

RIVER DELL REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION

March 18, 2014

A Regular Session Meeting of the River Dell Regional Board of Education was held in the River Dell Regional High School Media Center, Tuesday, March 18, 2014. Board President, Joseph Manzelli, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

Claudia O'Neill, Paul Barnes, Patrick Gallagher, Patricia AlMBERG, Anthony Barbary, Barbara Kuchar, Stephanie Hartman, Alan Feigenson, and Joseph Manzelli.

Others Present

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

Motion was made by, Mrs. O'Neill seconded by Mr. Feigenson, to adopt the following resolution at 7:15 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:

Staff retirement; teachers additional work schedules; appointment of volunteer assistant coaches

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. Feigenson, seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, to resume open session at 8:00 pm.

RESUME OPEN
SESSION

Motion carried by all ayes.

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

Claudia O'Neill, Paul Barnes, Patrick Gallagher, Patricia AlMBERG, Anthony Barbary, Barbara Kuchar, Stephanie Hartman, Alan Feigenson, and Joseph Manzelli.

Others Present

Patrick J. Fletcher, Superintendent of Schools
Thomas L. Bonfiglio, Assistant Superintendent/Board Secretary
Student Liaisons - Billy Grupenhof and Michelle Hao
Malissa Stokes, Secretary
Approximately 1 members of the public

Mr. Bonfiglio 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.

Mr. Barbary read the Mission Statement of the River Dell Regional School District.

Public Comments (on agenda items only) - None

Presentations

PRESENTATIONS

District and School Grades under the ABR - Patrick J. Fletcher, Superintendent of Schools
FY2014-15 Budget - Thomas L. Bonfiglio, Business Administrator

Reports

REPORTS

Student Report

The student representatives discussed the various accomplishments and happenings at River Dell.

President's Report

Mr. Manzelli stated that the Select Choir will be performing at Carnegie Hall this evening and it is predicted that they will do well.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Fletcher reported that River Dell will make up two emergency closing days on Monday, April 14, and Tuesday, April 15, 2014 during the Spring Break.

The High School Musical “ Pajama Game” will take place on April 3, 4 and 5, 2014.

Budget and Finance Committee - Mr. Feigenson

Mr. Bonfiglio presented the budget, which will be discussed and voted on later this evening.

Campus Facilities Committee - No meeting.

Community Relations Committee - Mr. Gallagher

The Committee met this evening and discussed the possibility of holding a tri-district meeting with parents to discuss PARCC and Common Core.

Curriculum/Tri-District Committee - Mrs. O'Neill

The committee met on March 6th and discussed the following:

- summer reading
- music and art curriculum
- PARCC testing,
- middle school curriculum changes,
- a new high school class “Engineer Your World”
- grammar

Policy& Governance Committee - Mrs. Almberg

- The first reading of policy 6145.1 and .2 on the agenda just covers a mandatory wording change.
- The committee will review policy 2131 to determine the exact terminology for due dates of the Superintendent Review.
- The next committee meeting will be April 7, 2014.

Items for Board Discussion

1. FY2014-2015 Budget

The Board discussed the preliminary budget, which Mr. Bonfiglio had presented at the beginning of the meeting.

VIII. Board Decision

1. Motion was made by Mr. Feigenson, seconded by Mr. Barnes, to adopt the following resolutions:

PRELIMINARY
BUDGET 2014-2015

BE IT RESOLVED to approve a school district preliminary budget for the FY2014-2015 School Year for submission to the Executive County Superintendent's office as follows:

Tax Levy	\$27,786,252
Current Expenses	\$29,662,148
Capital Outlay	60,287
Special Revenue Projects	415,000
Debt Service	<u>1,505,000</u>
TOTAL ALL EXPENSES	\$31,642,435

The Board of Education will use \$120,670 in health care adjustments and \$206,454 in prior years banked cap in this budget.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Almberg, Mr. Barbary, Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs. Hartman, Mr. Feigenson, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye.

Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Barbary, 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. Barnes, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Almberg, Mr. Barbary, Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs. Hartman, Mr. Feigenson, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye.

IX. Board Meeting Minutes

- * approve the following Board meeting minutes:

MINUTES

X. 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
Kathryn Kreger	Teen Suicide Prevention, Hackensack, NJ	3/12/14	\$25
Kathryn Kreger	Today's Nurse-Meeting Needs/Diverse Comm. Wayne, NJ	4/8/14	\$30
Jennifer Luberto	Marine Corps Educators Workshop, NC	4/22-25/14	-0-

Kelli Shill	SUPA Accounting Seminar, NYC	4/10/14	\$75
Elizabeth Stiles	AP US Gov't & Politics, Watertown, CT	7/28-8/1/14	\$1,300
Barbara Connolly Mary Kay Risi Lauren DelPiano Richard Freedman Marianthe Williams	Technology Changes, So Must Schools, NJECC, Montclair, NJ	3/11/14	\$475 (total)
Anthony Loria	SUPA-Italian Downstate Spring Seminar, NYC	3/28/14	\$12
Fran Puleo	Allergies & Use of Auto-Injectors, Hackensack, NJ	4/4/14	\$25
Brian Reich	SUPA-English, NYC	5/19/14	\$78

- *2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grants Teacher of Mathematics Sarah Wyatt a federal family and medical leave of absence (FLMA) with pay for the period beginning May 27, 2014 and ending June 30, 2014.

