MINUTES

Annual Organizational Meeting Rocky Point Schools - Board of Education July 1, 2009

I. OPENING OF MEETING BY DISTRICT CLERK

- a. Meeting called to order: 8:22 P.M.
- b. Edward Darcey

Diane Burke

Michael Nofi

Michael Ferrara

John Lessler

Carla L. D'Ambrosio Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

Michael F. Ring, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent for Finance/Operations

Anja Groth, Acting Assistant Superintendent for Instruction

Patricia Jones, District Clerk

c. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

II. DISTRICT CLERK ADMINISTERS OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS MICHAEL FERRARA AND JOHN LESSLER

III. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

a. ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

(Ed. Law 1701, 2504, 2563)

The district clerk asked for nominations for the office of president of the Board of Education. Diane Burke nominated and Edward Darcey seconded Michael Nofi for president of the Board of Education. With no further nominations for the office of president, a vote was taken for Michael Nofi as Board of Education president – 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried 4-0. The oath of office was administered to Mr. Nofi by Patricia Jones, district clerk.

Chair relinquished by district clerk to President Nofi.

b. ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

President Nofi requested nominations for the office of vice president of the Board of Education. Edward Darcey nominated and Michael Nofi seconded Diane Burke for the office of vice president of the Board of Education. With no further nominations for the office of vice president of the Board of Education, a vote was taken for Diane Burke as Board of Education vice president – 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried 4-0. The oath of office was administered to Mrs. Burke by the district clerk.

c. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The district clerk administered the oath of office to Carla L. D'Ambrosio, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools.

Mr. Nofi thanked both current and past members of the Board of Education for their dedicated service to the students of the Rocky Point Union Free School District. Mr. Nofi stated that these were trying times for school districts and commented that he was looking forward to working with the newly elected Board of Education trustees.

IV. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

A. DISTRICT CLERK (Ed. Law 2114, 2130, 2503; Comm. Reg. 170.2)

Upon a motion made by Diane Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the following resolutions were offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Patricia Jones be and hereby is appointed as District Clerk during the school year 2009-2010 at a salary of \$11,000.00.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

B. PART-TIME DEPUTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER (Ed. Law 1720)

BE IT RESOLVED, that Kim Lake, be and hereby is appointed as Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer during the school year 2009-2010 at a salary of \$7,000.00.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

C. CENTRAL TREASURER - EXTRA CLASSROOM ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS (Ed. Law 2503; Comm. Reg. 172.5)

BE IT RESOLVED, that Jill Marolla, be and hereby is appointed as Central Treasurer - Extra-Classroom Activity Accounts during the school year 2009-2010 at a salary of \$5,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dennehy Accounting Services, Inc., be appointed auditors for the Extra-Classroom Activity Accounts during the school year 2009-2010.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

D. CLAIMS AUDITOR (Ed. Law 1709 20-A; Comm. Reg. 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that Dennehy Accounting Service, Inc., be appointed Claims Auditor for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 at a fee of \$19,775.00 for biweekly services or \$21,345.00 for weekly services, at the discretion of the district.

All in favor -5-0

E. EXTERNAL AUDITOR (Ed. Law 1709 20-A; Comm. Reg. 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the firm of Coughlin Foundotos Cullen & Danowski, LLP, be appointed External Auditor for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

F. INTERNAL AUDITOR (Ed. Law 1709 20-A; Comm. Reg. 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the firm of Nawrocki Smith, LLP, be appointed Internal Auditor for the 2009-2010 school year at a cost of \$42,360.00 for internal audit services in accordance with the scope of services submitted in response to the District's request for proposal.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

G. PURCHASING AGENT (Comm. Reg. 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that Debra Hoffman be and hereby is appointed as the Purchasing Agent for the district during the school year 2009-2010 at an annual salary of \$19,290.00.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

V. DESIGNATIONS

A. OFFICIAL BANK DEPOSITORY - ALL FUNDS

(Ed. Law 2129, 2130; Comm. Reg. 170.2)

Upon a motion made by Edward Darcey and seconded by Diane Burke, the following resolutions were offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following Banks and/or Trust Companies be and are hereby designated as the official depositories for the district funds during the school year 2009-2010:

