

RIVER DELL REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION

September 5, 2017

A Regular Session Meeting of the River Dell Regional Board of Education was held in the River Dell Regional High School Media Center, Tuesday, September 5, 2017. Board President, Joseph Manzelli, Jr., called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

Claudia O'Neill, Alan Feigenson, Albert Graef, Douglas Kupfer, Anthony Barbary, Barbara Kuchar, Stephanie Hartman, Patrick Gallagher, and Joseph Manzelli.

Others Present

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

Motion was made by, Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Mr. Feigenson, to adopt the following resolution at 7:01 pm:

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

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:

Appointment of Spanish leave replacement; appointment of school counselor leave replacement; appointment of building service employee

It is anticipated that the length of time of this executive session will be sixty 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 Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mrs. Hartman, to resume open session at 8:00 pm.

RESUME OPEN
SESSION

Motion carried by all ayes.

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

Claudia O'Neill, Alan Feigenson, Albert Graef, Douglas Kupfer, Anthony Barbary, Barbara Kuchar, Stephanie Hartman, Patrick Gallagher, and Joseph Manzelli.

Others Present

Patrick J. Fletcher, Superintendent of Schools
Thomas L. Bonfiglio, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Student Liaison(s), Kaitlyn Bridge, Greg Sarafian, Olivia Tumino
Malissa Stokes, Secretary
One member of the public

Mr. Manzelli led everyone in a salute to the flag.

FLAG SALUTE

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. Gallagher read the mission statement of the River Dell Regional School District.

Public Comments (on agenda items only) - None

Reports

REPORTS

Student Member Report

The student representatives reported that school opening and 9th grade orientation both went well.

President's Report

Mr. Manzelli welcomed the new student representatives and commended Mr. Fletcher on his opening day address.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Fletcher also welcomed the new student representatives and then discussed the various programs and work that took place over the summer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget & Finance Committee - None
 Campus Facilities Committee - None
 Community Relations & Information Committee - None
 Policy & Governance Committee - None

Curriculum Committee - Mr. Graef

The committee met tonight and reviewed summer work as well as discussion of course pre-requisites, peer leadership, Algebra 1, and ELA 7 through 12.

Motion was made by Mrs. O’Neill, seconded by Mr. Graef, 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:

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

Board Meeting Minutes

* approve the following Board meeting minutes: July 24, 2017 Executive and Regular Sessions

VIII. 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:

WORKSHOPS/
 CONFERENCES

Name	Workshop/Conference	Dates	Not to exceed
James Cooney	Section 504 in NJ, Parsippany, NJ	10/2/17	\$119.99
Mary C. Risi	School Library Journal Maker Workshop	10/3,10,17, 24/17	\$349.00

B. Resignations/Retirements

*3. accept the resignation of Teacher of Special Education Christina Doolittle, effective October 18, 2017 or sooner.

C. DOOLITTLE
 RESIGNATION

*4. rescind the appointment of Victor Tribuzio as Assistant Football Coach for the 2017-2018 school year.

RESCIND V. TRIBUZIO
 ASST. COACH

C. Reappointments/Reassignments/Transfers

*1. approve the transfer of Saratheresa Bartelloni from Technology Coach to High School Teacher of Art for the 2017-2018 school year, effective September 5, 2017.

S. BARTELLONI
 TRANSFER

D. Salary Adjustments/Corrections - None

E. Appointments

- *1. approve the appointment of the following extra-curricular advisors for the 2017-2018 school year: EXTRA-CURRICULAR ADVISORS

Activity	Advisor(s)	Step	Salary
Spring Musical-Music Director	Ilene Greenbaum	1	\$2,181.00
Spring Musical-Technical Director	Anne Bertasso	1	\$ 748.00
Math Team	Kear Halstater	4	\$2,319.00
Model United Nations Club	Peter Pavone	2	\$1,050.00
National Art Honor Society (H/S)	Saratheresa Bartelloni	4	\$1,154.00
National Honor Society (H/S)	Saratheresa Bartelloni	4	\$1,937.00
REBEL	Samantha Altman	1	\$1,050.00
Art Club (H/S)	Casey D'Elia	2	\$1,050.00

