

# HIGH POINT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

## STAFF BIOGRAPHIES

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**Mr. Jim Minkewicz**

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**Business Administrator**

**2016 - Year started at High Point**



**The son of a high school Business teacher, Mr. Jim Minkewicz always seemed to have education in his blood. He spent many years working in the financial industry before embarking on his current career as a school business administrator. Jim is an avid golf and tennis player, and he has an uncommon and eclectic appreciation for music. Despite the complexities of his job, Jim keeps High Point running strong and he has been a great addition to our staff!**

## **The Minkewicz File:**

- 1.) How did you end up in your current position?** Interesting first question. I did originally want to become a teacher. I worked for National Community Bank for ten years, it was my first job out of college. After ten years in the private world of finance and banking, I decided that I would like to focus my skills and hard-work in a helping-profession such as teaching. A couple of Superintendents said to me "with your background in business, you might want to think about being a school-business-administrator rather than a teacher." So here I am.
  
- 2.) Year started at High Point?** 2016
  
- 3.) Pre-High Point Education:**  
Rutgers University, B.A. in Economics  
Fairleigh Dickinson University, M.B.A. in Management of Financial Institutions
  
- 4.) Most challenging part of your job?** While it is a challenge working with the financial reporting, purchasing, food service, buildings and grounds, payroll, benefits, fixed assets and the annual school audit, the bureaucracy of state and federal mandates and guidelines can be astounding.
  
- 5.) Favorite part of your job?** Working in the business office with the best crew that I have ever worked with. There are eight of us working in the business and superintendent's office and it is the nicest seven people that I have worked with in 40 years!
  
- 6.) Unique and special about High Point?** It is one of the very few places that I have worked that feels like family.
  
- 7.) Personal life? Family? Interests?** This education-thing must run in the family. My wife (m. 1989) is a paraprofessional at McKeown School, my daughter Amy will be teaching health and phys-ed at Kittatinny this year and my younger daughter, Colleen, is attending college to earn a degree as a social worker.
  
- 8.) Anything else?** I would just like to say that I am proud to be a staff member at High Point Regional High School. Who would have thought; I used to bleed-blue for Kittatinny and now I bleed-red for High Point!

