

Minutes of the Workshop Meeting of the Roxbury Township Board of Education held on Monday, April 7, 2008 at the Lincoln/Roosevelt School, 34 North Hillside Avenue, Succasunna, NJ 07876

The meeting was called to order in the Lincoln/Roosevelt School Media Center at 6:30 p.m., President Badini presiding.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Robert Badini, Mrs Maureen Castriotta, Mrs. Liz D'Abbraccio, Mrs. Terry D'Agostino, Mr. Edward Hill, Mrs. Hildi Libby, Mrs. Patricia Miller, Mr. John Moschella, Mr. Joseph Perfetti, Ms. Carol Scheneck

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Mr. Dennis Mack, Mr. Edward Hade, Ms. Ruthann Quinn, Ms. Pam Hinman

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms. Nathanya G. Simon, Schwartz Simon Edelstein Celso & Kessler LLC

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Whereas Chapter 231, P.L., 1975 also known as the Sunshine Law, authorizes a public body to meet in Executive Session under certain limited circumstances; and

Whereas said law requires the Board of Education to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an Executive or Private Session,

Now, therefore, it was motioned by Mrs. Miller and seconded by Mrs. D'Abbraccio that the Roxbury Township Board of Education does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session at this time, 6:30 p.m. to discuss negotiations, personnel, student matters, and matters covered by attorney client privilege. The matters discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required, and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only in a public meeting.

It was motioned by Mrs. Miller and seconded by Mrs. D'Abbraccio that this meeting return to Public Session at this time, 7:37 p.m., in the Lincoln/Roosevelt Auditorium.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

The Public Session was called to order in the Lincoln/Roosevelt Auditorium at 7:41 p.m., President Badini presiding.

Mrs. D'Agostino announced that this Workshop Meeting of the Roxbury Township Board of Education is being held to take action and hold discussion on business before the Board tonight, and that the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Roxbury Township Board of Education has caused written notice of tonight's meeting and copies of the agenda for tonight's meeting to be transmitted to:

Roxbury Register	-	Newspaper
Daily Record	-	Newspaper
Municipal Clerk		
Roxbury Public Library		
Roxbury Website	-	<a href="http://www.roxbury.org/boe/meetings_minutes.htm">http://www.roxbury.org/boe/meetings_minutes.htm</a>

The notice of tonight's meeting and a copy of tonight's agenda have been posted in the Board's Business Office.

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### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Members of the Board, Administration, and Public participated in the salute to the flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

The roll was taken and a quorum deemed present.

### **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Mr. Mack asked for a Moment of Silence for Lois Gelsomino, a transportation employee who passed away suddenly. Mr. Mack mentioned Ms. Gelsomino's history with the district and stated that she will be sorely missed.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

### **MINUTES**

**Mrs. Libby moved, and Mrs. D'Abbraccio seconded a motion that the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session of March 24, 2008 be accepted with the following changes, and the Minutes of the Special Meetings held March 27, 2008, March 29, 2008, March 30, 2008 and April 1, 2008 be accepted as presented:**

1. Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 24, 2008 should include the following comments:
  - a) Mrs. D'Agostino mentioned she tabled/pulled the following purchase orders, 08-3157 and 08-8759 and thanked Ms. Hinman for clearing up the issues.
  - b) Mrs. Castriotta wants it stated that Mr. Rogers asked how much was in the budget for the salaries of the teachers' negotiations. Ms. Quinn stated 4.5%.
  - c) Mrs. Castriotta wants it stated on page 9, regarding the substitutes, she asked how many on the substitute list are highly qualified.
2. Mrs. D'Agostino thanked the board members for all the work during the special meetings regarding the superintendent search.

