

RIVER DELL REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION

December 15, 2014

A Regular Session Meeting of the River Dell Regional Board of Education was held in the River Dell Regional High School Media Center, Monday, December 15, 2014. Board President, Joseph Manzelli, Jr., called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present

ROLL CALL

Claudia O'Neill, Patrick Gallagher, Albert Graef, 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, Mr. Feigenson seconded by Mrs. Almberg, to adopt the following resolution at 7:01 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Staff retirements; coaching appointment rescinded; teacher appointment; coaching appointment

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.

Motion carried by all ayes.

Motion was made by Mr. Barbary, 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

Claudia O'Neill, Patrick Gallagher, Albert Graef, 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
 Student Liaisons - Matthew Guido, Robert Klopff, Kerri O'Connell
 Malissa Stokes, Secretary
 Approximately 40 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.

Mrs. Almberg read the Mission Statement of the River Dell Regional School District.

Public Comments (on agenda items only) - None

Presentation: 2013-2014 AUDIT—THOMAS MCKINLEY, SMOLIN, LUPIN & CO., PA

Motion was made by Mr. Feigenson, seconded by Mr. Barbary, that the Board, having received copies of the 2013-2014 Audit, acknowledge having:

2013-2014 AUDIT

- discussed the Audit,
- reviewed the recommendations,
- accepted the Audit,
- accepted the Corrective Action Plan.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Reports**Student Member Report**

Student representatives gave a brief summary of the events that took place since the last meeting, as well as upcoming events.

President's Report

Mr. Manzelli wished everyone a happy and healthy holiday season, and stated that the first marking period is over, fall sports have ended, and winter sports have begun.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Fletcher congratulated the following people:

- Two students performed at the Bergen County High Band competition. They came in second place and third place for their respective instruments.
- Mrs. Kreger's record keeping was audited by the Bergen County Department of Health and she passed at 100%.
- Mr. Nelson was presented the North Sectional Award of Merit by the Director of Athletics Association of NJ.

A happy, healthy holiday season and a bright new year to everyone.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**Budget & Finance - Mr. Barbary**

The committee met last week and discussed the audit, as well as reviewing the budget - which has been maintained perfectly.

Campus Facilities - None**Community Relations & Information - None****Curriculum/Tri-District - Mrs. O'Neill**

The Curriculum committee met tonight to discuss a proposed computer programming class, and a possible name change of the Middle School contemporary living class to nutritional living and wellness.

Policy & Governance - Mrs. Almberg

There are first readings of policy changes on tonight's agenda.

Motion was made by Mrs. Almberg, seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, 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:

Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Graef, Mrs. Almberg, Mr. Barbary, Mrs. Kuchar, Mrs. Hartman, Mr. Feigenson, and Mr. Manzelli, all voted aye. Mrs. O'Neill voted aye on all but item VII, on which she abstained.

VII. Board Meeting Minutes

* approve the following Board meeting minutes:

MINUTES

November 17, 2014 Regular Meeting

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	Not to Exceed
Desiree Ferrandi	<i>Training for ETS 181, Syracuse, NY</i>	7/6-8/15	\$904.50
Lauren Weber	<i>Project Advance Fall Seminar, NYC</i>	12/12/14	\$ 17.50
Randie O'Neil	<i>Addressing/Effect of Trauma in Mental Health, Paramus, NJ</i>	1/26/15	\$110.00
Randie O'Neil	<i>ASAP 29th Annual Conference, Atlantic City, NJ</i>	2/25-27/15	\$395.00
Marianthe Williams	<i>MYLEARNINGPLAN, Montvale, NJ</i>	1/27-28/15	\$525.00
Patricia Barlow	<i>Counselor Fly-In Program, Sarasota, FL</i>	1/28-31/15	\$ 58.32
Christina Doolittle	<i>AMTNJ Special Education, Jersey City, NJ</i>	1/7/15	\$176.38
Lisa Torres	<i>SUPA Conference, NYC</i>	12/5/14	\$ 20.00
Carole Guerriero	<i>IPad/World Language Classroom, West Orange, NJ</i>	1/21/15	\$245.00
Marta Mayer	<i>IPad/World Language Classroom, West Orange, NJ</i>	1/21/15	\$245.00
Diana Rieder	<i>IPad/World Language Classroom, West Orange, NJ</i>	1/21/15	\$245.00
Matt Winchell	<i>SUPA Sociology Seminar, NYC</i>	12/5/14	\$ 28.00
Todd Bejot Debbie Bollinger Christina Doolittle Allison Fontan John Mauthe Jeanne Massaro Tricia Metts Kerri Volmar	<i>Maximizing Essential Math Skills and Concepts for Students with Disabilities and Struggling Learners, Monroe Township, NJ</i>	1/6,2/18, 3/25/15	\$165.00 ea.
Jennifer Ali	<i>NJ Leadership Summit: Understanding & Implementing PARCC, Monroe Township, NJ</i>	1/21/15	\$160.00

- *2. approve the request of Counselor Joseph Skorupa to extend an unpaid FMLA through January 4, 2015.

