

RIVER DELL REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2019

A Regular Session Meeting of the River Dell Regional Board of Education was held in the River Dell Regional High School Media Center, Monday, March 4, 2019. Board President, Albert Graef, called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

Claudia O'Neill, Alan Feigenson, John Samuel, Tracey-Ellen Ehalt, Douglas Kupfer, Barbara Kuchar, Stephanie Hartman, Joseph Manzelli, and Albert Graef.

Others Present

Patrick J. Fletcher, Superintendent of Schools
Thomas L. Bonfiglio, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act ("Act"), the River Dell Regional School District Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") shall conduct a closed executive session pursuant to the exceptions prescribed by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 for the purpose of discussing:

Maternity leaves of absence; rescind coaches; appoint information system coordinator; appoint instructional aide; appoint coaches

It is anticipated that the length of time of this executive session will be 30 minutes and that action will be taken in public after the executive session.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the minutes of the executive session will be released when the need for confidentiality in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 no longer applies.

Motion carried by all ayes.

Motion was made by Claudia O' Neill, seconded by Stephanie Hartman, to resume open session at 8:00 pm. RESUME OPEN SESSION

Motion carried by all ayes.

Mr. Bonfiglio led everyone in a salute to the flag. FLAG SALUTE

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

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Others Present

Patrick J. Fletcher, Superintendent of Schools
 Thomas L. Bonfiglio, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
 Student Liaison(s), Minatulah Elzawawy, Felicita Kostianis, Reilly Seeley
 Jeannine Wright, Secretary

Mr. Bonfiglio read the following statement:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the River Dell Regional Board of Education has caused notice of this regular meeting to be publicized by having the date, time, and place thereof sent to THE RECORD (primary), THE TOWN NEWS, and/or THE STAR LEDGER newspapers, the constituent borough clerks and borough libraries, as well as posting in the school district principals' offices, faculty rooms, Board Office, and website.

According to New Jersey Public Law 2001, Chapter 226, the smoking or use of any tobacco product is strictly prohibited anywhere in the public school buildings or anywhere on school grounds, including but not limited to the parking lots, grassy areas, and athletic fields. Violators will be subject to a fine not to exceed \$100.

Mr. Samuel read the mission statement of the River Dell Regional School District.

Public Comments (on agenda items only) - None

Reports

REPORTS

Student

Evelyn, an employee (Custodian) here at River Dell has family in Venezuela and there was a fundraiser on March 6th between 4 and 8pm at Chipotle to help her and her family.

Members of the Girls Who Code Club got involved at the Emerson Elementary STEM night. They taught students coding using Scratch and they also donated 4 laptops to the school.

President

Reminder of the March 12th Meeting in Ramsey and they hope to have seven representatives from River Dell. Governance email from Tom, please take care of that as well as the ethics form.

Email Art Student Exhibit Students Art Exhibit started on March 5th and will continue through March 23rd at the River Edge Cultural Center. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 2:00 and 4:00 pm and Sunday at 2pm.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Fletcher discussed the following items:

Mr. Fletcher acknowledged the Scholastic Arts & Writing Program and their reception and honoree night at the Montclair Art Museum on February 28,2019. There were 3,000 entries and River Dell took home 10 recognitions.

Mr. Fletcher honored 2 staff members: Tiffany Korea and Dr. Glen Coleman who, on March 1, 2019 through the Hewlett Packard and Microsoft digital promise program, were chosen for the HP Teaching Fellows program. Only 30 individuals are inducted into this program across the country and these two Rive Dell staff members were chosen.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget & Finance Committee -

The Board will have the Preliminary budget numbers (state financial aid numbers) it is their hope that they will get that information to Mr. Bonfiglio by Thursday, March 7th.

Campus Facilities Committee – None

Community Relations & Information Committee - None

Curriculum Committee -

Mr. Principe sent out an email regarding the electives for the students which are on the portal and the Committee will review the electives in their meeting on 3/18 and see if there are any significant changes.

Policy & Governance Committee - None

Motion was made by Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mr. Manzelli that all items designated with asterisks (*) be part of a consent agenda and approved.

APPROVE CONSENT
AGENDA

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Feigenson, Mr. Samuel, Mrs. Ehalt, Mrs. Kuchar, Mr. Manzelli, and Mr. Graef, all voted aye.

Mrs. O' Neill voted aye on all but resolution VII E-2 on which she voted nay. Mr. Kupfer voted aye on all but resolution VII E-2 on which he abstained. Mrs. Hartman voted aye on all but resolution VII E-1 on which she abstained.