Chase Manhattan Bank

Bank of America

TD Bank Bank of New York Capital One Bank Bank of Smithtown

Cooperative Liquid Assets Security System (Class) – Municipal Banking Institute

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

B. REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS

(Ed. Law 1708 (quarterly), 2504)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the regular business school board meetings be held on the fourth Monday of the month at 7:30 P.M. in the auditorium of the Rocky Point High School for the 2009-2010 school year in accordance with the following schedule:

July 1, 2009* Organizational Meeting
August 3, 2009* Regular Meeting

September 21, 2009* Regular Meeting October 26, 2009 Regular Meeting November 23, 2009 Regular Meeting December 14, 2009* Regular Meeting January 25, 2010 Regular Meeting February 22, 2010 Regular Meeting March 22, 2010 Regular Meeting April 21, 2010* Regular Meeting

(April meeting needs to coincide with BOCES Meeting)

May 11, 2009* Public Hearing (Budget) (Ed. Law 2017 (5))
May 18, 2010* Regular Meeting and Budget Vote/Election

(Ed. Law 2022-a)

June 28, 2010 Regular Meeting

*Exceptions: July 1, 2009; August 3, 2009; September 21, 2009; December 14, 2009; April 21, 2010; May 11, 2010; May 18, 2010.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

C. DISTRICT ANNUAL PUBLIC HEARING/BUDGET VOTE/ELECTION (Ed. Law 2022-a; Ed. Law 2017 (5))

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 2022-a of the Education Law the third Tuesday in May (May 18, 2010) is hereby designated as the date of the Annual Meeting to vote upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of the school district, on any propositions involving the expenditure of money or authorizing the levy of taxes, and for the election of the members of the Board of Education; and that the 11th day of May, 2010, is hereby designated as the District Public Hearing date to review the proposed budget that will be voted upon

on May 18, 2010.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

D. OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

(Ed. Law 2004; Gen. Municipal Law 103)

BE IT RESOLVED that the official school district newspapers designated for legal notices are *The Village Beacon Record*, *The North Shore Sun* and *Newsday* for the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

VI. OTHER APPOINTMENTS

A. SCHOOL ATTORNEYS

Upon a motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by John Lessler, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED that the law firm of Hamburger, Maxson, Yaffe, Wishod, & Knauer, LLP, be appointed to serve as General and Labor Counsel for the 2009-2010 school year at a yearly retainer fee of \$26,000.00 and a per hour fee of \$195.00 for litigation services.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

B. BOND ATTORNEY

Upon a motion made by John Lessler and seconded by Diane Burke, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED that the law firm of Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, LLP, be appointed to serve as Bond Counsel for the 2009-2010 school year, as per the attached fee schedule.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

C. PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

Upon a motion made by Diane Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Michael Ring be appointed to serve as Public Information Officer during the school year 2009-2010.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

D. FAMILY EDUCATION RIGHTS & PRIVACY ACT OFFICER

Upon a motion made by Edward Darcey and seconded by Michael Ferrara, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Anja Groth be appointed to serve as Family Education Rights & Privacy Act Officer during the school year 2009-2010.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

E. SCHOOL PHYSICIAN (S)

Upon a motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by John Lessler, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Drs. John Gil, Erika Jurasits, and Mark Wasserman be appointed to serve as School Physicians during the school year 2009-2010.

Mr. Nofi commented that these physicians are vetted by the district and that the review of their qualifications and/or credentials is an on an–ongoing process. Furthermore, the district will continuously review and provide an updated roster of professionals to be added and/or subtracted to the list of approved school physicians, as needed.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

F. CONSULTING SCHOOL DENTIST (S)

(Ed. Law 902)

Upon a motion made by John Lessler and seconded by Diane Burke, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Drs. Mark Cherches and Harlan Taub, be appointed to serve as Consulting School Dentists during the school year 2009-2010.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

G. COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION:

(Comm. Reg. Subchapter P, Part 200)

