

RIVER EDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION

RIVER EDGE, NEW JERSEY 07661

"Building Bright Futures Together"

Minutes of the Regular Public Meeting – June 17, 2020 – 6:00 PM

The Board of Education, Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey conducted this meeting through a Zoom Meeting.

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Mr. Herbst called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

MISSION STATEMENT

Mr. Herbst read the Mission Statement.

ROLL CALL

Present on roll call were Ms. Brown: Ms. Dansky; Ms. Doyle; Ms. Juskeliene; Ms. Kang; Mr. Sim; Mr. Herbst; Also present were Dr. Ben-Dov, Mrs. Napolitano, Mrs. Heitman and approximately nine members of the public.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS NOTICE

Mrs. Napolitano read the Open Public Meeting Act Notice.

SPECIAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Public Comment on Agenda Items - None

REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Ben-Dov reported on the following:

- On behalf of the entire River Edge community, Dr. Ben-Dov would like to thank the Board of Education and everyone who works for River Edge in every position. Everyone rose to the occasion in ways that weren't even known to us. Everyone did a fantastic job.
- Dr. Ben-Dov spoke about some of the highlights and challenges of virtual learning. The highlights involve the competence and versatility that was developed and achieved by our staff and students. Dr. Ben-Dov thanked the parents because it took a big effort on the part of families to be participants in this process. It would not have happened without them. Dr. Ben-Dov truly believes students did learn showing by the assessments that were given. Two of our teachers, Ms. Katie O'Brien and Ms. Lauren Proda, were on NJTV Learning Live. One of the major challenges was the fact we were not given an opportunity to prepare in a comprehensive way or create a schedule in advance of virtual learning. We will do a comprehensive schedule this summer for however we come back.

- During this period we had more contact with our parent community than ever. Dr. Ben-Dov has seen and spoken to hundreds of parents. She wrote weekly letters to them, answered individual emails to their questions, zoom meetings such as: SEPAG Meeting, two Zoom Fatigue Academies, a Poetry one with Janet Wong, 2nd Cup of Coffee, Liberty Science Center, PTO meeting with Cherry Hill School, meeting with parents of graduates, Mid-Period Survey, and the re-opening Task Force.
- Dr. Ben-Dov went over some of the categories of questions from parents during various meetings: What will school look like in September?, If we do go virtual again, will it focus on small group instruction?, Will there be a variety of different assessments?, Will we be specific with the PPE and will the students be instructed in the protocols of how to use it?, Will working parents be considered when we create our plan for September?, Is there a way to have a consistent schedule that will be built prior to the start of September?, Could related arts be built into it in a comprehensive way? There were specific questions related to our graduates and different equipment that we might use. We are addressing all of the questions when planning for the future.
- We received so many letters of appreciation and gratitude from parents. Some were very emotional and touching and some were expressing individual situations. Dr. Ben-Dov read a letter from a parent, Ms. Walker, to the board that was complimenting and addressing the entire framework and process of our virtual learning.
- Dr. Ben-Dov reviewed a mandatory HIB/School Climate report from the Department of Education that will be posted on our website. She stated each District is requested to go through a self-evaluation regarding the degree of compliance with the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act and how the bill is implemented. It includes our HIB approach, training, curriculum and instruction related to HIB, personnel, incident reporting and investigations. We sent this to the Department of Education with backup to get our rating. This is for the 2018-2019 school year. We received 77 out of 78. Dr. Ben-Dov is very proud of this score.
- Dr. Ben-Dove established the Re-opening Task Force a couple of weeks ago. We have established sub-committees: Curriculum, Scheduling, Instruction, Health, Technology, Social/Emotional Learning, Mental Health and Special Education, Finance and Building and Grounds. The general goal is for us to establish the most optimal re-opening of schools within the guidelines of health, Department of Education, and state framework.
- The Bergen County Association of Superintendents started its own Re-opening Task Force and Dr. Ben-Dov is chair of the Curriculum Committee for the County. We had one meeting with our River Edge Committee, Dr. Ben-Dov held a meeting with her Bergen County group and we are having a meeting with River Edge committee chairs tomorrow. We will have reports from the chairs about their progress and we will talk about our next steps.
- Guidance from the Governor for grades K-12 schools is expected next week.
- Our R.E.A.C.H. newsletter will be coming out at the end of this week.
- The Sixth Grade Graduation was a very moving and emotional one for Dr. Ben-Dov. Dr. Ben-Dov visited 155 homes in four days. Each Principal visited homes two days each with two teachers, aides, Mr. James from Cherry Hill and Ms. Blute and Ms. Sherlock rotated from Roosevelt School. Aides, a counselor, and the behaviorist joined us as well. The homes were beautifully decorated, some students were dressed up, and they got to take a family picture with the photographer. The gratitude from the families was amazing. It was such a personal graduation and Dr. Ben-Dov is extremely proud of the graduates.

