

SECAUCUS BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD MEETING REGULAR MINUTES
DATED: OCTOBER 22, 2015

President Gerbasio called the meeting to order at 4:03PM and roll call taken as follows:

PRESENT: Messrs Anderson, Gerbasio, Lewis, McStowe, Mrs. D'Addetta, Mrs. Hanley, Ms. O'Connell, and Mrs. Pantoliano

LATE ARRIVALS: Mr. Bartletta

President Gerbasio declared a quorum present

Also present: Robert Presuto, CSA
Francelis De Oca Montes
Edward J. Appleton, Interim BA
Stephen Fogarty, Esq.

Vice President Lewis, asked everyone to rise and join in the salute to the flag.

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act, Vice President Lewis, announced that the Board Secretary had forwarded notice of this meeting for advertising by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Secaucus Town Hall, on the bulletin board in the hallway of the Board of Education Administration Building, as well as being provided to the Secaucus Home News, Jersey Journal, and the Bergen Record.

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. McStowe

SECONDED BY: Mr. Lewis

WHEREAS, it shall be necessary for the Secaucus Board of Education to discuss subjects concerning personnel matters;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the aforesaid subject will be discussed in closed Executive Session pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, and that such deliberations thereto will be made available to the public as soon as the reasons for non-disclosure no longer exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education went into Executive Session at 4:05PM in order to discuss personnel.

Board Members present unanimously adopted the foregoing Resolution.

Motion by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Anderson, and unanimously adopted by Board Members present to adjourn Executive Session and resume Regular Meeting at 7:06PM.

Motion by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Anderson and unanimously adopted by board members present to accept and approve the September 24, 2015 board meeting minutes, with Mrs. D'Addetta abstaining.

Organization Reports:

Dr. Tom Tufaro, Acting Principal of Huber Street School, reported on the many activities that transpired which included Halloween Safety, Fire Prevention, Week of Respect and breakfast with the parents. Dr. Tufaro reminded everyone that the Tricky Tray is November 20th and to support the PTA.

Mr. Steve Viggiani, Principal of Clarendon, also reported on the similar programs and activities which were held; which also included Week of Respect and breakfast with the parents. He also reported on the additional security of inner vestibule doors which were recently installed. In addition, Mr. Viggiani proudly announced that Clarendon School collected \$28,000 for the St. Jude Mathathon, which is #1 in the State.

Mr. Robert Valente, Principal of Middle School, reported on the activities held which included the Back to School Block Party, Week of Respect, Anti-bullying program, Red Ribbon Day for a Drug Free School. He also reported that the Middle School girls volleyball team is 12-0 for the season.

Dr. Robert Berckes, Principal of High School, reported that the annual College Fair was very successful with over 60 universities participating. On October 20th the High School Administrative staff held a successful Open House for the 8th grade parents highlighting what SHS has to offer and what we are all about. Dr. Berckes also invited everyone to the annual Veteran's Day assembly on November 11, 2015 at 1pm.

Superintendent Report:

Recommended action on resolutions and motions to be presented under Committee Reports. Mr. Presuto presented the Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying (HIB) findings as reported for the period September 9, 2015 to October 20, 2015

Motion by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mrs. O'Connell, and unanimously adopted by Board Members present to accept the HIB report, which is available at the Administrative Offices for review.

Mr. Presuto provided an update on the progress of the construction, and assured parents that construction workers are not present in the building while students are present. On the subject of security, Mr. Presuto announced that the Memorandum of Understanding between the district and law enforcement and the persecutor's office is being introduced and adopted this evening. As recommended by the agreement, parents, visitors, members of PTA's, etc. should not be permitted in the building without an appointment. If there is not appointment, they will not be permitted in the building. This is not to offend anyone, but to keep track of people within the building (for insurance purposes) and for the safety and security of the children, faculty and staff.

PARCC data from the State was just released. A report to the parents in plain language will be presented once we have an opportunity to analyze the data.