VII. Personnel

A. Special Requests

- *1 approve professional day requests for the following staff members to attend workshops/conferences as noted and in accordance with appropriate statute:

PROFESSIONAL
DAYS

Name	Workshop/Conference	Dates	Cost (not to exceed)
Lorraine Brooks	SUPA Advisory Council meeting at Lubin House in New York City	3/13/19	\$65.00

William Feldman	Building Expertise National Conference at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort - Lake Buena Vista, FL	6/11-14/19	\$1,857.00
Edward Houston	SUPA Physics Seminar at Lubin House in New York City	5/6/19	\$50.00
Jen Jarusiewicz	NJ TESOL Conference at Hyatt Regency Hotel in New Brunswick, NJ	5/30-31/19	\$549.17
Kelli Shill	SUPA Accounting Seminar at Lubin House in New York City	4/12/19	\$75.00

- *2. approve a 600-hour counseling internship for Montclair State University graduate student NICOLE Nicole Alvarez beginning September 2019 through December 2019, with High School ALVAREZ Counselor Patricia Barlow as cooperating school counselor. INTERNSHIP
- *3. approve compensation for Instructional Aide Rich Schonfeld to facilitate the after-school RICH participation of Student #232793 in track for six hours per week from SCHOENFELD April 1, 2019 to May 22, 2019, at \$17.56 per hour. INSTRUC. AIDI

B. Resignations/Retirements – None

C. Reappointments/Reassignments/Transfers -None

D. Salary Adjustments/Corrections

- *1. approve the salary adjustment for Teacher of Mathematics Maria Kleva from M. KLEVA \$71,511 (BA+16 Step 9) to \$74,267 (MA Step 9) effective April 22, 2019 for the TEACHER 2018-2019 school year.

E. Appointments

- *1. approve the appointment of staff members, on the attached list, to perform supplemental instruction for at-risk students for three 6-hour sessions, with 6 hours of planning for each session, at a cost of \$50.78 per hour, as per the RDEA Agreement.
- *2. approve the appointment of Dan Nastasi as a volunteer assistant DAN NASTASI strength and conditioning coach for the 2019 spring athletic season. S & C COACH
- *3. approve the appointment of the following substitute teacher for the TYLER BISIG remainder of the 2018-2019 school year: SUB. TEACHER

Tyler Bisig (60 credits Berkeley College)

VIII. Curriculum/Student Affairs and Activities -None

IX. Miscellaneous

- *1. approve the revised Information System Coordinator job description, as per the INFO. attached. SYSTEM COORDINATOR

X. Finance/District Operation

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| *1. | Recording of Fire/Security Drills
Middle School February 4 & 27, 2019
High School February 27 & 28, 2019 | FIRE/SECURITY
DRILLS |
| *2. | Recording of Enrollment—(Attached) | ENROLLMENT |
| *3. | Recording of Suspension Report/Violence and Vandalism Reports—(Attached) | VIOLENCE/
VANDALISM REPORT |
| *4. | Recording of HIB Reports—(Attached) N/A | HIB REPORT |
| *8. | approve the establishment of the Brad Hoey Memorial Scholarship. | SCHOLARSHIP |

X. Finance/District Operation

5. Motion was made by Mr. Feigenson, seconded by Mr. Manzelli, to approve the following resolution: TSUJ
LIGHTING
PROJECT

WHEREAS, the River Dell Regional School District Board of Education (“Board”) advertised for bids regarding the Site Lighting Upgrades at the River Dell High School (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2019, the Board accepted bids for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bid for this Project was submitted by TSUJ Corporation (“TSUJ Corp.”) with a base bid in the amount of \$119,200; and

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by TSUJ Corp. is responsive in all material respects and it is the Board’s desire to award the contract for the Project to TSUJ Corp.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Board hereby awards the contract for the Project to TSUJ Corp. in a total contract amount of \$119,200.
2. This award is expressly conditioned upon the contractor furnishing the requisite insurance certificate and labor and materials/performance bond as required in the project specifications, together with an AA201-Project Manning Report, and an executed A-107, Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor, and an A-201, General Conditions of the Contract for Construction, as prepared by the Board Attorney, within ten (10) days of the date hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Attorney is hereby directed to draft the agreement with the successful bidder consistent with this Resolution and with the terms contained in the bid documents approved by the Board for the Project. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute such agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Motion carried by the roll call vote:

Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Feigenson, Mrs, Ehalt, Mr. Kupfer, Mrs. Kuchar, Mr. Manzelli, and Mr. Graef voted aye. Mr. Samuel abstained. Mrs. Hartman voted nay.

- 6. Motion was made by Mr. Manzelli, seconded by Mrs.Hartman, to approve the following resolution:

HALECON
TENNIS
COURTS

WHEREAS, the River Dell Regional School District Board of Education (“Board”) advertised for bids regarding the Tennis Court Reconstruction at the River Dell High School (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2019, the Board accepted bids for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bid for this Project was submitted by Halecon, Inc. (“Halecon”) with a base bid in the amount of \$592,450; and

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by Halecon is responsive in all material respects and it is the Board’s desire to award the contract for the Project to Halecon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1.The Board hereby awards the contract for the Project to Halecon in a total contract amount of \$592,450.