Upon a motion made by Diane Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the

following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Commissioner's Regulations, Part 200, each Board of Education shall appoint a Committee/Subcommittee on Special Education in accordance with the provisions of the Education Law, Section 4402. The following people and positions are recommended for Board of Education approval for the 2009-2010 school year:

Chairperson Eileen F. Manitta Andrea Moscatiello Chairperson Alternate Chairperson Sherin Shanahan Alternate Chairperson Jo-Ann Tavano-Foss Alternate Chairperson Andrew Cooper Alternate Chairperson John Haggerty Alternate Chairperson Juliet Williams Alternate Chairperson Meredith Dougherty

Alternate Chairperson Al Abbato

Alternate Chairperson Catherine Connor Alternate Chairperson Deborah Elcik

Student's Teacher as per Education Law 4402

Alternate Parent Member

Alternate Parent Member Christine Fitzgerald

Alternate Parent Member
Dawn Krase

Alternate Parent Member Geneva Laccesaglia

Alternate Parent Member
Francine Pisano

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Alternate Parent Member Maria Quaglio
Alternate Parent Member Suzanne Roman

Alternate Parent Member Diane Savastano
Alternate Parent Member Michele Swenson

Alternate Parent Member Jen Tako

Alternate Parent Member Jaime Weismiller
Alternate Parent Member Chantal Trinh
Alternate Parent Member Theresa Wind

School Psychologist Jo-Ann Tavano-Foss
School Psychologist John Haggerty
School Psychologist Juliet Williams
School Psychologist Meredith Dougherty
District Special Education Teacher Members
District Regular Education Teacher Members

School Physician Dr. Mark Wasserman

School Physician Dr. John Gil School Physician Dr. Erika Jurasits

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

H. APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION

Upon a motion made by Edward Darcey and seconded by Michael Ferrara, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rocky Point Board of Education approves the appointment of a generic representative of the Department of Social Services for the Rocky Point Committee on Preschool Special Education which would be at the discretion of the County for the 2009-2010 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rocky Point Board of Education approves the appointment of a representative of the providing testing agency as a generic member of the Rocky Point Committee on Preschool Special Education for the 2009-2010 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Commissioner's Regulations, Part 200, each Board of Education shall appoint a Committee on Preschool Special Education. The following people and positions are recommended for Board of Education approval for the 2009-2010 school year:

Chairperson Eileen F. Manitta
Chairperson Andrea Moscatiello
Alternate Chairperson Sherin Shanahan
Alternate Chairperson Jo-Ann Tavano-Foss

Alternate Chairperson Andrew Cooper Alternate Chairperson John Haggerty Alternate Chairperson Juliet Williams Alternate Chairperson Meredith Dougherty

Alternate Chairperson Al Abbato

Catherine Connor Alternate Chairperson Alternate Chairperson Deborah Elcik

Student's Teacher as per Education Law 4402

Alternate Parent Member Jenny Andersson Alternate Parent Member Debra Bishop Alternate Parent Member Regina Bonello Alternate Parent Member **Nancy Collins** Alternate Parent Member Sharon Farabaugh Alternate Parent Member Janine Fisher

Alternate Parent Member Christine Fitzgerald

Alternate Parent Member Karla Gentile Alternate Parent Member Caroline Gray Alternate Parent Member Colleen Hamilton Alternate Parent Member Mary Heely Alternate Parent Member Joyce Korving Dawn Krase Alternate Parent Member

Alternate Parent Member Geneva Laccesaglia

Alternate Parent Member Jodie Lomas Kim Lombardo Alternate Parent Member Alternate Parent Member Betty Loughran Alternate Parent Member Amy Maza Alternate Parent Member Tracy Mueller Pat Noto Alternate Parent Member Alternate Parent Member Ami Perri

Alternate Parent Member Francine Pisano Alternate Parent Member Maria Quaglio Alternate Parent Member Suzanne Roman Alternate Parent Member Diane Savastano Alternate Parent Member Michele Swenson

Alternate Parent Member Jen Tako

Alternate Parent Member Jaime Weismiller Alternate Parent Member Chantal Trinh Alternate Parent Member Theresa Wind

Jo-Ann Tavano-Foss School Psychologist

School Psychologist John Haggerty School Psychologist Juliet Williams

School Psychologist Meredith Dougherty

District Special Education Teacher Members

District Regular Education Teacher Members

School Physician Dr. Mark Wasserman

School Physician Dr. John Gil School Physician Dr. Erika Jurasits

Evaluator: For any meetings prior to the initial recommendation, a professional who participated in the evaluation of the child for whom services are first being sought.

