

RIVER EDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
“Building Bright Futures Together”

AGENDA
September 27, 2017
Cherry Hill School

410 Bogert Road, River Edge, NJ 07661
Media Center
7:30 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. Welcome New Staff Members

Janene Broking-Cherry Hill School Leave Replacement 5th Grade
David Cabrera-Cherry Hill School Custodian
Lindsay Comer- Cherry Hill School Leave Replacement 1st Grade
Brienne DeVico- Cherry Hill School-6th Grade Teacher
Andrea Flower-Cherry Hill School- Part-time Resource Teacher
Gianna Hrnciar– Cherry Hill School – 4th Grade Teacher
Nancy Jencsik-Cherry Hill School-3rd Grade Teacher
Jaime Lazor– Cherry Hill School – 5th Grade Teacher
Cassandra McGovern-Roosevelt School - Leave Replacement 5th Grade
Maria Morales– District-Part-time Spanish Teacher
Christine Moran-Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction
AnneMarie Spiegel-Literacy/Social Studies Coach/Supervisor
Stan Stevens-Supervisor of Building and Grounds

Reception

- C. Review 2016-2017 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)
Gary Higgins, Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP

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 of September 6, 2017.
- 2. That the Board of Education approve the staff development and travel as per the schedules for September 2017 including relevant mileage reimbursement. (Addendum)
- 3. That the Board of Education approve the list on file in the district office of pupil records maintained in the district for the 2017-2018 school year. (Addendum)
- 4. That the Board of Education accept the District Nursing Services Plan for the 2017-2018 school year.

5. That the Board of Education approve the Second Reading of the Policies and Regulations for the Series 1000 and 2000, with the exception of policy #'s 1200, 1313, and 2130.
(Addendum)

6. That the Board of Education approve the following class trip:

Date	School	Grade	Destination	Cost to District
10/18/17, 10/19/17, and 10/20/17	Cherry Hill School	5	Fort Lee Historic Park Fort Lee, NJ	\$576.00

7. That the Board of Education approve the authorization of the submission of the ESEA application for Fiscal Year 2018, and accepts the grant award of these funds upon the subsequent approval of the Fiscal Year 2018 ESEA Application.

Grants
Title II River Edge-\$9,598 Non-Public-\$9,666 Total-\$19,264
Title III River Edge-\$17,906 Non-Public-\$1,092 Total-\$18,998
Title III Immigrant River Edge-\$2,874 Non-Public-\$380 Total-\$3,254
Title IV River Edge-\$4,982 Non-Public-\$5,018 Total-\$10,000

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____

B. BUILDING & GROUNDS - None

C. CURRICULUM/EDUCATION

1. That the Board of Education approve the agreement for the River Edge Board of Education to provide technology services and supplies to the following Non-public Schools for the 2017-2018 school year:

St. Peter's Academy
Sinai School at RYNJ
Yeshiva of North Jersey
Stepping Stone Learning Center
New Beginnings at Grace Lutheran

2. That the Board of Education approve the 2017-2018 school year attendance of specific students at Cherry Hill or Roosevelt School which is other than their customary neighborhood school, as on file in the District Office.

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

D. FINANCE/GRANTS/GIFTS

1. That the Board of Education approve the bills & claims dated August, 2017 totaling \$385,477.96 including checks #40068 through #40070.
2. That the Board of Education approve the bills & claims dated September, 2017 totaling \$782,132.40 including checks #40071 through #40253.
3. Payrolls date July 14, 2017 and July 31, 2017 totaling \$441,211.92 and Payrolls dated August 15, 2017, and August 31, 2017 totaling \$280,314.52 issued therefore, a copy of such warrants list to be attached as part of these minutes. (Addendum)
4. That the Board of Education approve the Budget Transfers for the school year 2017-2018 as of July 31, 2017 and August 31, 2017. (Addendum)
5. That the River Edge Board of Education approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for the period ending July 31, 2017 and August 31, 2017.

Further, we certify that as of July 31, 2017 and August 31, 2017, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the districts financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Addendum)

6. That the Board of Education approve a donation from Sesame Street for ten Amazon Fire Kids Edition Tablets in the amount of \$990.00.

