

**SECAUCUS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
DATED: AUGUST 21, 2014**

President Riebesell called the meeting to order at 5:05PM and roll call taken as follows:

**PRESENT:** Messrs. Anderson, Gerbasio, Lewis, McStowe, Mrs. D'Addetta, Ms. O'Connell, Ms. Pantoliano and Mr. Riebesell  
**LATE ARRIVALS:** Mr. Bartletta at 5:45PM

President Riebesell declared a quorum present

Also present: Robert Presuto, CSA  
Kristin Kosky, BA/BS  
Francelis De Oca Montes  
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:** Mrs. O'Connell

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**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 5:08PM in order to discuss personnel.

Board Members present unanimously adopted the foregoing Resolution.

Motion by Mrs. O'Connell, seconded by Mr. Anderson, and unanimously adopted by Board Members present to adjourn Executive Session and resume Regular Meeting at 7:27PM.

Motion by Mr. Gerbasio, seconded by Mrs. D'Addetta, and unanimously adopted by board members present to accept and approve the July 17, 2014 board meeting minutes, with Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Pantoliano abstaining.

**Organization Reports:** - None

**Superintendent Report:**

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

Mr. Presuto reviewed the semi-annual HIB Summary Report for the district for school year 2013-2014 and reported the findings.

Motion by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Anderson, and unanimously adopted by the board members present to accept and approve the report.

Mr. Presuto also commented and summarized the Electronic Violence Report for school year 2013-2014 for the district.

Superintendent Presuto summarized the update of the additions/renovations which will take place at the High School/Middle School. As we begin the construction, updates will be provided as well as renderings which will appear on our website.

Mr. Presuto complimented Sal Cioffi and his custodial staff on the hard work in getting the schools ready for next school year. The floors and the countless gallons of paint really make our schools shine. Also to all the Directors, administrative staff, and faculty who worked this summer to prepare for school opening. He also thanked the Mayor and Town Council. Through grants, the Town is in the process of "turving" the field at Clarendon and installing a new playground at Huber. The playground should be ready by school opening, and the field sometime in October.

In concluding his report, Mr. Presuto indicated that a greater focus will be placed on student attendance and lateness. He is fully aware that the bridge overpass of Rt. 3 will be going under construction along with our own school construction, it is imperative that we take the initiative of having students in school and on time. As educators, we cannot teach those we cannot reach.

**Business Administrator/Board Secretary Report:** -

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

**Public Agenda Comments:**

Joan Cali inquired as to motion 1.11 *approval to post for a Supervisor of Business, Family & Consumer Science, Fine & Performing Arts, World Languages and Library Media (replacing Denise Cunningham)* as to why the position was not posed as a Media Specialist? Mr. Presuto responded that the position was reviewed with the DOE, and certification as a media specialist is no longer required.

## Committee Reports and New Business

### 1. School Government

**R1.1 -R1.7**

#### RESOLUTION

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves to appoint the following individuals for the 2014-2015 school year.

**R1.1** Allison Alvarez, Basic Skills Mathematics Teacher (Title I Grant-Funded position), Middle School/High School effective for the 2014-2015 school year, BA Step 1 \$57,184 Account #20-231-100-101-000-14 (50%)&20-231-100-101-000-15 (50% spread).

**R1.2** Ashley Yeo, Preschool Teacher, Huber Street School effective 2014-2015 school year, BA Step 1 \$57,184\* Account #11-105-100-101-000-13.

**R1.3** Colleen Orlando, Long Term Maternity Leave Replacement Elementary 6th Grade School Teacher (Kerri Stamm replacement), Huber Street School from September 1, 2014 - November 19, 2014 (the end date may be subject to change), BA Step 1 \$57,184\* prorated for the 2014-2015 school year Account # 11-130-100-101-000-13.

**R1.4** Stephen Mastro, Long Term Maternity Leave Replacement Elementary 1st Grade Teacher, Clarendon School, from October 20, 2014 - June 30, 2015, BA Step 1 \$57,184\* prorated for the 2014- 2015 school year Account # 11-120-100-101-000-12.

**R1.5** Jillian Olson, Part-Time Elementary Level Basic Skills English/Language Arts & Mathematics Teacher (NCLB Title II Grant-Funded position), Huber Street School for the 2014-2015 school year, BA Step 1 \$28,592\* Account # (20-231-100-101-000-13).