PRINCIPAL

Mrs. Heitman reported on the following:

- We made it through to the end of the school year and we are all so thankful and grateful.
- Chromebook drop off was at both schools today. It was well received. Cherry Hill School received approximately 190 Chromebooks. Some students still have their Chromebook for the W.I.N. Academy in July. Instruments and Library Books came back today too. Parents were great and followed directions with the drop off and the returns.
- Some of the programs the PTO offered couldn't happen because of the Coronavirus. The PTO offered some online enrichment programs through online virtual learning instead.
- We had one of our biggest PTO meetings with a lot of people present. Mrs. Heitman met with the executive board and they loved how many people attended virtually.
- Mrs. Heitman expressed her heartfelt feelings of graduation this year. She said it was so wonderful, rewarding, and warm. The parents were so grateful and excited about the family pictures from the photographer.
- Mr. Henzel and Mrs. Heitman sent out graduation videos. She thanked all of the people who helped put this together.
- Mrs. Heitman has spoken to many parents regarding online learning and their experiences. The feedback has been positive.
- Mrs. Heitman thanked all of the River Edge staff and stated we couldn't have done this alone. We needed everyone to be on board and they were. She also thanked the parents and students.
- Classlink made some of the challenges with virtual learning easier because the children knew where to go. It was very helpful.

BOARD SECRETARY

Mrs. Napolitano reported on the following:

- Mrs. Napolitano met with her Bergen County Business Administrators meeting today and there is no new news to report in regards to funding.
- The Tax Levy Bill is still in limbo at this time
- We are still waiting on our final numbers with the budget cuts. We do know the payments on State Aid will be late.
- There is a bill that will allow us to possibly take money from Capital Reserve to fund our current budget. This can be an option for us if it does indeed pass.
- All State reports are due on the same schedule as prior years. There will be no extensions on any reports.
- We had our sub-committee for Building and Grounds and Finance. We spoke about some of the items we are buying to get the buildings ready, air flow in classrooms, and cubic feet of classrooms. It was a good meeting with lots of useful sharing of information.

PRESIDENT

Mr. Herbst reported on the following:

- Mr. Herbst thanked all administrators and all other participants for their work on the re-opening task force.
- The re-opening task force met in a large group on June 5th. There were stakeholders from all different areas. They spilt up into sub-committees. He stated there are a few board members serving on the sub-committee as well. Finance and Building and Grounds met yesterday. He stated it is very important for parent input on the re-opening of the schools. The discussions are great and we are ahead of the curve.
- Mr. Herbst sat in on the Health sub-committee. There were a few questions that came up about board policy and the role it plays on this.
- Mr. Herbst got an email from Bruce Young who is the Vice President of county activities for New Jersey School Board Association. He sent a link of an article that Mr. Herbst will send to the board after the meeting regarding New Jersey. The Governor is supposed to reveal the strategy for the opening of schools for grades Pre K-12 next week.
- Mr. Herbst sent questions from the Health sub-committee about board policy to Mr. Jim Gaffney. He stated he forwarded them to state leadership and will get back to Mr. Herbst with a response.
- We need to get our Superintendents Evaluation completed by June 30th. Mr. Herbst asked the board to send them to him by June 23rd. Ms. Dansky just received an email from the Department of Education stating the deadline has changed to July 31st, but Mr. Herbst still asked for it to be completed now.
- Mr. Herbst asked the board if they were available for a board meeting on Monday, June 29th. The board replied yes, and set it for 6:00PM.
- Mr. Herbst asked if we should add another board meeting in July. The board decided to wait and reassess at the June 29th meeting.