EXTEND FMLA
J. SKORUPA

- *3. approve 7.5 hours of work time for instructional aide Gregg Braff to assist in student participation in the play. G.BRAFF ADDT'L
7.5 HOURS
- *4. approve placement of Samantha D'Angelo as an intern in the high school Guidance Department for the 2015-2016 school year with Patricia Barlow as cooperating counselor. S. D'ANGELO
INTERN
- *5. approve payment to River Edge staff members Kristen Crawford and Julia Diminich in the amount of \$850 each (10 hours at \$85 per hour) to facilitate the Tri-District workshops, *A Walk in the PARCC*-Math and Language Arts. K. CRAWFORD &
J. DIMINICH
WORKSHOP
FACILITATORS

B. Resignations/Retirements - None

C. Reappointments/Reassignments/Transfers - None

D. Salary Adjustments/Corrections - None

D. Appointments

- *1. extend the appointment of Lauren Garcia as a long-term substitute School Counselor from December 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014, at a salary of \$289 per diem (MA Step 4 \$57,785) as per the RDEA Agreement, to be adjusted upon completion of successful negotiations. L. GARCIA
LONG TERM SUB
- *2. approve the appointment of instructional aides Greg Braff and Tom Nolan to facilitate student participation in the 2014-15 winter track athletic program for 49.5 hours each, over 10 weeks, for a total of \$757.34 each. G. BRAFF & T. NOLAN
STUDENT TRACK
FACILITATORS
- *3. approve the appointment of Melissa Miller as MS National Junior Art Society Advisor, at a stipend of \$1,050, step 1, for the 2014-15 school year. M. MILLER
ADVISOR
- *4. approve the appointment of the following substitute teacher(s) for the 2014-15 school year: SUBSTITUTE
- Tracey DiLuzio (60+ credits William Paterson University)
- *5. approve the appointment of StacyAnn Boccardi as a Teacher of Students with Disabilities/Elementary Education K-6 (tenure track), for the 2014-2015 school year, effective December 8, 2014 to June 30, 2015 at the prorated salary of \$63,162 (MA+32 Step 4) as per the RDEA Agreement, to be adjusted upon completion of successful negotiations. 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. S. BOCCARDI TEACHER
OF STUDENTS WITH
DISABILITIES

IX. Curriculum/Student Affairs and Activities

- *1. approve a field trip for the River Dell Cheerleaders to travel to Disney World in Orlando, FL from February 27 to March 1, 2015 to compete in the Contest of Champions, at no cost to the Board. CHEERLEADERS FIELD TRIP

X. Miscellaneous

- *2. approve the proposed 2015-2016 school calendar, as per attached. 2015-16 CALENDAR

XI. Finance/District Operation

- *1. Recording of Fire/Security Drills FIRE/SECURITY DRILLS
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| Middle School | November 12 and 19, 2014 | |
| High School | November 19 and 20, 2014 | |
- *2. Recording of Enrollment - November 2014 ENROLLMENT
- *3. Recording of Suspension Report/Violence & Vandalism Report November 2014. SUSP/VIOLENCE/VANDALISM REPORT
- *4. Recording of HIB Report(s) - October, November, December 2014 HIB REPORT
- *5. pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4 certify and accept that, as of **November 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 **November 2014**. SCHOLARSHIP ANALYSIS
- *7. bill payments in the amount of **\$781,952.22** including **\$22,558.17** from Cafeteria Account Funds, and **\$291,376.17** for previously issued warrants, and **\$490,576.05** for River Dell warrants to be issued, of which **\$-0-** is to be issued for capital projects, for the period ending **December 15, 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

