

**SECAUCUS BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
DATED: APRIL 28, 2016**

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

PRESENT: Messrs, Gerbasio, Giele, Lewis, McStowe, Ms. Cali, Ms. O'Connell, and Ms. Pantoliano

LATE ARRIVALS: Mr. Bartletta at 6:00pm

ABSENT: Ms. Hanley

President Gerbasio declared a quorum present

Also present: Kenneth J. Knops, Interim CSA, Grace Yeo, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Stephen Fogarty, Board Attorney

Vice President McStowe, 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 McStowe, 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: Ms. Cali

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act allows for the exclusion from discussion as the public portion of a meeting certain matters as outlined below, and

WHEREAS, the Secaucus Board of Education wishes to discuss such matters made and will make such discussion public when a proper conclusion has been reached:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education will hold a Closed Executive Session on this date, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (1), (2), (6), (7) and (8) for the purpose(s) as outlined and described below. These matters will be disclosed to the public as soon as the need for confidentiality no longer applies:

Unwarranted Invasion of Individual Privacy
Acquisition of Real Property or Investment of Funds
Public Safety Procedures
Litigation or Contract Matters or Attorney/Client Privilege
Personnel Matters

Board Members present unanimously adopted the foregoing Resolution.

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

Motion by Mr. McStowe, seconded by Ms. O’Connell to accept and approve the Regular March 24, 2016 and Special April 12, 2016 board meeting minutes were adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Lance Bartletta	X			
Joan Cali	X			
John Gerbasio	X			
Louis Giele			X	
Norma Hanley	X			
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O’Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano			X	

SHOWCASE OF SUCCESS

This month Mr. Knops had the honor to present the following individuals as they have been named teacher and/or professional’s of the year. Each of the Principals introduced their respective teacher/professional and gave a brief biography. The following were presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and flowers:

- Kimberly Woeckener
- Lucy Biegler
- Anna Critelli
- Amanda Jones
- Michael Vitulano (presented with a gift certificate)
- Kathy Gerbasio

Note absent: Zahava Pianko and Nancy Jaber

Mr. Gerbasio announced that our JSA Chapter has been named “Chapter of the Year” in the Middle States Division. The members of the JSA will be showcased at our next meeting.

Organization Reports:

Building Principals, Valente, Wilhelm, Viggiani and Dr. Berckes, reported on events which took place in each of their schools for the month of April as well as upcoming events in May.

Ms. Gretchen Henkel, editor of the Secaucus Home News, was recognized for showcasing our students and the district.

Superintendent Report:

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

Mr. Knops also thanked Ms. Henkel for all that she does for the district. Heartfelt congratulations were extended to members of the JSA Chapter, what an honor and the district is

very proud of their accomplishments. Congratulations to all members of the cast and crew of Legally Blonde, what a production! Mr. Knops informed those in attendance that the both elementary schools are conducting Open House for Pre-K and Kindergarten students entering the district.

Mr. Knops announced that there would be no report on findings of Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying findings for this month as the report was returned to the school for further investigation and the findings will be reported at the next board meeting.

Ms. Grace Yeo, Board Secretary read the following:

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: John McStowe

SECONDED BY: Joseph Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby affirms a report of Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying following a hearing on appeal of that decision on April 28, 2016.

Business Administrator/Board Secretary Report:

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

Ms. Grace Yeo, presented to those in attendance the school district budget for school year 2016-2017. Ms. Yeo highlighted areas of:

- Accomplishments for school year 2015-2016
- Goals and Objectives for school year 2016-2017
- Hiring of 6.5 teachers
- Services utilized to provide cost effectiveness
- Tax Levy – cost for homeowners is at 2% based on \$175,000 value

Mr. McStowe, brought to the attention of those in the audience that in the school year 2016-2017 budget we have had to budget for students whose parents have chosen to send their children to charter schools. However, the district must pay the charter schools tuition, and this includes approximately 50 students at a total estimated expense of \$450,000.00.