COMMITTEES

- Ms. Brown stated the Curriculum/Instruction Committee met yesterday. Ms. Brown said Dr. Ben-Dov already reviewed a lot of what was said, but she will add to it. Ms. Moran put together a collection of best practices from our teachers. The theatre group continued and put on an amazing performance. Other topics discussed included: Summer W.I.N. Academy, plans for re-opening, the W.I.N. toolkits, summer curriculum work that will include: student/teacher resources, diversity, racism, and bias and how the curriculum team will look at tools and curriculum, and building on scope and sequence in the core curriculum areas. We will need assessments and will need to create very structured framework of small group instruction. We are looking at it now for best practices for virtual and in-person and Zoom best practices.

MOTIONS TO BE ACTED UPON

A. ADMINISTRATION/POLICY

1. That the Board of Education approve the Minutes and Confidential minutes of June 3, 2020. (Addendum)
2. **WHEREAS**, the Board of Education is meeting in public session on June 17, 2020.

WHEREAS, certain business transactions must necessarily be addressed during the hiatus of public sessions of the Board, including but not limited to, the offering of contracts of employment,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Schools is authorized to offer contracts of employment on behalf of the Board between June 17, 2020 and July 29, 2020 subject to final approval of the Board at the next Regular Public Meeting.

3. That the Board of Education approve the summer hours beginning July 6, 2020 through August 28, 2020 for 12 month employees
4. That the Board of Education designate Eifert, French & Company of Tenafly, New Jersey as the Board Broker of NESBIG insurance fund for the 2020-2021 school year.
5. That the Board of Education designate Louise Anne Napolitano as Custodian of Public Records for the 2020-2021 school year.
6. That the Board of Education designate Louise Anne Napolitano as Board Secretary for the 2020-2021 school year.
7. That the Board of Education designate Lerch, Vinci & Higgins,LLP as Board Auditor for the 2020-2021 school year.
8. That the Board of Education designate Fogarty & Hara, Esqs., as Board Attorney for the 2020-2021 school year.
9. That the Board of Education designate DiCara/Rubino Architects as Board Architect for the 2020-2021 school year.
10. That the Board of Education designate Wilentz, Goldman, and Spitzer as Bond Attorney for the 2020-2021 school year.

B. CURRICULUM/EDUCATION – None

C. BUILDING & GROUNDS – None

D. FINANCE/GRANTS/GIFTS

1. That the Board of Education authorize Office Account Signatures to the following individuals to approve the Petty Cash Reimbursements:

- Louise Anne Napolitano, Board Secretary/Business Administrator
- Dr. Tova Ben-Dov, Superintendent of Schools

FURTHER, that the maximum allowable amount per warrant be established at \$125.00 providing all necessary claims are found to be in order according to the law.

2. That the Board of Education Designate Purchasing Agent:

WHEREAS, the recent changes to the Public School Contracts Law gave Boards of Education the ability to increase their bid threshold up to \$44,000 and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3A, permits an increase the bid threshold is a Qualified Purchasing Agent is appointed as well as granted the authorization to negotiate and award such contracts below the bid threshold: and

WHEREAS, A.C. 5:34-5 et seq. establishes the criteria for qualifying as Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

RESOLVED, that the governing body of the River Edge Board of Education in the County of Bergen, in the State of New Jersey hereby establishes its bid threshold at \$44,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the governing body hereby appoints Louise Anne Napolitano as the Purchasing Agent to exercise the duties of a purchasing agent pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A: 18A-2b, with specific relevance to the authority, responsibility, and accountability of the purchasing activity of the Board of Education.

3. That the Board of Education approve the bills & claims dated June 2020 totaling \$450,010.30 including checks #43449 through #43498. Payrolls dated May 15, 2020 and May 29, 2020, totaling \$1,229,965.24 issued therefore, a copy of such warrants list be attached as part of these minutes. (Addendum).
4. That the Board of Education approve the Budget Transfers for the school year 2019- 2020 as of May 31, 2020. (Addendum)
5. That the River Edge Board of Education approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for the period ending May 31, 2020. (Addendum)

Further, we certify that as of May 31, 2020 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 over expended 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 the FY 2020-2021 tuition for out-of-district students attending River Edge Schools as follows:

Kindergarten	\$10,383
Grades 1-5	\$11,639
Grade 6	\$11,561
Multiple Disabled (10 month)	\$65,964
Autistic (10 month)	\$70,945