- *2. approve the appointment of James Cooney as the District Affirmative Action Officer and District 504 Officer for the 2017-2018 school year. J. COONEY 504 & AFFIRM. ACTION
- *3. accept the revised turnkey training salaries to reflect an additional six hours for two half-day department trainings, as per the attached list, to be adjusted upon successful completion of negotiations. REVISED TURN-KEY TRAINING SALARIES
- *4. approve the appointment of Austin Berninger as Assistant Football Coach, at a salary of \$5,710, Step 3a, for the fall 2017 athletic season. A. BERNINGER ASST. COACH
- *5. approve the appointment of Brelyn Kirk as Girls Volleyball Volunteer Assistant Coach for the fall 2017 athletic season. B. KIRK VOL. ASST. COACH
- *6. approve the appointment of the following substitute teacher(s) for the 2017-18 school year: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

Cynthia Sherlock (AA—LIM College)

IX. Curriculum/Student Affairs and Activities - None

X. Miscellaneous

- *3. approve the following changes to the 2017-2018 School Calendar: CALENDAR CHANGES
- January 17, 2018—One-Session Day for Professional Development
 February 14, 2018—One-Session Day for Professional Development
 March 21, 2018—One-Session Day for Professional Development
- *4. approve the prorated Black Seal License stipend of \$1,000 for Building Service Unit employee Michael Rusciano effective August 1, 2017. M. RUSCIANO BLACK SEAL STIPEND

XI. Finance/District Operation

- *1. Recording of Fire/Security Drills - N/A
- *2. Recording of enrollment - N/A
- *3. Recording of Suspension Report/Violence & Vandalism Report - N/A
- *4. Recording of HIB Report(s) - N/A
- *5. accept the additional State Aid in the amount of \$68,161 and apply it to Account No. 56-565, Outgoing Special Education Tuition. ADDITIONAL STATE AID
- *6. approve the agreement/meeting with Sinai School at RYNJ for non-public nursing services, textbooks, security and technology for the 2017-2018 school year. NON-PUB. AID SINAI AT RYNJ
- *7. approve additional out-of-district placements and related services for the 2017-2018 school year. OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENTS

Student #	Grade	Placement/Service	Tuition
232974	7	Sage Day Middle – 11 months	\$61,430
172944	12	Strive Program, Ridgefield – 11 months	\$60,442
191175	11	Valley Program – 11 months OT Services @ Valley	\$73,910 \$ 2,520
212245	9	ECLC – 11 months (change in tuition)	\$62,452
191165	11	ECLC – 11 months (change in tuition)	\$62,452

- *8. approve a transportation jointure with Emerson (route EM/RD) for transporting Academy students to Hackensack for the 2017-2018 school year at a cost of \$12,278.76. EMERSON TRANSPORTATION JOINTURE

VIII. Personnel

B. Resignations/Retirements

- 1. Motion was made by Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mr. Kupfer, to accept, with regret, the resignation of Secretary to the Athletic Director Melinda Russo for reason of retirement, effective October 1, 2017. M. RUSSO RETIREMENT

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

- 2. Motion was made by Mrs. O’Neill, seconded by Mr. Kupfer, to accept, with regret, the resignation of Instructional Aide Nancy Hansen for reason of retirement, effective September 1, 2017. N. HANSEN RETIREMENT

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

X. Miscellaneous

1. Motion was made by Mr. Graef, seconded by Mr. Barbary, to approve the Comprehensive Equity Plan for the 2017-2018 school year and submission of the 2017-2018 Statement of Assurance.

COMPREHENSIVE
EQUITY PLAN

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education reaffirms the continuation of a Three-Year Comprehensive Equity Plan 2016-2019 to identify and correct, or assess and prevent, all bias, discrimination, and impermissible isolation in the policies, programs, practices, and facilities of the district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education reaffirms that it is committing the district to provide Equality in Education Programs and ensures educational equity according to Policy No. 5145.4.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

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

SUPERINTENDENT
MERIT GOALS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes payment of Merit Goals for the 2016-2017 school year to the Superintendent as follows:

Qualitative Goal 2	Middle School Schedule	2.5%	\$ 3,937.50
Quantitative Goal 1	Regional	3.33%	5,244.75
Quantitative Goal 2	Security	3.33%	5,244.75
Quantitative Goal 3	Job Descriptions	3.33%	5,244.75
TOTAL			\$19,671.75

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Old/New Business/Discussion

OLD/NEW BUSINESS/
DISCUSSION

The Board discussed the following topics:

- Board certification
- Bergen County mental health first aid training
- Friends of River Dell 2017 Distinguished Graduate Hall of Fame Induction Dinner
- FORD donation toward sound system and scholarships
- Co-Curricular advisors

Public Comment - None

Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Kupfer, to adjourn at 8:49 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried by all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Bonfiglio
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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