After Ms. Yeo's presentation, Mr. Gerbasio announced that at the Town Council meeting on April 12, 2016 the Mayor announced that the Town will pick up the 2%, and; therefore, there will be no increase in taxes. A round of applause was given for the Mayor and Town Council.

BA.1

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: John McStowe

SECONDED BY: Joan Cali

WHEREAS, the Executive Superintendent and the Executive County School Business Administrator have reviewed and approved the 2016-2017 tentative budget adopted by the board on March 16, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Secaucus Board of Education has concluded the required Public Hearing; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2016-2017 be adopted as follows:

	GENERAL	SPECIAL	DEBT	
	FUND	REVENUES	SERVICE	TOTAL
2016-2017 Total Expenditures	\$36,177,149	\$780,602	\$3,197,088	\$40,154,839
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$2,189,480	\$780,602	\$783,380	\$3,753,462
Taxes to be Raised	\$33,987,669	-	\$2,413,708	\$36,401,377

The foregoing resolution was adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Lance Bartletta	X			
Joan Cali	X			
John Gerbasio	X			
Louis Giele	X			
Norma Hanley				X
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O'Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano	X			

Public Agenda Comments: No Comments

Committee Reports and New Business

1. School Government

R1.1

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: John McStowe

SECONDED BY: Kathy O'Connell

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Interim Superintendent, to reappoint the attached Non Tenured Certificated staff for the 2016-2017/SY:

Last Name	First Name	School	Tenure Year
ABUHOURLAN	MANAL	Clarendon	3
ALVAREZ	ALLISON	High	2
BUTLER	AMBER	Middle/High	2
CAPALBO	FRANK	Middle	1
CARUSO	DYLAN	Middle	2
CASSESE	ANTHONY	High	1
CASTELLI	NANCY	Middle	1
CHOPRA	KRITIKA	Middle	1
COCUCCI	CAROLANN M.	Huber	4
COCUCCI	PASQUALE	Middle	3
CONFORTI	SARA	High	3
CULLEN	CHELSEA	Middle	1
CURRY	THOMAS	Huber	4
D'AURIZIO	JANINE	High	3
DIORIO	CAROLYNN	High	1
DOMBROWSKI	JULIA	High	1
FORGACZ	STEPHANIE	Clarendon	2
GIUNTA	DANIELLE	Clarendon	2
GOLDSACK	KERRY	Clarendon	1
HEINTJES	MELISSA	Clarendon	3
HENSLE	JESSICA	Clarendon	2
JABER	NANCY	Middle	2
KAPUSNIK	ANETA	Middle	1
KASABIAN	PIA	Middle/High	1
KNAPP	KRISTEN	Clarendon	1
KORYCINSKI	KERRI	Clarendon	2
LEITE	THIAGO	High	4
LEON	DAWN	Huber	4
MADDALENA	MEGHAN	Middle	4
MARA	PADRAIG	High	3
MASTRO	STEPHEN	Huber	1
MIMMO	JONATHAN	Middle/High	1
NAMENDORF	CHRISTINA	Middle/High	1
NEWMAN	PETER	High	4
NGO	SUZANNE	Clarendon	4
ORLANDO	COLLEEN	Clarendon	1
PAREDES	ANN	High	1
PASTOR	RAPHAEL	High	4
PEDUTO	JENNINE	Huber	3
POPE	EVAN	High	2
RAMOS	STEPHANIE	Clarendon	2

ROCCO	NICOLE	Clarendon	1
ROESING	EDWARD	High	3
ROESING	CORY	Middle	2
ROZANSKY	LACEY	Huber	3
SCHEINER	CASEY	Middle/High	1
SCISCILO	SARAH	Middle	1
SEGRO	DAVID J	Middle/High	3
SIAFAKAS	ILIAS	Middle/High	1
SOMERSET	DONALD	Middle	3
SPROW	LAURA	Clarendon	1
SUTRISNO	BAYU	Middle	1
VARUGHESE	AMBILY	Clarendon	3
VOLPE	CARLA	High	1
WESTOVER	ERIN	Huber	3
YEO	ASHLEY	Huber	4
ZELKOWITZ	REBECCA	Clarendon	2