2.This award is expressly conditioned upon the contractor furnishing the requisite insurance certificate and labor and materials/performance bond as required in the project specifications, together with an AA201-Project Manning Report, and an executed A-107, Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor, and an A-201, General Conditions of the Contract for Construction, as prepared by the Board Attorney, within ten (10) days of the date hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Attorney is hereby directed to draft the agreement with the successful bidder consistent with this Resolution and with the terms contained in the bid documents approved by the Board for the Project. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute such agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Motion carried by the roll call vote:

Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Feigenson, Mrs, Ehalt, Mr. Kupfer, Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs.Hartman , Mr. Manzelli, and Mr. Graef voted aye. Mr. Samuel abstained.

- 7. Motion was made by Mrs.Hartman, seconded by Mrs.O’Neill, to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the River Dell Regional Board of Education does hereby approve an agreement with the South Bergen Jointure Commission, an approved Coordinated Transportation Services Agency, for the purposes of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the time-period 2019-2020 school year. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to, the Coordinated Transportation of nonpublic, out of district special education, vocational and summer programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the River Dell Regional Board of Education agrees to abide by the Transportation Services Agreement as published by the South Bergen Jointure Commission and attached to this resolution.

Motion carried by the roll call vote:

Mrs. O’Neill , Mr. Feigenson, Mr. Samuel, Mrs, Ehalt, Mr. Kupfer, Mrs. Hartman, Mr. Manzelli, and Mr. Graef voted aye. Mrs. Kuchar abstained.

Mr. Graef brought the Executive Agenda forward for discussion and decision.

Motion was made by Mrs. O’Neill, seconded by Mr. Kupfer, to approve the following resolutions:

A. Special Requests

- 1. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education grants Teacher of English Danielle DANIELL Russo a maternity leave of absence with pay for the period beginning May 13, 2019 RUSSO to June 18, 2019 and an unpaid leave of absence for the period beginning MATERNITY June 19, 2019 to November 6, 2019. LEAVE
- 2. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education grants Teacher of ALLISON FONTA Special Education Allison Fontan a maternity leave of absence with pay MATERNITY for the period beginningMay 14, 2019 to May 29, 2019 and an unpaid LEAVE leave of absence for the period beginning May 30, 2019 to November 22, 2019.
- 3. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education grants Teacher of ELIZABETH STILE Social Studies Elizabeth Stiles a maternity leave of absence with pay for MATERNITY the period beginning April 12, 2019 to June 11, 2019 and an unpaid leave LEAVE of absence for the period beginning June 12, 2019 to November 11, 2019.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mrs. O’Neill, Mr. Feigenson, Mr. Samuel, Mrs. Ehalt, Mr. Kupfer, Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs.Hartman , Mr. Manzelli, and Mr. Graef, all voted aye.

Motion was made by Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mrs. O’Neill to approve the following resolutions:

B. Resignations/Retirements:

1. Rescind the appointment of Assistant Track Coach Adam Herman for the 2019 spring season.
2. Rescind the appointment of Assistant Track Coach Donald J. Nimphius for the 2019 spring season.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mrs. O’Neill, Mr. Feigenson, Mr. Samuel, Mrs. Ehalt, Mr. Kupfer, Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs. Hartman , Mr. Manzelli, and Mr. Graef, all voted aye.

Motion was made by Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mrs. O’Neill to approve the following resolutions:

E. Appointments:

1. approve the appointment of Lisa Albanese to the position of Information System Coordinator, effective
LISA ALBANESE
May 1, 2019 for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year, at a prorated salary of \$55,000. INFO.
This appointment is contingent upon receipt of a satisfactory background/reference check SYSTEMS
as required by P.L.1986. COORDINATOR
2. approve the appointment of Sarah Kellett to the position of Instructional Aide SARAH KELLETT
effective immediately for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year, at a salary of \$15.00 INSTR. AIDE
per hour for 7 hours per day at a cost not to exceed \$8,085, with two non-cumulative sick
days and one paid holiday. This appointment is contingent upon receipt of a satisfactory
background/reference check as required by P.L.1986.
3. approve the appointment of Donald J. Nimphius as Head Strength and DONALD
Conditioning Coach for the 2019 spring season, at a total salary of \$7,536 NIMPHIUS
(\$7,227 (Step 4) plus \$309 longevity). S & C COACH
4. approve the appointment JOSEPH
of Joseph Acuna as Assistant Track Coach for the 2019 season, at a salary ACUNA
of \$5,621 (Step 3a). ASST. TRACK COACH
5. approve the appointment DANIELLE
of Danielle Stanton as Assistant Track Coach for the 2019 season, at a salary of STANTON
\$6,609 (Step 4). ASST. TRACK COACH

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mrs. O’Neill, Mr. Feigenson, Mr. Samuel, Mrs. Ehalt, Mr. Kupfer, Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs. Hartman , Mr. Manzelli, and Mr. Graef, all voted aye.

3/7/19

Old/New Business/Discussion

Mrs. O'Neill thanked the students for their help with the accumulation of Global Goods for Connection.

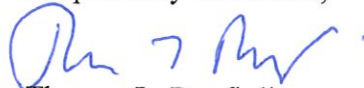
The Board discussed the implementation of therapy dogs.

Public Comment - None

Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Feigenson, to adjourn at 8:47 pm.
Motion carried by all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas L. Bonfiglio
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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