

**Regular Meeting
April 19, 2021
6:10 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of the Kearny Board of Education was held via teleconference on the evening of the above date.

President Paris called the meeting to order and announced that in accordance with Chapter 231, Laws of 1975, Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of the meeting was provided to the Jersey Journal and the Star Ledger. Notice of the meeting was filed with the Office of the Town Clerk and posted on the District's website.

ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following members were present: Mrs. Davidson, Mr. Granelli, Ms. Lindenfesler, Mr. Mc Kenna, Mrs. Sherry, Mr. Soares, Mr. Viscuso, President Paris.

Mrs. Patricia Blood, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Richard Rosenberg, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and Kenneth J. Lindenfesler, Jr., Esq., Board Attorney, Esq., were also present.

MOTION RE: CLOSED SESSION

The following resolution was introduced by Mrs. Paris, moved by Mrs. Davidson and seconded by Mr. Viscuso:

Resolved: by the Board of Education of the Town of Kearny, in the County of Hudson, that in accordance with Chapter 231, Laws of 1975, Open Public Meetings Act, the Board will enter into Closed Session at this time to discuss District personnel matters, negotiations, and/or pending/ongoing litigation.

When the matters under consideration have been completed, any necessary action will be disclosed to the public.

On roll call, the following vote was recorded: Mrs. Davidson, "aye", Mr. Granelli, "aye", Ms. Lindenfesler, "aye", Mr. Mc Kenna, "aye", Mrs. Sherry, "aye", Mr. Soares, "aye", Mr. Viscuso, "aye", President Paris, "aye".

There being eight votes in the affirmative, the motion was carried.

BOARD ENTERS CLOSED SESSION

The Board entered into Closed Session at 6:13 p.m.

BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES

Mr. Zapata arrived at 6:20 p.m.

BOARD RETURNS TO OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Davidson, Mr. Granelli, Ms. Lindenfesler, Mr. Mc Kenna, Mrs. Sherry, Mr. Soares, Mr. Viscuso, Mr. Zapata, President Paris.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Paris led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MOTION RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Mc Kenna, seconded by Mr. Soares and unanimously carried that the minutes of the following meeting be hereby approved:

Regular Meeting, March 15, 2021 at 6:04 p.m.
Closed Session, March 15, 2021 at 6:08 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Athletic/Student Activities – Mr. Viscuso

Mr. Viscuso reported the Athletes of the Month are Esmeralda Ruiz, Girls Basketball, and Robert Kennedy, Indoor Track.

All-County recognitions have been awarded to the following student athletes:

Girls Basketball – Esmeralda Ruiz and Maci Covello named to Third Team; Ava Hyams as an Honorable Mention.

Boys Basketball – Honorable Mentions for the following: Ryan Gill, Ayden Lockett, Kender Santos, and Chris Serrano.

Indoor Track – Raquel Reyes named to Second Team for high hurdles; Cassandra Jovellanos named to Third Team for the 55 meter run; Brandon Vallacres named to Third Team for the 1600 meter run; and Mariana Martins given Honorable Mention for high hurdles.

Curriculum and Instruction – Mrs. Sherry

Mrs. Sherry reported the Committee did not hold a meeting this month.

Facilities – Mr. Zapata

Mr. Zapata deferred to Mr. Bruscano for an update, who reported that during the past month, custodial and maintenance staff was busy preparing for teachers and students to return to schools. Mr. Bruscano also reported on the asbestos removal in the boiler room at Franklin School.

Finance – Mr. Soares

Mr. Soares deferred to Mr. Rosenberg, who reported the following:

The 2021/2022 proposed budget has been approved by the County and will be presented to the Board at the Public Hearing on May 3. Regarding the proposed resolution in Part III of Mr. Rosenberg's report, Mr. Rosenberg noted that the maintenance expenses for the District's two new electric vehicles are covered by the grant which provided the vehicles.

