick
Mr. Toma
Mr. White
Mr. Robson

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as practicable. Minutes of the private session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists. The Board will reconvene in public session at the conclusion of the closed session.

DISCUSSION:

Residency Hearing: Student #14431 – 6:00 p.m.

V. RECONVENING ROLL CALL:

VI. STATEMENT ON OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:

Public notice of this meeting, in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, was given by the Board Secretary on January 25, 2023, by sending notices to the Home News Tribune, The Union County LocalSource, TAP Into, the City Clerk of Rahway, the Rahway Public Library, and by posting the notices on the Bulletin Board outside the Board of Education office on the second floor of the 7th and 8th Grade Academy.

VII. PRESENTATION OF 2023-2024 FINAL BUDGET REPORT BY MR. STEPHEN FRIED.

VIII. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:

IX. REPORTS FROM LIAISONS & ASSIGNMENTS

Schools:

High School:	Ms. Allen/Mr. Garay	7-8 Gr. Academy:	Mr. Toma
Cleveland:	Mr. White	Franklin:	Mrs. Giacobbe
Madison:	Mrs. Raysick	Roosevelt:	Mr. Antisz
ACE:	Ms. Allen/Mr. Garay	Preschool:	Ms. Moteiro

Affirmative Action: Mrs. Raysick

City Council: Ms. Allen

State and County Boards:

Union County:	Mr. Toma, Alt.: Mr. Robson
New Jersey:	Mr. Robson, Alt.: Mr. Toma

Union County Educational Services Comm.: Ms. Moteiro

Great Schools NJ: Ms. Allen

X. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

1. Report of Student Services, March, 2023:

	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
Pre-referral Meetings	28	92
Referrals Received	28	126 (+47 pending 21-22)
Preschool	(3)	43 (+12 pending 21-22)
Referrals Completed	20	128
Non-classifications	1	9
Classifications	12	90
No Evaluation	7	29
Referrals Pending		45
Preschool		(13)
Reevaluations Completed	20	189
Declassifications	1	7
Continuations	19	182
Annual Reviews	64	396
Transfers Received	2	54
Transfers Out	5	51
Residency Checks	4	63
Residency Drops	7	39
Truancy Drops	2	9
Surveillances	4	43
Consultations	3	36
Public Transport Checks	1	6
Meetings with Counselors	4	29

2. Report of Student Safety Data for Period 1 (Sept. 1 through Dec. 31, 2022).

XI. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION

XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

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XIII. COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Chair – Najah Allen

Members – Carlos Garay, Timothy Antisz, Alt.: Joseph Toma

XIV. PERSONNEL

Chair – Shanna Raysick

Members – Najah Allen, Laura Giacobbe, Alt.: Sean White

The Superintendent recommends:

1. Motion to terminate Employee #6498, effective immediately.
2. Motion to accept the resignation of Laura Lima, Special Education Teacher at Madison School, effective July 1, 2023.

3. Motion to appoint the following staff to the Special Education Extended Year Summer Program, June 28 through August 10, 2023, for the period, hours, and programs shown, at the negotiated hourly rate:

Preschool Disabilities Teachers:

Laura Necci	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Lashelle Bunion	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Jason McNeece	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Jessica Gardosi	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Kerry Burkhard	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Jennifer Orozco	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.

Preschool Disabilities Paras:

Elizabeth Swart	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Joycelyn Edmonds	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Allison Jerez-Toro	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Rosanne Kovacs	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Kelsey Kozick	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Tracey Welch	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.

Emotional Regulation Teachers:

Brittany Meehan	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Stephanny Ramos	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Erik Podell	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.

Emotional Regulation Paras:

Maryellen Palermo	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Thomas Hemsel	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.

Autism Teachers:

Edith Rieder	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Marisa Catricala	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Wendy DeChellis	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Katherine Garguillo	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Kristen Harbachuk	(15 days)	5.0 hrs.
Ashley Betzler	(14 days)	5.0 hrs.

Autism Paras:

Ashley Betzler	(15 days)	4.5 hrs.
Jaqueline Berrios	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Michele Buniak	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Debra Devitt	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Lisa Hopper	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.

Multiple Disabilities Teachers:

Michelle Perez	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Maryuri Pinto	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Michael Medeiros	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.