Just as a note of information, we have been in contact with the parent of the student who was a victim of harassment/bullying from the September 24th meeting that the investigation is continuing.

Mr. Stephen Fogarty called for a voice vote to hold a Special Board Meeting on November 10, 2015 in which personnel matters will be discussed. Vote was unanimous.

Business Administrator/Board Secretary Report:

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

Public Agenda Comments:

Mr. Gerbasio responded to comments which were made as to why we require members of the audience to sign in if they wish to speak. The reason why is to maintain order.

Mr. Tom Troyer inquired as to the change orders which were on the agenda for approval and requested that he be given explanations as to the orders. Mr. Fogarty informed Mr. Troyer that he could obtain copies of the orders at the Administrative Office tomorrow morning.

Committee Reports and New Business

1. School Government

R1.1

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. McStowe

SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby appoint the following individual, as recommended by the Superintendent:

Cheyenne Ramirez Part Time Custodian High School (replacing J. Toscano)
Compensation: \$22,168
Account # 11-000-262-100-023-19
Effective Date: 10/26/15

R1.2

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **Mr. McStowe**

SECONDED BY: **Mr. Anderson**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby appoint the following individual, as recommended by the Superintendent: as Acting Principal, Huber Street:

Thomas L. Tufaro **Effective Date:** 10/12/15 through 11/30/15

R1.3

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **Mr. McStowe**

SECONDED BY: **Mr. Anderson**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby rescinds Resolution R1.9 from the July 30, 2015 board meeting appointing Mona Khalil as a Per Diem Bus Aide.

R1.4

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **Mr. McStowe**

SECONDED BY: **Mr. Anderson**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, to re-appoint the following per diem positions for 2015-2016 school year:

Name	Per Diem Position	Certification
Jennifer Wilenta	Substitute	Substitute Certificate

**Compensation during the first 41 days \$85/day, beginning day 42 \$105/day.*

R1.5

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **Mr. McStowe**

SECONDED BY: **Mr. Anderson**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby rescind Resolution 1.3 from the September 24, 2015 board meeting regarding Bus Drivers and Bus Aides increases.

R1.6

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. McStowe

SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, to increase the salary of all Bus Drivers and Bus Aides by 65¢ for the 2015-2016/SY retroactive to July 1, 2015. Bus Drivers or Bus Aides hired after July 1, 2015 will be compensated as follows:

Position	Hourly Rate
Bus Drivers	\$16
Bus Aides	\$11.90

R1.7

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. McStowe

SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent to daily increases for Substitute School Nurses for the school year 2015-2016/SY (daily rate effective October 1, 2015) from \$125/day to \$150/day.

R1.8

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. McStowe

SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent to update Michael Makarski's job title and responsibilities to Coordinator of Security, Residency and Truancy with an annual salary of \$47,000 retroactive to 10/1/15.

R1.9

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. McStowe

SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED, all certified district teachers as Bedside Instructors on an as needed basis for the 2015-2016/SY. Compensation for bedside instruction of general education students is \$40/hr and compensation for bedside instruction of special education students is \$45/hr as per Article XIII of the SEA contract.

R1.10**RESOLUTION****INTRODUCED BY: Mr. McStowe****SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, compensate the following teachers who provided professional development training for the Summer Workshop; including preparation and presentation on 8/3/15:

Name	Payment
Lucy Biegler	\$600
Kristin Backiel	\$600

R1.11**RESOLUTION****INTRODUCED BY: Mr. McStowe****SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, the following salary increments based on acquired advanced degrees and/or additional credits, retroactive to September 1, 2015 (based on 2014-2015 salary guide):

Name	FY16 Level	FY16 Salary
William Millevoi	MA 6th Yr	\$66,297

R1.12**RESOLUTION****INTRODUCED BY: Mr. McStowe****SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education does here by approve as recommended by the Superintendent, Secaucus Board of Education Organizational Chart for the 2015-2016/FY.