Personnel / Labor Relations – Ms. Lindenfelser

Ms. Lindenfelser recognized the retirement notice of Marilyn Kaplan, the Director of the School-Based Youth Services Program, following 19 years of service.

Ms. Lindenfelser also reported that Labor Relations is nearing completion of negotiations with all District local units.

Policy – Mr. Mc Kenna

Mr. Mc Kenna noted there was one policy being presented for first reading, as well as several polices being adopted upon their second reading.

SUPERINTENDENT SPEAKS

Mrs. Blood stated that today's return to classes by those students who have chosen to return was "a very good day", and she thanked the PTAs and district staff for the welcome back provided to students.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT – Mrs. Blood

PART I – PERSONNEL ITEMS

The following resolutions, "B" through "L" were moved by Mrs. Davidson and seconded by Mr. Mc Kenna:

B. RETIREMENT

The following retirement notice has been accepted, effective July 1, 2021, with regret:

Marilyn Kaplan, Director, School-Based Youth Service Program, after 19 years of service to Kearny Public Schools.

C. 2021/2022 STAFF REAPPOINTMENTS

I. Non-Tenured Professional Staff

The Board has approved the reappointment of the following non-tenured professional staff for the 2021/2022 school year.

| LAST NAME | FIRST NAME | POSITION | TENURE DATE | CONTRACT |
|----------------|------------|--------------------------|---------------|----------|
| Acevedo-Cowley | Marjorie | Pre K | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Alvarez | Fabiana | Nurse | Not Certified | 2 |
| Amaro | Victoria | French/Spanish | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Avecillas | Hillary | Math/Bilingual | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Barone | Matthew | Culinary Arts | 9/2/2024 | 2 |
| Bauer | Jade | Pre K | 10/3/2023 | 3 |
| Bedoya | Rosalyn | Bilingual/ESL | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Bell | Jessica | Kindergarten | 9/2/2024 | 2 |
| Bento | Catia | Special Ed/Resource | 7/2/2022 | 4 |
| Best | Marilyn | Special Ed Teacher/Coach | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Bieltz | Aliki | ELA Supervisor | 7/2/2023 | 3 |
| Calle | Stephanie | Resource | 11/16/2024 | 2 |
| Capelao | Michael | Elementary | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Castaneda | Stephanie | ASI | 1/17/2022 | Final |
| Celiano | Brianna | English - High School | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Chen | Emily | Music | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Clarke | Emma | Pre K | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Concepcion | Iris | Pre K | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Cortese | Julie | Culinary Arts | 9/2/2024 | 2 |
| Crincoli | Cadie | Math/Bilingual | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Curry | Danielle | Elementary | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| DaSilva | Jacqueline | Special Ed/Resource | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| De Matos | Jessica | Elementary Grade 4 | 1/17/2022 | Final |
| Doffont | Amylynn | School Social Worker | 10/8/2023 | 3 |
| Donnelly | Rachel | Elementary | 1/22/2023 | 4 |
| Falvo | Brittney | PreK Disabled | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Fasciana | Mark | Human Resource Manager | 8/27/2023 | 3 |
| Figuroa | Gabrielle | Guidance Counselor | 9/2/2024 | 2 |
| Forman | Reynold | District | 7/11/2022 | 4 |
| Garfinkel | Kimberly | PT School Social Worker | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Gino | Darryl | Resource | 12/2/2022 | 4 |
| Glickstein | Linda | Science | 9/2/2023 | 3 |
| Gosselin | GeriAnne | Nurse | Not Certified | |
| Grimm | Victoria | Nurse | Not Certified | |
| Hatfield | Ruthann | Special Ed/Resource | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Hempel | James | Assistant Principal | 10/2/2021 | Final |
| Hornung | Jonathan | Elementary | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Iannotta | Nicole | Counselor | 9/2/2024 | 2 |
| Janz | Ashley | Elementary | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Jensen | Mariann | Elementary | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Kearns | Cassandra | Kindergarten | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Kerr | Wendy | Assistant Principal | 8/27/2021 | Final |
| Klein | Heather | Special Ed/Resource | 7/2/2022 | 4 |
| Loffredo-Otero | Ghislane | Bi-Lingual | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Lupo | Carin | Comp/Media | 10/17/2021 | Final |
| Lydecker | Victoria | Grade 3 | 9/2/2024 | 2 |
| Malnati | Mark | Math/Special Ed | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Mara | Kristen | Grade 5 | 9/2/2024 | 2 |
| Marques | John | Austic Primary 2 | 7/2/2023 | 3 |
| Matias | Adelia | Pre K | 9/2/2024 | 2 |
| Masters | Donna | Principal | 8/27/2021 | Final |