**R1.6** Shai Williams, Long Term Maternity Leave Replacement School Psychologist (ZahavaPianko replacement), multi-school, from September 1, 2014 - October 31, 2014, MA Step 1 \$60,879\* (prorated for the employment period) Account # 11-000-219-104-000-17.

**R1.7** Danielle Cartaxo, Middle School Special Education Mathematics/Language Arts Teacher, Middle School, for the 2014-2015 school year, BA Step 1 \$57,184\* Account # 11-213-100-101-15-17.

\* Salary reflects the Secaucus Education Association Salary Guide for the 2013-2014 school year.

**R1.8 - R1.9**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:**                   **Mr. Anderson**

**SECONDED BY:**                   **Mr. McStowe**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, appoint the following individuals for the 2014-2015 school year.

**R1.8** Cheryl Rhiel, Purchase Order Specialist, Board Office from August 25, 2014 - June 30, 2015 with an annual compensation of \$43,200 prorated for the 2014-2015 fiscal year Account # 11-000-251-100-000-11.

**R1.9** Michael Makarski, Residency & Truancy Officer for the 2014-2015 school year at \$25.00/hour with a \$40,000 maximum annual compensation Account # 11-000-211-100-000-11 .

**R1.10 - R1.14**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:**                   **Mr. Anderson**

**SECONDED BY:**                   **Mr. McStowe**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, reappoint the following Per Diem Staff for the 2014-2015 school year.

**R1.10** Substitute Teachers for the 2014-2015 school year.

Rasha Ahmed, Gentian Banja, SozanBarsoom, Anna Porcelli-Becker, Victoria Bennett, Britt Boegershausen, Nancy Castelli, Brianna Charles, Rene Collins, Catherine Domitrowsky Sally Ensmann, SehamNoubar-Estfanous, Stacy Forbes, Joseph Mancini, Karli Woods-Mennut, iJohn Niznik, Rosita Nunez, Michael O'Connor, Casey Scheiner, Kyle Schlemm, Zachary Schlemm, JannineSemelmacher, Karen Shkop, Kelsey Snedeker, Terry Spiegel, Mary Vanoni, Richard Baird, Carolina Munoz , KhevnaBhavsar, Amanda Gonzalez, Amber Butler,

**R1.11** Per Diem Clerks for the 2014- 2015 school year.

Kelly Joehnk, Donna O'Keeffe, Cheryl Segro, Maria Tarabokija, Camille Urbanski

**R1.12** Substitute Nurses for the 2014-2015 school year at \$125.00/day.

Jennifer Bator, Karen Driver-Jernstedt, Dominique Williams-Kemp, Dawn Meicke

**R1.13** Per Diem Custodians for the 2014-2015 school year at \$13.00/hour.

Wayne Flaig, Stephen Hurtuk, David Kowalewski, Timothy Lazicki, Albert Martini

**R1.14** Security Guards for the 2014-2015 school year at \$18.00/hour.

Joseph Bienkowski, George Fonseca, Nicholas Mayer, Carlos Segarra, Jude Smith, Robert Ulrich

**R1.15 - R1.16**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, appoint the following individuals for the 2014-2015 school year.

**R1.15** Security Guards for the 2014-2015 school year at \$18.00/hour.

Walter L. Durham  
Clark Rhiel Sr.  
John Giametta  
Timothy Jimenez

**R1.16** Salvatore Marone as a School Bus Driver for the 2014-2015 school year at \$15.00/hour

**R1.17**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, appoint the following individuals for the 2014-2015 school year pro-bono.

Anti-Bullying Specialists

Jaime Viggiano, Huber Street School  
Dawn Doering, Clarendon School  
Tara Miller-Tavares, Middle School  
Jill Preis, High School

District Anti-Bullying Coordinator  
Susan Smahl, Multi-School

**R1.18**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, appoint the following individuals for the 2014-2015 school year.

