

RIVER EDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
“Building Bright Futures Together”

AGENDA
June 13, 2018
Cherry Hill School

410 Bogert Road, River Edge, NJ 07661
Project Room
7:00 PM Public Meeting

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

MISSION STATEMENT

The River Edge School District is a partnership of students, parents, staff, and community members. We are dedicated to providing a supportive environment in which all students can reach their maximum academic potential, while developing as responsible citizens who respect individuality. Our goals will be achieved because:

- curriculum and instruction are aligned with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards
- all decisions reflect the academic, social/emotional and physical needs of pre-K to sixth grade students
- cooperation and on-going communication exist between the school district and the community
- school administrators and the Board of Education work together to assess and adjust procedures in response to new mandates and the changing needs of the community

ROLL CALL

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS NOTICE

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting, its date, time and place have been delivered to the Post Office, the Municipal Building, Town News, The Record and posted on the District website, at least 48 hours prior to the time of this meeting.

CLOSED SESSION (When Necessary)

SPECIAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Public Comment on Agenda Items

B. Honor Retirees:

Gail Funtsch
Roseanne Graye
Nancy Watkins

RESOLUTIONS TO RECOGNIZE OUR HONOREES

Honor Retiree Gail Funtsch

Motion by
Seconded by

WHEREAS, Gail Funtsch has announced her retirement after ten and one half years of dedicated service to the River Edge Public Schools; and

*WHEREAS, she has demonstrated outstanding instructional practices that have included multi-sensory strategies, **Preventing Academic Failure** reading lessons, task boards, **Everyday Math**, and **Foundations**; and*

WHEREAS, she has shown exceptional understanding and patience with special needs students placed in her classes; and

WHEREAS, numerous parents have written to thank her for her “generous, kind spirit, and for rebuilding confidence in their children;” and

WHEREAS, she has worked with her colleagues as a member of the I.E.P. Team, the I.&R.S. Team, as a Mentor Teacher, and in planning numerous projects and classroom celebrations; and

WHEREAS, after her years of faithful service to the River Edge Schools, she wishes to retire,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Borough of River Edge on this Thirteenth day of June, Two Thousand Eighteen spread upon its Minutes this Resolution of Appreciation for her valued service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the River Edge community offers its best wishes to Gail Funtsch for a long, happy, healthy, and productive retirement and its gratitude for her years of service to the school.

Honor Retiree Roseanne Graye

Motion by
Seconded by

WHEREAS, Roseanne Graye has announced her retirement after 26 years of dedicated service to the River Edge Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, she has worked with Kindergarten students and has instilled confidence, the ability to share with others, learn ABC'S, and become lifelong learners; and

WHEREAS, she has helped parents to appreciate the exciting development of early learners and together, worked to provide the best educational program possible; and

WHEREAS, she has demonstrated a nurturing and caring attitude towards her students and has always made them feel respected and valued; and

WHEREAS, she has contributed to the District as a Teacher of Technology, participating on many committees, and making the school a warm and professional working atmosphere; and

WHEREAS, after her years of faithful service to the River Edge Schools, she wishes to retire,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Borough of River Edge on this Thirteenth day of June, Two Thousand Eighteen spread upon its Minutes this Resolution of Appreciation for her valued service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the River Edge Community offers its best wishes to Roseanne Graye for a long, happy, healthy, and productive retirement and gratitude for her years of service to the school.

Honor Retiree Nancy Watkins

Motion by
Seconded by

WHEREAS, Nancy Watkins has announced that she is leaving the classroom after 17 and one half years of dedicated service to the River Edge Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, she has demonstrated a nurturing and caring attitude towards all of the students who passed through her classroom by always making them feel respected and loved; and

WHEREAS, she has worked with Kindergarten and Second Grade students and families to make them feel comfortable in the school and the learning community; and

WHEREAS, she has shared her passion for teaching and her expertise as a Teacher of Technology, her creative lessons, reader's theatre, her love of Winnie the Pooh, and her innovative hands-on experiences; and

WHEREAS, she has served as a dedicated professional in River Edge, conducted numerous workshops for teachers, provided knowledge and guidance with behind the scenes technology prowess, and served as a participant on many curriculum committees; and

WHEREAS, her professional efforts have always been focused on establishing a professional, comfortable, and challenging learning environment for all; and

WHEREAS, after her years of faithful service to the River Edge Schools, she wishes to pursue other professional interests,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Borough of River Edge on this Thirteenth Day of June, Two Thousand Eighteen spread upon its Minutes this Resolution of Appreciation for her valued service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the River Edge community offers its best wishes to Nancy Watkins for many happy, healthy, and productive years ahead and its gratitude for her years of service to the school.