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|------------------|------------|------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Mc Shane | Linette | Guidance | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Mc Sorley | Kimberly | Grade 4 | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Measso | Paul | Director of Guidance | 7/1/2022 | 2 |
| Millan-Fernandez | Josie | Math-High School | 9/2/2023 | 3 |
| Mirigliani | Jaclyn | Elementary | 10/3/2021 | Final |
| Mojena | Yvonne | | 4/20/2025 | 2 |
| Molina | Ashley | Resource | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Morgan | Desmond | English/Special Ed | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Moyano | Antonio | Principal | 1/5/2023 | 2 |
| Moyano | Ileana | Pre K | 9/2/2024 | 2 |
| Murray | Kelsey | Pre K | 9/6/2023 | 3 |
| Ontell | Lisa | Pre K | 9/6/2023 | 3 |
| Ormaza | Susan | Integrated Pre k | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Orovio | Chelsea | Speech | 10/28/2023 | 3 |
| Paris | Lyndsay | Grade 6 Math | 9/4/2022 | 4 |
| Policano | John | Business/Finance | 9/24/2024 | 2 |
| Polites | Anmarie | Special Ed/Resource | 7/1/2022 | 3 |
| Postel | Daniel | Elementary | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Ramirez | Marlyn | Math-High School | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Robertello | Briana | Speech | 9/11/2022 | 4 |
| Rodrigues | Tracy | Elementary | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Rodrigues | Rui | Business | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Russo | Sarah | ESL | 12/20/2023 | 3 |
| Salisbury | Kaitlyn | Kindergarten | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Sanchez | Nicole | Special Ed/Resource | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Schalago | Mark | Elementary | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Seaver | Owen | Music-High School | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Senzer | Nicole | Elementary | 2/1/2024 | 3 |
| Shanks | Kristen | Elementary | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Soltis | Courtney | Resource | 11/2/2023 | 3 |
| Sourial | Rasha | Math | 9/4/2023 | 3 |
| Stankus | Nicole | Special Ed/Resource | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Stanley | Rana | Elementary | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Sylvia | Michael | English-High School | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Tietjen | Richard | Assistant Principal | 9/23/2022 | 2 |
| Torre | Jose | Business | 9/2/2021 | Final |
| Tucker | Kelly | Kindergarten | 9/2/2024 | 2 |
| Vella | Gabrielle | Dance | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Vicente | Maria | Elementary | 1/5/2022 | 4 |
| Vigorita | Vincent | Special Ed Math | 12/2/2021 | Final |
| Von Cappeln | Christine | Speech | 10/29/2023 | 3 |
| Walsh | Marina | Special Ed/Resource | 9/2/2022 | 4 |
| Way | Steven | Director of Digital Learning | 1/4/2023 | 2 |
| Zappia | Melissa | Elementary | 11/2/2023 | 3 |
| Zarrillo | Nicole | Speech | 9/4/2023 | 3 |

D. RESCISSION OF APPOINTMENT

The previously-approved appointment of Alan Correnti as Summer School Director for the 2021/2022 school year has been rescinded.