R1.13**RESOLUTION****INTRODUCED BY: Mr. McStowe****SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby appoints, as recommended by the Superintendent, the following to Extra Curricular positions for school year 2015-2016:

Recommendation	School	EXTRA-CURRICULAR NON-COACHING POSITIONS	Stipend
Julia Dombrowski	Middle	M.S. THEATRE CLUB	\$1,150
Sean Sonnett	Clarendon	ELEM ENVIRONMENTAL TRIP CHAP.	\$450
Thiago Leite	High	SATURDAY DETENTION	\$35/hour

R1.14**RESOLUTION****INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. McStowe**SECONDED BY:** Mr. Anderson**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby rescinds Resolution R1.12 dated August 27, 2015 to correct the following:

- Anna Marie Picariello National Junior Hon. Soc., Middle School will be shared with Debra Demone: split stipend \$512.50 each
- Anna Marie Picariello R.O.G.A.T.E., Middle School will be shared with Debra Demone split stipend \$550 each

R1.15**RESOLUTION****INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. McStowe**SECONDED BY:** Mr. Anderson**BE IT RESOLVED**: that the Secaucus Board of Education does hereby approve to appoint the following individuals to Co-Curricular positions for the 2015-16 SY.

Name	Co-Curricular Coaching Positions	Stipend
Alana M. Shinnick	CHEERLEADER – ASST. COACH	\$3,590
Nicholas Schaffer	FOOTBALL – ASST. COACH	\$4,190
Joseph Trotter	BOWLING – HEAD COACH	\$4,430

R1.16**RESOLUTION****INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. McStowe**SECONDED BY:** Mr. Anderson**BE IT RESOLVED**: that the Secaucus Board of Education does hereby approve t to accept maternity/bonding/FMLA request for

Name	Position	School	Leave Date	Expected RTW
Stephanie Ramos	3 rd Grade Teacher	Clarendon	04/04/2016	09/01/2016

M1.1 Motion to accept the resignation of Amanda DeAngelo as the MS Theatre Club Extra-Curricular position.

M1.2 Motion to post for School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

M1.3 Motion to approve the employment agreement for the Human Resources Specialist for the 2015-2016 school year retroactive to July 1, 2015. The Board Attorney shall prepare the employment agreement.

M1.4 Motion to post for the position of physical education/health to replace Charles Pulvino

The foregoing resolutions and motions were adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Robert Anderson	X			
Lance Bartletta	X		M1.3	
Kelli D'Addetta	X			
John Gerbasio	X			
Norma Hanley	X			
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O'Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano	X			

2. Curriculum

R2.1

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Robert Anderson

SECONDED BY: Joseph Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, the annexed Field Trips.

R2.2

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Robert Anderson

SECONDED BY: Joseph Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves one way transportation to Lyndhurst for midday Special Education Internship Program.

R2.3

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Robert Anderson

SECONDED BY: Joseph Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, to implement Physics First at the High School Level.

R2.4**RESOLUTION****INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson**SECONDED BY:** Mr. Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, to administer the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) as a substitute assessment for graduation as per NJDOE requirements.

R2.5**RESOLUTION****INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson**SECONDED BY:** Mr. Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, to appoint turnkey trainers for the GoMath series.

Note: Resolution R2.6 was tabled to compensate Susan Redvanly and Joanie Niemiera

R2.7**RESOLUTION****INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson**SECONDED BY:** Mr. Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, to rename Intro to Engineering to Applied Engineering.

R2.8**RESOLUTION****INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson**SECONDED BY:** Mr. Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, to implement Title II Funded Secaucus Teacher Institute Workshops for the 2015-16/SY. The following courses will be offered:

Course	Instructor
Supporting English Learners in Content Area Classes	Christina Namendorf
Creative Classroom Management at the Elementary Level	Dawn Leon
Google Apps for Education (GAPE) Basic,	Rich Eisenberg and Patricia Smeyers
Google Apps for Education (GAPE) Advanced	Rich Eisenberg and Patricia Smeyers

R2.9

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. Anderson

SECONDED BY: Mr. Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, Connie Boruch to provide Anti Bullying and Behavior Management training to lunch aides.