Building Mentoring Coordinators \$750.00 stipend will apply  
Susan Montone, Clarendon School  
Lynne Gadaleta, Middle School  
Allison Urbanovich, High School  
Roxanne Hackel (Sep-Nov) \$225 Stipend & Kerri Stamm (Dec-Jun), \$525 Stipend,  
Huber Street School \*Shared position

Academic Coaches  
Lucy Biegler, Literacy Coach, Clarendon School, \$9,000  
Kristin Backiel, Math Coach, Clarendon School, \$8,250  
Claire Costello, Literacy Coach, Huber Street School, \$9,000  
Sean Powers, Math Coach, Huber Street School, \$9,000

Coordinator  
Lori Garofalo, Special Education Transition Coordinator, \$9,000  
Michele Martinelli-Wurst, Gifted & Talented Coordinator, \$8,250  
Richard Eisenberg, Internship Coordinator, \$9,000  
Joan Cali, 7th & 8th Grade Career Education Coordinator, \$9,000  
Debra Gerbasio, Media Academy Coordinator, \$9,000

**R1.19**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, appoint the following individuals as Middle School Special Education Teachers and Middle School Case Manager for the Middle School Special Education Orientation on August 27, 2014; \$35/hour for 4 hours each.

Fury Baker  
Janet Fiume

**R1.20**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, appoint the following as Summer Music Teachers for the Summer Music Program retroactive from July 7, 2014 - July 31, 2014 at \$35/hour.

Sean Sonnett - 96 hours  
Robert Fournier - 34 hours  
Oscar Gongora - 96 hours

**R1.21**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, appoint the following individuals for the Co-Curricular position of Band Assistant Instructor for the 2014-2015 school year; Stipend of \$3,945 will apply.

Sarah Phemsint  
Susan Bartolozzi  
Joseph Verducci  
Sean Sonnett

**R1.22**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, appoint the following individuals as Teachers for the Secondary Development Workshop for the 2014-2015 school year at \$35.00/hour:

Amanda Jones- NJ History  
Patricia Smeyers- STEM (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

**R1.23**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, additional 15 hours per Teacher for Elementary School Teachers appointed at the July 17, 2014 Board Meeting to complete the kindergarten screenings for the 2014-2015 school year at \$35.00/hour.

**R1.24**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, 20 hours for Mayda Cedena, Resource Program Teacher to set up the new multiply disabled classroom the week of August 18, 2014 at \$35/hour.

**R1.25**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, 20 additional hours for each the following Child Study Team members at \$45.00/hour for work during summer 2014.

Sandy Rosenblum  
Kristie Hanley  
Jean Gannon

**R1.26**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent, appoint the following individuals to the 2014-2015 Extra-Curricular positions. Stipends will be in accordance with the SEA Contract for the 2014-2015 school year.

**Clarendon School**

Susan Redvanly	Elementary Chorus Gr. 4, 5, 6 \$2,575
Melissa Heintjes	Art Show & Judging \$950
William Millevoi	Boys Circle \$1,600
Kristin Backiel	Character Education \$1,150
Sean Sonnett	Elementary Concert Band \$2,575
	Construct-It-Club \$500
	Elementary Training Band \$2,575
	Elementary Rock Band \$1,875
Edward Sommer	Computer Tech \$2,100
	Web-Site Manager \$1,600
Malessa Lamatina	Drama Club \$2,900
	Creative Dance Club \$1,200
Kim Woeckner	Elementary Science Fair Coordinator \$1,050
Kristie Hanley	Girls Circle After School Club (Grant) \$1,600
Mary Amato	Media/Tech Club \$1,175
Felicia Maloney/Dawn Doering	Elementary Newspaper *Shared \$1,350
Felicia Maloney/Dawn Doering	Peacekeeper *Shared \$500
Felicia Maloney	Elementary S.G.O. \$1,400
	Elementary Annual (Yearbook) \$1,000
Theresa Mongiello	Safety Patrol \$900
Susan Montone	Wee Deliver \$1,150

**Huber Street School**

Kerri Stamm	Elementary S.G.O. \$1,400
	Elementary Annual (Yearbook) \$1,000
Allan Bonin	Boys Circle \$1,600
	Character Education \$1,150
	Peacekeeper *Shared \$500
	Construct-It Club *Shared \$500
Lucille Wright	Media/Tech Club \$1,175
	Computer Tech \$2,100
	Web-Site Manager \$1,600
	Construct-It Club *Shared \$500

