

RIVER DELL REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION

September 26, 2011

A Regular Session Meeting of the River Dell Regional Board of Education was held in the River Dell Regional High School Media Center, Monday, September 26, 2011. Board President, Joseph P. Manzelli, Jr., called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

Roger Tashjian, Stephanie Hartman, Patricia Almberg, Claudia O'Neill, Dorothea Durand, Paul Barnes, Michael Chakansky, Vito Acquafredda, Joseph P. Manzelli, Jr.

Others Present

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

Motion was made by Mrs. Almberg, seconded by Mr. Manzelli, to adopt the following resolution at 7:30 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:

Teacher salary adjustment; volunteer clerical aide; building service unit employee

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.

Motion carried by all ayes.

Motion was made by Mr. Barnes, 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

Roger Tashjian, Stephanie Hartman, Patricia Almborg, Claudia O'Neill, Dorothea Durand, Paul Barnes, Michael Chakansky, Vito Acquafredda, Joseph P. Manzelli, Jr.

Others Present

Patrick J. Fletcher, Superintendent of Schools
Thomas L. Bonfiglio, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Student Liaisons - Allison Friedlander and Bridget Irvine
Malissa Stokes, Secretary
Approximately 5 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 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.

Public Comments (on agenda items only) - None

Student Member Report

REPORTS

Student representative reported on the following topics:

- Senior class scavenger hunt
- Peer Leadership retreat
- Back to School Night
- Club Fair

President's Report

Mr. Manzelli thanked the staff and students for making Back to School Night so successful, and then discussed the following:

- There will be a Girl Scout Silver Award celebration tomorrow at 3:30 pm in the Children's Learning Garden at the Middle School.
- The CSBA will hold a meeting at New Bridge Center on October 4, 2011 at 7:00 pm.
- Both the Academic and Athletic teams are doing well in all their competitions.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Fletcher also discussed both successful Back to School Nights, as well as the following topics:

The PTO held their meeting last Tuesday, the topic of which was "Rumor Dell." Mr. Fletcher, Ms. Brooks and Mr. Freedman discussed various topics in an effort to dispel some of the misinformation being circulated in the communities.

The year is off to a good academic, artistic, and athletic start. Several students have been named National Merit Commended Students, and one has been named a National Merit Honor Student.

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

APPROVE CONSENT
AGENDA

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Almborg, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Chakansky, Mr. Acquafredda, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye. Mrs. Hartman and Mrs. O'Neill voted aye on all but resolution VII - July 11, 2011 minutes, on which they abstained. Mrs. Durand voted aye on all but resolution VIII.E.3, on which she voted nay because of the step, not the person.

VII. Board Meeting Minutes

* approve the following Board meeting minutes:

MINUTES

July 11, 2011 Executive and Regular Sessions
July 25, 2011 Executive and Regular Sessions

VIII. Personnel**A. Special Requests**

- *1. approve a maternity leave request for Teacher of English Lauren Del Piano as follows: paid leave from November 14, 2011 through December 13, 2011; unpaid leave from December 14, 2011 to April 13, 2012. L. DELPIANO
MATERNITY
LEAVE
- *2. 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
Desiree Ferrandi	SUPA Conference	10/31/11	\$100.00
Laura Haemmerle	Teasing & Bullying Training for Educators	12/15/11	\$ 20.00
Randie O'Neil	NJ Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect	10/21/11	\$ 90.00
JoAnne Pawlowski	SUPA Forensics Seminar	10/13/11	\$ 60.00

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

- *2. approve the appointment of the following volunteer assistant coaches for the 2011-2012 fall and winter athletic seasons: VOLUNTEER
ASST. COACHES
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| Football | Brian Young |
| Girls Volleyball | Matt O'Brien |
| Wrestling | Matt O'Brien, Jared Glick, Alex Gomez |
| Ice Hockey | Jeff Goldfarb |
| Boys Basketball | Keith Hammer |
| Girls Basketball | Bob Capetola |
- *3. approve the appointment of Marquise Liverpool as Assistant Football Coach at a stipend of \$6,634, Step 4 for the 2011-2012 school year. M. LIVERPOOL ASST.
FOOTBALL COACH
- *4. approve the following substitute teachers for the 2011-2012 school year: SUBSTITUTES
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| Bryan DiMaulo | (BA—Rider University) |
| Emily Walker | (BS—The Catholic University of America) |