Reception

C. C.R.E.A.T.E. (Children of River Edge in Academically Talented Education) Presentation - Ms. Hafers (with Ms. Spano and Ms. Spiegel)

REPORTS

1. SUPERINTENDENT
2. PRINCIPAL
3. BOARD SECRETARY
4. PRESIDENT
5. COMMITTEES

MOTIONS TO BE ACTED UPON

A. ADMINISTRATION/POLICY

1. That the Board of Education approve the Minutes and Confidential Minutes of May 23, 2018.
2. That the Board of Education approve the completion of the following emergency drills:

School	Dates
Cherry Hill School	May 10, 2018 Lock down May 21, 2018 Fire Drill
Roosevelt School	May 7, 2018 Fire Drill May 21, 2018 Lock down

3. That the Board of Education approve the following bus evacuation drills:

Class	Date	Time
Pre-k 3	6/6/18	9:00 AM
Building Connections and Building Bridges (Primary and Elem Class)	6/7/18	3:00 PM
Building Bridges Pre-k 4	6/8/18	9:45 AM
Pre-k 4	6/8/18	12:10 PM

4. That the Board of Education approve the Borough of River Edge to serve as the Lead Agency for a Commodity Resale System with the River Edge Local Board of Education for the sale of gasoline from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023.

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

B. CURRICULUM/EDUCATION - None

C. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS - None

D. FINANCE/GRANTS/GIFTS - None

E. PERSONNEL

1. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Lindsay Comer, Teacher, BA step 4*, for the 2018-2019 school year.
2. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Jamie D'Amico, Teacher, MA step 6*, for the 2018-2019 school year.
3. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Lauren Proda, Teacher, BA step 5*, for the 2018-2019 school year.
4. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Cassandra McGovern, Leave Replacement Teacher, MA, Step 2*, for the 2018-2019 school year.
5. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve Alyssa Jahren, Leave Replacement Teacher , BA, Step 1* from September 1, 2018 through on or about November 2, 2018.
6. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve Julie Kim, MA, Step 2* as Leave Replacement Teacher from September 1, 2018 through on or about November 30, 2018.
7. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the increase to Full Time Equivalency status Lucia Moran, MA, Step 4*, from Part-Time (.5) Teacher for the 2018-2019 school year.
8. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the increase to Full Time Equivalency status Mariana Marinich, MA, Step 2*, Part-Time (.5) Teacher for the 2018-2019 school year.
9. That the Board of Education accept, with regret, the resignation of Kathy Lee, Teacher, effective June 30, 2018.
10. That the Board of Education accept, with regret, the resignation of Stephanie Franco, Clerical Aide, effective June 15, 2018.
11. That the Board of Education approve the transfer of Diana Richards, teacher from Cherry Hill School to Roosevelt School effective September 1, 2018.
12. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of Tenured Staff in the REEA for the 2018-2019 school year as per the list on file in the District Office.
13. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of Non-tenured Staff in the REEA for the 2018-2019 school year as per the list on file in the District Office.

14. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of Tenured Administrators for the 2018-2019 school year.

Denise Heitman	Principal
Rosemary Kuruc	Supervisor of Special Services
Beth Rosen	Assistant Principal

15. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of the following Non-tenured Administrator for the 2018-2019 school year.

Michael Henzel	Principal
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16. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of a Non-tenured Supervisors for the 2018-2019 school year.

Christine Moran
Adrienne Spano
AnneMarie Spiegel

17. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of the following instructional aides for the Summer Enrichment Program, from June 27, 2018 to July 20, 2018, 4 hours per day at their contractual rate.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Gina Chamberlain	8:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Kim Chamberlain	8:30-10:30/11:30-12:30 (3 hours)

18. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of the following instructional aides for the Extended School Year Preschool Program, from July 1, 2018 to July 31, 2018, 4 hours per day at their contractual rate.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Donna Meyer	8:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Patricia Rodriguez	8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

19. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of the following teachers at their contractual hourly rate, for the Extended School Year Program, from June 27, 2018 to July 20, 2018.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Gina Duprey	8:30AM - 12:30PM (4 hrs/day – up to 3 days per week, per diem)
Jessica Barbo	8:30AM – 12:30PM (4 hrs/day, 5 days per week, per diem)
Courtney Sweet	8:30AM – 12:30PM (4 hrs/day, 5 days per week, per diem)
Laura Linder	8:30AM – 12:30PM (4 hrs/day, up to 3 days per week, (The program runs July 1, 2018 - July 31, 2018)

20. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of ABA Aides for the Building Bridges Extended School Year Program, from July 1, 2018 to July 31, 2018, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Bastable, Mary	Khanian, Patricia
Batista, Melvin	Lawler, Kathleen
Belits, Helen	Lekkas, Thelexiopi

Benitez, Francisco
 Blackwell, Alexandria
 Capozzi, Rhonda
 Casaburro, Amy
 Cetro, Justin
 Connors, Debbie
 Delucia, Amanda
 Drill, Aleida
 Espinosa, Gregorio
 Falla, Debbie
 Falzone, Lizette
 Ferrigno, Nicolette
 Gleason, Alexandra
 Gonzalez, Jane

Lloyd, Sheryl
 Manning, Wendy
 Maurice, Diana
 Nyhan, Catherine
 Ofshinsky, Sandra
 Ofshinsky, Carol
 Rivera, Joanne
 Schmidt, Alexandra
 Seifert, Paige
 Spinetti, Lisa
 Suarez, Ashley
 Tricarico, Theresa
 Wallace, Deanna
 Watson, Christine
 Yphantides, Laura

21. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Laura Moynihan, bus driver, for the Building Bridges Extended School Year Program, at a maximum of 23 hours per week, from July 1, 2018 to July 31, 2018.
22. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Child Study Team members for summer work for the period beginning July 2, 2018 to August 31, 2018 up to 10 days at their contractual rate.

Maryann Durante

Susan Klepper

Stacy Socha

23. That the Board of Education approve the following staff members for Summer Curriculum work at a rate of \$50.00 per hour.

CURRICULUM	HRS
Christopher Armen	18
Heather Rothschild	21
Jessica Barbo	18
Nevin Werner	18
Susan Miele	10
Sharon Cardia	10
Kelly Dent	18
Brian Urban	18
Leah DelGuidice	18
Michelle Attardi	18
Ryan Schmid	12
Gregory Kupchak	12
Wendy Naimaister	30
Caroline Church	18
Sabrina Johnston	6

**Salary to be determined upon the ratification and approval of the negotiated REEA Agreement.*

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

F. RIVER EDGE SPECIAL EDUCATION

1. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of the following therapists for the Extended School Year Program from July 1, 2018 to July 31, 2018, not to exceed 35 hours.

KB Therapy LLC	Occupational Therapist (up to 4 days per week) 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM, at \$80.00 per hour
Nicole Hill (Region V)	Physical Therapist (up to 2 days per week) 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM, at \$70.00 per hour

2. That the Board of Education approve Care Plus NJ, as a service provider effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, up to a maximum of \$50,000.

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

G. REGION V ADMINISTRATION & TRANSPORTATION

1. WHEREAS, the River Edge Board of Education (the "Board") is the lead education agency ("LEA") for the Bergen County Region V Council for Special Education ("Region V"); and

WHEREAS, Region V provides shared services for its member districts such as evaluations, direct services, and consultation; and

WHEREAS, as the LEA, the Board must approve the consultant agreements of the providers that Region V utilizes to deliver shared services to its member districts.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, re-approves the consultant agreements of the following Region V Shared Services Consultants, Psychologists, Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultants, Social Workers, Speech Language Specialists, Occupational and Physical Therapists, and Translators to provide evaluations, direct services, and consultation, to non-public and public schools for member districts upon request for the 2018-2019 school year:

Aida L. Rosado	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant Bilingual	Evaluator
Anita Lovallo	Nonpublic	Consultant
Arlene Brofsky	Social Worker	Evaluator
Cathy Cleenput LC LLC	Nonpublic	Consultant
Christina R. Lazar	Psychologist	Evaluator
Cindy Pendergraft	Occupational Therapist	Evaluator
Corinne Pochter	Nonpublic	Consultant
Deena Rebecca Morris	Occupational Therapist	Evaluator
Deborah S. Rogoff	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
Ellen Gruber	Speech and Language Specialist Bilingual	Evaluator
Frances Ebel Incorporated	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator

Gloria Kim	Psychologist	Evaluator
Haber Associates Inc.	Nonpublic	Consultant
Ingrid Gsellmeier	Speech and Language Specialist	Evaluator
Jill McManus	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
Jolie Siegel	Psychologist	Evaluator
Joseph J. Cafaro	Psychologist	Evaluator
Judith Johnston LLC	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
Laura A. Dispoto	Speech and Language Specialist	Evaluator
Lauren Gallo	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
Laura J. Guider	Nonpublic	Consultant
Leslie Harmony	Speech and Language Specialist	Evaluator
Let's Schmooze LLC	Speech and Language Specialist	Evaluator
Lisa Borges Stellato	Social Worker	Evaluator
Mary E. Menditto	Social Worker	Evaluator
Michelle L. Pappas	Occupational Therapist	Evaluator
Michele McMahon Educational Consultant LLC	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
Norma B. Reyes	Psychologist	Bilingual Evaluator
Patricia M. Carroll	Psychologist	Evaluator
Pepa Services LLC	Psychologist	Evaluator
Robin Oliff	Learning Disabilities Teacher	Evaluator
Rocco Recchione	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
Ronnie Steinwolf	Social Worker	Evaluator
SRP Optimal Learning LLC	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
Superior Testing and Educational Planning	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
Sylvia Cosentino	Nonpublic	Consultant
Theresa Alston	Psychologist	Evaluator

Theresa E. Regan-Geraci	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
Wendy Herrera	Psychologist	Bilingual Evaluator

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B.E.S.T. for Education	Teacher of Handicapped	Consultant
Claire Tunick	Literacy	Consultant
Ellen H. Mulhberg Learning Consultant LLC	Nonpublic Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Consultant
Jamie Kagan-Heit	Nonpublic Social Worker	Consultant
Learning By Design LLC	Nonpublic Psychologist	Consultant
Adrienne Marchese	Behaviorist	Consultant
Johanna Bargisen	Behaviorist	Consultant
Kerry O’Hagan	Behaviorist	Consultant
Ivy Lane Learning LLC	Behaviorist	Consultant
Simara Bruhim	Behaviorist	Consultant
Stephanie Javier	Behaviorist	Consultant
Patricia Shannon	Parent Trainer	Consultant
Carlos Yopez	Bilingual Psychologist	Evaluator
Dania Diaz	Bilingual Psychologist	Evaluator
Evolve Enterprises LLC	Bilingual Social Worker	Evaluator

Heather Gilgallon	Social Worker	Evaluator
Idelle M. Schwinder LLC	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
J & E Learning	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
Jane A. Petrozzino	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluator
Jeonghae Jones	Psychologist	Evaluator
Jennifer Ludwig- Pappachristou	Psychologist	Evaluator
Kerry Sardina	Psychologist	Evaluator
Maria Manning	Psychologist	Evaluator
RTS Consulting Agency LLC	Psychologist	Evaluator

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Auditory Assistance LLC	Teacher of the Deaf	Direct Service
DM Speech Inc.	Speech and Language Specialist	Direct Service
EZ Therapy and Handwriting LLC	Occupational Therapist	Direct Service
Hand in Hand Pediatric OT	Occupational Therapist	Direct Service
J & J Therapy LLC	Physical Therapist	Direct Service
LRG Corp	Occupational Therapy	Direct Service
Talk Time	Speech and Language	Direct Service

Therapies LLC	Specialist	
Thames Occupational Therapy Center LLC	Occupational Therapy	Direct Service
Tobana Corp	Speech and Language Specialist	Direct Service
Woodland Speech Therapy LLC	Speech and Language Specialist	Direct Service
Work N Play Inc	Occupational Therapist	Direct Service

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Colette Robinson Doctor of Physical Therapy LLC	Physical Therapy	Direct Service
Hegarty PT	Physical Therapy	Direct Service
Jessica Landa OT Services LLC	Occupational Therapy	Direct Service
Jessica Lazarus Inc.	Occupational Therapy	Direct Service
Lori Rosner SLP LLC	Speech and Language	Direct Service
Meghan Murphy Speech-Language Pathology, PC	Speech and Language	Direct Service
Melissa Murphy LLC	Occupational Therapy	Direct Service
Stacy Horowitz LLC	Speech and Language	Direct Service
Pnina Fessel SLP LLC	Speech and Language	Direct Service
Talk of the Town LLC	Speech and Language	Direct Service

Walk This Way Physical Therapy LLC	Physical Therapy	Direct Service
Yaffa Markovich OT LLC	Occupational Therapy	Direct Service
Bergen Hearing & Speech Inc.	Speech/Audiology	Evaluations
Collen Mullen	Psychologist	Evaluations

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Upcoming Board Meetings

June 27, 2018 – Cherry Hill School

July 25, 2018 – Cherry Hill School