Mayling Cardenas	Elementary Newspaper *Shared \$1,350
	Elementary Environmental Trip Chaperone \$450
	Creative Dance Club *Shared \$1,200
Claire Costello	Wee Deliver \$1,150
Cindy Viera	Creative Dance Club*Shared \$1,200
	Elementary Newspaper *Shared \$1,350
Geri Fitzpatrick	Safety Patrol \$900
	Peacekeeper *Shared \$500
JeninePeduto	Elementary Environmental Trip Chaperone \$450
Thomas Curry	Elementary Environmental Trip Chaperone \$450
Alyssa Grosso	Elementary Environmental Trip Chaperone \$450
Jeanette Rodriguez	Elementary Environmental Trip Chaperone \$450
	Elementary Science Fair Coordinator \$1,050
Judith Jaeger	Elementary Environmental Trip Chaperone \$450
Joanie Niemiera	Elementary Chorus Gr 4,5,6 \$2,575
Oscar Gongora	Elementary Concert Band \$2,575
	Elementary Training Band \$2,575
	Elementary Rock Band \$1,875
Sean Powers	Elementary Environmental Trip Chaperone \$450
Alexis Leppin	Elementary S.G.O.\$1,400
	Elementary Environmental Trip Coordinator \$1,200
Jaime Viggiano	Peacekeeper *Shared \$500
	Girls Circle After School (Grant) \$1,600

### **Middle School**

PasqualeCocucci	Junior Math Club *Shared\$1,300
AllisonCunniff	Character Education \$1,150
	Drama Club \$2,900
AmandaDeAngelo	M.S. Theatre Club \$900
RiannaLaGrassa	Junior Math Club *Shared\$1,300
Toni AnnPalmisano	M.S. S.G.O. \$1,625
Anna MariePicariello	M.S. R.O.G.A.T.E. \$1,100
	National Junior Honor Society \$1,025
DonaldSomerset III	M.S. Technology Club \$1,150
CathyTaylor	Builder's Club \$1,300
	7th & 8th Grade Class Advisor \$1,550
	District Science Fair Coordinator \$1,125
KellyWaters	M.S. Middle Pages \$1,425

### **High School**

PavlinaZavorotnaya	American Tech Honor Society\$1,450
Padraig Mara	ANIME Club \$500
Janice Bartoszek	Art Show & Judging \$950
Doug DePice	Art Show & Judging \$950
	Literacy Explorers' Club \$950
Camille Petruzelli	Art Show & Judging \$950
Cheryl Bott-Melfa	Business Club \$1,400
Sharon Dellafave	Challenge Club \$800 per session
	National English Honor Society \$1,500
Cathy Taylor	District Science Fair Coordinator \$1,125
Kevin Agnew	Drama Club \$2,900
Kathy Kuchar	Fashion Show Coordinator \$1,000
Michele De-Gennaro	Foreign Language Club \$1,275
	Foreign Language Honor Society \$1,500
Jill Preis	Gay-Straight Alliance \$750
Lyle Leeson	High School Chorus \$1,825
Robert Fournier	High School Concert Band \$1,825

Jody Jaron	High School Jazz Band \$1,825
Amanda DeAngelo	H.S. Play Choreographer \$2,200
Alana Herron	High School Newspaper \$2,000
Maleesa Lamatina	H.S. Play Director \$2,900
John Cuzzo	H.S. Play Assistant Director \$1,500
Patrice Phemsint	H.S. Play Music Director/Conductor \$2,200
Neal Czechowski/ThiagoLeite	H.S. Play Producer \$2,850
Nancy Lynch	High School Yearbook - Creative *Shared \$3,675
Michael Gehm	High School Yearbook - Financial \$2,150
Barbara Jo Bruning	Junior State of America \$2,000
AomarElassa	Matamorphosis \$1,775
Helen Bacigalupo	Mu Alpha Theta \$1,550
RoseannSpiekermann	National Honor Society \$1,550
	PAC Hospitality/Events Coordinator \$35 hr (\$1,200 max)
Allison Urbanovich	Unico Youth \$500
	Peer Leadership \$500
	Saturday Detention \$35/hour
Patricia Smeyers	Robotics \$3,200
Fury Baker	Saturday Detention \$35/hour
Michael Vitulano	Saturday Detention \$35/hour
David Segro	Saturday Detention \$35/hour
Alex Kuchar	Saturday Detention \$35/hour
Tammy Hennessy	Saturday Detention \$35/hour
Cheryl Bott-Melfa	Saturday Detention \$35/hour
Denise McKenna	School Store \$1,400
	Science Club \$1,150
	Saturday Detention \$35/hour
ThiagoLeite	High School S.G.O. \$2,615

**R1.27**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:**           **Mr. Anderson**

**SECONDED BY:**           **Mr. McStowe**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board hereby adopts and approves the terms, stipulations and conditions as established in the Sidebar Agreement by and between the Board and the Secaucus Education Association, which is incorporated herein by reference, and agrees to bound thereby. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Sidebar Agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate said Sidebar Agreement.