Teacher: For any meeting held to review or re-evaluate the status of the preschool child, the child's Pre-School Teacher.

Suffolk County Representative: For a child in transition from an early intervention program, the appropriately licensed or certified professional from the Department of Health Program.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

I. SURROGATE PARENT:

Upon a motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by John Lessler, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Commissioner's Regulations, Part 200, each Board of Education shall appoint a Surrogate Parent in accordance with the provisions of the Education Law, Section 4402. The following person is recommended for Board of Education approval for the 2009-2010 school year to serve as a Surrogate Parent: Ms. Nancy Collins, who resides at 56 Freya Road, Rocky Point, NY 11778.

Mr. Nofi explained that the role of the surrogate parent was to sit in place of the actual parent if said parent/guardian was unable to act on behalf of the student(s).

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

J. SECTION 504 COORDINATOR:

Upon a motion made by John Lessler and seconded by Diane Burke, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Federal Regulations, (Subpart D. of the Handicapped Children's Act), the following building principals are recommended for Board of Education approval for the 2009-2010 school year to serve as Section 504 Coordinators: William Caulfield, Principal, High School; Scott O'Brien, Principal, Middle School; Carol Tvelia, Principal, Joseph A. Edgar School; Kenneth Crawford,

Principal, Frank J. Carasiti Elementary School, (Subpart D. of the Handicapped Children's Act). The overall Section 504 Coordinator is Eileen Manitta, Director of Special Education.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

K. TITLE IX COORDINATOR

Upon a motion made by Diane Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED that Anja Groth will serve as the District's Title IX Coordinator for the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

L. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) COORDINATOR (Pursuant to 28 CFR 35.107)

Upon a motion made by Edward Darcey and seconded by Michael Ferrara, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED that Eileen F. Manitta serves as the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator for the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

M. (1) IMPARTIAL HEARING OFFICERS (As per the provisions of Chapter 403 of the Laws of 1993 Commissioner of Education Mandate Amendment to Section 4404(1) of the Education Law)

Upon a motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by John Lessler, the following resolution was offered:

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that pursuant to a parental request for an Impartial Hearing to review a determination of the District's Committee on Special Education, an Impartial Hearing Officer shall be selected from the list of approved Hearing Officers available to serve in Suffolk County, as maintained by the New York State Education Department's Impartial Hearing Reporting System in accordance with the Regulations of the System in accordance with the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, as amended by the Board of Regents, effective July 9, 2004, and is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to such amended regulations, the rotational selection

process for an Impartial Hearing Officer will be initiated not later than two (2) business days after receipt by the District of the written request for the Impartial Hearing, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Board President is hereby designated to appoint the Impartial Hearing Officer upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and District Legal Counsel and notice of such appointment shall be provided to the full Board as soon as practical.

M. (2) COMPENSATION OF IMPARTIAL HEARING OFFICERS (IHO)

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED, as per the Board of Education District Policy No. 7670, that the District will be responsible for compensating the IHO for pre-hearing, hearing and post-hearing activities at the rate agreed upon at the time of the IHO's appointment. The rate of compensation shall not exceed the maximum rate approved by the Director of the Division of the Budget. The District will also reimburse the IHO for travel and other hearing-related expenses (e.g., duplication and telephone costs) pursuant to an annually determined schedule. On an annual basis, the District will forward a copy of its compensation rates to each IHO on the District's rotational list.