R1.2

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **John McStowe**

SECONDED BY: **Kathy O’Connell**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Interim Superintendent, to reappoint the attached Tenured Certificated and TA staff for the 2016-2017/SY:

Last Name	First Name	School
ABELLO	LUCIA	Clarendon
AMATO	MARIETTA	Clarendon
AMATO-LEWIS	JOSEPHINE	Clarendon
BACIGALUPO	HELEN	High
BACKIEL	KRISTIN	Clarendon
BAKER	FURY	High
BARNA	KAREN	Clarendon
BARNABA	JAMES	Middle/High
BARTLETTA	LISA	Clarendon
BELTRAN	YANET	Clarendon
BIEGLER	LUCY	Clarendon
BINETTI	MARY-CATE	Huber
BIVIN	BARBARA	Clarendon

BONIN	ALLAN	Huber
BONITO	NICOLE	Clarendon
BORUCH	CONNIE	Clarendon
BOSCARINO	ANNA	Huber
BRISLIN	MARIA K.	High
BUTLER	THOMAS	High
CADENA	MAYDA	High
CELEBRANO	KAREN	Huber
COLAMARINO	JANET	Clarendon
CORCORAN	JOYCE	Huber
COSTELLO	CLAIRE WRAGA	Huber
COUTO	ZAIDA	Huber
CRITELLI	ANNA	Huber
CRUZADO	GEORGINA	Clarendon
CUNNIFF	ALLISON	Middle
CZECHOWSKI	NEAL	High
DEANGELO	AMANDA	High
DEGENNARO- RODRIGUES	MICHELE	High
DEMONE	DEBRA	Middle
DEPICE	DOUGLAS	High
DOERING	DAWN	Clarendon
EISENBERG	RICHARD	High
ELASSA	AOMAR	High
ENNIS	JOHN	High
FALCO	ANNA	Clarendon
FITZPATRICK	GERALDINE	Huber
FOURNIER	ROBERT	High
FRANK	LORRAINE	Huber
GANNON	JEANNE	High
GAROFALO-ADESSA	LORI	High
GEHM	MICHAEL	High
GERBASIO	KATHLEEN	High
GERBASIO	DEBRA	High
GONGORA	OSCAR	Huber
GROSSO	ALYSSA	Huber
GULISTAN	MIHRIBAN	High
HACKEL	ROXANNE	Huber
HANLEY	KRISTIE	Clarendon
HARRSCH	JOLANDA	Clarendon
HENNESSY	TAMMY	Clarendon
HERNANDEZ	NICOLE	Huber
HOLSTEN	SHARON	Huber
IMPREVEDUTO	MARGHERITA	Huber
INGENITO	KELLY	Huber
INNIS	CHRISTOPHER	Middle
JAEGER	JUDITH	Huber

JARAMILLO	LISA	Clarendon
JONES	AMANDA	Middle
KALAPODAKIS	DEBRA	High
KELLY	MICHAEL	High
LAMATINA	MALEESA	Clarendon
LEE	STACEY	High
LEPPIN	ALEXIS	Huber
LEPPIN	ANNA	Huber
LOPENA	MELISSA	Huber
LYNCH	NANCY	Middle/High
MALCOLM	MICHELLE	Clarendon
MALONEY	MARY	Clarendon
MARCHIONE	KAREN J.	Middle
MARTINELLI-WURST	MICHELE	Huber
MARTINEZ	LUIS	High
MCKENNA	DENISE	High
MELFA	CHERRYL	High
MEYER	TIFFANY	High
MICHAELS	LAURA ANN	Huber
MILLEVOI	WILLIAM	Clarendon
MONGIELLO	ANNA	Clarendon
MROZ	RONALD	Middle
NIEMIERA	JOANIE	Huber
O'CONNOR	KELLY	Huber
ORTIZ	DIORCHINIE	Clarendon
PALMISANO	TONI ANN	Middle
PARHAM	KARA K.	Clarendon
PETRUZZELLI	CAMILLE	High
PHEMSINT	PATRICE	Huber
PIANKO	ZAHAVA	Huber
PICARIELLO	ANNA MARIE	Middle
PREIS	JILL	High
PRIMAVERA	MICHELLE	Clarendon
QUAIL	DIANE	High
REDVANLY	SUSAN	Clarendon
REGENSBURG	JANET LYNN	High
RENNIE	FAITH ANN	Huber
RIVERA	SHEILA	Huber
ROBERTO	DANIELLE	Middle
RODRIGUEZ	JEANETTE	Huber
RODRIGUEZ	MARTHA	High
RODRIGUEZ	MARIA	Middle
SCHLEMM	LANA	Clarendon
SCHNEIDER	KEITH	High
SMEYERS	PATRICIA	Clarendon
SMITH-BONIN	LISA	Clarendon
SNARSKI	KRYSTLE	Clarendon

