

MINUTES
RYE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Central Administration Building
411 Theodore Fremd Ave. Suite 100S, Conference Room
Rye NY 10580
January 18, 2011

This meeting was rescheduled from Tuesday January 11, 2011 which was cancelled due to inclement weather.

This location of the meeting was changed to 411 Theodore Fremd Avenue, Suite 100S, Conference Room, Rye New York

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Slack at 7:00 p.m. and the roll was called:

Present

Ms. Laura Slack, *Vice President*

Ms. Kendall Egan

Ms. Katy Keohane Glassberg

Ms. Young Kim

Mr. Raymond Schmitt

Mr. Joshua Nathan, *President* Arrived at 7:10 p.m.

Mr. Edward Fox – Arrived at 7:10 p.m.

Dr. Edward Shine, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Steven Cohen, Assistant Superintendent of Schools

Ms. Kathleen Ryan, Business Manager

Ms. Elaine Cuglietto, Director of Personnel

On a motion by Ms. Slack, seconded by Ms. Egan and carried unanimously (5-0) it was voted to move immediately into executive session to review the employment history of current and prospective employees, discuss negotiations pursuant to the Taylor Law and current litigation.

On a motion by Mr. Schmitt, seconded by Ms. Slack and carried unanimously (7-0) it was voted at 9:10 p.m. to reconvene in public.

Mr. Nathan welcomed those present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Hearing of the Public on Non Agenda Items

There were no communications from the public on non-agenda items.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Nathan announced that the following items were removed from the Consent Agenda:

Consent Agenda – Fiscal 7.02

Recommendation:

That the Board approves the admission of two fifth grade students to the Midland Elementary School for 2010/11 at the monthly non-resident tuition rate of \$1,824.00 per student.

Consent Agenda – Fiscal 7.04

Recommendation:

That the Board approves Budget Transfer #11 in the amount of \$331,925. to reallocate Administrators' Salaries to the appropriate Budget Codes.
Funds are being transferred from Building Admin Salary and Admin HS Salary budget codes.
This item was tabled to a future Board of Education meeting.

On a motion by Ms. Slack, seconded by Mr. Schmitt and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the following items:

General

Consent Agenda General 6.01

Recommendation:

That the Board approves the December 21, 2010 Minutes as presented.

Consent Agenda General 6.02

Recommendation:

That the Board approves the gift to the Rye Middle School from an anonymous donor in the amount of \$10,000. \$5,000 is to support the Technology Department and \$5,000 to be spent at the discretion of Dr. Edwards.

Consent Agenda General 6.03

Recommendation:

That the Board approves the gift from the Middle School PTO of the following items:
1 computer valued at \$1,169, 1 printer valued at \$649, 2 - 15 unit netbook carts with router and printers valued at \$20,414 and 7 wireless slates valued at \$2,443.

Consent Agenda General 6.04

Recommendation:

That the Board approves the Resolution that Unfunded Mandate Relief Must be Included in any NY State Property Tax Cap Proposal. (Attachment # I)

Consent Agenda General 6.05

Recommendation:

That the Board appoints Dr. Edward J. Shine as District Treasurer and Mrs. Kathleen Ryan as Deputy District Treasurer, effective January 24, 2011, until a successor is appointed and qualifies according to law.

Fiscal

Consent Agenda – Fiscal 7.01

Recommendation:

That the Board approves the Health and Welfare Service Agreement with Bedford Central School District for \$1,851.80 for the 2010/11 school year. (Attachment # II)

Consent Agenda – Fiscal 7.03

Recommendation:

That the Board approves the revised Treasurer's Report for the period ending November 30, 2010 (Attachment # III)

Consent Agenda – Fiscal 7.05

Recommendation:

That the Board approves the Budget Transfer #12 in the amount of \$31,000. from Special Ed Tuition - Public to Non-Public for one special education student. (Attachment # IV)

Consent Agenda – Fiscal 7.06

Recommendation: That the Board approves the attached resolution authorizing a three-year tax refund for a STAR exemption that was incorrectly not applied by the Rye Assessor's Office for the parcel at 99 Sonn Drive. The refund amount is \$3,038.48. (Attachment #V)

Professional

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.01

Recommendation: That the Board approves the request by Traci Tasso for a Child Care Leave of Absence, from her position as an Elementary Teacher, assigned to Osborn School, effective September 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012.

(Traci Tasso was previously approved for Personal Leave of Absences, effective September 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010 and September 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011. Traci Tasso is expecting to give birth January, 2011.)

Classified

Consent Agenda – Personnel 9.01

Recommendation: That the Board approves the Resignation due to Retirement of Anne Povella from her position as District Treasurer, assigned to Rye City School District, effective at the close of business January 30, 2011.