7. That the River Edge Board of Education accept the 2016-2017 Audit and approve the submission of the CAFR (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report) submitted by the firm of Lerch, Vinci & Higgins with the following recommendations:

- I. Administrative Practices and Procedures
None
- II. Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting
None
- III. School Purchasing Program
None
- IV. School Food Services
None
- V. Student Body Activities
None
- VI. Application for State School Aid
None
- VII. Pupil Transportation
None
- VIII. Facilities and Capital Assets
None
- IX. Miscellaneous
None

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

E. PERSONNEL

- 1. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Tara Vernieri, School Nurse, BA step 11, for the 2017-2018 school year.
- 2. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Briana Rizzi, Part-time Resource Teacher, BA+15 step 5, for the 2017-2018 school year.
- 3. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Pamela Menzel, Part-time Aide, for the 2017-2018 school year.
- 4. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Luis Cruz, Cherry Hill and Mark Jentz, Roosevelt as Lead Custodians for the 2017-2018 school year, as per contract.
- 5. That the Board of Education designate Denise Heitman, Attendance Officer, for a yearly stipend of \$500.00 for the 2017-2018 school year.

6. That the Board of Education approve Beth Rosen, Homeless Student Liaison, for the River Edge School District for the 2017-2018 school year.
7. That the Board of Education approve Beth Rosen, HIB Coordinator, for the River Edge School District for the 2017-2018 school year.
8. That the Board of Education approve Rosemary Kuruc, Mental Health Liaison, for the River Edge School District for the 2017-2018 school year.
9. That the Board of Education approve Maria Pepe as the Primary Project Aide for the 2017-2018 School Year.
10. That the Board of Education with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following for student Field Experience to consist of 20 hours in a General Education Classroom to commence on or about September 28, 2017 through December 15, 2017.

Marissa Conti

11. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve a Maternity/Disability leave of absence for Veronica Kim to commence on or about January 16, 2018 through February 23, 2018, to be followed by a Federal/State Family leave of absence/Child Care Leave to commence on or about February 26, 2018, through June 30, 2018.
12. That the Board of Education approve the following staff members for Curriculum Work at a rate of \$50.00 per hour.

Teacher	Hours
Ashley Clark (replacing previously approved June Karpowich)	3
Kristen Corcoran	3
Ashley Denn	3

13. That the Board of Education approve Kaitlyn DeVasto for Cycle I of the Post Dismissal Instructional Academy for the 2017-2018 School Year. Salary to be determined upon the ratification and approval of the negotiated REEA Agreement.
14. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following as substitute teachers for the 2017-18 school year.

Melissa Ceppaglia
 Simona Georgali DiFranco
 Sharmaine Joseph
 Antoinette Kofler
 Steven Luca
 Francine McClellan
 Jake Rizer
 Mary Weixel-Martin
 Benedict Usoro

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

F. **RIVER EDGE SPECIAL EDUCATION** - None

G. **REGION V ADMINISTRATION & TRANSPORTATION**

1. That the Board of Education approve the bills & claims dated August, 2017 totaling \$26,167.50 including checks #68690 through #68787.
2. That the Board of Education approve the bills & claims dated September, 2017 totaling \$706,601.50 including checks #68788 through #68928.
3. That the Board of Education approve the 2017-2018 Joint Transportation Agreement between South Bergen Jointure Commission (Host) and Region V (Joiner).
4. Be it resolved that the Region V Council for Special Education will provide shared services for its member districts and be it further resolved that the River Edge Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Region V Shared Services Consultants, Psychologists, Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultants, Social Workers, Speech Language Specialists, Occupational and Physical Therapists, Translators to provide evaluations, direct services and consultation, to non-public and public schools for member districts upon request for the 2017-2018 school year.

Deborah Goldberg	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant
Laurie R. Gopin	Occupational Therapist
Manuel Diaz	Home Program Coordinator

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

CLOSED SESSION (WHEN NECESSARY)

ADJOURNMENT

Upcoming Board Meetings

October 11, 2017- Roosevelt School

October 18, 2017- Cherry Hill School