SOMMER	EDWARD	Clarendon
SONNETT	SEAN	Clarendon
SPIEKERMANN	ROSEANN	High
STAMM	KERRI	Huber
STOKOLS	PAMELA	Middle
SUZANO	CATHERINA	High
TAVERAS	TARA	High
TAYLOR	CATHLEEN	Middle
TURCI-TRINGALI	ORietta	Huber
ULRICH	MARIA	Huber
URBANOVICH	ALLISON	High
VALENTE	LAURIE	Clarendon
VAN ES	LISA	Huber
VIERA	CINDY	Huber
VIGGIANI	EILISH	Huber
VIGGIANO	JAIME	Huber
VITIELLO	SHARON	High
VITULANO	MICHAEL	High
VITULANO	SANDRA	Middle
WASSONG	AMANDA	Clarendon
WATERS	KELLY	Middle
WISWESSER	CHRISTINA	High
WOECKENER	KIMBERLY	Clarendon
WRIGHT	LUCILLE	Huber
ZAVOROTNYAYA	PAVLINA	High

Last Name	First Name	School
Aquino	Mary	High
Bennett	JoMarie	High
Bogdan	Jenny	Clarendon
Brown	Patricia	Huber
Daddetto	Patricia	Clarendon
Hansen	Linda	Huber
Hurtuk	GraceAnn	Huber
Imperato	Denise	Clarendon
Meli	MaryAnn	Clarendon
Sawaged	Rodaina	Middle
Vera	Ivonne	Middle
Vergieva	Stoyanka	Clarendon
Waiver	Donna	High
Wraga	Maria	Clarendon

R1.3

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **John McStowe**

SECONDED BY: **Kathy O’Connell**

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

Name	Per Diem Position	Certification	Compensation
Mario Castelli	Substitute Teacher	Substitute	Days 1-41 \$85/day Day 42+ \$105
Adriana Perez	Substitute Teacher	Substitute	Days 1-41 \$85/day Day 42+ \$105
Christina Santos-Caban	Substitute Teacher	-CEAS Pre-K-3 -CEAS Elem. School. Teacher, K-6	Days 1-41 \$90/day Day 42+ \$105
Tooba Shaida	Substitute Teacher	Substitute	Days 1-41 \$85/day Day 42+ \$105
Tonya T. Busch	Secretary	N/A	\$13/hour

R1.4

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **John McStowe**

SECONDED BY: **Kathy O’Connell**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves to modify the mentors below as per the modified state schedule for the 2015-2016/SY for novice teachers with applicable fees paid to the mentor by the mentee

Mentee	Mentor	Fee
Nicole Florio	Anna Mongiello	\$550
Casey Perez	Lisa Bartletta	\$550
Mary Rose Curcio	Diane Quail	\$550

**Pro-rated based on employment status in district (F/T/P/T/Multi Year)*

R1.5

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: John McStowe

SECONDED BY: Kathy O’Connell

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/SY:

Name	School	Position	Stipend
David Segro	Middle/High	Elem. Environmental Trip Chap.	\$450
Dylan Caruso	Middle	Elem. Environmental Trip Chap.	\$450
Laurie Valente	Clarendon	Elem. Environmental Trip Chap.	\$450
Donald Somerset	Middle	Elem. Environmental Trip Chap.	\$450
Pasquale Cocucci	Middle	Elem. Environmental Trip Chap.	\$450
Henry Allen		Elem. Environmental Trip Chap.	\$450

Motion by Mr. McStowe, seconded by Ms. Cali and unanimously adopted by Board Members present to table Resolution R1.6 at this time.

