

RIVER DELL REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION

May 20, 2019

A Regular Session Meeting of the River Dell Regional Board of Education was held in the River Dell Regional High School Media Center, May 20, 2019. Board President, Albert Graef, called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

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

Others Present

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

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

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:

Bullying Hearing

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..

Executive session ended at 7:57 pm.

Motion was made by Claudia O'Neill, seconded by Alan Feigenson, to resume open session at 8:00 pm.

RESUME
OPEN SESSION

Motion carried by all ayes.

Thomas Bonfiglio led everyone in a salute to the flag.

FLAG SALUTE

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

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

Others Present

Patrick J. Fletcher, Superintendent of Schools
Thomas L. Bonfiglio, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Student Liaison(s), Felicita Kostianis, Reilly Seeley
Kerry Heiser, Secretary

Mr. Bonfiglio read the following statement:

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, 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.

Stephanie Hartman read the mission statement of the River Dell Regional School District.

Public Comments (on agenda items only) - None

Presentation

PRESENTATION

Sara Kang, Tiffany Correa, Heather Walker, Stacy Colucci from the 7th grade English Department did a presentation on Global Awareness and Social and Emotional Learning. Students Naomi Roth and Joe Ribaldo spoke about what they learned from the project.

Reports

REPORTS

Student - The students spoke about The Honor Society Induction, The Art Show and Standardized Tests which ended May 21, 2019.

President

Mr. Graef spoke about Holocaust Day at River Dell Middle School on May 30, 2019. The School partners with the Holocaust Museum in Suffern, NY.
October workshop
Social Media reports on school ranking

Superintendent Report

Mr. Fletcher discussed the following items: testing, registration, school ranking

SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget & Finance Committee – Al Graef mentioned the Presentation about New App. For
Alio Accounting Software Program

Campus Facilities Committee – None

Community Relations & Information Committee - None

Curriculum Committee – None

Policy & Governance Committee - None

Motion was made by Claudia O’Neill, seconded by Alan 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:

Claudia O’Neill, Alan Feigenson, John Samuel, Tracy-Ellen Ehalt, Douglas Kupfer,
Stephanie Hartman, Albert Graef. Joseph Manzelli was absent.

VII. Board Meeting Minutes

MINUTES

* Approve the Board Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2019 Executive and Regular Session
April 24, 2019 Executive and Regular Session

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	Cost (not to exceed)
Richard Freedman	Institute of Middle Level Leadership at Hilton San Diego Resort in San Diego, California	6/23-6/26/19	\$2,500.00
Lucia Lauterhahn	9/11 Museum School Conference at the 9/11 Memorial and Museum in NYC	6/6/19	\$25.00
Jennifer Morris	9/11 Museum School Conference at the 9/11 Memorial and Museum in NYC	6/6/19	\$25.00
Peter Pavone	SUPA Economics Spring Seminar at Lubin House in NYC	5/14/19	\$14.00
Dawn Rivas	9/11 Museum School Conference at the 9/11 Memorial and Museum in NYC	6/6/19	\$25.00
Sharon Vogt	9/11 Museum School Conference at the 9/11 Memorial and Museum in NYC	6/6/19	\$25.00
Jeffrey Wilson	NaFME National Conference at Gaylord Palms Resort in Orlando, FL	11/6-10/19	\$1,550.00

*2. Approve an extension of family leave of absence to Employee #5011 whose name is on file in the Superintendent's Office for the period beginning April 22, 2019 and ending May 21, 2019 instead of May 17, 2019. FMLA # 5011

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

IX. Curriculum/Student Affairs and Activities

SCIENCE FAIR

- *1. Approve a field trip for Student #232837 to Participate in the National Science Competition At the 2019 Science World Fair in Atlanta, Georgia from June 7 to 9, 2019 a cost of \$1,032.00 to the Board with Academic Competition Co-Advisor John Mauthe.

2. Approve the College Roundtable Dinner
Expenses on May 21, 2019, at a cost not to exceed \$600.00. COLLEGE DINNER

X. Miscellaneous

PROF. SERVICES

- *2. Pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47 River Dell Regional Board of Education intends to renew, award or permit to expire the contracts on the attached list previously awarded by the Board of Education. These contracts are, have been and will continue to be in full compliance with all State and federal statutes and regulations; in particular, New Jersey Title 18A:18, et.seq, NJAC Chapter 23 and Federal Procurement Regulations 2CFR Part 200.317 et. Seq.

