

**RIVER DELL REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**REGULAR SESSION**

October 28, 2013

A Regular Session Meeting of the River Dell Board of Education was held in the River Dell High School Media Center Monday, October 28, 2013. Board President, Stephanie Hartman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Board Members Present**

Claudia O'Neill, Alan Feigenson, Patrick Gallagher, Patricia Almberg, Anthony Barbary, Joseph Manzelli and Stephanie Hartman were present. Lori Locastro and Paul Barnes were absent.

ROLL CALL

**Others Present**

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

Motion was made by Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mrs. O'Neill to adopt the following resolution at 7:00 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:

*Teacher leave of absence requests; staff recognition; appointment of athletic coach.*

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.

Executive Session ended at 7:10 p.m.

Motion was made by Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mrs. O'Neill 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, Alan Feigenson, Patricia Almberg, Anthony Barbary, Joseph Manzelli and Stephanie Hartman were present. Lori Locastro and Paul Barnes were absent

**Others Present**

Patrick Fletcher, Superintendent of Schools  
Thomas L. Bonfiglio, Business Administrator /Board Secretary  
Lisa Finn, Secretary  
Billy Grupenhof, Student Representative  
Michelle Hao, Student Representative  
40 members of the public

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

FLAG SALUTE

Mr. Bonfiglio read the following statements:

OPEN PUBLIC  
MEETING 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, and Board Office.

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.

Mrs. Almberg read the Mission Statement.

MISSION  
STATEMENT

IV. **Public Comments (on agenda items only)**-None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

**PRESENTATIONS:**

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Flipped Classroom-Teaching Staff--- A. Cuellar, L. Spooner,  
and M. Faunde

The River Dell App-Students Daniel Gladston, David Lo,  
Ryan Policastro, Yuval Timen,  
and Cole Svevar

NJASA Superintendent of the Year-Northern Region Award-  
BCASA Exec. Committee

The BCASA nominating committee presented Mr. Fletcher with his NJASA Superintendent of the Year for the Northern Region award. Mr. Fletcher thanked the many people who helped in this award and the audience gave him a nice applause.

Mrs. Hartman stated to take a ten minute recess at 8:43 p.m.

RECESS

Resume open session at 8:58 p.m.

RESUME  
OPEN SESSIONV. **Student Member Report**STUDENT MEMBER  
REPORT

The following topics were discussed:

- Halloween Dance
- NFL is coming in to film "The Appreciation of the NFL"

VI. **Reports**1. **President's Report**

PRESIDENT'S RPT.

The following topics were discussed:

- Distinguished Graduate Dinner
- NJSBA Workshop

2. **Superintendent's Report**

SUPERINTENDENT'S RPT.

- Flipped The Classroom
- Distinguished Graduate Dinner
- High School and Middle School student accomplishments

- \* Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Feigenson 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. Feigenson Mrs. Almberg,  
Mr. Barbary, Mr. Manzelli and Mrs. Hartman voted aye.

Mrs. Locastro and Mr. Barnes were absent.

**VII. Board Meeting Minutes**

- \* approve the following Board meeting minutes:

BOARD MINUTES

September 9, 2013 Executive and Regular Sessions  
September 23, 2013 Executive and Regular Sessions

**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  
DAY REQUESTS

Name	Workshop/Conference	Dates	Cost (Not to exceed)
Michael Dunphy	Intel IT Center Experts Tour, NYC	10/31/13	\$100.00
Marc Wachter	Intel IT Center Experts Tour, NYC	10/31/13	\$25.00
Mercedes Faunde	The Silk Road: Artistic Trade & Exchange, NYC	11/16/13	\$109.00
Anthony Loria	Improving Foreign Lang. Speaking, Tarrytown, NY	10/25/13	\$15.00
William Feldman	BCPSA Annual Fall Meeting, Wash. Twp., NJ	10/24/13	\$50.00
Denis Nelson	DAANJ State Conference/Workshops, Atlantic City, NJ	3/25-29/14	-0-

- \*2. approve the placement of Shannon Mahoney as a student teacher in the high school English department from January 21 to May 2, 2014 with Desiree Ferrandi as cooperating teacher.

S. MAHONEY AS  
STUDENT TEACHER

- \*3. approve the counseling practicum/internship for Jaclyn Moriarty with Lisa Brown as cooperating counselor.

J. MORIARTY  
INTERNSHIP**E. Appointments**

- \*1. approve the appointment of William Feldman as Tri-District Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction at a salary of \$118,190 June 30, 2014.

W. FELDMAN AS  
TRI-DISTRICT SUPR.  
OF CURRICULUM/  
INSTRUCTION

- \*2. approve the appointment of the following substitute teacher(s) for the 2013-2014 school year:

J. FRAN CIN AS  
SUBSTITUTE  
TEACHER

John Francin (BA—East Stroudsburg University)

**IX. Curriculum/Student Affairs and Activities**

- \*1. approve a field trip for River Dell grades 8-12 students of French to travel to Quebec City, Canada from February 14 to 17, 2014 with Carole Guerriero and Michael O'Reilly as chaperons, and at no cost to the Board.