**The motion was approved by roll call vote.**

**Mrs. Castriotta:** *Yes to all, with changes;* **Mrs. D'Abbraccio:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. D'Agostino:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Hill:** *Abstain to all;* **Mrs. Libby:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. Miller:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Moschella:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Perfetti:** *Abstain to all;* **Ms. Schneck:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Badini:** *Yes to all.*

### **STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE'S COMMENTS**

None

### **PRESENTATIONS**

1. Roxbury High School Student Achievements

Mr. Swanson, Roxbury High School Principal, presented awards to the following groups who excelled over and above their peers:

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ROXBURY COMPETITION CHEERLEADING 2007-2008  
POCONO REGIONAL CHAMPIONS  
UCA HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL FINALISTS

Varsity

Jessica Acquavella  
Alix Alford  
Chrissy Balinski  
Erin Cautero  
Danielle Cole

Nikki Fiore  
Kaitlyn Grossman  
Caitlin Hardiman  
Brittany LaRusso  
Amanda Patterson

Julie Reed  
Emily Spicka  
Victoria Cantillo

Junior Varsity

Jessica Accordiino  
Kaitlin Acquavella  
Cynthia Anderle  
Lauren Bozzi  
Nichole Castro

Jessica Cavaliere  
Lynn Diaz  
Daron Hoagland  
Kelsie Karkovoris  
Victoria Lanier

Molly Mazala  
Wendy Schneider  
Kristen Somerville

ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL ICE HOCKEY 2007-2008  
HAAS DIVISION CHAMPIONS  
HAAS CUP CHAMPIONS

Steve Batchelder  
Andrew Bolognese  
Nick Cafaro  
Frank Corrente  
Keith Cray  
Mike Daly  
Mike DeFeo

Ryan Doll  
Steve Graziani  
Ryan Hendrixson  
Cory Kendelski  
Jeff Kuper  
Mike Maccione  
Sean Mertens

Adam Rayho  
Chris Sannipoli  
Chris Schultz  
Steve Scism  
Joe Streko

ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL INDOOR TRACK 2007-2008  
GROUP III STATE CHAMPIONS

Kathy Alexander  
Aimee Bischoff  
Samantha Cardona  
Ashley Cromartie  
Jen DiGioia  
Kelsey Dul

Britt Henricksen  
Eileen Lee  
Mary Migton  
Justine Ndiba  
Ariann Neutts  
Lauren Penney

Allison Penney  
Rose Turley  
Elisa Tyler  
Tori Wardamasky  
Katie Williams  
Lindsey Williams

ROXBURY WRESTLING 2007-2008  
DOVER TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS  
KITTATINNY TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS  
DISTRICT 2 CHAMPIONS

Eslam Ahmed  
Mike Batilo  
Nick Bautz  
Ryan Caparoni  
CJ Caserta  
Mike Cautero  
Mike Costanzo  
Shawn Cryan  
Anthony Dattolo  
Phil Ernst  
Zac Garripoli  
Jim Gorman

Derek Johnson  
Will LaRusso  
Adam Lopez  
John Madden  
David Maddison  
Sammy Manganella  
Vincenzo Mangiro  
Joe Mazza  
Eric Meckler  
Kevin Murphy  
Tom Nigito  
Bryan Palanchi

Matthew Parker  
Alex Poggi  
Rob Pohida  
Dave Restivo  
Demetri Rotsides  
David Schubiger  
Joe Shadel  
Alex Slevens  
Brandon Spinosa  
Willy Volz  
Kyle Wolfson

## ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL HONORS WIND SYMPHONY

Emily Acken	Miguel Dajer	Christine Hopkins
Dan Aglione	Marielle DiAgostino	Rheanna Martino
Christina Alecci	Lauren Garrison	Tim Orton
Michael Alnemy	Eric Gilligan	Yash Patel
Greg Bassani	Rob Gulick	Jenn Ponton
Veronica Bruzzese	Allison Hadley	Alyse Yeager
Michael Bunalski	Jennie Heisel	
Lauren Califano	Ray Henricksen	

Mrs. D'Agostino thanked the Cheerleaders for being great representatives of Roxbury by supporting the other teams that competed in Florida.