S. WYATT
MATERNITY LEAVE

- *3. approve the placement of the following interns in the high school guidance department from August 25, 2014 to June 30, 2015:

GUIDANCE DEPT.
INTERNS

Melissa Koontz with Joseph Skorupa as cooperating counselor
Jennifer Luberto Stuber with Patricia Barlow as cooperating counselor

B. Resignations/Retirements - None

C. Reappointments/Reassignments/Transfers - None

D. Salary Adjustments/Corrections - None

E. Appointments

- *1. approve additional work schedules for the following teachers, effective February 12 to March 28, 2014:

ADDITIONAL TEACHING
SCHEDULES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Sue Carney	20%-English	\$79 per diem
Desiree Ferrandi	20%-English	\$89 per diem
Dana Maczuga	20%-English	\$63 per diem
Jennifer Morris	20%-English	\$87 per diem
Lindsay Silverman	20%-English	\$77 per diem
Sharon Vogt	20%-English	\$55 per diem

- *2. approve the appointment of the following extra-curricular advisors for the 2013-2014 school year:

EXTRA-CURRICULAR
ADVISORS

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
MS Asst. Drama Club	Virginia Smith	1	\$1,050 (prorated eff. 2/15/14)
Spring Musical-Tech. Dir.	Tony Ciccotelli	1	\$748
Spring Musical-Costumer	Brittany Bur	1	\$531

*3. approve the following volunteers assisting with the Spring Musical for the 2013-14 school year: Daphne Caplis, Linda Conti, Pam Lobley, Cynthia Rowberg, Carolyn Surian, Desiree Fortina, Brett Jarvis, Kevin Rager. SPRING MUSICAL
VOLUNTEERS

*4. approve the following substitute teacher for the 2013-14 school year: SUBSTITUTE
TEACHER
Amy Korman (BS Monmouth University)

XI. Curriculum/Student Affairs and Activities

- *1. approve the following curricula revisions for the 2013-2014 school year: CURRICULA
REVISIONS
Visual and Performing Arts: Music
Visual and Performing Arts: Art
- *2. approve acceptance and participation in the grant, *Engineer Your World*, in the amount of \$6,500 and approve River Dell's matching contribution amount of \$5,000. ENGINEER YOUR
WORLD GRANT

XII. Miscellaneous

- *2. accept, with gratitude, a donation of \$925 from the Class of 1973, to be deposited in the Student Activities Account. CLASS OF 1973
DONATION

XIII. Finance/District Operation

- *1. Recording of Fire/Security Drills FIRE DRILLS
Middle School February 20 & 21, 2014
High School February 25 & 27, 2014
- *2. Recording of Enrollment - February 2014 ENROLLMENT
- *3. Recording of Suspension Report/Violence & Vandalism Report - February 2014 SUSP/VIOLENCE/
VANDALISM REPORT
- *4. Recording of HIB Report(s) - February 2014 HIB REPORT
- *5. pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4 certify and accept that, as of **February 2014** 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 **February 2014**. SCHOLARSHIP ANALYSIS
- *7. bill payments in the amount of **\$1,158,738.55** including **\$23,889.84** from Cafeteria Account Funds, and **\$297,748.55** for previously issued warrants, and **\$860,990.00** for River Dell warrants to be issued, of which **\$-0-** is to be issued for capital projects, for the period ending **March 18, 2014**. (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.) BILL PAYMENTS
- *9. accept the following donations into the Scholarship Accounts for the month of **March 2014: N/A** SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS
- *10. accept the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of **February 2014** and is in agreement with the Board Secretary's Report. TREAS. SCHOOL MONIES REPORT
- *11. approve homebound instruction for student #7227 effective March 1, 2014, for approximately four to six weeks, five hours per week, at the rate of \$50.78 per hour. #7227 HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION
- *12. approve out-of-district placement for student #7365 in the RISE Program at Pascack Hills High School, effective February 24, 2014 at the tuition rate of \$23,414 (\$130.08 per diem). #7365 OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENT
- *13. approve homebound instruction for student #140682, effective February 18 to April 30, 2014, for ten hours per week at the rate of \$50.78 per hour. #140682 HOMEBOUND INSTR.
- *14. approve bedside instruction for student #170640 at Four Winds Hospital, effective February 14, 2014, for five hours per week, at the rate of \$54 per hour. #170640 BEDSIDE INSTRUCTION
- *15. approve math tutoring for student #191415 effective June 9 to 27, 2014, once a week for two hours, provided by Alison Fontan, at the rate of \$50.78 per hour. #171415 MATH TUTORING

XII. Miscellaneous

1. Motion was made by Mrs. AlMBERG, seconded by Mrs. Hartman, to approve the first reading of the following policy: FIRST READING POLICY 6145.1/6145.2

Series 6000: 6145.1/6145.2* Intramural Competition;
Interscholastic Competition

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. AlMBERG, Mr. Barbary, Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs. Hartman, Mr. Feigenson, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye.

XIII. Finance/District Operation

8. Motion was made by Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mrs. O’Neill, to accept line item transfers and the adjustments as listed in the Financial Report for the month ending **February 2014.**

LINE ITEM
TRANSFERS

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Mrs. O’Neill, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Almberg, Mr. Barbary, Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs. Hartman, Mr. Feigenson, and Mr. Manzelli all voted aye.

Old Business/New Business

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

The following topics were discussed:

- There were four seniors on the wrestling team that achieved 100 wins.
- February 27th QSAC evaluation email from NJSBA
- Emergency make up days
- Listing virtual courses in the Program of Studies

Public Comment

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following topic was discussed:

- The Preliminary Budget

Motion was made by Mrs. O’Neill, seconded by Mrs. Hartman, to adjourn at 9:24 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried by all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Bonfiglio
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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