7. That the Board of Education approve the FY 2020-2021 tuition for students attending River Edge Schools as follows:

Pre-K (3 days)	\$2,770
Pre-K (4 days)	\$3,407

8. **WHEREAS**, NJAC 6A:23A-14.3 and 14.4 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a Board of Education to transfer anticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by Board resolution, and

WHEREAS, the River Edge Board of Education wishes to deposit anticipated current year surplus into their Capital Reserve account and Maintenance Reserve Account at year end, and

WHEREAS, the River Edge Board of Education has determined to designate surplus for the year end June 30, 2020 as follows:

- Maintain a Fund Balance not-to-exceed the state mandated 2% cap plus allowable adjustments
- Plus an additional \$500,000 to be appropriated in the 2021-2022 Budget
- The excess above these amounts is to be transferred to the Capital Reserve Account in an amount not to exceed the maximum allowable amount which is defined by the districts Long Range Facility Plan

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the River Edge Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

9. That the Board of Education approve \$127,543.09 to be transferred to Capital Reserve because it is the unexpended portion of the Capital Reserve withdrawal for the Roosevelt Elementary Gymnasium HVAC Upgrade project.
10. That the Board of Education approve all salaries paid for the Post Dismissal Instructional Academy for Cherry Hill students be charged to the Title I Grant for the 2020-2021 School Year.
11. That the Board of Education approve the OMNI Group as the third party Plan Administrator for the District's 403b and 457 retirement plans for the 2020-2021 school year.

12. That the Board of Education approve the following to solicit sales to district employees for 403b and 457 retirement plans for the 2020-2021 school year:

Aspire Financial Services
AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company
Security Benefit
Union Central Life Insurance Company

E. PERSONNEL

1. That the Board of Education approve the employment of Stan Stevens, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds, effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 at a salary on file in the District Office.
2. That the Board of Education approve the salary guide for part-time hourly clerical, instructional, health and lunch aides for the 2020-2021 school year. (Addendum)
3. That the Board of Education approve the 2020-2021 School Year salaries of the non-represented employees. (Addendum)
4. That the Board of Education approve the salary guide for ABA Aides 2020-2021 school year. (Addendum)
5. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Cynthia Sherlock and Joyce Kelleher, part-time clerical aides, for a maximum of 25 hours per week from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
6. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Sandra Gotiangco, part-time health aide, for a maximum of 25 hours per week for the 2020-2021 school year.
7. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Laura Moynihan, Bus Driver, for the 2020-2021 school year.
8. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Donna Copolla, Bus Aide, for the 2020-2021 school year.
9. That the Board of Education approve Maria Pepe as the Primary Project Aide for the 2020-2021 School Year.
10. That the Board of Education with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the extended Child Care leave of absence for Stacy Socha for the 2020-2021 school year.
11. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve Diana Maurice, Leave Replacement Teacher, effective on September 1, 2020 through January 8, 2021, BA+15, Step 2.
12. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Dr. Christopher Nicpon, School Doctor, from September 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 at an annual rate of \$3,500.

13. That the Board of Education authorize the payment due the following employees for unused sick days as per the REEA contract.

Wendy Cassidy
Andrea Friedlander
June Karpowich (will be given to the designated beneficiary of the estate)
Kayla Moran

14. That the Board of Education authorize the payment due the following employees for unused sick days.

Maureen Kerne
Barbara O'Brien

15. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of the following Staff for W.I.N. Academy, from July 6, 2020 to July 31, 2020.

Ashley Adimando	Leah Gallo
Kismet Bohajian	Megan Lubin
Abby Burns-Paterson	Alexandra McNeil
Alice Buttery	Christine O'Keefe
Caitlin Callahan	Lauren Proda
Nicole Colon	Diana Richards
MaryAnn Crudello	Heather Rothschild
Greg Espinosa	Gabrielle Sagala