E. APPOINTMENTS

I. A.M. Supervision of Students

The following staff members have been approved to monitor students in the morning prior to classes on days schools are in-person, beginning April 19, 2021, from 7:45 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Remuneration in accordance with the 2020/2021 K.E.A. Agreement at the hourly rate of \$40.00 per hour:

Garfield School

Lourenco, Melanie
Schalago, Mark
Scher, Dana
Vicente, Maria

Roosevelt School

Brower, Cynthia
Doffont, Jeanine
Lombardi, Michele
O'Malley, Joanne
Sweeney, Mary Ann

Washington School

Clapps, Eric
Cord, David
Sansone, Ashley

2. Head Teacher – Extended-School Year Program for Students with Disabilities

Scott Fuchs has been appointed as the Head Teacher for the Extended School Year Program for Students with Disabilities for the 2021/2022 school year at the remuneration of \$7,579 in accordance with the 2021/2022 K.E.A. Agreement.

3. Summer Child Study Team

The following appointments to the Summer Child Study Team have been approved at the remuneration of \$41.00 per hour, not to exceed 120 hours per person (unless otherwise noted), in accordance with the 2021/2022 K.E.A. Agreement:

Garcia, Alexandra..... Psychologist
Marino, Nicole..... Psychologist

Biondo, Barbara.....LDT/C
Carsillo, Michele.....LDT/C
Villa, Heather..... LDT/C

Doffont, AmyLynn.....Social Worker
Jensen, Jeanine.....Social Worker
Reilly, Robin.....Social Worker

Von Cappeln, ChristineSpeech..... (Not to exceed 90 hours)

4. Extended School Year Autistic Program

The following appointments have been approved for the Extended-School Year Autistic Program beginning July 6 and ending August 5, 2021 (including July 1st setup date), not more than 4.5 hours per day, at the remuneration of \$41.00 per hour in conformance with the 2021/2022 K.E.A. Agreement:

Teachers

Jesus, Catia
Klein, Heather
Marques, John
Polites, AnnMarie

Behaviorist

Chilar, Karen

Speech Therapist

Two (2) positions to be contracted through School Based Therapy Services

Nurse

To be contracted

Special Education Coach

Best, Marilyn

5. Extended School Year Program for Students with Disabilities

The following have been appointed to the Extended School Year Program for Students with Disabilities, July 6 through August 5, 2021 (including July 1st setup date), 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the remuneration of \$41.00 per hour in accordance with the 2021/2022 K.E.A. Agreement:

Doffont, Alison
Drefko, Nicole
Dyl, Melissa
Falvo, Brittany
Hatfield, Ruthann
Mc Kenna, Kevin
Palase, Victoria

Ruthman, Barbara
Sweeney, Mary Ann
Tchalabi, David
Umek, Dawn
Weiner, Leo
Weiss, Samantha
Wilson, Michael

Speech teacher to be contracted through School Based Therapy Services

6. Assistant Head Custodian – Day Shift

The Board has approved the appointment of the following as an Assistant Head Custodian (assigned to the day shift), effective April 20, 2021; location assignment to be determined:

Martello, Nicholas

7. Assistant Head Custodian – Transfer – Night Shift to Day Shift

The Board has approved the voluntary, posted transfer of Edward Abendschoen from Assistant Head Custodian – Night Shift ~~to~~ Assistant Head Custodian – Day Shift (location to be determined), effective April 20, 2021. Mr. Abendschoen’s annual salary will be reduced by the deletion of his current \$500 night shift differential.

8. Summer Guidance Counselors

The Board has approved the appointment of Guidance Counselors as listed below, beginning June 28, 2021, excluding Fridays beginning the week of July 6th through the week of August 23rd. The hours of employment will be from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (six hours per day) at the remuneration of \$41.00 per hour in accordance with the 2021/2022 K.E.A. Agreement. They will be supervised by the Director of Guidance at Kearny High School.