Sara Santo Pietro	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Christa Kukan	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Allison Purcell	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Jennifer Lemole	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Antonia Mavrianos	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
Avah Macknowsky	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.

Multiple Disabilities Paras:

Shantise Conway	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Khadra Elsakary	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Lillian Figueroa	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Trisha Grimes	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Delores Haywood	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Lonnisha McCaa	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Lateesha Ravenell	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Colleen Russo	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Patricia Petracca	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Chante Small	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
De-Ondra Streeter	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Rachel White	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.
Robin Wynn	(29 days)	4.5 hrs.

School Nurse:

Charlene Lesinski	(29 days)	5.0 hrs.
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4. **Motion to appoint Tiffany Varriello as an Assistant Softball Coach for the 2022-2023 Sport Season, Step 1 of the Athletic Extra Services Salary Guide, at the negotiated stipend of \$5575.00.**

5. **Motion to approve summer work for Tashelle Brown, Community Parent Involvement Specialist/Social Worker, during the period July 1-August 31, 2023, not to exceed 15 hours, at the negotiated hourly rate; funded through PEA.**

6. **Motion to approve summer work for Monica Moreno, Early Childhood Education Specialist, during the period July 1-August 31, 2023, not to exceed 40 hours, at the negotiated hourly rate; funded through PEA.**

7. **Motion to approve summer work for Cristina Soto-Baez, Early Childhood Education Specialist, during the period July 1-August 31, 2023, not to exceed 40 hours, at the negotiated hourly rate; funded through PEA.**

8. **Motion to accept the resignation of Melissa Carrero, School Nurse assigned to the 7th & 8th Grade Academy, effective July 1, 2023.**

XV. EDUCATION/CURRICULUM

Chair – Joseph Toma

Members –Shanna Raysick, Najah Allen, Alt.: Jennifer Moteiro

The Superintendent recommends:

1. Motion to approve submission to the NJ State Department of Education the 2022-2023 Annual School Plan for Madison School.
2. Motion to approve submission to the NJ State Department of Education an amendment to the 2022-2023 Annual School Plan for Grover Cleveland School.
3. Motion to approve the following fundraiser activities (no door-to-door selling):

High School

Class of 2025 to solicit donations from May 8-28, 2023; proceeds to be used for Class of 2025 activities.

Academy:

Student Gov't to collect monetary donations from April 24 – May 24, 2023; proceeds to be donated to Relay for Life.

Student Gov't to accept a percentage of receipts for a Chick-Fil-A night during the period April 24 – April 27, 2023; proceeds to be donated to Relay for Life.

4. **Motion to accept the HIB Report for March 2023.**
5. **Motion to enter into an agreement with White Glove Community, Inc. to provide in-school nursing services on a substitute basis as need during the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of \$62.00/hour for a Registered Nurse and \$52.00/hour for a Licensed Practical Nurse.**
6. **Motion to enter into an agreement with White Glove Community Care, Inc. to provide coverage for individual nursing services for student #18355 placed out-of-district at Children's Center of Monmouth County for the 2022-2023 school year effective April 17, 2023 – June 30, 2024, for up to 8 hours per day at a rate of \$60.00 per hour for Registered Nurse and \$50.00 per hour for Licensed Practical Nurse services. The services to be provided include, escorting student to and from school on the school bus and providing care to student during the school day, not to exceed \$21,120.00.**
7. **Motion to enter into an agreement with Starlight Homecare Agency, Inc. d/b/a Star Pediatric Home Care Agency to provide in-school nursing services on a substitute basis as needed during the 2023-2024 school year at the rate of \$62.00/hour for Registered Nurse services.**
8. **Motion to enter into an agreement with Best Choice Home Care to provide in-school nursing services on a substitute basis as needed during the 2023-2024 school year at the rate of \$71.00/hour for Registered Nurse services.**

9. **Motion to enter into an agreement with Starlight Homecare Agency, Inc. d/b/a Star Pediatric Home Care Agency to provide “in-school” individual nursing services to student #20180001114 placed out-of-district at Lakeview School for the 2023-2024 school year effective July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024 for up to 8 hours per day at a rate of \$62.00 per hour for Registered Nurse and \$52.00 per hour for Licensed Practical Nurse services. The services to be provided include, escorting student to and from school; on the school bus and providing care during the school day, not to exceed \$104,160.00.**
10. **Motion to enter into an agreement with Starlight Homecare Agency, Inc. d/b/a Star Pediatric Home Care Agency to provide “in-school” individual nursing services to student #18751 placed out-of-district at Lakeview School for the 2023-2024 school year effective July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024 for up to 8 hours per day at a rate of \$62.00 per hour for Registered Nurse and \$52.00 per hour for Licensed Practical Nurse services. The services to be provided include, escorting student to and from school; on the school bus and providing care during the school day, not to exceed \$104,160.00.**