M. (3) 2009-2010 COMPENSATION SCHEDULE FOR IMPARTIAL HEARING OFFICERS

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rocky Point Board of Education approves the 2009-2010 Compensation Schedule for Impartial Hearing Officers in accordance with the following:

Pursuant to 8 NYCRR 200.21, compensation for Impartial Hearing Officers for prehearing, hearing, and post-hearing activities shall be the maximum rate prescribed in a schedule approved by the director of the Division of the Budget. For the 2009-2010 school year the rate is \$100.00 per hour;

The School District shall not reimburse Impartial Hearing Officers for any administrative costs, including, but not limited to, administrative assistance, secretarial, or other overhead expenses;

The School District shall not reimburse Impartial Hearing Officers for any meal or lodging expenses they may incur; And,

The School District shall, upon review and approval of properly submitted documentation, reimburse Impartial Hearing Officers for automobile travel at the most recent mileage rate approved by the Internal Revenue Service and for the cost of tolls necessarily incurred as a result of attending the impartial hearing. However, the maximum amount reimbursed by the School District for mileage and travel

related expenses shall not exceed \$50.00 per day for each day the Impartial Hearing Officer attends the hearing.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

N. RECORDS MANAGEMENT OFFICER

Upon a motion made by John Lessler and seconded by Diane Burke, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Michael Ring be appointed to serve as Records Management Officer for the school year 2009-2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Rocky Point Union Free School District of Rocky Point, New York, that Records Retention and Disposition Schedule ED-1, issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts & Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article 57-A, (a) only those records will be disposed of that are described in Records Retention and Disposition Schedule ED-1 after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein; (b) only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

O. RECORDS ACCESS OFFICER

Upon a motion made by Diane Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the following resolutions were offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Michael Ring be appointed to serve as Records Access Officer during the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

P. RECORDS APPEALS OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED, that Carla D'Ambrosio be appointed to serve as District Records Appeals Officer during the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

O. ASBESTOS OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED, that Richard Mondello be appointed to serve as District Asbestos Officer during the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

R. ATTENDANCE OFFICER (Ed. Law 1709)

BE IT RESOLVED, that Anja Groth be appointed to serve as District Attendance Officer during the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

S. EXCEL BOND PROJECT - CLERK OF THE WORKS

Upon a motion made by Diane Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints Richard Mondello, Plant Facilities Administrator, as Clerk of the Works at a stipend of \$25,000.00 for work beyond contractual hours for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

Mr. Nofi asked if Dr. Ring would explain the particulars of this appointment. Dr. Ring advised that the school district had the option to either hire an "outside of district" employee to oversee certain Excel Bond Project operations undertaken by the district or employ an "in-house" employee to oversee said operations. Dr. Ring noted that Mr. Mondello was appointed to the position during the 2008-2009 school year and that the work conducted by Mr. Mondello was exemplary. It was the district's recommendation that Mr. Mondello remain in the position for the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

VII. AUTHORIZATIONS

A. AUTHORIZATION FOR CHIEF SCHOOL OFFICER TO CERTIFY PAYROLLS (Ed. Law 1720, 2523; Comm. Reg. 170.2)

Upon a motion made by Edward Darcey and seconded by Michael Ferrara, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Carla D'Ambrosio, Chief School Officer, be hereby authorized to certify payrolls of the district for the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

B. AUTHORIZATION FOR CHIEF SCHOOL OFFICER TO FILE APPLICATIONS AND GRANTS IN COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE REGULATIONS

Upon a motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by John Lessler, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Carla D'Ambrosio, Chief School Officer, be hereby authorized as district representative to file all applications in compliance with Federal and State regulations and grants for the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

C. AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, ETC. REQUESTS (General Municipal Law 77.b)

Upon a motion made by John Lessler and seconded by Diane Burke, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Carla D'Ambrosio, Superintendent of Schools, and/or her designee, be authorized to approve all conferences, workshops, etc. requests for school district staff members for the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

D. AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH PETTY CASH FUNDS (Comm. Reg. 170.4)

Upon a motion made by Diane Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Administration be authorized to establish petty cash funds for the 2009-2010 school year as follows:

Central Office – Carla D'Ambrosio	\$100.00
Business Office – Michael Ring	\$100.00
Rocky Point High School - William Caulfield	\$100.00
Rocky Point Middle School –Scott O'Brien	\$100.00