R2.10

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. Anderson

SECONDED BY: Mr. Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, to accept a grant from the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation “Building Ecological Solutions to Coast Community Hazards”

M2.1 Motion to dispose of obsolete Science and Social Studies textbooks.

The foregoing resolutions and motion were adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Robert Anderson	X			
Lance Bartletta	X			
Kelli D’Addetta	X			
John Gerbasio	X			
Norma Hanley	X			
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O’Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano	X			

3. Finance

R3.1

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. Lewis

SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education approve the check register, as submitted by the Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary to pay bills and claims in the amount of \$4,592,817.26.

R3.2

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. Lewis

SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED: the Report of Transfers submitted by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the months of July and August within the various appropriations for the 2015-2016 school year as shown on the annexed report.

R3.3

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. Lewis

SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12(e), we certify that the Financial Reports of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies, as presented by the Interim School Business Administrator for the month(s) of July and August be placed on file. The Reports are in agreement. The Board of Education, after review of the Secretary's Financial Reports (Appropriations Section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, hereby certifies to the best of our knowledge, no major account or funds have been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.23(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

R3.4

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. Lewis

SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the out of district travel for employees as annexed to this resolution.

Employee Name	Date(s) of Event	Title of Event	Location	Registration Fee	Estimated Tolls and Mileage	Total Cost
T. Mongiello	10/26/2015	Effective Literacy & Language	Hackensack	\$0.00		\$0.00
G. Cruzado	10/26/2015	Effective Literacy & Language	Hackensack	\$0.00		\$0.00
C. Namendorf	10/26/2016	Effective Literacy & Language	Hackensack	\$0.00		\$0.00
N. Lynch	10/29/2015	Adapted Health & Physical				
		Ed. Conference	Lawrenceville	\$50.00	106 mi. @ .31= \$32.86	\$82.86
L. Sprow	11/14/2015	Ethical Issues in the Schools	Rutgers	\$129.00	33.4 mi. @ .31 = 10.35	
					Tolls = \$6.50	\$145.85
A. Cunniff	11/10/2015	Children's Health Issues	William Paterson	\$40.00	35.5 mi. @ .31 = 11.01	\$51.01
	11/17/2015	Children's Health Issues	William Paterson		35.5 mi. @ .31 = 11.01	\$11.04
K. Gerbasio	11/16/2015	Critical Mental Health Challenges				
		in Schools	AC	\$149.00	248 mi. @.31 = 76.88	\$225.88
P. Smeyers	11/20/2015	Educational Technology Conf.	William Paterson	\$95.00		\$95.00
R. Eisenberg	11/20/2015	Educational Technology Conf.	William Paterson	\$95.00	35.5 mi. @.31 = \$11.01	
D. Doering	12/3/2015	Techniques for children with				
		emotional, behavior problems	Parsippany	\$199.00		\$199.00
G. Cruzado	6/1/2015	NJTESOL/NJBE Annual Conf.	New Brunswick	\$189.00	72.4 mi. @ .31= 22.41	\$211.44
T. Mongiello	6/1/2015	NJTESOL/NJBE Annual Conf.	New Brunswick	\$189.00	72.4 mi. @ .31= 22.41	\$211.44
C. Namendorf	6/1/2015	NJTESOL/NJBE Annual Conf.	New Brunswick	\$189.00	72.4 mi. @ .31= 22.41	\$211.44

R3.5

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. Lewis

SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes the Interim Business Administrator to execute the Agreement for School Based Speech Therapy Services with Tiny Tots Therapy, located at 551 Park Avenue, Suite 4, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076 effective November 23, 2015 to (about) April 22, 2016 at a rate of \$78.00/hr. not to exceed \$44,109.

R3.6

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. Lewis

SECONDED BY: Mr. Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes the Interim Business Administrator to execute the Agreement for Brown & Brown, Benefit Advisors located a 5 Regent Street, Suite 523, Livingston, NJ 07039 to provide effective and efficient management of benefit programs for the district effective November 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 at a rate of \$3,000 monthly.