R1.7

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: John McStowe

SECONDED BY: Kathy O’Connell

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education does hereby approves to advance William B. Heaney, Level II Custodian, at Huber Street School to the Level III, Step 1: \$65,206 of the Custodian/District Wide Maintenance guide prorated for 2015-16/SY

R1.8

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **John McStowe**

SECONDED BY: **Kathy O’Connell**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education does hereby approve to grant Maternity/Bonding Leave request for

Name	Position	School	Initial Leave Start Date	Expected RTW
Kelly O’Connor	Teacher, 3rd Grade	Huber Street	9/1/16	1/17/17
Danielle Giunta	Teacher, 6th Grade	Clarendon	9/1/16	9/1/17

R1.9

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **John McStowe**

SECONDED BY: **Kathy O’Connell**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education does hereby approve to grant Bonding Leave request for

Name	Position	School	Initial Leave Start Date	Expected RTW
Tiffany Meyer	Teacher, Physical Education	Middle/High School	09/01/16	09/01/17
Edward Sommer	Teacher, Technology Education	Clarendon	05/16/16	5/23/16

R1.10

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **John McStowe**

SECONDED BY: **Kathy O’Connell**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education does hereby retroactively approve Sick/FMLA Leave:

Name	Position	School	Initial Leave Start Date	Expected RTW
Lucy Biegler	Literacy Coach	Clarendon School	03/17/16	04/27/16

M1.1 Motion to rescind the appointment of Judith Jaeger from the 8/27/2015 board agenda as an Elem. Environmental Trip Chap. for the 2015-16/SY

M1.2 Motion to accept with regret, a letter of retirement from:

Name	Position	School	Effective Date
Janet Kalogera	Secretary, Library	Huber Street School	05/31/16
Helen Allen	Teacher, 1st Grade	Huber Street School	6/30/16

M1.3 Motion to post for:

- Secretary (Huber Street)
- Elementary School Teacher, 1st Grade (Huber Street) 2016-17/SY
- LTR Elementary School Teacher, 3rd Grade (K. O'Connor)
- Extra-Curricular Non-Coaching Positions 2016-17/SY
- Coordinators 2016-17/SY
 - Special Education Transition
 - Gifted and Talented
 - Service Learning Academy (SAIL), Learning Through Service (LTS)
 - Media Academy
 - Career Exploration & Internship
- Affirmative Action Officers (1 per school) 2016-17/SY
- Building Mentors (1 per school) 2016-17/SY
- Summer Custodial Positions (13)
- Summer IT Positions (2)
- Summer Curriculum Positions (*pending approval in Curriculum Committee Meeting*)
 - Middle School World Language- revision to semesters for 7th/8th grades-2 teachers
 - Facing History and Ourselves- revision- 1 teacher
 - History of American Justice- creation of curriculum- 1 teacher
 - Creative Writing- 1 teacher
 - Etymology, Mythology, and "Shakespeare-ology"- 1 teacher
 - Accounting 2- creation of curriculum- 1 teacher
 - Statistics and Probability-creation of curriculum- 1 teacher
 - K-2 and 3-5 ESL- revision- 2 teachers
 - English for ELLs course at the high school-1 teacher
 - Comprehensive Technology Curriculum- 2 elementary, 2 secondary
 - Science High School Curricula to NGSS - 2 teachers to revise and update
 - PSI Physics - creation of curriculum - 1 teacher
 - PSI Chemistry - creation of curriculum - 1 teacher
 - AP Physics I - creation of curriculum - 1 teacher

