

RIVER EDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
“Building Bright Futures Together”

AGENDA

February 16, 2022

6:00 PM Confidential Session (Review of non-tenured personnel)

7:30 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, February 16, 2022 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/82495711331?pwd=MVJGd3FNaTA5dmFFSHdwYnBXV2lTZz09>

Meeting Access Code/ ID: 824 9571 1331

Passcode: 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 Only

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 approves the Minutes and Confidential Minutes of February 2, 2022.

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

B. CURRICULUM/EDUCATION – None

C. BUILDING & GROUNDS

- 1. That the River Edge Board of Education approve the Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of River Edge for Snow Plowing (Addendum).
- 2. That the River Edge Board of Education approve the Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of River Edge for the Use of Gymnasiums (Addendum).

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

D. FINANCE/GRANTS/GIFTS

- 1. That the Board of Education approve the bills & claims dated February 2022 totaling \$1,192,073.62 including checks #10540 through #10617 (Addendum). Payrolls dated January 14, 2022 and January 31, 2022 totaling \$1,314,763.49 issued therefore, a copy of such warrants list be attached as part of these minutes. (Addendum)
- 2. That the Board of Education approve the Budget Transfers for the school year 2021 - 2022 as of January 31, 2022. (Addendum)
- 3. That the River Edge Board of Education approve the Secretary’s and Treasurer’s Reports for the period ending January 31, 2022.

Further, we certify that as of January 31, 2022 after review of the secretary’s monthly financial reports (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)

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

E. PERSONNEL

1. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve professional day requests for the following staff members to attend workshops/conferences as noted and in accordance with appropriate statute:

Name/Position	Workshop/Conference	Date(s)	Cost to District Excluding Mileage at State Rate
Catherine Danahy Superintendent River Edge School District	Safety Specialist Training	March 1, 2022 March 8, 2022 March 15, 2022 March 22, 2022 March 29, 2022	\$0
Denise Heitman Principal	2022 NJPSA/FEA/NJASCD Conference Atlantic City, NJ	March 24 – 25, 2022	\$320
Christine Moran Supervisor Curriculum & Instruction	2022 NJPSA/FEA/NJASCD Conference Atlantic City, NJ	March 24 – 25, 2022	\$320
Nevin Werner Supervisor Science & Math	2022 NJPSA/FEA/NJASCD Conference Atlantic City, NJ	March 24 – 25, 2022	\$320
Catherine Danahy Superintendent	A New Place: Civics 2022	March 10, 2022	\$0
Christine Moran Supervisor Curriculum & Instruction	A New Place: Civics 2022	March 10, 2022	\$0
Eric James Assistant Principal	A New Place: Civics 2022	March 10, 2022	\$0

2. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, post-approve Marisa Schussler for Home Instruction, effective February 4, 2022 through February 17, 2022, at an hourly rate of \$50.00 per hour not to exceed 10 hours per week, no less than 3 days per week.
3. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve a State/Federal Family leave of absence for employee #013854, whose name is on file in the Superintendent's Office, to commence on or about September 1, 2022 through November 25, 2022 followed by a child care leave of absence through June 30 2023.
4. That the Board of Education with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve Anastasia Bohajian for student Field Experience to consist of 50 hours classroom observation to commence on or about February 17, 2022 through May 13, 2022.
5. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following as Substitute Teachers for the 2021-2022 School Year:

Anastasia Bohajian
Daniel Nastasi

6. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Lara Kane for additional hours to provide classroom coverage from February 28, 2022 to on or about March 25, 2022.

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

F. RIVER EDGE SPECIAL EDUCATION

1. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve a tuition contract with the Bleshman School (Board of Special Services), starting on or about February 28, 2022 for a student whose name is on file in the Board Office.

2021-22 Tuition rate is \$76,860 (\$427 per diem)
One to one aide rate is \$49,500 (\$275 per diem)

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

G. REGION V ADMINISTRATION & TRANSPORTATION

1. That the Board of Education approve the bills and claims dated February 2022 totaling \$1,015,339.27 including checks #60468 through #60567.
2. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Pauline Sheridan, Region V Temporary Clerical Assistant, for additional hours, not to exceed 125 hours, starting on or about March 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022.
3. 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, non-member districts such as evaluations, direct services, and consultation; and services to non-public schools as requested by member and non-member districts;

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, non-member districts and services to non-public schools as requested by member and non-member districts;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the consultant agreements of the following Region V Shared Services Consultants/Agencies to provide evaluations, direct services, and consultation, to public and non-public schools for member districts and non-member districts upon request for the 2021-2022 school year:

Consultant	Discipline	Area of Service	Hourly Rate/Rate Per Evaluation
Nicolette Ferrigno	ABA Therapist	Direct Services	Home ABA \$75/hr Parent Training \$75/hr
Luis Penolillo	ABA Therapist, Home Instructor Consultant	Direct Services	Home ABA \$75/hr Home Instruction \$55/hr Parent Training \$75/hr

4. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, post approve the following Addendum Contracts for the 2021- 2022 school year.

Route	Transporter	Per Diem
1899	Valley Transportation	\$271.59

5. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, rescind the following Bid Contract for the 2021-2022 school year.

Route	Transporter	Per Diem	Per Aide
3017	Morgan Educational Services	\$260.00	N/A

6. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, post approve the following Bid Contracts for the 2021-2022 school year.

Route	Transporter	Per Diem	Per Diem Aide	Increase / Decrease Adjustment cost per Vehicle	Increase / Decrease Adjustment cost per Mile
3011	J&W Financial	\$435.00	\$60.00	\$435.00	\$.01

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

CLOSED SESSION (WHEN NECESSARY)

ADJOURNMENT

Upcoming Board Meetings

March 2, 2022
 March 16, 2022