WEEK OF:

- June 28Edi, Talia
- July 5Mandelman, Miryam
- July 12.....Mandelman, Miryam
- July 19.....Hart, Shauna
- July 26.....Marmolejo, Camilo
- August 2.....Fasciano, Dorian
- August 9.....Iannotta, Nicole
- August 16Olguin, Cori
- August 23Mc Shane, Linette
- August 30 & 31Edi, Talia

9. 4th Prep Assignment

The Board has granted approval of the following 4th prep assignment for the remainder of the 2020/2021 school year at the remuneration of \$7,200.00 (prorated):

Cacciottolo, Michele..... Spanish

10. Summer School Director

The Board has approved the appointment of Jordan Savage as Summer School Director for the 2021/2022 school year at the remuneration of \$6,212.00 in accordance with the 2021/2022 K.E.A. Agreement.

11. Substitute Summer Nurse

The Board has approved the appointment of Denise Woyke as a substitute nurse for *all* summer programs, contingent upon need, at the hourly remuneration of \$41.00 per hour.

F. NON-UNION STAFF

1. The Board has granted approval of updated employment contracts for the following non-union staff members:

- Bruscino, Mark.....Director of Plant Operations
- Fasciana, Mark.....Human Resource Manager

2. The Board has approved the following salary schedule:

| NAME | TITLE | 2020-2021 | 2021-2022 | 2022-2023 |
|-------------|--|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Todd, Dena | Admin Asst to the Business Administrator | \$63,679 (prorated) | TBD | TBD |

G. ATHLETICS

I. Appointment of Volunteer Coaches

The following coaching volunteers have been approved:

Arenas, CarlosBoys Tennis
 Di Gravina, Rob.....Wrestling
 Gogal, Doug.....Boys Baseball
 Neer, KenBoys Baseball

H. SUMMER HOURS FOR NURSING STAFF

The Board has granted approval of a maximum of 75 hours of summer work for School Nurses to review health and immunization records and to assist with medical exams in the High School.

I. AIDES

1. Teacher Aide - Salary Increase

The following salary increase for the aide listed below has been approved:

10-Year Service Anniversary - \$12.00 to \$13.00

Date of Hire
 Merino, Carmen4/28/2011

2. Resignations

The following Aides have resigned their positions at the effective dates so noted:

Flaherty, Mary4/1/2021
 Handlin, Jessica.....3/1/2021
 Rahim Mc Farlane, Rahana3/29/2021
 Nevado, Allison2/1/2021
 Vaca, Maria.....3/29/2021

J. LEAVE(s) OF ABSENCE

The following leave of absence requests have been granted:

| Name | School | Family Leave | Dates | Leave of Absence | Dates | Return to Work |
|-----------------------------|----------|--------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------|----------------|
| Amaro, Victoria | KHS | X | 4/19/21 to 6/25/21 | | | 9/2021 |
| Cecere, Jessica | Schuyler | X | 10/1/21 to 12/24/21 | | | 1/3/2022 |
| De Jesus, Cynthia (Aide) | Franklin | X | 3/29/21 to 6/25/21 | | | 9/2021 |
| Livingstone, Natasha | Garfield | X | 5/3/21 * to 6/25/21 | | | 9/2021 |
| Savage, Jordan | KHS | X | 6/1/21 to 6/25/21 | | | 9/2021 |
| Sourial, Rasha | KHS | X | 9/13/21 to 10/29/21 | | | 11/1/21 |
| Trzepla, Jennifer | KHS | X | 4/19/21 to 6/25/21 | | | 9/2021 |

* Correction to start date

K. EQUIVALENCY

The Equivalency Board of Review has recommended granting the following equivalencies, **effective February 1, 2021:**

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Equivalency</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Base Salary</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Humphrey, Jennifer | MA+32 | \$ 8,000 | \$ 105,595 |
| Rocha, Kimberly | MA | 4,300 | 75,320 |

L. INTERNSHIPS

The Board has approved the following:

1. Leslie De Cena, Montclair State University student, to perform her externship under the direction of Nicole Marino, Teacher of Speech.
2. The previously-approved counseling internship for Robin Mc Laughlin has been withdrawn by the student.