Joseph A. Edgar School – Carol Tvelia \$100.00 Frank J. Carasiti Elementary School – Kenneth Crawford \$100.00

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

E. DESIGNATION OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES ON CHECKS (Ed. Law 1709-29; Comm. Reg.. 170.4)

Upon a motion made by Edward Darcey and seconded by Michael Ferrara, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Irene Rosener, School District Treasurer, be authorized to sign checks for the 2009-2010 school year, and that Kim Lake, Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer, Michael Ring, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, and Carla D'Ambrosio, Superintendent of Schools, be authorized to sign checks for the 2009-2010 school year in the absence of Irene Rosener; and furthermore that two signatories be required for any check exceeding \$10,000 and that the signatories for such checks be the Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer and the School District Treasurer or the Superintendent of Schools or the Assistant Superintendent of Schools for Finance and Operations.

Mr. Nofi explained the purpose of this resolution was to enforce the concept of segregation of duties among those responsible for the endorsement/safekeeping of checks.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

F. AUTHORIZATION FOR CHIEF SCHOOL OFFICER and ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR FINANCE AND OPERATIONS TO APPROVE BUDGET TRANSFERS (Ed. Law 1720, 2523)

Upon a motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by John Lessler, the following motion was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Carla D'Ambrosio, Chief School Officer, and Michael Ring, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, be authorized to approve budget transfers up to \$1,000,000 per occurrence, during the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

G. AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF CHECK SIGNER

Upon a motion made by John Lessler and seconded by Diane Burke, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer and the School District Treasurer shall have use of their own check signer with discs containing the signature of the Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer and the School District Treasurer, respectively.

Mr. Nofi noted the circumstances pertaining to this resolution were subject to the policies and/or procedures of the Rocky Point Union Free School District and that prior to the issuance of any and all checks, procedures were reviewed by the proper auditors/authorities.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

H. AUTHORIZATION TO INVEST DISTRICT FUNDS

Upon a motion made by Diane Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Michael Ring, during the school year 2009-2010, be authorized to invest district funds in accordance with the applicable state laws - Ed. Law 1723 (a).

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

I. AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH SHORE YOUTH COUNCIL

Upon a motion made by Edward Darcey and seconded by Michael Ferrara, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the Board President to enter into an agreement with the North Shore Youth Council to provide certain services for the 2009-2010 School year, as set forth within the attached Agreement.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

J. AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AGREEEMENT FOR COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES WITH EASTERN SUFFOLK BOCES

Upon a motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by John Lessler, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education enters into an agreement for Cooperative Educational Services with the Eastern Suffolk BOCES for fiscal year 2009/10 at an estimated cost of \$7,236,164.00.

Mr. Nofi commented that this item pertained to cost-effective measures made possible by sharing the cost of services such as special education and professional development with other districts county-wide.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

VIII. OTHER ITEMS

A. TERRACES ON THE SOUND PROPERTY ASSOCIATION PRIVATE ROAD TRANSPORTATION

Upon a motion made by John Lessler and seconded by Diane Burke, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations to enter into an Agreement with Terraces on the Sound Property Association for district pupil transportation services on private roads within the community.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

B. 2009-2010 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR

Upon a motion made by Diane Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the 2009-2010 Budget Development Calendar as attached.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

C. BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 5220 (DISTRICT INVESTMENTS)

Upon a motion made by Edward Darcey and seconded by Michael Ferrara, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education reviews and re-adopts Policy #5220 District Investments, for the 2009-2010 school year as attached.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

D. RFP #10-8 MEDICAID CONSULTANT SERVICES

Upon a motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by John Lessler, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations to enter into an agreement with Reddy Consultant Services, Inc. for Medicaid consultant Services in accordance with the scope of services submitted in response to the District's to the district's request for proposal.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

E. SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGREEMENTS 2009-2010

Upon a motion made by John Lessler and seconded by Diane Burke, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the president f the Board of Education to enter into service agreements with the following list of providers in accordance with the scope of services submitted in response to the district's request for proposal: Speech & Language Therapy Services: Access 7 Consulting.