XVI. FINANCE/FACILITIES

Chair – Timothy Antisz

Members –Sean White, Carlos Garay, Alt.: Laura Giacobbe

The Superintendent recommends:

1. Motion to approve the Bills List through April 18, 2023.
2. Motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the completion of an application and receipt of a safety grant award through the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group in the amount of \$12,546.00.
3. Motion to approve payment #007 to Open Systems Integrators, Inc. in the amount of \$41,466.86 for PA & Clock Upgrades at the following (6) Schools: Rahway High School, 7th & 8th Grade Academy, Franklin Elementary School, Grover Cleveland Elementary School, Madison Elementary School, and Roosevelt Elementary School.
4. Motion to approve payment #03 to AVCO Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$304,172.40 for the Unit Ventilator Upgrades at Roosevelt Elementary School.
5. Motion to approve Addendum #4 to the September 14, 2018 Use and Occupancy Agreement and Addendum to the 2019-20 User Agreement by and between the Rahway Board of Education and St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church. The Board agrees to pay the Church for the use and occupancy of the usage space the sum of \$8,200.00 for the Addendum Period extending from July 1, 2023 through August 31, 2023.

6. Motion to approve the following Professional Development:

Staff	Location of Workshop/Conference	Title of Workshop/Conference	Date(s)	Workshop Fee	Travel
Maria Hennessy	New Brunswick, NJ	Restorative Justice	5/11/2023	\$0	\$0
Maria Hennessy	Virtual	School Based Threat Assessment & Management Training	4/20/2023	\$0	\$0
Joseph Mudrak	Jersey City, NJ	NJ STEM Maker's Day	3/24/2023	\$0	\$0
Sara Obergfell	Monroe, NJ	Multi-tiered System of Support Gateway Chamber of Commerce Workshop	5/5/2023	\$150	\$0
Sean O'Riordan	Kenilworth, NJ	Rutgers Literacy Series	3/31/2023	\$0	\$0
Elizabeth DeSantis	New Brunswick, NJ	Simply Coaching Summit	4/20/2023	\$175	\$0
Jaclyn Basso	Virtual	NJ Distance Coaches Clinic	7/10/23-7/12/23	\$77	\$0
Leon Bunion	Edison, NJ	Rutgers Literacy Series	3/24/23-3/25/23	\$150	\$0
Dawn Sheedy	New Brunswick, NJ	Rutgers Literacy Series	4/20/2023	\$175	\$0
Ashley Gray	New Brunswick, NJ	Rutgers Literacy Series	4/20/2023	\$175	\$0
Jessica Geter	New Brunswick, NJ	Elementary Peer Mediation	4/27/2023	\$0	\$0
Markindy Saint Cyr	New Brunswick, NJ	NJ State Bar Conflict Resolution	4/4/2023	\$0	\$0
Nikki McFadden	Virtual	Yes, Autistic Students can Learn to Decode	4/26/2023	\$40	\$0
Jaclyn Basso	New Brunswick, NJ	Rutgers Literacy Series	4/20/2023	\$175	\$0
Estela Marcelo	Virtual	Threat Assessment Team Training	4/20/2023	\$0	\$0
Patricia Volino	Virtual	Threat Assessment Team Training	7/19/2023	\$0	\$0
Lauren Reeves	Virtual	Threat Assessment Team Training	4/20/2023	\$0	\$0
Markindy Saint Cyr	Virtual	Threat Assessment Team Training	4/20/2023	\$0	\$0
Barbara Fisher	Virtual	Threat Assessment Team Training	7/19/2023	\$0	\$0
Matthew Houch	Virtual	Threat Assessment Team Training	5/18/2023	\$0	\$0
Michael Mozingo	Virtual	Threat Assessment Team Training	6/28/2023	\$0	\$0
Sharmaine Bunion	Virtual	Threat Assessment Team Training	4/20/2023	\$0	\$0
Odete Ramalho	TCNJ (Ewing, NJ)	Fostering a Passion for Math	5/12/2023	\$235	\$0
Juan Sabates	TCNJ (Ewing, NJ)	Fostering a Passion for Math	5/12/2023	\$235	\$0
Jenna Signore	TCNJ (Ewing, NJ)	Fostering a Passion for Math	5/12/2023	\$235	\$0
Susy Silvestri	Monroe, NJ	Multilingual Learners Summit	5/12/2023	\$125	\$0
Lauren Battiato	NYC, NY	Google Training for Coaches	4/26/2023	\$0	\$150
Lauren Battiato	New Brunswick, NJ	Rutgers Literacy Series	4/20/2023	\$175	\$0
Jennifer Orozco	Monroe, NJ	Multilingual Learners Summit	5/12/2023	\$125	\$0
Colleen Kurdyla	NYC, NY	Google Training for Coaches	4/26/2023	\$0	\$150
Kevin Robinson	Glassboro, NJ	Building Thinking Classroom	5/24/2023	\$179	\$0
Jada Nicholson	New Brunswick, NJ	Elementary Conflict Resolution	4/4/2023	\$0	\$0
Jada Nicholson	New Brunswick, NJ	Elementary Peer Mediation	4/27/2023	\$0	\$0
Kenneth Betros	TCNJ (Ewing, NJ)	Fostering a Passion for Math	5/12/2023	\$235	\$0
Jason Maletzky	Monroe, NJ	Multilingual Learners Summit	5/12/2023	\$125	\$0