IX. Curriculum/Student Affairs and Activities

- *1. approve a name change for the extracurricular activity of Jazz Band Director to Assistant Drama Club Advisor for the 2011-2012 school year. NAME CHANGE - JAZZ BAND DIRECTOR

XI. Finance/District Operation

- *1. pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4 certify and accept, that as of **July and August 2011** 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 OVEREXPENDITURES BOARD SECRETARY REPORTS

- *2. accept the Scholarship Analysis Report for the months ending **July and August 2011**. SCHOLARSHIP ANALYSIS REPORTS

- *6. accept the following donations into the Scholarship Accounts for the months of **August and September 2011**: SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS

Jennifer Fialko Scholarship \$200.00
 Scott Evan Baker Scholarship \$416.00

Total \$616.00

- *7. accept the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the months of **July and August 2011** and are in agreement with the Board Secretary’s Report. TREASURER SCHOOL MONIES REPORTS

- *8. approve the placement of the following out-of-district students for the 2011-2012 school year: OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENTS

STUDENT #	PLACEMENT	TUITION	CONTRACT DATES
23	Transition Center at Wood Ridge	\$51,000	9/1/11 to 6/25/12
130348	Transition Center at Wood Ridge	\$51,000	9/1/11 to 6/25/12
56	New Bridges Program	\$69,300	9/1/11 to 6/25/12
2021	Washington at Ridgewood	\$69,300	9/1/11 to 6/25/12
2021	One-on-One Aide	\$44,000	9/1/11 to 6/25/12
4199	Springboard Program	\$51,000	9/1/11 to 6/25/12
5140	Bonnie Brae	\$62,100	7/1-11 to 6/25/12

- *12. approve homebound instruction for student #7070, provided by Bergen #7070 HOMEBOUND

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| County Special Services School District, at a cost not to exceed \$20,724 for the 2011-2012 school year. | INSTRUCTION |
| *13. approve physical therapy for student #160155 provided by Dr. Iris Goldstrom, Pillar of Light, Inc. at \$85 per session, for a total cost of \$8,500 for the 2011-2012 school year which includes July and August. | #160155 PHYSICAL THERAPY |
| *14. approve related services for student #160084 provided by Voices Now Social Skills, at a cost of \$2,280 for the 2011-2012 school year. | #160084 RELATED SERVICES |
| *15. approve homebound instruction for student #7228, at 10 hours per week, at the rate of \$49.78 per hour for the 2011-2012 school year. | #7228 HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION |
| *16. approve homebound instruction for student #7194, provided online with Educere, at a cost of \$969 for the 2011-2012 school year. | #7194 HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION |

VIII. Personnel

E. Appointments

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| 1. Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Barnes, to approve the appointment of Suzanne Mormino as District Registrar for the 2011-2012 school year at a prorated stipend of \$5,000, effective August 1, 2011. | S. MORMINO
DISTRICT
REGISTRAR |
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Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Almberg, Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Chakansky, Mr. Acquafredda, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye. Mrs. Durand voted nay, due to the structure.

X. Miscellaneous

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| 1. Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Chakansky, to approve the agreement for <i>schoolboardnet Services</i> between the New Jersey School Boards Association and the River Dell Regional Board of Education in the amount of \$2,360 per year. | APPROVE AGREEMENT
SCHOOLBOARDNET |
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Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Almberg, Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Durand, Mr. Chakansky, Mr. Acquafredda, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye.

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| 2. Motion was made by Mrs. Almberg, seconded by Mrs. Durand, to approve the second reading of the following policy: | APPROVE 2 nd READING
POLICY 6142.4* |
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6000 Series: 6142.4* Physical Education and Health

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Almberg, Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Durand, Mr. Chakansky, Mr. Acquafredda, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye.

XI. Finance/District Operation

3. Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mrs. Alberg, to approve bill payments in the amount of **\$419,179.95** including **\$0** from Cafeteria Account Funds, and **\$212,337.32** for previously issued warrants, and **\$206,842.63** for River Dell warrants to be issued, of which **\$0** is to be issued for capital projects, for the period ending **August 31, 2011**. (Members who had voucher reimbursements due them for Board connected expenditures listed on the bill list will indicate that their vote of approval will not include approval of any bill payment to them individually for those expenditures, or for any payee listed for whom they have performed services.)
- APPROVE AUGUST
BILL PAYMENTS

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Alberg, Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Durand, Mr. Chakansky, Mr. Acquafredda, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye.

