

RIVER DELL REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION

February 11, 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, February 11, 2019. Board President, Albert Graef called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

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

Others Present

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

Motion was made by, Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, to adopt the following resolution at 7:31 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:

Personnel; resignation of instructional aide; rescinding of coaches; appointment of assistant school board administrator; appointment of lead technology technician; appointment of coach

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 Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mrs. 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

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

Others Present

Patrick J. Fletcher, Superintendent of Schools
 Thomas L. Bonfiglio, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
 Student Liaison(s), Minatulah Elzawawy and Felicita Kostianis
 Malissa Stokes, Secretary
 Approximately 1 member of the public

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.

Mrs. O'Neill read the Mission Statement of the River Dell Regional School District.

Public Comments (on agenda items only) - None

Reports**Student**

Student representatives discussed the various academic, athletic, and co-curricular events at River Dell.

President

Mr. Graef discussed his attendance at the NJSBA Leadership Training meeting; Alumni in Recovery PTO presentation on February 26th; reminder to the Board to fill out ethics disclosure forms and register for mandatory training sessions.

Superintendent

Mr. Fletcher discussed the following items:

- 8 students were selected for the Region I Junior High Symphonic Orchestra, and Chorus
- NJ.Com/The Star Ledger listed River Dell's athletic program 4th in the state and 31st in the nation
- Programs on Vaping for parents and students.

Mr. Fletcher announced that School will be closed tomorrow due to impending inclement weather.

Committee Reports

Budget & Finance

Tonight's audit presentation was postponed until March because numbers have still not been received from the State.

Campus Facilities - None

Community Relations & Technology - None

Curriculum - Mrs. Hartman

The next meeting is scheduled for approximately three weeks.

Policy & Governance - Mr. Kupfer

There is a meeting scheduled for March.

Motion was made by Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, 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. Samuel, Mrs. Ehalt, Mr. Kupfer, Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs. Hartman, Mr. Manzelli, and Mr. Graef, all voted aye. Mr. Feigenson was absent.

VII. Board Meeting Minutes

* approve the following Board meeting minutes:

MINUTES

January 3, 2019 Reorganization and Regular Meeting

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: PROFESSIONAL DAYS

Name	Workshop/Conference	Dates	Not to Exceed
John Knable	NJ School Building & Grounds Expo at Harrah's Resort in Atlantic City, NJ	3/11-13/19	\$852.00
Marta Mayer	Accelerate Your Students' Use of the Target Language Seminar at the Radisson Hotel in New Rochelle, NY	3/21/19	\$296.57
Andrea McNamara	Planning and Implementing Next Generation Science Standards at the Raritan Valley Community College in Branchburg, NJ	3/12/19	\$165.52
Randie O'Neil	33 rd Annual ASAPNJ Conference-Stressed for Success at Ocean Resort and Casino in Atlantic City, NJ	2/27-3/1/19	\$250.00
Diana Rieder	Accelerate Your Students Use of the Target Language Seminar at the Radisson Hotel in New Rochelle, NY	3/21/19	\$296.57
Alycia Russell	NJ Television & Video Teacher Convocation at Madison High School in Madison, NJ	2/13/19	\$21.29

B. Resignations/Retirements - None**C. Reappointments/Reassignments/Transfers - None****D. Salary Adjustments/Corrections**

- *1. approve a salary adjustment for Teacher of Special Education Peter LaBarbiera from \$106,805 plus \$4,662 longevity (MA+16 Step Off B) to \$112,866 plus \$4,662 longevity (MA+32 Step Off B) effective February 1, 2019 for the 2018-2019 school year, as per the RDEA Agreement. P. LaBARBIERA
SALARY ADJ.

E. Appointments

- *1. approve the appointment of volunteer assistant coaches for the 2019 spring athletic season, as per the attached list. VOL. ASST.
COACHES

IX. Curriculum/Student Affairs and Activities - None**X. Miscellaneous - None**

XI. Finance/District Operation

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| *1. Recording of Fire/Security Drills | FIRE/SECURITY DRILLS |
| Middle School January 18 & 30, 2019 | |
| High School January 4 & 15, 2019 | |
| *2. Recording of Enrollment - January 2019 | ENROLLMENT |
| *3. Recording of Suspension Report/Violence & Vandalism Report -
January 2019 | SUSP/VIOLENCE/
VANDALISM REPORT |
| *4. Recording of HIB Report(s) - January 2019 | HIB REPORT |
| *5. pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4 certify and accept that, as of
January 2019 after review of the appropriate sections of the monthly
financial reports of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary,
and upon consultation with the School Business Administrator and other
appropriate District officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account
or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b) and
that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations
anticipated for the remainder of the fiscal year and is in agreement with the
Treasurer's Report. | NO OVER-
EXPENDITURES
BOARD SECRETARY
REPORT |
| *6. accept the Scholarship Analysis Report for the month ending January 2019 . | SCHOLARSHIP
ANALYSIS |
| *8. accept the following donations into the Scholarship Accounts for the month of
February 2019: NA | SCHOLARSHIP
DONATIONS |
| *9. accept the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of January
2019 and is in agreement with the Board Secretary's Report. | TREAS. SCHOOL
MONIES REPORT |
| *10. authorize the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to pay
February bills, after review by the Finance Committee, which bills will then be
presented to the Board at the March Meeting. | FEBRUARY BILL
PAYMENTS |

XI. Finance/District Operation

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| 7. Motion was made by Mr. Manzelli, seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, to accept
line item transfers and the adjustments as listed in the financial Report for
the month ending January 2019 . | LINE ITEM
TRANSFERS |
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Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Board Discussion

BOARD DISCUSSION

1. Progress Toward Board Goals - Mr. Fletcher presented his first of four planned updates.

Old/New Business

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

The following topics were discussed:

- Re-scheduling of Joint Board of Education meeting in Ramsey
- Project Graduation fundraiser
- Global Connections fundraiser
- Junior Prom
- Article on Helicopter Parenting

Public Comment – None

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

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

III. Items for Board Discussion and Decision**B. Resignations/Retirements**

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| 1. resignation of Instructional Aide Terrence Ciccolella effective immediately. | T. CICCOLELLA
RESIGNATION |
| 2. rescind the appointment of Assistant Wrestling Coach Matthew O'Brien effective January 28, 2019. | RESCIND COACH
M. O'BRIEN |
| 3. rescind the appointment of Assistant Softball Coach Mike Viramontez for the 2019 season. | RESCIND COACH
M. VIRAMONTEZ |

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

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

E. Appointments

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| 1. appointment of Technology Specialist Marc Wachter as Assistant School Business Administrator effective February 16, 2019. | M. WACHTER
ASST. SCHOOL BA |
| 2. appointment of Computer Technician Rajiv Miller as Lead Technology Technician at a prorated stipend of \$5,000, effective February 16, 2019. | R. MILLER LEAD
TECHNOLOGY TECH |

- 3. appointment of Cindy Talty as Assistant Softball Coach for the 2019 season at Step 4 with a salary of \$6,918 (\$6,609 plus \$309 longevity). C. TALTY ASST. SOFTBALL COACH

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mrs. O’Neill, Mr. Samuel, Mrs. Ehalt, Mr. Kupfer, Mrs. Kuchar, Mr. Manzelli, and Mr. Graef, all voted aye. Mrs. Hartman voted aye on resolutions III.E.1 and 2, but abstained on III.E.3. Mr. Feigenson was absent.

B. Resignations/Retirements

- 4. Motion was made by Mr. Manzelli, seconded by Mrs. Hartman, to accept, with regret, the resignation due to retirement of Accounts Payable Secretary Lisa Finn, effective March 1, 2019. L. FINN RETIREMENT

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Motion was made by Mrs. O’Neill, seconded by Mrs. Hartman, to adjourn at 8:47 pm. ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried by all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Bonfiglio
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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