

**SECAUCUS BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
DATED: March 22, 2012**

- A. Call to Order – Mr. Salvatore Manente, President, at 4:00 PM**
- B. Open Public Meeting Act Statement**
- C. Flag Salute**
- D. Roll Call**
- E. Executive Session**
- F. Regular Meeting 7:00PM**
- G. Roll Call**
- H. Approval of Meeting Minutes – February 2012**
- I. PUBLIC HEARING – BUDGET FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2012-2013**
- J. Organization Reports.....SGO**
- K. Correspondence**
- L. Superintendent’s Report:
Recommended action on resolutions and motions to be presented under Committee Reports.**
- M. Report of the Secretary of the Board:
Recommended action on resolutions and motions to be presented under Committee Report**
- N. Public Forum regarding Agenda Items**
The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of addressing resolutions on this agenda only. Residents are requested to sign the register provided for this purpose and to state their names, addresses and subject matter. Comments are limited to five minutes per person. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of the New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments. In accordance with District Policy #1100, the Board of Education will not comment or respond to any matters mentioned unless we are assured and can confirm with the Superintendent that they have been brought to the attention of the appropriate person(s) in the school system in an attempt to resolve the issue.

1. **School Government:**

**Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motions R1.1 through R1.10, as described below:
Recommended Board Action for the following:**

R1.1. Approval to appoint the following *Substitute Teachers* for the 2011-2012 school year:

Nadine M. Kureshi	Andrea Nolan
Kathleen Rodriguez	Marlon Segovia
Kyle Schlemm	Veronica Wolf

R1.2. Approval to accept resignation from the following staff member:

Anthony Qutawna, Custodian, Secaucus High School, effective, March 1, 2012.

Approval for *Anthony Qutawna* to receive separation pay as per SEA Contract; Article XVIII:(non-certified employee) (10 years of service)

39 Illness Days x \$50/day = \$1300

10 personal days x \$55/day = \$550

Total: \$1850

R1.3. Approval to accept retirement letter from the following staff member:

Felice Wilson, Business Education Teacher/Coordinator, Secaucus High School, effective June 30, 2012. (34 years of service)

R1.4. Approval to accept Maternity/Child Rearing for *Alexis Leppin*, 2nd Grade Teacher, Huber Street School, effective April 9, 2012 through June 30, 2012 using 50 illness days, with pay.

R1.5. Approval to *post*:

2nd Grade Teacher position, Huber Street School, effective April 9, 2012 through June 30, 2012, replacing Alexis Leppin, Maternity Leave of Absence.

R1.6. Approval to appoint *Lori Garofalo*, the development of a Biology replacement curriculum for Special Education students as per IEP mandate and State graduation requirement regulation. Compensation: 20 hrs x \$35/hrs = \$700/max.

R1.7. Approval to appoint *John Ennis*, Girls JV Soccer Coach, compensation \$3590.

R1.8. Approval to appoint the following teacher to create benchmark assessments, effective (Dates to be determined) for 20 hrs max. x \$35/hr = \$700:

Michele Rodriguez

World Language

R1.9. Approval to appoint *Danielle Cartaxo*, as Part time (.5) Resource Teacher - Clarendon School, effective March 23, 2012 - June 30, 2012, compensation \$90/day.

R1.10. Approval to appoint *Alex Kuchar* as Social Studies Replacement Teacher, Secaucus High School, effective February 15, 2012 through April 2, 2012 replacing Keith Schneider, Medical Leave of Absence, compensation \$80/day.

2. **Curriculum:**

**Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motions R2.1 through R2.3 as described below:
Recommended Board Action for the following:**

R2.1 Approval of Field Trips

R2.2 Approval to recognize the importance of "Purple Day for Epilepsy" on March 26, 2012 in support of promoting worldwide epilepsy awareness.

R2.3 Approval to recognize the importance of women in the role of providing leadership in society and in education, in acknowledgment of March being National Women’s History Month.

3. Finance

**Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motions R3.0 through R3.4, as described below
Recommended Board Action for the following:**

R3.0 Approval of Budget for school year 2012-2013

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Secaucus Board of Education hereby adopt the 2012-2013 school district budget as follows:

Operating Budget	\$32,906,380
Grants & Entitlements	\$ 816,700
Repayment of Debt	<u>\$ 1,265,839</u>
Total	\$34,988,919

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District’s tax requirements to support the proposed 2012-2013 general fund budget to be presented to the voters at the annual election on April 17, 2012 are as follows:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 31,636,305
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R3.1 Approval of Bills List – March 2012

R3.2 Approval of Out of District Travel

R3.3 Approval to renew The Substitute Service, LLC for the 2012-2013 school year in the amount of \$9,555.50.

R3.4 Approval to accept the Teacher Assistant Contract Agreement for the period 2011-2014

WHEREAS, the Secaucus Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) and the Secaucus Teacher Assistants Association (hereinafter referred to as the “STAA”) have negotiated a successor Contract Agreement for the 2011-2012, 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 school years; and

WHEREAS, the STAA has, by a majority vote of its membership, ratified the Contract Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby ratifies and approves the terms of the Contract Agreement for the 2011-2012, 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 school years, which is attached to this Resolution and made a part hereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute, on behalf of the Board, the Contract Agreement by and between the Board and the STAA.

4. Safety/Security/Buildings & Grounds

5. Technology Committee

6. Policy Committee

**Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve and adopt motion R6.1
Recommended Board Action for the following:**

- R6.1** Approval of first reading of the following policies:
- **Policy 1631** – Residency requirement for person holding School District Office, Employment or Position (New)
 - **Policy 3324** – Right to Privacy – Teaching Staff Member (New)
 - **Policy 4321** – Right to Privacy – Support Staff Member (New)
 - **Policy 5600** – Pupil Discipline/Code of Conduct (Revised)
 - **Policy 7510** – Use of School Facilities (Revised)
 - **Policy 9181** – Athletic Competition (Revised)
 - **Policy 9270** - Home Schooling and Equivalent Education Outside of Schools (Revised)

7. **Athletic Committee**

8. **Shared Services Report**

9. **Legislative Report**

10. **New Business**

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

This portion of the meeting is open to public for the purpose of addressing any subject matter pertinent to and/or directly related to the operation of the Secaucus Public School District. Residents are requested to sign the register provided for this purpose and to state their names, addresses and subject matter. Comments are limited to five minutes per person. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of the New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.

12. **Board Member Comments**

13. **Adjournment:**