**R1.28**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:**           **Mr. Anderson**

**SECONDED BY:**           **Mr. McStowe**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board hereby adopts and approves the terms, stipulations and conditions as established in the Sidebar Agreement by and between the Board and the Secaucus Teacher Assistants' Association, which is incorporated herein by reference, and agrees to bound thereby. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Sidebar Agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate said Sidebar Agreement.

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Mr. Anderson

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. McStowe

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board hereby authorizes the Superintendent Goals for school year 2014-2015 be submitted to the Hudson County Superintendent.

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

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Robert Anderson	x			
Lance Bartletta	x	1.3		
Kelli D'Addetta	x			
John Gerbasio	X		1.9	
Joseph Lewis	x			
John McStowe	x		1.18	
Kathy O'Connell				
Ruby Pantoliano			1.10	
Gary Riebesell, President				

Motions 1.1 through M1.15 were unanimously adopted by the board members present as follows:

**M1.1 Approval** of revised job description for a SAIL Coordinator for the 2014-2015 school year and approval to post for the position.

**M1.2 Approval** to accept with regret the retirement of Maria Nolan, Health & Physical Education Teacher, High School effective September 30, 2014.

**M1.3 Approval** to rescind the appointment of Alyson Wickenheisser, Middle School Special Education Mathematics/Language Arts Teacher position, Middle School, Compensation BA Step 1 of the guide based on the SEA Contract for the 2014-2015 school year (Account #11-213-100-101-15-17) effective August 8, 2014.

**M1.4 Approval** to accept with regret the retirement of Denise Cunningham, Supervisor of Business, Family & Consumer Science, Fine Art, World Languages and Library Media effective September 30, 2014.

**M1.5 Approval** of Nicole Hernandez's request for Maternity Leave and Bonding Leave for the 2014-2015 school year, effective Tuesday, October 14, 2014 through January 2, 2015 (FMLA/Paid Maternity Leave) and January 3, 2015 through February 27, 2015 (Unpaid Bonding Leave); expected return to work date of March 2, 2015.

**M1.6 Approval** of Louis Giele's, request for (paid) Medical Leave of Absence from September 2, 2014 through November 28, 2014; expected return to work date of December 1, 2014.

**M1.7 Approval** to post for a Health & Physical Education Teacher (replacement for Maria Nolan), High School for the 2014-2015 school year.

**M1.8 Approval** to post for a School Secretary (replacement for Cheryl Rhiel).

**M1.9 Approval** to post for a Long Term Leave Replacement for Health & Physical Education Teacher (replacement for Charles Pulvino), High School for the 2014-2015 school year, effective September 1, 2014 – October 10, 2014.

**M1.10 Approval** to post for a Supervisor of K-12 Mathematics for the 2014-2015 school year.

**M1.11 Approval** to post for a Supervisor of Business, Family & Consumer Science, Fine and Performing Arts, World Languages, Library Media, (replacement for Denise Cunningham) for the 2014-2015 school year, expected effective date of October 1, 2014.

**M1.12 Approval** to post for a Long Term Replacement English Teacher, High School (possible replacement) for the 2014-2015 school year, effective September 1, 2014 - TBD date.

**M1.13 Approval** to post for a Long Term Maternity Leave Replacement Elementary 5th Grade Teacher, Huber Street for the 2014-2015 school year, effective October 14, 2015 - February 27, 2015.

**M1.14 Approval** to post for a Long Term Leave Replacement High School Social Studies Teacher (Louis Giele replacement) from September 1, 2014 - November 28, 2014.

**M1.15 Approval** to accept resignation of Gina Millevoi Fournier as Marching Band Director effective August 21, 2014

**2. Curriculum**

**R2.1**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY: Robert Anderson**

**SECONDED BY: John Gerbasio**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves the renewal of High School STEM My College Options renewal for school year 2014-15

**R2.2**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY: Robert Anderson**

**SECONDED BY: John Gerbasio**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves to adopt the District Field Trip Process and Procedure Guidelines.

**R2.3**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY: Robert Anderson**

**SECONDED BY: John Gerbasio**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves to adopt a new Science, Technology and Society Course to the Intermediate Elementary Curriculum.

