

**THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION, BOROUGH OF RINGWOOD, NEW JERSEY  
HELD AT MARTIN J. RYERSON ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2011**

- I.** The meeting was called to order by President Tassitano at 7:30 P.M.
- A. President Tassitano led everyone in the flag salute.
- B. Board Secretary Mitchell read the Sunshine Law Statement as required under the Open Public Meetings Act.
- C. *Roll Call*
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| Janet Citrango  | - present | Katy McKeever       | - absent  |
| Gina Donatien   | - absent  | Sam Nastory         | - absent  |
| Melissa Griegel | - present | Richard Schaefer    | - present |
| Lynne Klosowski | - present | President Tassitano | - present |
| Mary Kunert     | - present |                     |           |

Also present:  
Warren C. Mitchell, SBA/BS  
Hugh E. Beattie, Superintendent

**II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION I**

PUB.PART.I

No Comment

Motion was made by **Trustee Citrango**, seconded by **Trustee Klosowski** to adjourn to **Executive Session at 7:32 P.M.**

Motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**III. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Reconvened in Public Session at 7:44 P.M.**

**IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS/CONSENT AGENDA MOTIONS**

- A. Consent Agenda Motions

CONSENT  
ITEMS

The following items are deemed to be non-controversial and/or confirmation of negotiated contractual obligations or other state-mandated deadline actions. The Superintendent will highlight key information. Items of concern may be pulled from this portion of the agenda and voted upon separately, or may be considered in the Discussion/Action section if any Board member so wishes.

Motion was made by **Trustee Citrango**, seconded by **Trustee Klosowski** to approve the following consent agenda items: B1, B2, B3, B4, B5, B6, B7, B8, B9, B10, B11.

Motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote by members present.

Sheet # 2 – Special Meeting, September 6, 2011

B. Personnel

1. Approve, the *revised effective start date and probationary period date* for **Chelsea Schubart**, ABA Therapist for the R.E.A.L.M. Programs at Peter Cooper School. Ms. Schubart's effective start date is September 1, 2011 and her probationary period will end November 29, 2011. This information was incorrectly stated on the August 15, 2011 agenda. (Ms. Schubart is replacing Alyssa Bono who resigned.) SCHUBART  
ABA
2. Approve, with regret, the acceptance of the resignation of **Dianne Morino** from her position of ABA Therapist effective August 31, 2011. MORINO  
RESIGN
3. Approve, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of **Karen Feola** as an ABA Therapist for the R.E.A.L.M. Programs at Peter Cooper School, at the rate of \$21.00/hour, for 5.98 hours/day, 5 days/week, for a total of 29.9 hours/week, no medical benefits, effective September 1, 2011 for a probationary period of 90 days (December 9, 2011), for the 2011-2012 school year. Ms. Feola is replacing Dianne Morino who resigned. FEOLA  
ABA
4. Approve **Karen Feola**, ABA Therapist, to receive *ABA training* provided by Dr. Irene Cook, Director of the Autism Programs and Nancy Mondello, the shared BCBA, for a total of fifteen (15) hours, at her contractual hourly rate of pay, for the 2011-2012 school year. This training is provided before school and after school hours because there is not enough time during their day due to the fact students to go inclusion. Hours trained will be documented by time sheets. FEOLA  
ABA  
TRNG
5. Approve the **Reading Intervention Coach Job Description**, as attached. DESCRIPT.  
READING  
COACH JOB
6. Approve, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of **Kelly Wogisch** as a part-time Reading Intervention Coach at E. G. Hewitt School at BA+15 Step1 \$51,525 prorated (FTE .6 of \$51,525 = \$30,915), no medical benefits, effective September 1, 2011, for the 2011-2012 school year, pending completion of all State and Board employment requirements and approval of application to the County Superintendent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 6-7.2 et seq. Ms. Wogisch is filling a new position. WOGISCH  
PT READING
7. Approve, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of **Gina Hurley** as a First Grade Teacher at Peter Cooper School at BA Step1 \$50,825 with medical benefits, effective September 1, 2011, for the 2011-2012 school year, pending completion of all State and Board employment requirements and approval of application to the County Superintendent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 6-7.2 et seq. Ms. Hurley is filling a new position. HURLEY  
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P/C
8. Approve, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of **Richard Ballard** as a Bus Paraprofessional at Step 1, \$11.17/hour 2½ hrs./day, 5 days/wk. effective September 6, 2011, no medical benefits, for a ninety (90) day probationary period (December 4, 2011) for the 2011-2012 school year, pending completion of all State and Board employment requirements and approval of application to the County Superintendent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 6-7.2 et seq. Mr. Ballard is replacing Deneen Milligan who retired. BALLARD  
BUS PARA

**Sheet # 3 – Special Meeting, September 6, 2011**

**Personnel continued**

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| 9.  | Approve, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of <b>Heather Romanowski</b> as a Bus Paraprofessional at Step 1, \$11.17/hour 2 hrs./day, 5 days/wk. effective September 6, 2011, no medical benefits, for a ninety (90) day probationary period (December 4, 2011) for the 2011-2012 school year. This position is per the requirement of a student's IEP.                     | ROMANOWSKI<br>BUS PARA |
| 10. | Approve, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of <b>LeAnne Young</b> as a Playground/Cafeteria Paraprofessional at M. J. Ryerson School at Step 1, \$11.17/hour, for 2.5 hours/day, 12.5 hours per week, no medical benefits, effective September 6, 2011 for a ninety (90) day probationary period (December 5, 2011) for the 2011-2012 school year.                          | YOUNG<br>PARA          |
| 11. | Approve the <i>revision of guide and salary</i> for <b>Donna Jackson</b> , Full-Time Speech Teacher at Robert Erskine School from BA+30 Step 3 \$53,325 to BA+15 Step 4 \$53,225, effective September 1, 2011, for the 2011-2012 school year. Per the REA Agreement with the Ringwood Board of Education, Article XIX, B. 4., Ms. Jackson was approved on the July 25, 2011 agenda addendum incorrectly. | JACKSON<br>REVISION    |

**V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION II**

PUB.PART.II

No comment.

**VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION II**

None

Trustee Griegel questioned what had happened concerning the Courtesy Busing from the last meeting. She had received a postcard in the mail from the Daycare Center and was confused as to what the outcome was from our last Board meeting. President Tassitano confirmed that the Courtesy Busing resolution was **tabled** at the last meeting, which meant that it remained **Status Quo**, and that this post card should never have been sent out mentioning the Ringwood Board of Education.

Discussion also ensued concerning the Criminal Background Checks and the turnaround time.

Superintendent Beattie commented that the first day of school went very well. The buildings were all in great shape and he and the Board commended all the Custodian/Maintenance staff. The Transportation Staff were also commended for their performance.

Discussion also ensued concerning purchasing a portable generator for the schools in the event that one is needed.

**Sheet # 4 – Special Meeting, September 6, 2011**

**VII.** Motion was made by **Trustee Griegel**, seconded by **Trustee Kunert** to adjourn from Public Session at 7:59 P.M. **ADJOURN**

Motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN C. MITCHELL  
Board Secretary

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