- Elementary Literacy Series Update
- Two teachers to revise K-2 and 3-5 ESL curricula
- Approval of ESL Curriculum- grades 9-12
- Approval for 2016 ESL Summer Program (see details below)
 - Post for up to 3 teachers and 1 nurse for the 2016 ESL Summer Program:
- Kindergarten Screening - 4 teachers
- Summer Music Program
- Co-Curricular Coaching Positions, Fall 2016
 - Head Football Coach
 - Assistant Football Coaches (7)
 - Head Cross Country Coach
 - Assistant Cross Country Coach
 - Head Cheerleading Coach
 - Assistant Cheerleading Coach
 - Head Volleyball Coach
 - Assistant Volleyball Coaches (2)
 - Middle School Volleyball Coach
 - Head Girls Tennis Coach
 - Assistant Girls Tennis Coach
 - Head Girls Soccer Coach
 - Assistant Girls Soccer Coaches (2)
 - Middle School Girls Soccer Coach
 - Head Boys Soccer Coach
 - Assistant Boys Soccer Coaches (2)
 - Middle School Boys Soccer Coach

M1.4 Motion to approve the school calendar for the school year 2016-2017. It was noted by Mr. McStowe that last day of school is based on the number of snow days which is built into the end of the year.

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

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Lance Bartletta	X		R1.2 & R1.4	
Joan Cali	X			
John Gerbasio	X		R1.2	
Louis Giele	X			
Norma Hanley				X
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O'Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano	X			

2. Curriculum

R2.1

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Kathy O'Connell

SECONDED BY: Joseph Lewis

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

R2.2

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Kathy O'Connell

SECONDED BY: Joseph Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, to continue Summer Internship Coordinator for 2016.

R2.3

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Kathy O'Connell

SECONDED BY: Joseph Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, to pay for Physics Certification Training for Raphael Pastor utilizing Title II Funds.

R2.4

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Kathy O'Connell

SECONDED BY: Joseph Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, of Summer Curriculum Writing for the following areas:

- Middle School World Language- revision to semesters for 7th/8th grades-2 teachers

- Facing History and Ourselves- revision- 1 teacher
- History of American Justice- creation of curriculum- 1 teacher
- Creative Writing- 1 teacher
- Etymology, Mythology, and “Shakespeare-ology”- 1 teacher
- Accounting 2- creation of curriculum- 1 teacher
- Statistics and Probability-creation of curriculum- 1 teacher
- K-2 and 3-5 ESL- revision- 2 teachers
- English for ELLs course at the high school-1 teacher
- Comprehensive Technology Curriculum- 2 elementary, 2 secondary
- Science High School Curricula to NGSS - 2 teachers to revise and update
- PSI Physics - creation of curriculum - 1 teacher
- PSI Chemistry - creation of curriculum - 1 teacher
- AP Physics I - creation of curriculum - 1 teacher

R2.5

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **Kathy O’Connell**

SECONDED BY: **Joseph Lewis**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves to administer PSAT to approximately 310 10th and 11th grade students with an approximate cost of \$4,340.

R2.6

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **Kathy O’Connell**

SECONDED BY: **Joseph Lewis**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves to implement K-12 ESL Extended School Year Summer Program

R2.7

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **Kathy O’Connell**

SECONDED BY: **Joseph Lewis**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves as per the new Comprehensive Equity Plan, please ensure all curricula now has the **District Equity Statement** on the information page (see language below):

District Equity Statement

It is the policy of Secaucus Public School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, sex, ancestry, national origin, social or economic status, pregnancy, or physical handicap in its educational programs or activities. Furthermore, the District strives to maintain a learning environment that is free from sexual harassment.

Courses of study and curricula shall be designed, and instructional materials shall be selected to promote understanding, equity, and mutual respect among people. No course offering in any school, grade or subject shall be limited on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, sex, ancestry, national origin, social or economic status, pregnancy, or physical handicap. Furthermore, there shall be no discrimination against students as to any educational activity or program due of pregnancy, childbirth, pregnancy-related disabilities, actual or potential parenthood, or family or marital status. If a student requests to be excluded or a physician certifies that such is necessary for her physical, mental, or emotional well-being, she must be provided with adequate and timely opportunity for instruction to continue or make up her schoolwork without prejudice or penalty.