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| *9. accept the following donations into the Scholarship Accounts for the month of December 2014: | SCHOLARSHIP
DONATIONS |
| Nicholas Lamendola Scholarship | \$500.00 |
| Scott Baker Memorial Scholarship | <u>\$25.00</u> |
| Total: | \$525.00 |
| *10. accept the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of November 2014 and is in agreement with the Board Secretary's Report. | TREAS. SCHOOL
MONIES REPORT |
| *11. approve a Joint Transportation Agreement with the Englewood Board of Education for the 2014-15 school year as follows: Route: EA147 in the amount of \$884.00. | ENGLEWOOD
TRANSPORTATION
JOINTURE |
| *12. approve a Joint Transportation Agreement with the Oradell Board of Education for the 2014-15 school year as follows: Route: N1567 in the amount of \$586.68. | ORADELL
TRANSPORTATION
JOINTURE |
| *13. approve a Joint Transportation Agreement with the River Edge Board of Education for the 2014-15 school year as follows: N1567 in the amount of \$1,760.94. | RIVE EDGE
TRANSPORTATION
JOINTURE |
| *14. approve a Joint Transportation Agreement with the New Milford Board of Education for the 2014-15 school year to transport River Dell students to Paramus Vocational Technical School (Satellite), Routes D1A and D7MD, at a cost of 9,428.11. | NEW MILFORD
TRANSPORTATION
JOINTURE |
| *15. approve out-of-district placement for student #170537 at Cornerstone Day School effective November 24, 2014 at the cost of \$76,560 (\$378 per diem) for the 2014-15 school year. | OUT-OF-DISTRICT
PLACEMENT #170537 |
| *16. approve an extension of homebound instruction for student #170566 for four weeks, effective November 21, 2014, for five hours per week at the cost of \$50.78 per hour. | HOMEBOUND
INSTRUCTION #170566 |
| *17. approve homebound instruction for student #180818 for six weeks, effective November 19, 2014, for five hours per week at the cost of \$50.78 per hour. | HOMEBOUND
INSTRUCTION #180818 |
| *18. approve bedside instruction for student #170537 at ICPC effective November 10, 2014 for approximately 6 to 8 weeks, 10 hours per week, provided by American Tutor, Inc. at the rate of \$58 per hour. | #170537 BEDSIDE
INSTRUCTION |
| *19. approve various evaluations with written reports for student #181032 provided by Eden Autism Services at the cost of \$2,050. | EVALUATIONS
#181032 |

*20. approve payment to the following personnel through the following program:

IDEA PROGRAM
PAYROLL

<u>2014-2015</u>	<u>IDEA</u>
Bailey, J.	\$21,917
Braff, G.	\$21,803
Kleinberg, M.	\$21,793
Koble, C.	\$22,347
Nolan, T.	\$21,803
Welch, D.	\$40,785

*21. approve the use of extraordinary aid in the following manner:

EXTRAORDINARY AID

65-450 Capital Outlay-Construction \$12,170

*22. approval of a Department of Children and Family Contract, 15PIBE, with the State of New Jersey at the following per diem rates:

NJ DEPT. OF CHILDREN
& FAMILY CONTRACT

9-12 - \$110.07; transportation \$16.32.

X. Miscellaneous

1. Motion was made by Mrs. Almberg, seconded by Mr. Barbary, to approve the 1st reading of the following policies:

<u>Series 6000:</u>	6142.4*	Physical Education and Health
	6146*	Graduation Requirements
	6171.4*	Special Education

<u>Series 7000:</u>	7250	Naming Rights
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No vote was taken on the motion as stated. Discussion ensued, and motion was made by Mrs. Almberg, seconded by Mrs. Kuchar, to remove the 7000 Series for later discussion.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Vote was then taken on the 1st reading of only the 6000 Series policies.

1st READING OF
SERIES 6000 POLICIES

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

XI. Finance/District Operation

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

LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Motion was made by Mrs. Hartman, seconded by Mrs. O'Neill, to bring forward the 1st reading of the Series 7000 (7250) No Naming Rights Policy.

1st READING OF
SERIES 7000 POLICY

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Board Discussion/Old or New Business

DISCUSSION

The following topics were discussed:

- Middle School concert
- Marching band performance at playoff game in the Meadowlands
- Non-district coaches having a River Dell email address
- Two periods of English for the Ninth Grade

Presentation: Board Member Recognition—Service Appreciation

PRESENTATION

Mrs. Almberg was presented with a plaque for her years of dedicated service as a River Dell Regional Board of Education member.

Public Comment

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following topic was discussed:

- River Dell Education Association Teacher's Contract

Motion was made by Mrs. O'Neill, seconded by Mrs. Hartman, to adjourn at 8:51 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried by all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Bonfiglio
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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