<u>Physical Therapy Services</u>: Access 7 Consulting, New Age Therapy, Richard W. Johnson, PT.

Occupational Therapy Services: Access 7 Consulting, Complete Rehabilitation Consultants, Inc., New Age Therapy.

<u>Autism Consultation and ABA Therapy Services</u>: Access 7 Consulting, Bilinguals, Inc., Helping Hands Children's Services, LLC, Team Therapy.

<u>Home Instruction Services</u>: Creative Tutoring, Islip Tutoring, Reach for the Stars Tutoring.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

F. BONDING SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER, PART TIME DEPUTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR FINANCE AND OPERATIONS, AND

ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES

Upon a motion made by Diane Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, School District Treasurer, Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer, School District Clerk and Director of Child Nutrition shall be bonded at a minimum of \$1,500,000.00; Extra Class Activity Treasurer and Board of Education President shall be bonded at a minimum of \$200,000.00, and all other employees shall be bonded at a minimum of \$100,000.00.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

G. ESTABLISH MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE (Ed. Law 2118)

Upon a motion made by Edward Darcey and seconded by Michael Ferrara, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education establishes the mileage rate for reimbursement to school district employees for school business mileage at the current Internal Revenue Service rate per mile for the 2009-2010 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

H. ESTABLISH THE SUBSTITUTE RATE OF PAY SCHEDULE

Upon a motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by John Lessler, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education establish the following substitute rate of pay schedule for the 2009-2010 fiscal year:

Non-Instructional Staff:

Clerical	\$ 9.48 per hour
Custodial	\$ 9.48 per hour
Food Service Worker	\$ 9.48 per hour
Licensed Security	\$14.50 per hour
Teacher Aide/ Monitor	\$ 9.48 per hour
Nurse	\$16.50 per hour

Budget Hearing/Vote/Election Staff:

Chief Inspector	\$10.00 per hour
Board of Registration	\$10.00 per hour
Teller	\$10.00 per hour

Poll Clerk \$10.00 per hour Substitutes for above \$10.00 per hour

Teaching Staff:

Teachers A. Daily rate \$100.00

B. In cases where the substitute assignment lasts ten consecutive weeks or more for the same teacher, the substitute will be paid at a per diem rate based on Bachelor Step 1 of the Teachers' Salary

Schedule.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

IX. ROCKY POINT SCHOOL DISTRICT CRISIS PLAN – REVISED MAY 2009

Upon a motion made by John Lessler and seconded by Diane Burke, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves and adopts the Rocky Point School District Crisis Plan – Revised May 2009.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

X. PERSONNEL CHANGES

Upon a motion made by Diane Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the attached Personnel changes.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

Mr. Nofi opened the floor to those who wished to make comments and/or ask questions concerning the items discussed.

• Ms. Carolyn Reynen thanked all of the Board of Education members for their service, in particular the two newest members, Mr. Ferrara and Mr. Lessler. Ms. Reynen thanked Dr. Ring and Dr. D'Ambrosio for their extensive research pertaining to the analysis of busing services. Ms. Reynen reminded those in attendance that approximately two years ago she had researched the possibilities/cost effectiveness of the district purchasing its