On roll call, the following vote was recorded: Mrs. Davidson, "aye", Mr. Granelli, "aye", Ms. Lindenfesler, "aye", Mr. Mc Kenna, "aye", Mrs. Sherry, "not voting", Mr. Soares, "aye", Mr. Viscuso, "aye", Mr. Zapata, "aye", President Paris, "aye".

There being eight votes in the affirmative and one member "not voting", the motion was carried.

The following resolution was moved by Ms. Lindenfesler and seconded by Mr. Zapata:

A. RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN KEARNY SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (KSEA) AND THE KEARNY BOARD OF EDUCATION (KBOE)

The Board has approved the ratification of the negotiated agreement between the Kearny School Employees Association and the Kearny Board of Education for the period beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2025.

On roll call, the following vote was recorded: Mrs. Davidson, "aye", Mr. Granelli, "aye", Ms. Lindenfesler, "aye", Mr. Mc Kenna, "aye", Mrs. Sherry, "not voting", Mr. Soares, "aye", Mr. Viscuso, "aye", Mr. Zapata, "aye", President Paris, "aye".

There being eight votes in the affirmative and one member "not voting", the motion was carried.

PART II – NON-PERSONNEL ISSUES

The following resolutions, "A" through "C", were moved by Mrs. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Viscuso and unanimously carried:

A. OUTSIDE PLACEMENT

The Board has granted approval of the following outside placement as requested by the Director of Special Services:

Student "P.M." to be placed at the North Jersey Elks Developmental Disabilities Agency, Clifton, NJ effective April 19, 2021 and the annual tuition of \$64,229.52 (prorated).

B. BOARD POLICY

(I) The following Board policies have been adopted upon second reading:

| <u>Policy/Reg #</u> | <u>Title</u> |
|---------------------|--|
| P 2415 | Every Student Succeeds Act (M) |
| P 2415.02 | Title I – Fiscal Responsibilities (M) |
| P 2415.05 | Student Surveys, Analysis, and/or Evaluations |
| P & R 2415.20 | Every Student Succeeds Act Complaints |
| P 2610 | Educational Program Evaluation |
| P 4125 | Employment of Support Staff Members |
| P 5111 | Eligibility of Resident / Nonresident Students |
| P 5600 | Student Discipline / Code of Conduct |
| P 5612 | Assaults on District Board of Education Members or Employees |

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|--------|--|
| P 5613 | Removal of Students for Assaults with Weapons Offenses |
| P 5756 | Transgender Students |
| P 6360 | Political Contributions |
| P 8330 | Student Records |
| P 8461 | Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Alcohol and Other Drug Offenses |
| P 8600 | Memorials |
| P 9713 | Recruitment by Special Interest Groups |

(2) The Board has approved the **first reading** of the following revised policy:

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| P 1648.02 | Remote Learning Options for Families |
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C. ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, BULLYING REPORT

The Board has accepted the HIB Report as prepared by the Student Assistance Coordinator for the month of April, 2021, in accordance with NJSA 18A:37-15 and Board Policy 5512.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT - ADDENDUM

PART I – PERSONNEL ITEMS

The following resolution was moved by Mrs. Sherry, seconded by Mr. Soares and unanimously carried:

A. APPOINTMENTS

1. P/T Nurse – Extended School Year Autistic Program

The Board has approved the appointment of Kristy Agresta as a part-time Nurse for the Extended School Year Autistic Program, July 6 to August 5, 2021, at the remuneration of \$41.00 per hour.

2. P/T Secretary

The Board has approved the appointment of Carly Policano as a Part-Time Secretary (assigned to Lincoln Middle School), STEP I of the 2019/2020 K.E.O.P. (P/T) Salary Guides, which is an annual salary of \$24,302 (prorated), effective April 26, 2021.

PART II – NON-PERSONNEL ITEMS

The following resolutions, “A” and “B”, were moved by Mr. Viscuso, seconded by Mr. Soares and unanimously carried:

A. CREW TRIP

The Board has granted approval for the Kearny High School Crew Team to travel to Pennsylvania for the Stotesbury Crew Regatta, on Friday and Saturday, May 14th and 15th. The trip is contingent upon the scheduling of the Regatta in regards to appropriate COVID regulations.