**R2.4**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY: Robert Anderson**

**SECONDED BY: John Gerbasio**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves the Curriculum for

- 7th Grade STEM
- 8th Grade STEM
- Acting Drama
- New Jersey History Cycle Class

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			
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O'Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano	X			
Gary Riebesell, President	X			

**3. Finance**

**R3.1**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY: Joseph Lewis**

**SECONDED BY: John Gerbasio**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education approves for payment the Bill List as per annexed in the amount of \$4,248,273.86.

**R3.2**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY: Joseph Lewis**

**SECONDED BY: John Gerbasio**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Secretary is hereby authorized to make transfers for the month of June within the various appropriations for the 2013-2014 school year as shown on the annexed report.

**R3.3**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Joseph Lewis

**SECONDED BY:** John Gerbasio

**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 June 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:** John Gerbasio

**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 2014-2015 school year for:

School	Student	Tuition
JFK Rehabilitation Institute	AF	\$20,370.00*

\*3 days a week at \$194/day for approximately 105 days.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education approved tuition for Windsor Academy, student MRC, in the amount of \$60,900.00 be rescinded.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes the Business Administrator and President to execute contract for student MRC to attend Chapel Hill Academy.

**R3.5**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Joseph Lewis

**SECONDED BY:** John Gerbasio

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education approve, as recommended by Superintendent the annexed out of district travel as of August 21, 2014.

Employee Name	Date(s) of Event	Title of Event	Location	Registration Fee	Estimated Tolls and Mileage	Total Cost
B.Bivin	10/22/2014	AAP/NJ School Health Conference	Edison	\$195.00	\$36.72	\$231.72
J.Corcoran	10/22/2014	AAP/NJ School Health Conference	Edison	\$195.00	\$36.72	\$231.72
T.Tufaro	8/27/2014	Realtime Workshop	Clifton	\$0.00		
L.Diemer	8/27/2014	Realtime Workshop	Clifton	\$0.00		
M.Abuhouran	8/21/2014	Classroom Management	Kean Univ.	\$99.00	\$15.99	\$114.99

**R3.6**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:**                 **Joseph Lewis**

**SECONDED BY:**                 **John Gerbasio**

**WHEREAS**, the Secaucus Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) and the Town of Secaucus (hereinafter referred to as the “Town”) are parties to a Lease Agreement for the lease of the premises located 20 Centre Avenue, for administrative offices; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is desirous of renewing the Lease Agreement for an additional three (3) year term, upon the same terms and conditions as the initial Lease Agreement.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby renews the attached Lease Agreement for the lease of the premises located 20 Centre Avenue, for administrative offices, for a period of three (3) years, upon the same terms and conditions as the initial Lease Agreement.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Board Secretary to execute the Lease Agreement and any and all documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

**R3.7**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:**                 **Joseph Lewis**

**SECONDED BY:**                 **John Gerbasio**

**WHEREAS**, the Secaucus Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) is desirous of leasing a portion of property owned by the Town of Secaucus, located at 150 Plaza Center, commonly known as the “Day Care Center”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to occupy a portion of the premises in order to relocate its preschool program for four (4) year old students, thereby alleviating overcrowding in the Board’s existing elementary schools, upon the terms and conditions set forth in the attached Lease Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that the non-educational uses of the building are compatible with the operation of a school;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby approves the attached Lease Agreement for the lease of a portion of the premises known as the “Day Care Center” located 150 Plaza Center, for the purpose of relocating the Board’s preschool program for four (4) year old students, thereby alleviating overcrowding in the Board’s existing elementary schools, subject to the approval of the Department of Education.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Board Secretary to execute the Lease Agreement and any and all documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

**R3.8**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:**                 **Joseph Lewis**

**SECONDED BY:**                 **John Gerbasio**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education authorize the Board President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary to renew Shared Services Agreement for the Transportation of Riverside Court and Creekside Manor students to and from their school of attendance for school year 2014-2015 in the amount of \$35,000.00

**R3.9**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:**           **Joseph Lewis**

**SECONDED BY:**           **John Gerbasio**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator renew the Secaucus Board of Education participation with Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission Cooperative Pricing System for school year 2014-2015.