The foregoing resolutions were adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Robert Anderson	X			
Lance Bartletta	X			
Kelli D’Addetta	X			
John Gerbasio	X		R3.4	
Norma Hanley	X			
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O’Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano	X			

4. Safety, Security Buildings & Grounds

R4.1

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mrs. Pantoliano

SECONDED BY: Mr. Lewis

WHEREAS, the Secaucus Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) presently has installed a computerized security camera system in each of its schools, which provides, among other things, real-time video feed through each installed camera along with the current ability to access video recordings; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that in certain situations it is advantageous that the Secaucus Police (hereinafter referred to as the “Police”) have the ability to access live video feed and to have access to the Board’s secure areas; and

WHEREAS, the Board and the Town of Secaucus (hereinafter referred to as the “Town”) are in agreement that communication is essential between the Board and the Police to provide security to the

Board’s schools and the Police desire to provide the Board with cell phones that will be directly linked to the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Town is desirous to share information involving the arrests and restraining notices with the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board and Town further desire that the Police assist in the training and observation of the fire and security drills; and

WHEREAS, the Board and Town believe that a written agreement is necessary to describe specifically their duties and responsibilities with regards to the same.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Secaucus Board of Education that the terms, stipulations and conditions as established in the Agreement between the Board and the Town of Secaucus, which is annexed to this Resolution, are hereby adopted and approved by the Board. The Board President and Board Secretary/Business Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement.

R4.2

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mrs. Pantoliano

SECONDED BY: Mr. Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education authorize the Transportation Coordinator to submit the annexed School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Reports for Clarendon Elementary, Huber Street Elementary, Early Learning Center, Secaucus Middle School, and Secaucus High School, the first of two for school year 2015-2016.

R4.3

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mrs. Pantoliano

SECONDED BY: Mr. Lewis

WHEREAS, Dobco was awarded the Bid for General Contractor at Secaucus High School/Middle School; and

WHEREAS, Dobco has encountered changed circumstances; and

WHEREAS, Legacy Construction Management, DiCara/Rubino, Architects, and Dobco have agreed that the Change Order(s) listed below are appropriate for the changed circumstances:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following change orders be approved in for the (net) amounts as listed in accordance with annexed documentation:

01- Electrical	add	\$28,816.28
02-Clay Storm Pipe	add	\$22,965.98
03-PSE&G fees	add	\$ 5,829.63
04-Fire Damper	add	\$ 1,439.18
05-Epoxy repaired floor	add	\$ 5,964.08
06-Removal of Green House	add	\$ 2,093.89
07-Repair concrete trench	add	\$ 1,996.18
08- Rework expansion joint	add	\$ 1,496.29
09-Modify color finishes (green rm.)	add	\$ 3,671.14
10-Additional work Rm.103 not on Drawings	add	\$ 3,337.35
11-Relocate construction fence and Install emergency egress	add	\$ 1,957.75
12-Furnish and install gas piping to wall oven in Rm. 103 & pantry	add	\$ 3,458.92
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		\$83, 026.67

R4.4

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mrs. Pantoliano

SECONDED BY: Mr. Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves the use of the Arthur F. Couch Performing Arts Center for a performance by the US Navel Concert Band on March 13, 2016 which will perform for the community at a free concert.

R4.5

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mrs. Pantoliano

SECONDED BY: Mr. Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the Secaucus Board of Education, Police Department, the Department of Education and the Hudson County Prosecutor for school year 2015-2016.

