

RIVER DELL REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION

April 3, 2017

A Regular Session Meeting of the River Dell Regional Board of Education was held in the River Dell Regional High School Media Center, Monday, April 3, 2017. Board President, Joseph Manzelli, Jr., called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

Claudia O'Neill, Alan Feigenson, Albert Graef, Douglas Kupfer, Anthony Barbary, Barbara Kuchar, Patrick Gallagher, and Joseph Manzelli. Stephanie Hartman arrived at 7:40pm.

Others Present

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

Motion was made by, Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mrs. Kuchar, 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:

Appointment of leave replacement teacher
Appointment of confidential secretaries

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 Mr. Feigenson, to resume open session at 8:01 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), Jordan Auriemma, Garrett DeMarrais
Malissa Stokes, Secretary
Two members 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. Manzelli 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 on the academic and extra-curricular activities at River Dell.

President's Report

Mr. Manzelli discussed the Spring Musical, Board Self evaluations, next step with CSA evaluation, and Select Choir.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Fletcher discussed the Spring Musical, Select Choir ranked in the Gold category in the Roxbury Invitational, the Senior Senior Prom will be Wednesday evening, the Middle School Quiz Bowl team won the State Championship.

Mr. Fletcher then stated that Board training will take place at the May 8th and June 26th meetings and asked that everyone get back to him by the end of the week with availability for a third training.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Curriculum Committee - Mr. Graef

The committee discussed Math pathways, Creative Writing curriculum change, goal updates, Language Arts curriculum development process, and Special Education update.

Policy & Governance Committee - Mrs. Hartman

The committee is reviewing the entire job description manual and will bring the revision before the Board for a vote on May 22, 2017.

Motion was made by Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mr. Feigenson, 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.

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:

WORKSHOPS/
CONFERENCES

Name	Workshop/Conference	Dates	Not to exceed
Tiffany Correa	Tech Standards 8.1 & 8.21, Monroe Twp., NJ	3/23/17	\$50.00
Lauren Garcia	Catholic College of NE PA Tour	4/5-7/17	\$148.50
Patricia Barlow	Catholic Colleges of NE PA Tour	4/5-7/17	\$148.50
Thomas Nolan	NJTEEA iStem Unconference, Ewing, NJ	5/6/17	\$116.00
Randie O'Neil	Character is Forever, Lawrenceville, NJ	5/19/17	\$135.00
William Feldman	Role of Social & Emotional, Monroe Twp., NJ	5/10/17	\$130.00
Marianthe Williams	Role of Social & Emotional, Monroe Twp., NJ	5/10/17	\$130.00
Michael O'Toole	College Board AP Reading, Tampa, FL	6/2-9/17	-0-
Susan Carney	18 th NJ Writing Alliance Conf., Livingston, NJ	5/24/17	\$106.00
Lisa Schiff	18 th NJ Writing Alliance Conf., Livingston, NJ	5/24/17	\$75.00

- *2. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education grants Teacher of the K. KOCH FMLA
Handicapped Keri Koch a revised federal family and medical leave of absence
(FMLA) with pay for the period beginning January 20, 2017 and ending January 31,
2017; unpaid from February 1 to March 8, 2017; an unpaid NJ state family leave of
absence (SFLA) for the period March 9, 2017 and ending, May 17, 2017; and an unpaid
child rearing leave of absence for the period beginning May 18, 2017 to May 31, 2017.

C. Reappointments/Reassignments/Transfers - None

D. Salary Adjustments/Corrections - None

E. Appointments

- *1. approve the appointment of the following substitute teacher(s) for SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS
the 2016-2017 school year:
- Geoffrey Keitel (BA Rhode Island College)
Ragaa Tawfellos (BA Assiut University)
Artoun Hamalian (M.Ed. William Paterson University)
- *2. approve a revision to the appointment of Erin Smith as a Teacher of E. SMITH REVISED
Student with Disabilities/Elementary K-6 (leave replacement), effective APPOINTMENT
February 3, 2017 to May 31, 2017, for a 120% schedule at a prorated salary
of \$58,423 (BA Step 1).
- *3. approve the appointment of the following volunteer assistant coach for the VOLUNTEER
spring 2017 athletic season: **Baseball** Brian Estevez ASST. COACH

VIII. Curriculum/Student Affairs and Activities

- *1. approve a field trip for the Italian Exchange students to travel to Italy on ITALIAN STUDENT
March 28 to April 8, 2018, with Anthony Loria and Marina Viggiano as EXCHANGE TRIP
chaperons, with substitute teachers as the only cost to the Board.
- *2. approve the revised Creative Writing Curriculum for the 2017-2018 REVISED CREATIVE
school year. WRITING CURRIC.
- *3. approve the 2017 Extended School Year Program to be held at the 2017 EXTENDED SCHOOL
middle school from July 5 through August 1, 2017. YEAR PROGRAM

IX. Miscellaneous

- *2. approve the Joint Purchasing Agreement for 2017-2018 with Region V. REG. V PURCHASING

X. Finance/District Operation

- *1. Recording of Fire/Security Drills FIRE/SECURITY DRILLS
- Middle School - March 27 & 29, 2017
High School - March 29 & 30, 2017

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| *2. Recording of enrollment | ENROLLMENT |
| *3. Recording of Suspension Report/Violence & Vandalism Report | SUSP/VIOLENCE/
VANDALISM REPORT |
| *4. Recording of HIB Report(s) | HIB REPORT |
| *5. approve the following tuition rates for the 2017-2018 school year: | 2017-18 TUITION
RATES |
| Grades 7-8 | \$16,970 |
| Grades 9-12 | \$18,486 |
| LLD | \$21,748 |
| Resource Center | \$23,017 |
| *6. approve out-of-district placement for student #170640 at Delsea Regional High School, Gloucester County, NJ effective March 9, 2017 through June 30, 2017, at a cost of \$11,805. | #170640 OUT OF
DISTRICT |
| *7. approve homebound instruction for student #201670 effective March 20 to 30, 2017, for five hours per week, at the cost of \$50.78 per hour. | #201670 HOMEBOUND
INSTRUCTION |

VII. Personnel

B. Resignations/Retirements

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| 1. Motion was made by Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, to accept the resignation of Teacher of Spanish Melissa Marinari, effective March 5, 2017. | M. MARINARI
RESIGNATION |
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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.

IX. Miscellaneous

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| 1. Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Manzelli, to approve the selection of the following professional staff members as River Dell's 2017 Bergen County Teacher/Educational Services Professional Recognition Program recipients: | BERGEN CTY
TEACHER/EDUC.
SERVICES PROF. |
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Jon Zaccone	Middle School
Jeffrey Williams	High School

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:

- Date change of September meeting. September 11th meeting is re-scheduled to September 5, 2017.
- Holding a Board meeting in the renovated middle school media center
- NJSBA meeting discussion regarding funding
- Middle school play this coming Thursday evening
- Summer camps
- PTO meeting on April 18th hosting a substance abuse awareness program
- Article regarding incorporating Civics classes into high school curriculum

Public Comment

Alumni, Councilman Caleb Herbst, thanked River Dell Regional for preparing him for his college experience.

Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Kupfer, to adjourn at 8:44 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried by all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Bonfiglio
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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