4. Motion was made by Mrs. Alberg, seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, to approve bill payments in the amount of **\$593,335.25** including **\$63.00** from Cafeteria Account Funds, and **\$212,453.89** for previously issued warrants, and **\$380,881.36** for River Dell warrants to be issued, of which **\$0** is to be issued for capital projects, for the period ending **September 26, 2011**. (Members who had voucher reimbursements due them for Board connected expenditures listed on the bill list will indicate that their vote of approval will not include approval of any bill payment to them individually for those expenditures, or for any payee listed for whom they have performed services.)
- APPROVE SEPTEMBER
BILL PAYMENTS

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Alberg, Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Durand, Mr. Chakansky, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye. Mr. Acquafredda voted aye on all bills with the exception of his own reimbursement on which he abstained.

5. Motion was made by Claudia O'Neill, seconded by Mrs. Alberg, to accept line item transfers and the adjustments as listed in the Financial Report for the months ending **July and August 2011**.
- ACCEPT LINE ITEM
TRANSFERS JULY &
AUGUST

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Alberg, Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Chakansky, Mr. Acquafredda, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye. Mrs. Durand abstained.

9. Motion was made by Mr. Tashjian, seconded by Mr. Chakansky, to approve submission and acceptance of the Consortium FY2012 NCLB Grant in the following amounts: APPROVE NCLB GRANT FY 2012

	<u>Title IIA</u>	<u>Title III</u>	<u>Grant Totals</u>
River Dell	\$22,104.00	\$ 9,342.00	\$ 31,446.00
Oradell	\$10,140.00	\$ 2,272.00	\$ 12,412.00
Bergen Catholic	\$ 9,400.00	-0-	\$ 9,400.00
St. Joseph's	\$ 1,834.00	-0-	\$ 1,834.00
River Edge	\$13,253.00	\$15,401.00	\$ 28,654.00
St. Peter's	\$ 2,016.00	\$ 1,263.00	\$ 3,279.00
Yeshiva	<u>\$10,095.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,262.00</u>	<u>\$ 11,357.00</u>
Totals	\$68,842.00	\$29,540.00	\$ 98,382.00

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Almberg, Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Durand, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Chakansky, Mr. Acquafredda, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye.

10. Motion was made by Mr. Chakansky, seconded by Mrs. Durand, to approve the disposal of outdated textbooks at the middle school as per the attached list. APPROVE TEXT-BOOK DISPOSAL

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Almberg, Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Durand, Mr. Chakansky, Mr. Acquafredda, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye.

11. Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Acquafredda, to approve the following change order for Alltec, Inc.: APPROVE ALLTEC CHANGE ORDER #1

C/O#1 Mixing valves, electrical panel, etc., two credits, \$6,402.97
the contract allowance, prep room flooring

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Almberg, Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Durand, Mr. Chakansky, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye. Mr. Acquafredda voted no because of a potential conflict of interest.

17. Motion was made by Mr. Tashjian, seconded by Mrs. Durand, to approve the Feasibility Study/Phase I for the assessment of solar panels at the high school and middle school, totaling \$5,310.

Discussion ensued, and motion was made by Mr. Acquafredda, seconded by Mr. Chakansky, to table the resolution until the October 11, 2011 meeting, pending further research. TABLE FEASIBILITY STUDY

Motion to table carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Almberg, Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Durand, Mr. Chakansky, Mr. Acquafredda, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye.

Old Business

OLD BUSINESS

The following topics were discussed:

- filling vacant committee positions
- new math program

Motion was made by Mrs. Durand, seconded by Mr. Chakansky, that a presentation on the new math program take place within the next four Board meetings.

Mrs. Hartman stated that the curriculum committee met with Ms. Ali, and a presentation has been scheduled for the October meeting. Mrs. Durand withdrew her motion.

- paperless Board meeting agenda

Extensive discussion ensued about putting all supporting documentation regarding the agenda on the web.

Motion was made by Mr. Chakansky, seconded by Mrs. Durand, to put all supporting documentation for agenda items on the River Dell website.

WEB POSTING OF
AGENDA MATERIALS

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Tashjian, Mrs. Durand, Mr. Chakansky, Mr. Acquafredda, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye. Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Almberg, Mrs. O'Neill, and Mr. Barnes all voted nay.

Motion was made by Mr. Tashjian, seconded by Mrs. Hartman, to adjourn at 9:21 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried by all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Bonfiglio
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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