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

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Lance Bartletta	X			
Joan Cali	X			
John Gerbasio	X			
Louis Giele	X			
Norma Hanley				X
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O'Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano	X			

3. Finance

R3.1

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Joseph Lewis

SECONDED BY: Joan Cali

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education approve the check register, as submitted by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to pay bills and claims in the amount of \$3,104,017.56.

R3.2

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Joseph Lewis

SECONDED BY: Joan Cali

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

R3.3

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Joseph Lewis

SECONDED BY: Joan Cali

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 School Business Administrator for the month(s) of February 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: Joseph Lewis

SECONDED BY: Joan Cali

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
S. Smahl	5/11 to 5/13	NJASA/NJAPSA	Atlantic City	\$525.00	Mileage = \$76.95	
					Tolls = 14.05	
					Lodging = \$228	
					Meals = \$91	\$935.00

R3.5

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Joseph Lewis

SECONDED BY: Joan Cali

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes the Business Administrator and President to execute contracts for out of district placement tuition for the remainder of 2015-2016 school year (43 billable days) for:

Windsor Learning Center	Student ID#13482	\$12,780.46
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R3.6

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Joseph Lewis

SECONDED BY: Joan Cali

WHEREAS, the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission (“HCESC”), as Lead Agency for the HCESC cooperative pricing system (system identifier 34HUNCCP), has awarded a contract for proprietary Apple technology products following the public solicitation of sealed bids pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-15, N.J.4011-13 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-9.1; and

WHEREAS, the Secaucus Board of Education is a member of the HCESC cooperative pricing system and is authorized to make purchases from contracts awarded by the HCESC pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Apple technology products covered by the HCESC contract sought by the Secaucus Board of Education are of such a specialized nature that only products will meet the needs of the Secaucus Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, the Secaucus Board of Education has heavily invested time and funds in the acquisition and integration of Apple products in local operations that will be wasted if non-Apple products were used to supplement the existing technology; and

WHEREAS, the use of non-Apple products would require either the wholesale replacement of the technology currently used by the Secaucus Board of Education or an unsupportable level of training, support and maintenance services that would utterly defeat the purpose of the public contracting laws;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes the purchase of proprietary Apple technology products from the HCESC contract.

R3.7

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: Joseph Lewis

SECONDED BY: Joan Cali

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes the Business Administrator to accept a donation from the Town of Secaucus for various sized monitors and four office chairs as listed on the annexed report, valued approximately at \$36,331.

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

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Lance Bartletta	X			
Joan Cali	X			
John Gerbasio	X			
Louis Giele	X			
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: Ruby Pantoliano

SECONDED BY: Lance Bartletta

WHEREAS, the Secaucus Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) is the owner in fee simple of certain real property designated as Block 70, Lot 1 on the tax map of the City of Secaucus, Hudson County (hereinafter referred to as the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the Board has remediated contaminated soil at the Property in accordance with N.J.S.A. 58:10B-13 et seq., such that soil contamination remains in certain areas of the Property that contains contaminants in concentrations that do not allow for the unrestricted use of the Property; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 58:10B-13, the Board is required to execute a Deed Notice in a form as provided and approved by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Secaucus Board of Education that the Deed Notice regarding the property designated as Block 70, Lot 1 on the tax map of the City of Secaucus, Hudson County, as prepared and approved by Carrie Berry, LSRP ID No. 581028, which is annexed to this Resolution, is hereby adopted and approved by the Board. The Board President and Board Secretary/Business Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Deed Notice on behalf of the Board.

R4.2

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **Ruby Pantoliano**

SECONDED BY: **Lance Bartletta**

Whereas, the Secaucus Board of Education seeks to participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools to focus attention and efforts on matters of sustainability and pursue initiatives that will lead to Sustainable Jersey for Schools Certification.