Mrs. D'Agostino congratulated the Wind Symphony for their placement.

### **BOARD PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Badini mentioned the years of service to the Board of Education and the community that Mr. Joe Perfetti and Mr. Edward Hill have provided. They will not be running for re-election for 2008-2009. He thanked Mr. Hill and Mr. Perfetti for all of their service to the district and community.

Mr. Badini also discussed the election issue with Mr. Brannigan not being a resident of Roxbury. Mr. Badini discussed that it was Mr. Brannigan's responsibility to know whether or not he was a resident of Roxbury and that it may have been an honest mistake, but seemed like a 'red herring'. Also, Mr. Badini stated that a petition signed by a board member would also in appearance seem that the candidate was a Roxbury resident. He stated that in no way was the Business Administrator to be held accountable for verifying that Mr. Brannigan was telling the truth of his residency. Ms. Quinn is responsible to verify that the petition is filled out properly. Ms. Quinn set the wheels in motion in order to resolve the ballot issues.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Mack thanked Mr. Hill and Mr. Perfetti for their years of service to the district.

Mr. Mack recognized all of the hard work of the students who receive the awards. He also recognized the teachers and the administrators for their work at the high school.

### **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Quinn is requesting approval for travel requests, acceptance of IDEA grant award, a withdraw and several donations.

Ms. Quinn also thanked Mr. Hill and Mr. Perfetti for their support for her and the business office.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### 1. Facilities

Mr. Perfetti stated that the grounds are in great shape and the department is working diligently in order to put together an action plan.

#### 2. Community Relations

Ms. Libby reminded the public that the election polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on April 15, 2008. Mrs. Castriotta asked whether or not the budget cuts were displayed anywhere.

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Mrs. Libby stated they could be found in the board office. Ms. Quinn recommended putting them on the website.

3. Education

Mrs. Miller stated the next meeting will be held after the election and hopefully the budget is approved. Mrs. D'Agostino thanked Mrs. Miller for her position on the Education Committee and hoped that she would be returning after the election.

4. Finance

Mr. Badini also said the next meeting would be held after the hopeful success of the school budget.

5. Shared Services

Mr. Perfetti mentioned that the committee is getting closer to an agreement with the town for the turf field. Mrs. D'Agostino mentioned that a draft of a contract between the district and the township is in process. It was mentioned that they are waiting to hear back from the township attorney.

6. Personnel

None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items**

Mrs. Day asked about Resolutions 494-08 and 496-08. She asked about the donation of trees and plants to the Jefferson School. She asked if it was offered to all of the schools. It was not. Mrs. Day then asked about the new Special Services Director and the timeframe of her start date in regards to Ms. Mari's retirement. Mr. Hade explained that the two would be in contact and working towards a smooth transition.

Mr. Rogers asked about the IDEA grant, Resolution 491-08. He asked if it was included in the budget. Ms. Quinn explained that we receive this grant each year and the monies are to be used for out-of – district tuition and a small amount for miscellaneous special services expenses.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Finance**

Mrs. Castriotta questioned Resolution 492-09 in regards to Extraordinary Aid. She asked if this would be used towards textbooks. Ms. Quinn affirmed. Mrs. Castriotta also questioned Resolution 493-08 in regards to the donated laptops and how they would be used. Mr. Hade explained that all of the students at the Lincoln/Roosevelt School would benefit.

**Mrs. Miller moved, and Mrs. Libby seconded a motion that the Finance Resolutions 490-08, through 495-08 be approved as presented and listed below.**

**The motion was approved by roll call vote.**

**Mrs. Castriotta: Yes to all; Mrs. D'Abbraccio: Yes to all; Mrs. D'Agostino: Yes to all; Mr. Hill: Yes to all; Mrs. Libby: Yes to all; Mrs. Miller: Yes to all; Mr. Moschella: Yes to all; Mr. Perfetti: Yes to all; Ms. Scheneck: Yes to all; Mr. Badini: Yes to all.**

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**RESOLUTION NO. 490-08**  
**Approval of Travel Requests**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, the Roxbury Township Board of Education approves unavoidable travel and costs as related in this resolution which are educationally necessary and fiscally prudent and are related to and within the scope of the employee's current responsibilities and promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district. The reimbursements listed in this resolution are in compliance with State travel reimbursement guidelines as established by the Department of the Treasury and Board of Education policy in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et. seq.