Consent Agenda – Personnel 9.02

Recommendation: That the Board approves the Appointment of Kristi-Leigh Linnin as a Teacher Aide, with a probationary period of a minimum of twelve weeks to a maximum of fifty two weeks, assigned to Midland School, at \$13.08 per hour, Step 1 of the 2010-2011 Teacher Aides/Teaching Assistants Salary Schedule, 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective January 13, 2011.

(Kristi-Leigh Linnin will be replacing Fabiolo Borges-Salinitro who resigned effective January 7, 2011 at the December 21, 2010 Board of Education Meeting.)

Consent Agenda – Personnel 9.03

Recommendation: That the Board approves the Leave Replacement Appointment of Amy Damascus as a Teacher Aide, assigned to Osborn School, at \$13.08 per hour, Step 1 of the 2010-2011 Teacher Aides/Teaching Assistants Salary Schedule, 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective January 31, 2011 – June 24, 2011.

(Amy Damascus will be replacing Jane Fitzpatrick who was previously approved for a Leave of Absence, effective January 31, 2011 – June 30,2011 at the December 21, 2010 Board of Education Meeting.)

Consent Agenda – Personnel 9.04

Recommendation: That the Board approves the Appointment of the following Per Diem Substitute Computer Aide to be used on an as needed basis:

Rate of pay is dependent upon proof of education in accordance with Secretarial Clerical School Nurse and Computer Aide Unit Contract for the 2010-2011 School Year Hourly rate of pay is as follows:

Step 1 without Degree - \$19.57*

Step 1 with BS - \$22.83*

Step 1 with Masters - \$27.18*

Iris Praid

*Salary pending contract settlement

Consent Agenda – Personnel 9.05

Recommendation: That the Board approves the Appointment of the following Per Diem Substitute Teacher Aides to be used only on an as needed basis for the 2010-2011 School Year:

Hourly rate of pay as follows:

Teacher Aide - \$13.08 is hourly rate of pay, Salary Step 1 of Teacher Aide/Teaching Assistant Unit Contract for the School Year.

Teacher Aide for Special Education – \$17.58 is hourly rate of pay, Salary Step 1 of Teacher Aide/Teaching Assistant Unit Contract for the School Year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Noel Gallicano	January 4, 2011

Consent Agenda – Special Education 10.01

Recommended Action

That the Board approves the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education recommendations as attached. (Attachment #VI)

Consent Agenda – Special Education 10.02

Recommended Action

That the Board approves the additional appointment for Committee on Special Education/Committee on Preschool Special Education parent member for the 2010-2011 school year as attached. (Attachment #VII)

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda – Fiscal 7.02

Recommendation:

That the Board approves the admission of two fifth grade students to the Midland Elementary School for 2010/11 at the monthly non-resident tuition rate of \$1,824.00 per student.

After discussion, on a motion by Mr. Fox, seconded by Ms. Kim and carried unanimously (7-0) to amend and approve this resolution as follows:

That the Board approves the admission of two fifth grade students to the Midland Elementary School for 2010/11 at the monthly non-resident tuition rate of \$1,824.00 per student.

It is understood that this family will be establishing residency in the Rye City School District during the 2010-2011 school year. If district residency is not established by the conclusion of this school year, the two students will not be permitted to attend Rye Middle School in September 2011.

PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION

The following presentation/discussion items scheduled for January 18, 2011 have been rescheduled for presentation/discussion at the January 25, 2011 Board of Education Meeting.

12.01 K-5 Reading Approaches Presentation - Dr. Cohen and Staff Developers

12.02 Rye Middle School Textbook Recommendation: Grade 6 - Dr. Cohen and Mr. Huynh

12.03 High School French - 3RH Curriculum - Dr. Steven Cohen

12.04 Senior Project Proposal for Implementation in 2011-2012 school year - Dr. Steven Cohen

12.05 Proposal for new Crime Busters class for 6th grade for 2011-2012 school year - Dr. Steven Cohen

12.06 Report on Space/Facility Needs

COMMUNICATIONS TO/FROM BOARD

There were no additional communications to/from the Board of Education.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Ms. Egan seconded by Ms. Kim and carried unanimously (7-0) it was voted at 10:10 p.m. to adjourn into Executive Session for the continuation of discussion of topics discussed during an earlier executive session: i.e., review employment history of current employees.

On a motion by Mr. Schmitt seconded by Ms. Keohane-Glassberg and carried unanimously (7-0) it was voted at 12:30 a.m. to reconvene in public and immediately adjourn the meeting.

Elaine M. Cuglietto
District Clerk