Whereas, the Secaucus Board of Education and District Superintendent seek to support and work with school staff and administrators, students, and parents to ensure a safe and healthy environment for students by encouraging our school community to implement sustainable, energy-smart, eco-friendly, and cost-effective solutions.

Whereas, extensive opportunities exist to teach students about ecological, economic and social sustainability, environmental health, and nutrition; to integrate sustainability education into classroom learning; and to support students in becoming leaders in making their schools healthier and more sustainable places.

Whereas, many options and choices exist for schools to use resources more efficiently; to reduce, reuse, and recycle; to follow Green Building Standards for construction and major renovations; to form school partnerships; to eliminate toxic chemicals; to purchase (or produce) clean energy; and to purchase recycled paper, energy-efficient equipment and other green products to protect our global environment.

Whereas, sustainability means using resources wisely, saving money, and reducing our impact on the environment, all of which will ensure the future health, safety, and prosperity of our children.

Whereas, the Secaucus Board of Education commits to the formation of at least one Sustainability Leadership Team (also referred to as “Green Team”), based on the guidance of Sustainable Jersey for Schools. (See the “Create A Green Team” action. Your district “Green Team” can be designated from a pre-existing group within the district if desired.).

Whereas, Green Team members help schools adopt policies and practices addressing areas such as sustainability education and professional training, green purchasing, waste reduction, indoor air quality, energy-saving initiatives, and community partnerships.

Whereas, the Secaucus Board of Education will encourage Green Teams at all district schools by providing networking and educational opportunities.

Therefore, it is resolved that the Secaucus Board of Education agrees to participate in Sustainable Jersey for Schools, and it is the board’s intention to pursue certification for schools in the district.

We hereby appoint John Scheiner, Supervisor Buildings & Grounds, to be the district’s liaison to

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Sustainable Jersey for Schools.

We do hereby recognize Clarendon, Huber, Secaucus Middle, Secaucus High School Public School(s) as the agent(s) to carry out our commitment to building a sustainable school district through the implementation of Sustainable Jersey for Schools actions.

We agree to complete district actions and to support the district's schools in completing their actions.

R4.3

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **Ruby Pantoliano**

SECONDED BY: **Lance Bartletta**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President and Board Secretary to execute the agreement between the Secaucus Board of Education and the Sussex County Regional Transportation Cooperative for the coordination of transportation of special education students to specific destinations for the terms and conditions listed in the agreement.

5. Technology – No action

6. Policy

R6.1

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **Joan Cali**

SECONDED BY: **Ruby Pantoliano**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves, as recommended by the Interim Superintendent the second reading of the policy numbered 8441A, Use of Walking Devices

R6.2

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCED BY: **Joan Cali**

SECONDED BY: **Ruby Pantoliano**

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

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- 0167 Public Participation in Board Meetings
- 0168 Recording Board meetings
- 2431 Athletic Competition
- 5111 Eligibility of Resident/Non-resident Students
- 5310 Health Services
- 5330.01 Administration of Medical Marijuana
- 8462 Reporting Potentially Missing or Abused Children
- 8550 Outstanding Food Service Charges
- 5460 High School Graduation
- 2468 Independent Educational Evaluations

7. Athletic Liaison

Mr. Bartletta provided an update on the status of spring sports.

8. Shared Services – No Report

9. New Business – No Report

10. Legislative – No Report

Public General Comments - None

Board Member Comments

Each of the Board Members extended their congratulations to the Teachers/Professionals honored this evening as well as to the JSA Chapter.

Congratulations to those retiring; namely Helen Allen and Janet Kalogera, all of the board wished them well.

Kathy O’Connell wished Linda Diemer a Happy Birthday.

Lou Giele commented on the Open Houses at the Elementary Schools and hope this is a successful undertaking.

Joseph Lewis, thanked everyone for coming as did John Gerbasio.

Motion by Mr. McStowe, seconded by Ms. O’Connell, and unanimously adopted by Board Members present to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:18PM

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Yeo, Board Secretary