First Name	Last Name	Conference/Seminar Title	Place	Date of Trip	Total Estimated Expenses*
Colleen	Bamford	Northern NJ AP Computer Science Consortium	Parsippany Hills High School	April 2, 2008	See Note**
Lori	Baker	Landmark College Visit	Landmark College, Putney, Vermont	April 10-11, 2008	See Note
Michele	Leibowitz	Webquests: Construct a Journey to a World of Learning	Centenary College	April 11, 2008	\$75.00 Registration
Bruce	Heike	Webquests: Construct a Journey into Learning	Centenary College	April 11, 2008	\$75.00 Registration
Elizabeth	Gripp	Annual School Counselor Conference	Kean University	April 17, 2008	See Note
Gayle	LaPoma	NJSIAA Athletic Directors Administrative Assistant Workshop	RWJ Center, Mercerville, NJ	April 17, 2008	\$70.00 Registration
Alexis	Mayer	Recent Developments in the Assessment of Children	FDU Teaneck-Hackensack Campus	April 25, 2008	\$75.00 Partial Registration
Joseph M.	Koch	8th Annual TCNJ Athletic Performance Symposium	College of New Jersey	April 26, 2008	\$90.00 Registration
Pam	Hinman	NJSBO Professional Development Program - 403b Regulations	Wayne, NJ	April 29, 2008	See Note
Ruthann	Quinn	NJSBO Professional Development Program - 403b Regulations	Wayne, NJ	April 29, 2008	See Note
Lori	Baker	Community Based Instruction - Job Coaching	Montvale, NJ	May 1, 2008	\$20.00 Registration
Laura	Vasile	Bridging the Gap	Parsippany, NJ	May 5, 2008	\$130.00 Partial Registration
Dawn	Montesano	Bridging the Gap	Parsippany, NJ	May 5, 2008	\$130.00 Partial Registration
Jennifer	Kenny	The Tornado Within	East Hanover, NJ	May 13, 2008	\$159.00 Registration
Dorothy	Cusack	Practical Innovative Ideas for Enhancing Your Effectiveness as a School Nurse	Parsippany, NJ	May 14, 2008	\$199.00 Registration
Daniel	Pajedinec	Many Roads To Success - D.I. for Special Needs Students	County College of Morris	May 20, 2008	\$60.00 Registration
Tina	Rokuson	Differentiating Instruction for Special Needs Students	County College of Morris	May 20, 2008	\$60.00 Registration
Judi	Isler	Differentiating Instruction for Special Needs Students	County College of Morris	May 20, 2008	\$60.00 Registration

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First Name	Last Name	Conference/Seminar Title	Place	Date of Trip	Total Estimated Expenses*
Stacey	Saveth	Practical Therapy Techniques for Persistent Articulation Errors	New Brunswick, NJ	May 22, 2008	\$75.00 Registration
Marilyn	McSpirtt	Diabetes In Children	Parsippany, NJ	May 30, 2008	\$164.00 Registration

\*Does not include mileage and sustenance as it is contractual.  
 \*\*Request omitted from previous agenda due to computer error.

**RESOLUTION NO. 491-08**  
**Acceptance of Fiscal Year 2007 Notification of Grant Award – IDEA Consolidated Formula**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent’s recommendation, the Roxbury Township Board of Education accepts approval from the State of New Jersey Department of Education for grant application IDEA. Approval of the aforementioned grant results in the award of grant monies as indicated below for fiscal year 2007, pending the availability of funds.