M4.1 Motion to dispose of irreparable/obsolete technology equipment located throughout the district

M4.2 Motion to post on GovDeals.com for auction the 2012 Chevrolet 2500HD/42D Silverado with crew cab and snow plow with an opening bid of \$16,000

The foregoing resolutions were adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Robert Anderson	X			
Lance Bartletta	X			
Kelli D'Addetta	X			
John Gerbasio	X			
Norma Hanley	X			
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O'Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano	X			

5. Technology

Meeting held on October 13, 2015, no action to be taken at this time

6. Policy

R6.1

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mrs. O'Connell

SECONDED BY: Mrs. Pantoliano

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves the second reading, as recommended by the Superintendent, of the following policies:

- 3322 Teaching Staff Use of Personal Cell Phones
- 3340 Grievance 504
- 4322 Staff Member Use of Personal Cell Phones
- 5330 Administration of Medication
- 5615 Suspected Gang Activity
- 5756 Transgender Students
- 8540 School Nutrition Programs
- 8550 Outstanding Food Service Charges
- 8820 Opening Exercises/Ceremonies

R6.2

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Mrs. O’Connell

SECONDED BY: Mrs. Pantoliano

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves the first reading, as recommended by the Superintendent, of the following policy:

8601 Pupil Supervision After School Dismissal

The foregoing resolutions were adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Robert Anderson	X			
Lance Bartletta	X			
Kelli D’Addetta	X			
John Gerbasio	X			
Norma Hanley	X			
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O’Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano	X			

7. Athletic Liaison

Mrs. D’Addetta indicated that her email was not working and unfortunately was unable to get an update.

8. Shared Services- No Report

9. Legislative Report – No Report

10. New Business-None

Public General Comments

Tom Troyer again inquired of the Board how did we save \$700,000? Mr. McStowe explained to Mr. Troyer the events which transpired in the acquisition of the cement blocks rather than jersey dividers and the role Mr. Scheiner played in this event.

Melanie Alberto 30 Gail Place – Ms. Alberto inquired why her daughter was not permitted to participate in the Middle School girls soccer program while she is attending a charter school. Mr. Fogarty responded that the NJ Interscholastic Athletic Association which permits students attending private schools, which do not have athletic programs, to participate in public school athletic programs pertains only to high school not middle school students. Decisions cannot be made on a case by case basis but policy can be changed; which is the decision of the board.

Tracey Hernandez 45 Elizabeth Court – Again addressed the Board as previously seeking an answer as to why her son did not receive “counseling”. Mr. Presuto responded that these are questions that need to be

addressed to the professionals (psychologist/case manager) of the Child Study Team, as well as the Director of Special Services; namely Mrs. Smahl. Please make an appointment to meet with them to obtain the answers you are seeking.

Board Member Comments

Robert Anderson complimented the members of the JSA on the great job of hosting and moderating the recently held Meet the Candidates. Mr. Anderson stated that at the event an Administrator of the district indicated that the HS/MS "class schedule" was guaranteed to change. The Administrator is in no position to make this statement as any changes are done by Committee along with Administrators and approved by the Board. Mr. Anderson also complimented Dr. Tufaro in doing a great job as Acting Principal of Huber Street School.

Ruby Pantoliano also complimented Dr. Tufaro, and thanked all the Principals for all that they do and for all the good things that happen in the schools.

Lance Bartletta welcomed Mr. Edward Appleton, Interim Business Administrator. He also complimented the efforts that Clarendon School exhibits in the Mathathon for St. Jude's. Happy Halloween everyone.

Jack McStowe announced that for the first time we have beat Harrison in soccer.

Kathy O'Connell congratulated the boy's varsity team for achieving this win. Congratulations to Clarendon. Welcome Ed Appleton and College Night was very informative.

Kelli D'Addetta reported on fall sports, and congratulated JSA on a great job.

Norma Hanley attended several events in the schools including the SHS Open House which was very informative and provided an overview of the opportunities afforded by our high school. Thank you JSA for a great Meet the Candidates and come out to vote on November 3rd.

Joseph Lewis thank you for coming and welcome Ed. Great job JSA and Happy Birthday Jack.

John Gerbasio thanked everyone for coming and hope to have a Meet the Board Member event in the upcoming months. Expressed well wishes to Linda Wilhelm for a speedy recovery.

Motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. O'Connell, and unanimously adopted by Board Members present to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:33PM

Respectfully submitted,

Edward J. Appleton,
Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary