

RIVER DELL REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION

March 14,, 2016

A Regular Session Meeting of the River Dell Board of Education was held in the River Dell High School Media Center Monday, March 14, 2016. Board President, Joseph Manzelli called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

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

ROLL CALL

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. Hartman to adopt the following resolution at 7:30 p.m.

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:

Staff leave of absence request; appointment of athletic coach

It is anticipated that the length of time of this executive session will be thirty 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.

Executive Session ended at 7:59 p.m.

Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mrs. Hartman to resume open session at 8:00 p.m.

RESUME
OPEN SESSION

Motion carried by all ayes.

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

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

Others Present

Patrick Fletcher, Superintendent of Schools
Thomas Bonfiglio, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Lisa Finn, Secretary
Caleb Herbst, Student Representative
1 member of the public

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

FLAG SALUTE

Mr. Bonfiglio read the following statements:

OPEN PUBLIC
MEETING STMT.

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, and Board Office and website.

According to New Jersey Public Law 2001, Chapter 226, the smoking of tobacco 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 \$100.00.

Mr. Feigenson read the mission statement.

MISSION
STATEMENT

Public Comments (on agenda items only)-None

Presentation:

PRESENTATION

FY2016-2017 Budget-Thomas L. Bonfiglio, Business Administrator

Student Member Report

The student liaison gave brief updates on academic, athletic and extra-curricular activities and achievements. In addition teachers were organized during the evacuation.

STUDENT MEMBER
REPORT

Reports

REPORTS

President's Report

Mr. Manzelli reported on the following topics:

- NJ Quiz Bowl
- Student Athletic accomplishments
- Mike Tota won Big North Patriot Coach of the Year for Wrestling
- Kevin Sabella won Big North Patriot Coach of the Year for Ice Hockey
- Mike Urso, Boys and Girls Bergen County Coach of the Year
- Middle School Semi Formal

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Fletcher reported on the following topics:

- Choral Program at Carnegie Hall
- High School Swatting/Evacuation incident
- Controlling communications during an evacuations.

Committee Reports

Budget & Finance-None

Campus Facilities

Mr. Barbary stated the committee met on 2/29/16, and discussed the leak in the lower gym floor in the High School. During the repairs LED lighting replacement, painting and any seating work will be done.

Community Relations & Information

Mrs. Kuchar stated that the committee met and is reviewing the procedure on plans to communicate during an evacuation incident.

Curriculum/Tri-District

Mrs. Hartman stated the Committee met and discussed Program of Studies and curriculum how it stands now. Mr. Feldman spoke on upcoming summer work, new Science Standards that go into effect this fall, Curriculum Writing that will take place over this summer.

Policy & Governance

Mrs. O’Neill said the Committee met and discussed the Leftover Policy on Field Trips. Chaperones will not be able to bring their child on field trips unless the child is a River Dell student on the trip. Committees no longer will have a Technology Committee, but will split the regulation into both Budget/Finance and Curriculum.

Items for Board Discussion

FY2016-2017 BUDGET

1. FY2016-2017 Budget

Board Decision

Motion was made by Mr. Kupfer, seconded by Mr. Feigenson to approve the following resolution:

FY 2016-2017
BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED to approve a school district preliminary budget for the FY2016-2017 School Year for submission to the Executive County Superintendent’s office as follows:

Tax Levy	\$28,908,817
Current Expenses	\$30,754,263
Capital Outlay	950,706
Special Revenue Projects	451,000
Debit Service	<u>1,506,000</u>
TOTAL ALL EXPENSES	\$33,661,969

The Board of Education banked \$150,446 in health care adjustments last year and will bank an additional \$229,852 in health care adjustments, for possible future use.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

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

CONSENT
AGENDA

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Personnel
Special Requests

approve a professional day request for the following staff member(s) to attend workshops/conferences as noted and in accordance with appropriate statute:

PROFESSIONAL
DAY REQUESTS
FOR STAFF

Name	Workshop/Conference	Dates	Cost (Not to exceed)
Brittany Bur	Care Plus Annual Conf./Children, Paramus, NJ	4/1/16	\$75.00
Peter LaBarbiera	Care Plus Annual Conf./Children, Paramus, NJ	4/1/16	\$75.00
Gracemarie Lamparillo	Hot Legal Topics/Special Ed., Long Branch, NJ	3/11/16	\$218.90
Kathryn Kreger	Traveler's Health/Emerging Infec., Wood Ridge, NJ	3/21/16	\$35.00
Mike Dunphy	PARCC 2016 Readiness Training, Whippany, NJ	3/9/16	\$16.37
Marc Wachter	PARCC 2016 Readiness Training, Whippany, NJ	3/9/16	\$16.37

approve the placement of Nicole Lidestri in the High School Guidance Department as a school counselor intern for the 2016-2017 school year.

N. LIDESTRI H/S
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

Resignations/Retirements-None

Reappointments/Reassignments/Transfers-None

Salary Adjustments/Corrections-None

Appointments

approve the appointment of James Antony Muir as a Teacher of Social Studies (Leave Replacement), effective March 16, 2016 to June 30, 2016, at a prorated salary of \$50,549 (BA+16 Step 1). This appointment is contingent upon receipt of proper certification, academic records, and satisfactory background/reference checks, as required by P.L. 1986. This is an emergent appointment under the provision of Senate Bill #851 amending the criminal history background check laws N.J.S.A.18A:6-7.1 et seq., or N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq., or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4, 13 et seq.

J. MUIR TEACHER
OF SOCIAL STUDIES

approve the appointment of the following substitute teacher(s) for the 2015-2016 school year:

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Janet Luyke (BA Montclair State)
 Aileen Norton (BA St. John Fisher College)
 Dylan Smith (60+ credits University of Rhode Island)

approve the appointment of Robert Bani as a substitute custodian, at the rate of \$14.57 per hour, for the 2015-2016 school year.

R. BANI SUBSTITUTE
CUSTODIAN

approve the appointment of Dylan Smith as a Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach for the spring 2016 season.

D. SMITH VOLUNTEER
ASST. BASEBALL COACH

Curriculum/Student Affairs and Activities

approve a field trip for the Middle School Academic Competition Club to travel to Atlanta, GA on May 5 to 9, 2016 to compete in the National Quiz Bowl Tournament with Sue Keitel and John Mauthe as chaperons, at a cost of \$1,325 for lodging and transportation and \$645 for registration fees and substitute teacher costs.

M/S FIELD TRIP TO
NAT'L QUIZ BOWL
TOURNAMENT

approve a field trip for students of Spanish/Spanish National Honor Society to travel to Barcelona, Madrid, Seville, Granada, Cordoba, Toledo and Costa del Sol, Spain on June 26 to July 5, 2017 with Kathryn Annechino and Marina Viggiano as chaperons, with no cost to the Board.

FIRLD TRIP
TO SPAIN

approve a field trip for students of art, business and Spanish to travel to Argentina on April 6 to 15, 2017 with Mercedes Faunde and Kelli Shill as chaperons, and substitute teachers as the only cost to the Board.

FIELD TRIP TO
ARGENTINA

Miscellaneous

approve the ESEA Accountability Action Plan for the 2015 participation rate of Hispanic students in the ESEA English/Language Arts Assessment.

ESEA
ACCOUNTABILITY
ACTION PLAN 2015

approve participation in the Future Ready NJ Competitive Grant (Grant #16W00119) with the Manasquan School District as the LEA, in the amount of \$246,279.00 for the grant period March 1, 2016 through August 31, 2016. \$31,444.00 of the total award amount to be allocated to the River Dell Regional School District as subgrantee.

FUTURE READY NJ
COMPETITIVE GRANT

Finance/District Operation

Recording of Fire/Security Drills

RECORDING FIRE/
SECURITY DRILLS

Middle School: February 22 & 26, 2016

High School: February 19 & 25, 2016

Recording of Enrollment—Attached

RECORDING
ENROLLMENT

Recording of Suspension Report/Violence & Vandalism Report-Attached

RECORDING OF
SUSPENSION/VIOLENCE
&VANDALISM RPTS.

Recording of HIB Report(s)—None

approve the emergency repairs to the floor in high school lower gym.	EMERGENCY REPAIRS H/S LOWER GYM
approve out-of-district placement for student #58 in BCSSSD's Venture Program at a cost of \$38,761 (\$467 per diem) effective February 22, 2016, for the remainder of the 2015-16 school year.	OUT-OF-DISTRICT STUDENT #58 BCSSSD VENTURE PRGM.
approve out-of-district placement for student #170640 at Collier High School in Wickatunk, NJ effective March 1, 2016, at a cost of \$21,750 (\$290 per diem), for the remainder of the 2015-16 school year, and transportation costs provided by the MOESC Transportation Jointure.	OUT-OF-DISTRICT STUDENT #170640 AT COLLIER H/S
approve bedside instruction for student #180752, effective March 7, 2016, for five hours per week at the rate of \$50.78 per hour.	BEDSIDE INSTR. STUDENT # 180752
approve the financial agreement of the Cooperative Swimming and Ice Hockey Athletic Agreement between Westwood and River Dell whereby Westwood will compensate River Dell \$30,000 for the 2016-2017 school year.	CO-OP SWIMMING & ICE HOCKEY AGREEMT. W/WESTWOOD
approve an agreement with the South Bergen Jointure Commission, an approved Coordinated Transportation Service Agency, for the purpose of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, PL 1997, for the 2016-2017 school year. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to, the Coordinated Transportation of nonpublic, out of district, special education, vocational, summer programs, field trips, and athletics.	SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE 2016-2017
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.	
accept, with gratitude, three glass display cabinets for use in the athletic department from Dr. Joseph Friedlander.	

Miscellaneous

Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mrs. Hartman to approve the first reading of the following policy:	6153 FIELD TRIPS
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6000 Series: 6153* Field Trips

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:
Mrs. O’Neill, Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Graef, Mr. Kupfer, Mr. Barbary,
Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs. Hartman, Mr. Feigenson and Mr. Manzelli voted aye.

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

9130 COMMITTEES

9000 Series: 9130 Committees

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:
Mrs. O’Neill, Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Graef, Mr. Kupfer, Mr. Barbary,
Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs. Hartman, Mr. Feigenson and Mr. Manzelli voted aye.

Old Business/New Business/Board Discussion

OLD & NEW BUSINESS/
BOARD DISCUSSION

The following topic were discussed:

- Preliminary Budget 2016-2017
- PTO meetings
- Update on the four sets of Board Goals
- F.O.R.D. (Friends of River Dell)

Public Comments-None

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mrs. O’Neill, seconded by Mrs. Hartman to
adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

Motion carried by all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Bonfiglio
Business Administrator/Board Secretary