**PROGRAM DURATION:**            START: September 01, 2006            END: August 31, 2007

PROGRAM NAME	GRANT NUMBER	FY 2007 AWARD AMOUNT
IDEA Consolidated	IDEA456007	
Basic		880349
Preschool		41766

**RESOLUTION NO. 492-08**  
**Approval to Withdraw**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent’s recommendation, the Roxbury Township Board of Education approves to withdraw \$273,272.00 of 2006/2007 Extraordinary Aid Award pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-2.3(c) into the 2007/2008 district budget.

**RESOLUTION NO. 493-08**  
**Approval of Donation – Lincoln/Roosevelt PTA**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent’s recommendation, the Roxbury Township Board of Education approves acceptance of a donation from the Lincoln/Roosevelt PTA for the purchase of four laptop computers for the Lincoln/Roosevelt School. This donation is valued at approximately \$1,600.00.

**RESOLUTION NO. 494-08**  
**Approval of Donation – Township of Roxbury Sanitation/Recycling Department**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, the Roxbury Township Board of Education approves acceptance of a donation from the Township of Roxbury Sanitation/Recycling Department for the purchase of twelve dogwood trees, and other plants for the environmental center and other areas on the Jefferson School grounds. This donation is valued at approximately \$1,500.00.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 495-08**  
**Approval of Donation – Kennedy Elementary School PTA**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, the Roxbury Township Board of Education approves acceptance of a donation from the Kennedy Elementary School PTA for the purchase of cables which would be used to connect mounted TV monitors to computers. This donation is valued at approximately \$1,056.00.

**Personnel**

Mrs. Castriotta asked about Resolution 496-08 and Ms. Hovey's contract. Mr. Mack explained that she would be part of the Administrators' contract.

Mrs. Libby stated with regret she is approving Resolution 500-08.

**Mr. Hill moved, and Mrs. Libby seconded a motion that the Personnel Resolutions 496-08 through 499-08 be approved as presented and listed below:**

**The motion was approved by roll call vote.**

**Mrs. Castriotta:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. D'Abbraccio:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. D'Agostino:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Hill:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. Libby:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. Miller:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Moschella:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Perfetti:** *Yes to all;* **Ms. Scheneck:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Badini:** *Yes to all.*

**RESOLUTION NO. 496-08**  
**Appointment – Administrative Staff**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, *Ms. Patricia Hovey* be appointed to the position of Director of Special Services for the Roxbury Township School District effective August 1, 2008 for the 2008/2009 school year. Ms. Hovey will replace Ms. Diane Mari who retired.

Degree:	MA, Caldwell College, 2005 BS, College Misericordia, 1982
Certification:	Chief School Administrator Principal Supervisor Teacher of the Handicapped Elementary Education Teacher
Experience:	2006-2008: Director of Special Services, Glen Rock Public Schools, Glen Rock, NJ 2002-2006: Principal, Morris Knolls Adult High School, Mathematics/Science Teacher, Morris Hills Regional School District, Rockaway, NJ 1993-2001: Special Education Teacher, Copeland Middle School, Rockaway, NJ
Salary:	\$115,000 (prorated)

A background check as required by State law has been successfully completed.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 497-08**

**Appointment – Buildings and Grounds Staff - RHS**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, *Mr. Albert Pioppi* be appointed as a substitute Custodian at Roxbury High School effective April 8, 2008 for the 2007/2008 school year.

Salary: \$12.00/Hour on an as-needed basis

A background search as required by State law has been successfully completed.