- own buses in order reap the expected financial benefits of participation in direct ownership and Ms. Reynen reiterated the particulars pertaining to her previously proposed option.
- Mrs. Burke questioned Dr. Ring concerning the availability of any state aid if the district did, indeed, own its own buses.
- Dr. Ring advised that ownership of our own buses would require the establishment of a bus depot/fueling station and the insurmountable costs of acquiring same. Dr. Ring also outlined the extreme costs of staffing said buses with district employees, including, in addition to annual salaries, the costs of health and retirement benefits associated with same. Dr. D'Ambrosio reported that following extensive research by her and fellow superintendents of schools, it was the general consensus that the outsourcing of busing services was determined to be the most fiscally responsible option for school districts at this time.
- Ms. Reynen asked if professional development was or was not state mandated. Dr. D'Ambrosio advised that professional development for teachers was state mandated.
- Ms. Reynen inquired as to the possibility of pursuing other school-approved dentists in addition to Drs. Cherches and Taub as they were of the same dental practice.
- Mr. Malcolm Germaine, Mrs. Joanne Osmanski and Mrs. Liz Bernard, parents of graduated seniors, together with graduate students Shannon Stark and Alexandra Santiago, and others, approached the microphone one-by-one to express their overwhelming disapproval, anger and regret, concerning the manner in which the graduation ceremony was conducted on Friday evening, June 26th. It was the express belief of all of those who spoke that, due to threatening weather conditions, the ceremony should have been postponed and rescheduled for the following day. The speakers called for a formal apology to be issued by school administrators to the graduating students and their families for what they considered to be an example of extremely poor lapse of judgment leading to the decision that allowed the much-abbreviated ceremony to continue and not rescheduling the ceremony with the rain date of Saturday or Sunday.
- Dr. D'Ambrosio and Mr. Nofi thanked those commenting for sharing their thoughts. Dr. D'Ambrosio assured the parents and others that the error made was an error of judgment and not an act of "not caring" by the faculty and administration of Rocky Point Schools. Mr. Nofi and Dr. D'Ambrosio assured all that each speaker's points were well-taken. Mr. Nofi acknowledged that an inclement weather "plan B" should have been in place. Mrs. Burke remarked that the administration and Board of Education learned a great deal from the circumstances surrounding this incident.
- Mrs. Watson requested information concerning the changes in the Before Care Program to be run by the North Shore Youth Council. Dr. D'Ambrosio explained that the change in program was done as a cost-saving measure. Mrs. Watson further commented that older children were now part of the program and that there was an understaffed ratio of caregiver to child. Mrs. Burke advised that neither she nor the other board members were presented with information concerning this change in Before Care Program procedure and that she would look into the matter.
- Ms. Jenny Andersson extended her congratulations to Mr. Nofi upon his election to the board presidency and asked Mr. Nofi if any e-mails sent to the Board of Education e-mail

- address would be shared with all members and not just the board president. Mr. Nofi confirmed that this protocol was now in place.
- Ms. Rooney expressed her concern that report cards were issued at 7 PM on Friday, June 26th and questioned why the report cards could not have been sent out in the morning. Dr. D'Ambrosio responded that there was a "glitch" in the system (a portal problem) that caused this delay. Mrs. Burke suggested to Ms. Rooney that she might consider joining the Shared Decision Making Committee as a parent member and that together with teachers and administrators, she would be able to express her concerns and dialogue directly with fellow members to gain insight and make changes as needed.
- An unidentified meeting attendee asked who was responsible for making the decision to reassign the principals. Dr. D'Ambrosio answered that the change in personnel would allow professional growth for the principals concerned. Mr. Nofi remarked that a lot of discussion went into these personnel changes prior to their implementation and the changes made reflected the best judgment of Dr. D'Ambrosio and her administrative staff.

There were no further questions and/or comments. Mr. Nofi expressed his gratitude to those parents, students, and others, for their comments. Speaking directly to the recent graduates and their families, Mr. Nofi offered an apology for what they experienced on the evening of June 26th. He assured all that the board would carry this forward in order to confirm implementation of corrective measures in the future.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:50 P.M., Edward Darcey made a motion and Diane Burke seconded to go into Executive Session to discuss particular personnel matters.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Jones District Clerk

The Board returned to Open Session at 10:14 P.M.

RESOLUTION TO RESCIND AWARD OF TENURE

Upon a motion made by Diane and Burke and seconded by Edward Darcey, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a certain teacher, made known to the Board of Education, was awarded tenure by the Board of Education at its meeting of May 19, 2009, to become effective September 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, certain information has recently come to the attention of the Superintendent of

Schools concerning this teacher's professional performance, and;

WHEREAS, in light of this information, the Superintendent of Schools has reconsidered her previous recommendation to award tenure to the teacher and now recommends that the teacher be denied tenure;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby rescinds the May 19, 2009 award of tenure to said teacher and denies tenure to said teacher.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:22 P.M., a motion was made by Edward Darcey and seconded by Diane Burke to adjourn the meeting.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Carla L. D'Ambrosio Superintendent of Schools