XI. Finance/District Operation

- *1. Accept Pursuant to N.J.A.c. 6A:23-2.11(c)4 certify that as of April 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
- *2. Accept the Scholarship Analysis Report for the month ending April 2019. SCHOLARSHIP REPORT
- *3. Bill payments in the amount of \$711,557.74 including \$28,749.53 from Cafeteria Account Funds, and \$427,474.70 for previously issued warrants, and \$255,333.51 for River Dell warrants to be issued, of which \$-0- is to be issued for Capital projects, for the period ending May 20, 2019. (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 any payee listed for whom they have performed services.) BILL PAYMENTS
- *6. Accept the following donations into the Scholarship Account for the month of May 2019. SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS

Scott Evan Baker Scholarship	\$ 25.00
Brad Hoey Memorial Scholarship	<u>\$150.00</u>
TOTAL	\$175.00

*7. Accept the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of April 2019 and is in agreement with the Board Secretary’s Report. TREAS. SCHOOL MONIES REPRT

*8. Approve the transportation route costs with First Student Inc., for the 2019-2020 School year as follows ROUTE COSTS

Laidlaw 3 - 1RDO (Oradell)	\$228.11 x 180 = \$41,059.80
Laidlaw 4 - RD2 (River Edge)	\$254.17 x 180 = <u>\$45,750.60</u>

TOTAL \$86,810.40

Miscellaneous

X. EQUITY PLAN

Motion by Douglas Kupfer seconded by Stephanie Hartman to approve the Comprehensive Equity Plan for the school years 2019-2020 through 2021-2022.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education reaffirms the continuation of Three-Year Comprehensive Equity Plan 2019-2022 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 is committing the District Equality in Education Programs and ensures educational equity according to Policy No. 5145.4

Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
 Claudia O’Neill, Alan Feigenson, John Samuel Tracy-Ellen Ehalt,
 Douglas Kupfer, Barbara Kuchar, Stephanie Hartmann and Albert Graef
 Joseph Manzelli was absent.

XI. Finance/District Operations

4. Motion by Alan Feigenson seconded by Douglas Kupfer to accept line item transfers as listed in the Financial Report for the month ending April 2019. TRANSFERS

Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
 Claudia O’Neill, Alan Feigenson, John Samuel Tracy-Ellen Ehalt,
 Douglas Kupfer, Barbara Kuchar, Stephanie Hartmann and Albert Graef
 Joseph Manzelli was absent.

- XIII. Old Business – National Science Competition
 XV. New Business - Regionalization
 XV. Public Comments – None

Approve to reschedule River Dell Regional Board of Education meeting from Monday June 17, 2019 to Tuesday June 18, 2019.

BOARD
MEETING
DATE
CHANGE

Motion was made by John Samuel seconded by Stephanie Hartman

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Motion was made by Stephanie Hartmann, seconded by Claudia O'Neill to go to Executive Session at 9:05 pm. to discuss personnel matters.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Motion carried by all ayes. Joseph Manzelli was absent.

Motion was made by John Samuel seconded by Claudia O'Neill to resume Regular Session at 9:48 pm

REOPEN
REGULAR
SESSION

Motion was made by Alan Feigenson seconded by John Samuel to approve the following:

A. Special Requests

1. Where employee #5006 was suspended with pay in accordance

With N.J.S.A. 18A 6-8.3

BE IT RESOLVED that, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Suspension of Employee #5006 shall be continued, with pay, pending the Completion of an investigation and a determination of what, if any, further action should be taken.

STAFF
MEMBER
SUSPENSION
#5006

2. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education grants Employee #5009, whose name is on file in the Superintendent's Office, a maternity leave of absence with pay for the period beginning September 12, 2019 to October 11, 2019 and an unpaid leave of absence for the period beginning October 12, to March 31, 2020.

MATERNITY
LEAVE
#5009

3. It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board approve the appointment of Tammy Lenihan as a long-term substitute Teacher of Business the High School at a Per diem rate of \$271 (MA Step 1), effective May 15, 2019 to June 21, 2019.

LONG TERM
SUBSTITUTE
T. LENIHAN

Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:


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

Motion was made by Stephanie Hartmann seconded by Claudia O'Neill to adjourn at 9:51 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried by all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas L. Bonfiglio
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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