**RESOLUTION NO. 498-08**

**Appointment - Substitute Teachers**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, the following be approved as substitute teachers for the 2007/2008 school year, contingent upon meeting all requirements according to state rules and regulations; remuneration to be in accordance with Board of Education Policy:

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|---------------------|--|
| Belcher, Terri      | Ms. Belcher earned an Associates in Business from County College of Morris in NJ. She will be working under a substitute certificate.  |
| D'Amore, Mary Susan | Ms. D'Amore earned a BA in Communication Management from Douglass College/Rutgers University in NJ. She will be working under a substitute certificate.  |
| Hall, Melissa       | Ms. Hall is currently a student at Rowan University working towards a degree in Health and Exercise Science. She currently works for the Roxbury Township Recreation Department and will be working under a substitute certificate.  |
| Pivko, Jordana      | Ms. Pivko earned a BA in International Development at McGill University in Montreal, Canada and a MA in Counselor Education at Kean University in NJ. She recently completed her student teaching for Union High School in Union, NJ and will be working under a School Counselor certificate.   |
| Scheuerman, Robert  | Mr. Scheuerman earned a BA in Health and Recreation from Kean University in NJ. He recently retired from the U.S. Postal Service and will be working under a substitute certificate.   |
| Williams, Kathleen  | Ms. Williams earned a BA in Communication Education and Theatre from Marywood University in PA, a MA in Communication Arts from William Paterson University, and a Ph.D. in Speech Communication/Interpersonal Communication from Southern Illinois University in IL. She is currently an adjunct teacher at Fairleigh Dickenson University and Sussex County Community College. She will be working under a Teacher of Speech Arts and Dramatics certificate. |

These appointments, where necessary, are dependent upon successful completion of a background search as required by State law.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 499-08**  
**Appointment - Substitute Secretary**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, the following be approved as a substitute secretary for the 2007/2008 school year, contingent upon meeting all requirements according to state rules and regulations; remuneration to be in accordance with Board of Education Policy:

D'Amore, Mary Susan                      Ms. D'Amore earned a BA in Communication Management from Douglass College/Rutgers University in NJ. She previously worked in private industry.

A background search as required by State law has been successfully completed.

**Mr. Hill moved, and Mr. Perfetti seconded a motion that the Personnel Resolutions 500-08 through 503-08 be approved as presented and listed below:**

**The motion was approved by roll call vote.**

**Mrs. Castriotta:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. D'Abbraccio:** *Abstain to all;* **Mrs. D'Agostino:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Hill:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. Libby:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. Miller:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Moschella:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Perfetti:** *Yes to all;* **Ms. Scheneck:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Badini:** *Yes to all.*

**RESOLUTION NO. 500-08**  
**Resignation – Secretarial Staff**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, the resignation for personal reasons of *Ms. BonnyLee Ames*, Bookkeeper Secretary at the Board Office, be accepted effective April 25, 2008.

**RESOLUTION NO. 501-08**  
**Resignation – Support Staff**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, the resignation for personal reasons of *Ms. Eileen LaBell-Kehoe*, Cafeteria Aide at Nixon School, be accepted retroactive to April 7, 2008.

**RESOLUTION NO. 502-08**  
**Leave of Absence – Professional Staff**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, Ms. Christine Capra, Art Teacher at the Lincoln/Roosevelt School, be granted a leave of absence for medical reasons using available sick days effective April 8, 2008 and thereafter an unpaid leave of absence through June 30, 2008.

**RESOLUTION NO. 503-08**  
**Increase in Time/Salary Adjustment – Professional Staff**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, the following staff be appointed to teach one (1) additional period of Computers five times per week as required in a revised IEP at the Eisenhower Middle School retroactive to April 1, 2008 for the 2007/2008 school year at the following per diem rate.

<b>Name</b>	<b>1/7 (14%) Per Diem Salary*</b>
Bonnema, Rachel	Step 3, BA Guide = \$27.69
*Salary to be determined pending completion of negotiations	

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**Education**

**Mrs. Miller moved, and Mr. Moschella seconded a motion that the Education Resolution 504-08 be approved as presented and listed below.**

**The motion was approved by roll call vote.**

**Mrs. Castriotta:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. D’Abbraccio:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. D’Agostino:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Hill:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. Libby:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. Miller:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Moschella:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Perfetti:** *Yes to all;* **Ms. Scheneck:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Badini:** *Yes to all.*

**RESOLUTION NO. 504-08**

**Approval of Out-of-District Placements/Services**

IT IS RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Superintendent’s recommendation, the Roxbury Township Board of Education approves the 2007/2008 Out-of-District Placements/Services listed below.