Gregory Mariconda	Virtual	Bilingualism and Disabilities: Critical Steps to Differentiate Both	5/31/2023	\$162	\$0
Margaret Keenan	Virtual	Bilingualism and Disabilities: Critical Steps to Differentiate Both	5/31/2023	\$162	\$0
Johanna Alcarcon	Virtual	Threat Assessment Team Training	4/20/2023	\$0	\$0
Michael Dedinsky	New Brunswick, NJ	Asbestos Safety Training	6/13/23-6/14/23	\$395	\$0
Stephen Church	Somerset, NJ	IPM Training	4/14/2023	\$0	\$0
Stephen Church	Somerset, NJ	IAQ Training	4/28/2023	\$0	\$0
Roy Eastman	Somerset, NJ	IPM Training	4/14/2023	\$0	\$0
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Gary Jamieson	Somerset, NJ	IPM Training	4/14/2023	\$0	\$0
Gary Jamieson	Somerset, NJ	IAQ Training	4/28/2023	\$0	\$0
Ruffino Rodriguez	Somerset, NJ	IPM Training	4/14/2023	\$0	\$0
Craig Smith	Somerset, NJ	IAQ Training	4/28/2023	\$0	\$0
Mark Janocko	Somerset, NJ	IAQ Training	4/28/2023	\$0	\$0
Daniel Garay	Virtual	Threat Assessment Team Training	4/20/2023	\$0	\$0
James Fisher	Virtual	Bilingualism and Disabilities: Critical Steps to Differentiate Both	5/31/2023	\$162	\$0
Monica Moreno	Virtual	2023 NJ Pyramid Model State Leadership Team Conference	5/5/2023	\$0	\$0
Tashelle Brown	Virtual	Challenging Behaviors, Stress Behaviors, and Trauma	5/5/2023	\$0	\$0
Joe Mudrak	NYC, NY	Google Training for Coaches	4/26/2023	\$0	\$0
Joe Mudrak	Monroe, NJ	A Full Day of Networking and Learning	4/25/2023	\$0	\$0
Tiffany Beer	Union, NJ	5th Annual Regional Women's Educational Leadership Forum	5/3/2023	\$55	\$0
Aleya Shoieb	Union, NJ	5th Annual Regional Women's Educational Leadership Forum	5/3/2023	\$55	\$0

7. Motion to submit to the NJ Department of Education, Division of Early Childhood, the revised 2023-24 Preschool Expansion Aid (PEA) Annual Preschool budget.

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XVIII. GENERAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

IX. BOARD MEETING DATES

Budget Hearing & Caucus Meeting: Tuesday, May 2, 2023 6:00 p.m. Executive, 7:00 p.m. Public Session
Regular Meeting: Tuesday, May 16, 2023 6:00 p.m. Executive, 7:00 p.m. Public Session

XX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting.