

RIVER EDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
"Building Bright Futures Together"

REVISED AGENDA
September 23, 2020
6:00 PM PUBLIC MEETING

In response to the COVID-19 public health emergency and the emergency orders and directives at the federal, State and local levels, the meeting of the River Edge Board of Education scheduled for Wednesday, September 23, 2020 will now be held by remote means. Details for how to access and participate through remote means are listed herein and will be posted on the District website at www.riveredgeschools.org. You will be able to fully participate in this meeting including, providing public comment.

The Public may observe and participate in the meeting only via the methods listed below.

Please click the link below to join the Zoom Meeting:

Meeting Access URL

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81679855154?pwd=elZBOHRzckpkaxFjWWZpL2FkbnBIUT09>

Meeting Access Code / ID: 816 7985 5154

Password: 410711

The Meeting Agenda will be available on the District Website at www.riveredgeschools.org

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

Janet Cohen- Roosevelt School - 2nd Grade Teacher
Jason Funabashi - Cherry Hill School - Leave Replacement 4th Grade Teacher
Kelsey Lapp - Cherry Hill School - Leave Replacement 4th Grade Teacher
Harrison Mashig - Cherry Hill School - Leave Replacement 3rd Grade Teacher
Diana Maurice – New Bridge Center - Leave Replacement Building Bridges Teacher
Kaitlyn Mills – Roosevelt School - Leave Replacement 1st Grade Teacher
Tiffany Petzinger – Roosevelt School – Academic Interventionist

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 August 26, 2020.
- 2. That the Board of Education approve the Minutes of September 9, 2020.
- 3. That the Board of Education approve the list on file in the district office of pupil records maintained in the district for the 2020-2021 school year. (Addendum)
- 4. That the Board of Education approve the Student Safety Data Report on incidents of Violence; Vandalism; Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying (HIB) and HIB training and programs for Reporting Period 2 (January 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020).

5. That the Board of Education approve the Second Reading of the following policies:

Policy #	Title
6140	Curriculum Adoption
6161.1	Guidelines for Evaluation and Selection of Instructional Materials
4111.1/4211.1	Nondiscrimination/Affirmative Action
5113	Attendance, Absences, and Excuses

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____

B. BUILDING & GROUNDS - None

C. CURRICULUM/EDUCATION

1. That the Board of Education approve the contract between the River Edge Board of Education and St. Peter's Academy to provide Non-public Nursing Services for the 2020-2021 school year.
2. That the Board of Education approve the contract between the River Edge Board of Education and Stepping Stone Learning Center to provide Non-public Nursing Services for the 2020-2021 school year.
3. That the Board of Education approve the contract between the River Edge Board of Education and Yeshiva of North Jersey to provide Non-public Nursing Services for the 2020-2021 school year.
4. That the Board of Education approve the contract between the River Edge Board of Education and New Beginnings at Grace Lutheran to provide Non-public Nursing Services for the 2020-2021 school year.
5. That the Board of Education approve the agreement for the River Edge Board of Education to provide textbooks to the following Non-public Schools for the 2020-2021 school year:

St. Peter's Academy
Yeshiva of North Jersey
Stepping Stone Learning Center

6. That the Board of Education approve the 2020-2021 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 September, 2020 totaling \$716,828.66 including checks #43686 through #43788. Payrolls dated August 14, 2020, and August 31, 2020 totaling \$276,081.21 issued therefore, a copy of such warrants list to be attached as part of these minutes. (Addendum)
2. That the Board of Education approve the Budget Transfers for the school year 2020-2021 as of July 31, 2020. (Addendum)
3. That the River Edge Board of Education approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 31, 2020.

Further, we certify that as of July 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 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)

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

E. PERSONNEL

1. 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 2020-2021 school year, as per contract.
2. That the Board of Education designate Denise Heitman, Attendance Officer, for a yearly stipend of \$500.00 for the 2020-2021 school year.
3. That the Board of Education approve Rosemary Kuruc, Mental Health Liaison, for the River Edge School District for the 2020-2021 school year.
4. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Rosemary Kuruc, or Designee, as the Division of Child Permanency and Protection Liaison for the 2020-2021 school year.
5. That the Board of Education appoint Michael Henzel as District School Safety Specialist per state law (P.L. 2017 c.162) for the 2020-2021 school year.
6. That the Board of Education approve Eric James, ESL Coordinator, for the River Edge School District for the 2020-2021 school year.

7. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Trevor McConville, Part-Time Custodial Helper, for a maximum of 25 hours per week for the 2020-2021 school year.
8. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Trevor McConville, Substitute Custodian, for the 2020-2021 school year.
9. That the Board of Education approve the following individuals for Morning Supervision Duty as per Article XIII Section 13.3 of the River Edge Education Association Contract Agreement.

Caitlin Callahan
 Gabrielle Sagala
 Courtney Sweet
 Katelyn Mills
 Gina Duprey
 Erik Anderson

10. That the Board of Education approve Gina Duprey and Rebecca DelPriorie for Safety Patrol Advisors for the 2020-2021 School Year.
11. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Colleen Poole, Editor, of the River Edge Web-based Publication, as per contractual stipend, for the 2020-2021 school year.
12. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve, Lucia Moran, Teacher in Charge, for Cherry Hill School for the 2020-2021 school year.
- *13. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the request for an emergency medical leave of absence by an employee whose name is on file in the Superintendent's office effective on September 24, 2020 through December 4, 2020.
- *14. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve/re-approve Harrison Mashig, Leave Replacement Teacher, effective on September 3, 2020 through on or about December 4, 2020, MA, Step 1.
- *15. **WHEREAS**, an employee whose name is on file was suspended with pay on or about September 16, 2020, pending the outcome of an investigation and until further action by the Board to either continue the suspension or reinstate the employee; and

WHEREAS, the investigation was completed and the Superintendent restored said employee to her position, effective September 21, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent's restoration of the employee effective September 21, 2020 is, in all respects, ratified and reaffirmed.

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

F. RIVER EDGE SPECIAL EDUCATION

- *1. That the Board of Education approve Jamie Lee to conduct Psych-Educational Evaluations in Korean for the 2020-2021 school year, not to exceed \$600.00.

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

G. REGION V ADMINISTRATION & TRANSPORTATION

1. That the Board of Education approve the bills & claims dated September, 2020 totaling \$286,202.31 including checks #73901 through #73952.
2. 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:

Irene Strein	Teacher	Teacher Consultant
KAZ Behavioral Consulting LLC (Kimberly Zoretic)	Behaviorist	Direct Services
Santana Consulting LLC (Heriberto Santana)	Teacher	Direct Services

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

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

CLOSED SESSION (WHEN NECESSARY)

ADJOURNMENT

Upcoming Board Meetings

October 7, 2020 Virtual

October 28, 2020 To Be Determined