FRENCH STUDENT  
FIELD TRIP TO  
QUEBEC CITY, CAN.

- \*2. approve a field trip for the River Dell Cheerleaders to travel to Orlando, FL to compete in the Contest of Champions in Orlando, FL, February 28 to March 3, 2014, with Maureen Kiel and parents as chaperons, and at no cost to the Board, except substitute teachers.

RD CHEERLEADERS  
COMPETITION IN  
FLORIDA

## **XI. Finance/District Operation**

- \*1. accept, that as of **September 2013** 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.

ACKNOWLEDGE NO  
OVER- EXPENDITURES  
ACCEPT BOARD  
SECRETARY'S REPORT

- \*2. accept the Scholarship Analysis Report for the month ending **September 2013**.

SCHOLARSHIP  
ANALYSIS REPORT

- \*3 recommend bill payments in the amount of **\$1,072,632.13** including **\$35,605.32** from Cafeteria Account Funds, and **\$272,647.98** for previously issued warrants, and **\$799,984.18** for River Dell warrants to be issued, of which **\$-0-** is to be issued for capital projects, for the period ending **October 28, 2013**. (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

- \*5. accept the following donations into the Scholarship Accounts for the month of **October 2013:N/A**

DONATIONS

- \*6. accept the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of **September 2013** and is in agreement with the Board Secretary's Report.

TREASURER OF  
SCHOOL MONIES  
REPORT

- \*7. approve an out-of-district placement for student #160218 at Paramus High School at a tuition cost of \$16,229 for the 2013-2014 school year.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT  
PLACEMENT #160218

\*8. approve an out-of-district placement for student #19000A at Bergenfield School District at a tuition cost of \$21,323 for the 2013-2014 school year. OUT- OF-DISTRICT  
PLACEMENT #19000A

\*9. approve a transportation jointure with Dumont-Route DBOE-9 in the amount of \$15,190.51 for the 2013-2014 school year. DUMONT TRANSP.  
JOINTURE

\*10. approve the disposal of the following textbooks: DISPOSAL OF  
TEXTBOOKS

Title	ISBN #	Quantity
Elementary Statistics: A Step Approach (1995)	0-07-231694-2	79
Precalculus: Mathematics for Calculus (1998)	0-534-34504-2	108
Prentice Hall Algebra 1 (2004)	0-13-052316-X	85
Integrated Mathematics (1989)	0-87720-266-4	86
Holt Algebra I (2007)	0-03-035827-2	144
Trigonometry (1997)	0-669-41737-8	61
Calculus: A New Horizon (1999)	0-471-15307-9	27

\*11. approve a summer 2013 program for student #171433 provided by the Ridgefield Board of Education in the amount of \$2,772.99. SUMMER 2013 PRGM  
FOR #171433

\*12. approve homebound instruction for student #7227, effective October 18, 2013 for approximately 60 days, for five hours per week, at the rate of \$50.78 per hour. HOMEBOUND  
INSTRUCTION  
FOR #7227

\*13. approve an out-of-district placement for student #5865 at Bonnie Brae for the 2013-2014 school year at a cost of \$69,000. OUT-OF-DISTRICT  
PLACEMENT #5865

\*14. approve transportation through the South Bergen Jointure commission for the 2013-2014 school year as follows: SOUTH BERGEN  
JOINTURE  
TETERBORO

Bergen Academes-Teterboro - Route TT803 - 12 Students - \$33,235.33

## X. Miscellaneous

1. Motion was made by Mr. Barbary, seconded by Mrs. Almberg to approve the second reading of the following policies: SECOND READING  
OF POLICIES

**1000 Series:** 1220\* AD Hoc Advisory Committees

**6000 Series:** 6140\* Curriculum Adoption

**9000 Series:** 9140 Board Representatives

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:  
 Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Feigenson Mrs. Almberg,  
 Mr. Barbary, Mr. Manzelli and Mrs. Hartman voted aye.  
 Mrs. Locastro and Mr. Barnes were absent.

**XI. Finance/District Operation**

4. Motion was made by Mr. Manzelli, seconded by Mrs. O'Neill to accept line item transfers and the adjustments as listed in the Financial Report for the month ending **September 2013**.

LINE ITEM TRANSFER  
AND ADJUSTMENTS

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:  
 Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Feigenson Mrs. Almberg,  
 Mr. Barbary, Mr. Manzelli and Mrs. Hartman voted aye.  
 Mrs. Locastro and Mr. Barnes were absent.

**XII. Items for Board Discussion-None**

**XIII. Old Business**

OLD BUSINESS

The following topics were discussed:

- Distinguished Graduates
- E-mails to coaches and also a web page
- Delegate Assembly, Mr. Manzelli will represent River Dell

**XIV. New Business**

NEW BUSINESS

The following topics were discussed:

- River Dell hosted the Robotics Competition
- River Dell Girls Soccer finalists
- Allotted time in the weight room for other sports
- Governance III

**XV. Public Comments**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Acquafredda congratulated Mr. Fletcher on his NJASA Superintendent of the Year for the Northern Region award.

**XVI. Adjournment**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mrs. Almberg to adjourn at 9:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Bonfiglio  
 Business Administrator/Board Secretary