16. 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 Virtual Extended School Year Program, from July 6, 2020 – July 31, 2020 (4 Weeks)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Jessica Barbo	8:30AM - 12:30PM (4 hrs/day , 5 days a week)
Reem Bowers	8:30AM – 12:30PM (4hrs/day, 5 days per week)
Abby BurnsPaterson	8:30AM – 9:30AM & 10:30–12:30 (3 hrs/day, 5 days per week)
Gina Duprey	8:30AM – 12:30PM (up to 4hrs/day, up to 4 days per week)
Julie Fallon	8:30AM – 12:30PM (4 hrs/day, 5 days per week)
Laura Linder	8:30AM – 12:30PM (up to 4hrs/day, up to 5 days per week)
Katie O'Brien	8:30AM – 10:30AM (up to 2hrs/day, 5 days per week)
Noy Sapir	8:30AM – 12:30PM (4hrs/day, 5 days per week)

17. 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, 2020 to July 31, 2020, 4 hours per day at their hourly contractual rate.

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

18. 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, 2020 to July 31, 2020, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Akdemir, Ozen	Lekkas, Thelexiopi
Bastable, Mary	Lloyd, Sheryl
Belits, Helen	Luca, Steven
Benitez, Francisco	Manning, Wendy
Blackwell, Alexandria	Maurice, Diana
Bommarito, Tracy	Mescall Keri
Campos, Michele	Nyhan, Catherine
Capozzi, Rhonda	Ofshinsky, Sandra
Cetro, Justin	Rivera, Joanne
Connors, Deborah	Satterfield, Jarae
Delucia, Amanda	Seifert, Paige
Drill, Aleida	Spinetti, Lisa
Falla, Deborah	Valentine, Tammy
Ferrigno, Nicolette	Wallace, Deanna
Fitzpatrick, Julie	Wallschleger, Chelsea
Gonzalez, Jane	Watson, Christine
Grosso, Adam	Yphantides, Laura
Lawler, Kathleen	

19. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of the following staff for IEP Extended School Year Home Instruction, \$35.00 per hour from August 3, 2020 to August 31, 2020.

NAME	HRS
Deanna Wallace	60
Amanda DeLucia	40
Laura Yphantides	40
Nicolette Ferrigno	15
Rhonda Capozzi	40
Paige Seifert	80
Alexandria Blackwell	80
Jarae Satterfield	80
Steven Luca	60
Courtney Sweet	5
Julie Fitzpatrick	30

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

CURRICULUM	HRS
Bianca Kim	3
Jamie Jaskot	11
Melissa Gant	6
Heather Rothschild	8
Katherine O'Reilly	10
Christine O'Keefe	10
Gabrielle Sagala	6
Kelly Wendrychowicz	16
Caitlin Callhan	3
Colleen Poole	3
Wendy Otis	8
Nichol DelRosso	10
Diana Richards	3
Michelle Parisi	6
Kaitlyn DeVasto	6
Ashley Adimando	13
Caroline Church	13
Alice Buttery	24
Andrea Siclari	11
Lindsay Comer	14
Gianna Hrnciar	6
Jessica Mahtaban	3
Ashley Denn	3
Lauren Proda	3
Jessica Barbo	3
Sandy Gerbino	10

21. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Cheryl Maguire, Child Study Team Secretary, at her hourly rate not to exceed \$5,000.00, from July 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020.
22. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Child Study Team Staff for summer hours beginning July 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020 up to 10 for days for Child Study Team Meetings and Evaluations at their contractual rate.

Maryann Durante
 Susan Klepper
 Stephanie Repetti

23. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Debbie Hollender for summer hours beginning July 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020 up to 10 days for Child Study Team Meetings and Evaluations at the Region V rate.

Motion by: Ms. Brown Seconded by: Ms. Doyle

Ayes: Ms. Brown, Ms. Dansky, Ms. Doyle, Ms. Juskeliene, Ms. Kang, Mr. Sim, Mr. Herbst
Nays: None

24. That the Board of Education postpone until June 29, 2020 the approval of the Job Description for the School Mental Health Clinician. (Addendum)

Motion by: Ms. Dansky Seconded by: Ms. Doyle

Ayes: Ms. Brown, Ms. Dansky, Ms. Doyle, Ms. Juskeliene, Ms. Kang, Mr. Herbst
Nays: Mr. Sim

25. That the Board of Education approve with incorporating the Board Members suggestions the Job Description for the Coordinator of Programs and Services. (Addendum)

Motion by: Mr. Sim Seconded by: Ms. Dansky

Ayes: Ms. Brown, Ms. Dansky, Ms. Doyle, Ms. Juskeliene, Ms. Kang, Mr. Sim, Mr. Herbst
Nays: None

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, 2020 to July 31, 2020, not to exceed 35 hours.