B. ICE HOCKEY COOPERATIVE

The Board has approved a 2-year extension of the Cooperative agreement between the Kearny, Secaucus, and North Arlington ice hockey teams.

REPORT OF THE INTERIM BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY – Mr. Rosenberg

PART I - FINANCE

The following resolutions, “A” through “H”, with the exception of “F”, were moved by Mrs. Sherry, seconded by Mrs. Davidson and unanimously carried:

A. CASH RECEIPTS – March, 2021

The Kearny Board of Education hereby approves the following Report of Cash Receipts for the month of March, 2021:

| | | |
|-----------|--|--------------------------------|
| 3/02/2021 | STATE OF NJ-NON PUBLIC NURSING | \$ 3,810.00 |
| 3/02/2021 | STATE OF NJ-CHAPTER 193 | 1,594.00 |
| 3/02/2021 | STATE OF NJ-CHAPTER 192 | 1,756.00 |
| 3/02/2021 | STATE OF NJ-FICA FEB 2021 | 161,845.13 |
| 3/02/2021 | STATE OF NJ-FICA FEB 2021 | 162,897.09 |
| 3/08/2021 | STATE OF NJ-STATE AID | 2,320,172.00 |
| 3/17/2021 | STATE OF NJ-SBYSB MOD#I 4/21 | 11,392.00 |
| 3/17/2021 | STATE OF NJ-SBYSB MOD#I 4/21 | 11,741.00 |
| 3/19/2021 | STATE OF NJ- SEMI PAYMENT 2103 | 7,130.75 |
| 3/19/2021 | STATE OF NJ- SEMI PAYMENT 2103 | 6,121.28 |
| 3/19/2021 | MEMO ENTRY-TO RESTORE FUNDS TO CAP RESERVE | 378,060.00 |
| 3/22/2021 | STATE OF NJ-SCHOOL AID | 2,320,171.00 |
| 3/23/2021 | TOWN OF KEARNY | 4,649,313.00 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-SUMMER ADM 2/2021 | 5,660.88 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-SUMMER FOOD 2/2021 | 67,600.80 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-MAC FY Q3 | 7,564.94 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ- FEB FICA | 162,451.83 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ- FEB FICA | 162,572.53 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-TITLE I | 15,326.00 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-TITLE I | 105,209.00 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-TITLE I | 126,326.00 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-TITLE IIA | 766.00 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-TITLE IIA | 1,509.00 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-TITLE III | 2,454.00 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-TITLE III IMMIGRANT | 2,107.00 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-IDEA BASIC | 108,573.00 |
| 3/31/2021 | STATE OF NJ-CARES ACT | 48,729.00 |
| 3/31/2021 | OTHER REVENUES | 73,724.62 |
| 3/31/2021 | MEDICAL CO-PAY | 316,692.21 |
| 3/31/2021 | INVESTORS- INTEREST-N/P AGENCY,ETC | 535.55 |
| 3/31/2021 | INVESTORS-GENERAL OPERATING | <u>1,744.91</u> |
| | | \$ 11,245,550.52 |
| 3/31/2021 | INTEREST-CAPITAL RESERVE | 127.85 |
| 3/31/2021 | INTEREST- MAINTENANCE RESERVE | 265.99 |
| 3/31/2021 | INTEREST-CAPITAL PROJECT | 24.35 |
| 3/31/2021 | INTEREST- UNEMPLOYMENT FUND | <u>139.14</u> |
| | TOTAL | <u>\$ 11,246,107.85</u> |

B. APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS

The Kearny Board of Education, based upon the recommendation of the Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary, hereby approves the list of transfers as per the attached for 2020/2021 school budget.

C. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY (A-148)

The Kearny Board of Education hereby accepts the monthly Report of the Interim Secretary to the Board of Education for the month ending March 31, 2021 based upon the Interim Board Secretary's certification that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which, in total, exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a). And be it further

Resolved: That for the record it be noted that after having reviewed the appropriations section of said report and also having consulted with the appropriate district officials, hereby certifies that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 (b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the 2020/2021 School Year.

D. REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF SCHOOL FUNDS (A-149)

The Kearny Board of Education hereby accepts the monthly Report of the Treasurer of School Funds to the Board of Education for the month ending March, 2021.

E. INVESTMENTS – APRIL 19, 2021 BOARD REPORT

The Kearny Board of Education hereby confirms the action of the Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary in having made investments through The Investors Bank during the month of March, 2021. And be it further

Resolved: That for the record it be noted that the interest earned on said investments amounted to \$2,837.79 for The Investors Bank bringing the year-to-date interest to \$20,458.12

G. ATHLETIC OFFICIALS ACCOUNT BILLS

The Kearny Board of Education, based upon the recommendation of the Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary, hereby approves the Athletic Officials Account Report for the month of March, 2021, which is totaling \$2,534.75.

H. HORIZON BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NEW JERSEY

The Kearny Board of Education has approved the wire transfer in the amount of \$1,217,612.29 for March, 2021 which represents health insurance and prescriptions payment.

The following resolution was moved by Ms. Lindenfelser and seconded by Mr. Soares:

F. PAYMENT OF BILLS

The Kearny Board of Education, based upon the representation of the Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary that he has examined, audited, and certified in writing that the attached bill list is correct in the total amount of \$2,108,349.44 covering the period of 3/1/21 to 4/13/21, hereby orders same to be paid, in accordance with NJSA 18A:19-4.1.

On roll call, the following vote was recorded: Mrs. Davidson, "aye", Mr. Granelli, "aye", Ms. Lindenfelser, "aye", Mr. Mc Kenna, "aye, with the exception of check numbers 9269 and 9298", Mrs. Sherry, "aye, with the exception of check number 9271", Mr. Soares, "aye", Mr. Viscuso, "aye", Mr. Zapata, "aye", President Paris, "aye, with the exception of check number 9271".

There being nine votes in the affirmative, the motion was carried.

PART III- NON-PERSONNEL

The following resolutions, "A" through "E", were moved by Mr. Soares, seconded by Mrs. Sherry and unanimously carried:

A. LOCATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING OF THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL BUDGET

I am recommending, Monday, May 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. for the statutorily-required Public Hearing of the 2021-2022 School Budget via Webex teleconference.

B. LERCH, VINCI & HIGGINS, LLP

The Kearny Board of Education hereby approves the Engagement Letter from Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, and LLP to audit the financial statements for the Kearny Board of Education for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

C. 2021-2022 EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM AID

The Kearny Board of Education hereby accepts the Preschool Education Aid for school year 2021-2022 in the amount of \$3,700,431 from the New Jersey Department of Education for professional development and technical assistance geared toward implementing high -quality preschool programming and individualized technical assistance.

D. COOPERATIVE SPORTS AGREEMENT

The Kearny Board of Education hereby approves the Cooperative Sports Agreements between Kearny High School and the North Arlington Board of Education and the Secaucus Board of Education for the Ice Hockey Sports Program for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years.

E. SOURCEWELL

The Kearny Board of Education hereby approves the Sourcewell Agreement for cooperative purchasing contracts for a four (4) year term beginning 4/1/2020 through 3/31/2024. This agreement is at no cost to the District, as maintenance costs for the electric buses contained in the agreement are a part of the grant which provided the vehicles.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ATTORNEY - Mr. Lindenfelser

Mr. Lindenfelser stated that his report was covered in Closed Session.

OBSERVERS

The following observers addressed the Board:

Lorri Bradow, Kearny

Shannon Mc Kenna, Kearny

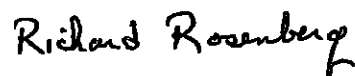
MOTION RE: ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Ms. Lindenfelser, seconded by Mrs. Davidson and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Interim Business Administrator/
Board Secretary