**R3.10**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:**           **Joseph Lewis**

**SECONDED BY:**           **John Gerbasio**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator to execute contract with The Uncommon Thread, which will provide consultative services in Behavior Analysis Services, online access to ABA consultation, Teacher/Parent Training and Functional Behavioral Assessments for school year 2014-2015 not to exceed \$34,960.00.

**R3.11**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:**           **Joseph Lewis**

**SECONDED BY:**           **John Gerbasio**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes the Business Administration execute a contract with Spectrum Works to provide School-to-Career Transition Services to two students referred by Secaucus High School for the 2014-2015 not to exceed \$18,000.00

**R3.12**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:**           **Joseph Lewis**

**SECONDED BY:**           **John Gerbasio**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of School and Board President to approve Educational Specification to be submitted to NJ Dept. of

Education with a review fee of \$39,814.00 for the Additions and Renovations to Secaucus High School/Middle School.

**M3.1** Approval to accept GovDeals bid of \$4520 for the Dodge 2002 ID# 3B6MF36542M258532

**M3.2** Approval to approve the sale of the 2007 Ford F150 ID#1FTRF12227NA20371 to the Town of Secaucus for \$1.00

**M3.3** Approval to authorize the Business Administrator to reject bids for Student Transportation Bid 2A-2O, 3,4,5 and 6 received from First Student on July 17, 2014 bid number 2014-1.

The foregoing resolutions and motions 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			
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O'Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano	X			
Gary Riebesell, President	X			

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

**R4.1**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** John Gerbasio

**SECONDED BY:** Kelli D'Addetta

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education approves, as recommended by the Superintendent the annexed in-district regular education transportation routes for the school year 2014-2015.

**R4.2**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** John Gerbasio

**SECONDED BY:** Kelli D'Addetta

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves the Superintendent and Business Administrator to execute the 2014-2015 Renewal Application for Temporary Instructional Space, and submit the application to the County Superintendent for review and approval.

**R4.3**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** John Gerbasio

**SECONDED BY:** Kelli D’Addetta

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes Kristin Kosky, Business Administrator, as the School Alliance Insurance Fund Commissioner; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to School Alliance Insurance Fund Commissioner.

**R4.4**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** John Gerbasio

**SECONDED BY:** Kelli D’Addetta

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby authorizes the Business Administrator to submit to the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission an application site approval to the Secaucus High School/Middle School Additions/Renovations State Project number 4730-050-13-1000.

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			
Joseph Lewis	X			
John McStowe	X			
Kathy O’Connell	X			
Ruby Pantoliano	X			
Gary Riebesell, President	X			

**5. Technology** – No report

**6. Policy**

**R6.1**

**RESOLUTION**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Kathy O’Connell

**SECONDED BY:** Kelli D’Addetta

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby approves the first reading of the following policies:

- Home Instruction Due to Health Condition 2412
- Student Intervention & Referral Services 2417
- Home or Out of School Instruction for a General Education Student Reasons Other Than a Temporary or Chronic Health Condition 2481
- Electronic Communication between Teachers & Student 3283
- Electronic Communication between Support Staff & Student 4283
- Attendance 5200

- Suspension 5610
- Removal of Students for Firearms Offenses 5611
- Assaults on District Board of Education Members or Employees 5612
- Removal of Students for Assaults with Weapons Offenses 5613
- Expulsion 5620
- Reporting Potentially Missing or Abused Children 8462
- Graduation 5460

**7. Athletic Liaison**

Mrs. D'Addetta provided a report of the upcoming fall sports and results from cross country track.

**8. Shared Services**- No Report

**9. New Business**- None

**Public General Comments**

Mr. Tom Troyer inquired to the rumors going around town concerning transfers of building principals, but did notice it was not an agenda item. Mr. Presuto responded rumors are just that rumors.

Mrs. Kathy Kuchar, teacher of Family Consumer Science, spoke of her great disappointment and sadness that the Future Teachers Academy will not be offered as part of the curriculum for 2014-2015. Surely the seven (7) incoming freshman will be very disappointed. Mr. Presuto responded he too is saddened. Although the program was awesome, unfortunately a decision, a very hard decision had to be made. We did not meet the minimum number of students required; therefore, the course had to be cancelled.

Ms. Joan Cali requested that the board members please turn on their microphones, we cannot hear you.

**Board Member Comments**

Mr. Riebesell wished everyone a good labor day and enjoy what is left of the summer.

Motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Lewis, and unanimously adopted by Board Members present to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:04PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Kosky,  
Board Secretary