Karen Willick (KB Therapy)

Occupational Therapist (up to 5 days per week)
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM, at the contractual rate

Nicole Hill (J&J Therapy)
(Region V)

Physical Therapist (up to 2 days per week)
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM, at the Region V Rate

G. REGION V ADMINISTRATION & TRANSPORTATION

1. That the Board of Education approve the bills & claims dated June, 2020 totaling \$956,338.90 including checks #73683 through #73774.
2. That the Board of Education approve with the recommendation of the Superintendent, the employment of the Region V Staff for the 2020-2021 school year as per the attached. (Addendum)
3. That the Board of Education approve Region V Budget for the 2020-2021 school year.

4. 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 2020-2021 school year:

Angelique Savino	Behaviorist & Home Instructor	Direct Service
Auditory Assistance LLC - Kerry Shelby	TOD	Direct Service
AT Solutions	Assistive Technology	Evaluations
Bergen Hearing and Speech	Audiology	Direct Service
Christina Lazar	Psychologist	Direct Service Non-Public
Colette Robinson Doctor of Physical Therapy	PT	Direct Service
Deborah Rogoff	LDTC	Direct Service
Dr. Jane Petrozzino	LDTC	Direct Service
Ellen Muhlberg Learning Consultant, LLC	LDTC	Direct Service
EZ Therapy and Handwriting LLC	OT	Direct Service
Hegarty PT	PT	Direct Service
Idelle M. Schwinder, LLC	LDTC	Non-Public
Joseph J. Cafaro	Psychologist	Evaluations
LDS Therapy	PTA	Direct Service
LRG. Corp	OT	Direct Service
Solace OT	OT	Direct Service
Talk Time Therapy	SLP	Direct Service
Thames Occupational Therapy	OT	Direct Service
VP Performance Corp.	PTA	Direct Service
Stacy Goldfarb	LDTC	Direct Service
Walk This Way Physical Therapy	PT	Direct Service
Let’s Schmooze	SLP	Direct Service
Laura Guider	TOH	Non-Public
Wings Behaviorism	Behaviorist	Direct Service
Cumberland Therapy Services, LLC / The Stepping Stones Group		Various Services
Innovative Therapy Group		Various Services
Delta T Group		Various Services
*Yaffa Markovich	Occupational Therapist	Direct Service

5. BE IT RESOLVED that the River Edge Board of Education desires to enter into a Joint Purchasing Agreement and will participate as a full member of the Bergen County Region V Council for Special Education for the 2020-2021 school year; does hereby accept, adopt and agree to comply with the Region V Bylaws; designates Dr. Tova Ben-Dov, Superintendent, as its representative to Region V; and empowers her to cast all votes and take all other actions necessary to represent its interests in Region V; and

The River Edge Board of Education further approves the joint bidding and transportation agreements for all River Edge students who are transported through Region V; and

The River Edge Board of Education further approves the joint bidding and/or shared services agreement; including but not limited to student evaluations, student therapies and other student support services; and

The River Edge Board of Education further approves the joint bidding and/or shared services for non-public school services; and

The River Edge Board of Education further approves the joint bidding and/or shared services for other services as requested to be provided by Region V component districts on an as needed basis.

Motion by: Mr. Sim Seconded by: Ms. Doyle

Ayes: Ms. Brown, Ms. Dansky, Ms. Doyle, Ms. Juskeliene, Ms. Kang, Mr. Sim, Mr. Herbst

Nays: None

OLD / NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Kang asked if at a future board meeting we can discuss the Climate Survey and see if we should continue to use Youth Truth or find another company.

Dr. Ben-Dov asked Ms. Kang if she would like the Organizational Chart at this point. The board had a discussion on it and asked for two charts. One chart of what is currently there and another of what it should look like.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION - None

CLOSED SESSION

Motion made by Ms. Dansky, seconded by Mr. Sim to convene into closed session at 8:23 PM.

Voice vote all Ayes

RECONVENE

Motion made by Mr. Sim, seconded by Ms. Brown to reconvene and adjourn the regular public meeting at 9:02 PM.

Voice vote all Ayes