<i>File Number</i>	<i>School or Provider</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>	<i>Dates</i>
GVA 005	Glenview Academy	\$16,864.00	03/14/08 to 06/30/08
GVA 006	Glenview Academy	\$15,128.00	03/26/08 to 06/30/08
JEF 002	Applied Behavior Consultants, LLC	\$1,620.00	03/01/08 to 06/30/08
SSA 030	Somerset County Educational Services Commission	\$16,844.56	02/26/08 to 06/30/08

**Mrs. D’Agostino moved, and Mr. Moschella seconded a motion that Resolution 505-08 be approved as introduced and listed below.**

**The motion was approved by roll call vote.**

**Mrs. Castriotta:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. D’Abbraccio:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. D’Agostino:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Hill:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. Libby:** *Yes to all;* **Mrs. Miller:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Moschella:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Perfetti:** *Yes to all;* **Ms. Scheneck:** *Yes to all;* **Mr. Badini:** *Yes to all.*

**RESOLUTION NO. 505-08**

**Approval of Special Meeting**

IT IS RESOLVED, that the Roxbury Township Board of Education approves a Special Meeting for the purpose of conducting a Superintendent Candidates Forum. This meeting is scheduled to be held on May 1, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lincoln/Roosevelt Auditorium.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items**

Mrs. Orton questioned the rumor from teachers about the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Step Up Ceremony being cancelled. Mr. Hade stated it was just a rumor. The administration is working on it.

Mrs. Scicchitano raised academic and budget concerns. She asked about the surplus and how it could be used. She asked if it could be used to keep some of the teachers. Mr. Mack and Ms. Quinn responded that the surplus may not be used towards salaries because the money will not be there the following budget year. Surplus must be used for a one time purchase. Ms. Quinn explained the cap of 4% and how it works. Mrs. Scicchitano also mentioned the health concerns of the turf field and if it would save the district money. Mr. Hade referred her to the Field of Dreams website for such information. Mr. Mack stated it was a win for both the district and the township.

Mrs. Scicchitano also mentioned the community’s discontent with the changes in the Enrichment program. She also asked for better communication with the community. Mr. Mack explained that the

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district has no other alternatives at this time but to change the program to be more cost efficient. Mr. Mack explained that the fact that the budget has failed four out of the last five years, the tax base is lower and lower each time.

Mrs. Castriotta stated that the board policies are not online but the budget development process is on the website.

Mrs. Day asked about the placement of teachers in regards to the budget. Mr. Hade stated that once the budget was passed, he would be sitting with the principals and finalizing the placement of teachers at all of the schools.

Mr. Rogers mentioned the budget cuts. He asked if there was money anywhere in the budget for emergency hiring. Mr. Mack and Mr. Hade responded. It was stated that emergency hiring takes place when someone leaves suddenly or is out on a leave of absence. Most often emergency hiring happens due to a change in an IEP. Mr. Rogers asked if there was a detailed listing of the budget cuts. Ms. Quinn stated she would put them on line. Mr. Rogers questioned the ethics form of Ms. Schneck in regards to prepaid expenses. The board attorney and Ms. Quinn responded.

Mr. Tom Shuman thanked Mr. Hade for meeting with the Enrichment parents.

Ms. Sharon Jordan discussed the cuts at the Lincoln/Roosevelt School and her concerns for the students. Mr. Mack stated there is nothing that we can do. It was stated that the administration could look at the change of the teaming method at the 6-8 level. Ms. Jordan asked if the desks were in the budget. Mr. Hade mentioned that each year the budget fails, a little more is chipped away at the tax base.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was motioned by Mr. Perfetti and seconded by Mrs. Libby to adjourn the meeting at this time, 9:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Hinman  
Assistant Board Secretary