

**SECAUCUS BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
DATED: MAY 5, 2011**

- A. Call to Order – Mrs. Eleanore Reinl, President, at 5:00 PM
- B. Open Public Meeting Act Statement
- C. Flag Salute
- D. Roll Call
- E. Executive Session
- F. Regular Meeting 7:00PM
- G. Roll Call
- H. Approval of the Minutes for the following Board Meetings
 - Regular Board Meeting – March 24, 2011
 - Special Board Meeting – April 4, 2011
- I. Organization Reports
SGO –
- J. Correspondence
- K. Public Forum regarding Agenda Items

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of addressing resolutions on this agenda only. Residents are requested to sign the register provided for this purpose and to state their names, addresses and subject matter. Comments are limited to five minutes per person. 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 respectful, courteous and mindful of the rights of other 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 legal rights afforded by the laws of the New Jersey. The Board of Education president may interrupt any speaker or terminate any individual's speaking privilege if the speaker's comments are disruptive or obscene. An individual may be cautioned that a personally directed statement may be slanderous or defaming and that the individual may be liable for his/her statements. Any individual or group that does not follow these procedures may be asked to leave the meeting. The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for any

comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments. If necessary, the Board of Education President will adjourn.

L. Superintendent's Report:

Board Member Appreciation Plaques

- *Eleanore Reintl*
- *Michael Makarski*

Presentation of Hudson County Teacher of the Year -Kathy Kuchar

Special Education Award from New Jersey School Boards - Susan Smahl

Recommended action on resolutions and motions to be presented under Committee Reports.

M. Report of the Secretary of the Board:

Recommended action on resolutions and motions to be presented under Committee Report

*Motion to open the Public Auction of one 1999 Dodge Caravan
(Vin:2B4FP2530XR202709)*

Motion to hold Special Board Meeting on May 12, 2011 at 5PM to be held at Huber Street School Library for the purpose of personnel.

1. School Government:

Recommended Board Action for the following:

- R1.1** Approval to appoint Substitutes for the 2010-2011 School Year (See attached list).
Approval to appoint per diem clerk effective 2010-2011 School Year (See attached list).
- R1.2** Approval to appoint Stephanie Arguelles as a long term World Language Teacher replacing Annette Homenik who is currently on Medical Leave of Absence, effective October 26, 2010 - June 30, 2011 at the salary of \$85/per day.
Approval to appoint Manal Abuhour as the Maternity Leave replacement teacher for Christine DePinto, Preschool Special Education Teacher who is currently on Maternity Leave of Absence, effective April 25, 2011 through June 30, 2011 at the rate of \$90/per day.
- R1.3** Approval to accept Maternity Leave request for Anna Falco, Special Education Teacher at Clarendon Street School, effective September 7, 2011 through October 8, 2011 with pay and Child Rearing Leave of Absence effective October 9, 2011 through June 30, 2012 without pay.
- R1.4** Approval to accept Medical Leave of Absence for Debra Gerbasio, English Teacher at Secaucus High School, effective April 25, 2011-May 20, 2011 with pay.

- R1.5 Approval to appoint Allison Hess as a Home Instructor effective March 30, 2011 through June 27, 2011 at the rate of \$40/hr.
- R1.6 Approval to accept letter of retirement from Veronica Serino, English Teacher at Secaucus High School, effective July 1, 2011(Salary \$107,107) (34 years of service)
- R1.7 Approval to accept letter of retirement from Fred J. Ponti, Principal of Huber Street, School effective July 1, 2011. (Salary \$179,618) (37 years of service)
- R1.8 Approval to accept the 2011-2012 School Calendar (See Attachment)

2. **Curriculum:**

Recommended Board Action for the following:

- R2.1 **Approval of** Field Trips
- R2.2 **Approval of** Pilot Program for Online Courses for Credit Recovery and Accelerated Courses.

3. **Finance**

Recommended Board Action for the following:

- R3.1 **Approval of** Bill List
- R3.2 **Approval of** Budgetary Transfers – February and March
- R3.3 **Approval of** Financial Reports – February and March
- R3.4 **Approval to** submit to the NJ Dept. of Education the 2009-2010 IDEA Final Report
- R3.5 **Approval for** the Board President and Acting BA/BS to execute the General Release between the Secaucus Board of Education and the Harmon Cove Recreation Association and the Harmon Cove Street Association as prepared by the Board Attorney
- R3.6 **Approval to** authorize the contract for the Power Purchase Agreement for the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission Solar Co-Operative

4. **Safety/Security/Buildings & Grounds**

Recommended Board Action for the following:

- R4.1 **Approval of** the second School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Reports for the school year 2010-2011
- R4.2 Approval of annual Fire Drills/Lock Downs for district schools for school year 2010-2011/

5. **Technology Committee**

6. **Policy Committee**

Recommended Board Action for the following:

- R.6.1 **Approve the** second reading of the following mandatory policies:
 - 1140 Affirmative Action Program
 - 1523 Comprehensive Equity Plan
 - 1530 Equal Employment Opportunities

8420	Emergency and Crisis Situations
2423	Bilingual and ESL Education
2415.01	Academic Standards, Academic Assessments and Accountability
2260	Affirmative Action Program for School and Classroom Practices
8740	Bonding
6362	Contributions to Board Members and Contract Awards
6360	Political Contributions

7. **Athletic Committee:**

8. **Shared Services Report**

9. **Legislative Report**

10. **New Business**

11. **Public Forum – General Comments:**

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12. **Adjournment:** : Sine die

