

RIVER EDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
RIVER EDGE, NEW JERSEY 07661

“Building Bright Futures Together”

Minutes of the Regular Public Meeting – September 22, 2021

The Board of Education, Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey met in the Media Center, Roosevelt School, 711 Summit Avenue, River Edge, NJ 07661 and conducted this meeting through a Zoom Meeting.

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Ms. Kang called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.

MISSION STATEMENT

Ms. Dansky read the Mission Statement.

ROLL CALL

Present on roll call were Ms. Brown; Ms. Dansky; Ms. Doyle; Mr. Herbst; Ms. Juskeliene Mr. Sim; Ms. Kang. Also present were Dr. Brockel, Mrs. Napolitano, Mrs. Heitman, and approximately 96 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

Sebastian Muscarella (781 5th Avenue): stated the face covering policy is tied to executive order 251. If that executive order should retire or be changed will the policy be retired or changed as well? Dr. Brockel responded the policy comes from the executive order. If the executive order retires or changes, the board will have to review that policy and see if any changes will be made.

Deidra Legreca (346 Continental Avenue): appointing Rosemary Kuruc as the Mental Health Liaison and the Division of Child Permanency and Protection Liaison is not a good idea. Ms. Kang responded anytime a comment is regarding personnel we cannot have a discussion about them without giving them the proper notice.

Jeanine Springstead (200 Greenway Terrace): can you explain what the responsibilities of the Mental Health Liaison are? Dr. Brockel explained what that position entails.

Lauren Thiffault (159 Greenway Terrace): why can't this district state we are following the Governors mandate? Why does it have to be put into a policy? Ms. Kang responded our policies are what our board has to govern and it advises our Administrators how we are going to run the district.

Dana Hosey (219 Voorhis Avenue): stated rules are being made due to personal fear. Is that why we are using desk top barriers? Due to fear? At what point will we move past people's personal fear? Dr. Brockel responded the face covering policy talks about physical barriers on desks when social distancing cannot be achieved and that is what we are using in the lunchroom currently.

Irina Zakharova (735 Summit Avenue): stated she strongly opposes the face covering policy. Ms. Kang responded when the executive order is lifted by the Governor the Board of Education will look at the policy again.

Dimitrios Papiris (330 Taft Road): spoke up for the parents that would like to continue with the mask mandate. Our focus needs to be keeping the students safe so the schools do stay open and we do not have any shut downs. He supports what the district is doing and the policy they created.

Ariana Hastings (107 Adams Avenue): what rights do have parents against the board to make sure that when this executive order for masks are lifted we can have this happen in school as soon as possible? Ms. Kang responded to come to our board meetings or email the Superintendent.

Welcome New Staff Members

Dr. Brockel welcomed the new staff to the River Edge School District. The staff members introduced themselves.

Denise Beck- Cherry Hill School – 6th Grade Teacher
Elizabeth Bovino - Cherry Hill School – ESL Teacher
Carrie Bryer - Roosevelt School – Resource Teacher
Leanne Cameron - District – Mental Health Clinician
Alrick Douglas – Roosevelt School – Pupil Assistance Counselor
Silvia Farinella – Cherry Hill School – P/T Resource Center Teacher contracted by Region V
Jason Funabashi – Roosevelt School – 3rd Grade Teacher
Lara Kane- Cherry Hill School-Part time Interventionist
Kelsey Lapp- Cherry Hill School-3rd Grade Teacher
Steven Luca- Cherry Hill School-Leave Replacement Teacher-1st Grade
Kristen Marco-Roosevelt School-Instructional Technology Coach
Kellie McClain-District-Psychologist
Claritza Rodriguez-District-Spanish Teacher
Marisa Schussler-Roosevelt School-4th Grade Teacher
Shauntea Weaver-New Bridge Center-Nurse

The River Edge Board of Education welcomed and announced the District's new Superintendent, Mrs. Cathy Danahy. The board members unanimously approved the following resolution:

E. PERSONNEL

19. BE IT RESOLVED that the River Edge Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") appoints Catherine Danahy (hereinafter referred to as "Danahy"), as the Superintendent of Schools for the River Edge School District effective on or about December 6, 2021 and ending on June 30, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Employment Agreement has been submitted to and approved by the Interim Executive County Superintendent, according to standards adopted by the Commissioner of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7-8(j).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the Employment Agreement with Danahy for the position of Superintendent of Schools for the foregoing period of appointment, which Employment Agreement is attached to this Resolution and made a part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute, on behalf of the Board, the Employment Agreement by and between the Board and Danahy.

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

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

Nays: None

Ms. Kang stated Mrs. Danahy comes from the Allendale School District where she currently is the Director of Curriculum and Instruction. Prior to that, Mrs. Danahy was a River Edge Teacher for six years and an Instructional Coach for four years. She is a former River Edge resident and a former board member. We welcome Mrs. Danahy back to the River Edge School District!

REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Brockel reported on the following:

- On tonight's agenda there are two items reflecting the District's participation in the Anti-Bullying Bill of Right Act. One specifically focuses upon the incidents of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying from January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021. Dr. Brockel was happy to say the District had zero investigations during that period of time. The other item is the self-assessment for the 2019-2020 school year covering training, personnel, programs, instruction, reporting and investigations. There are several indicators in each category and the District met all areas, each school scoring a 77 out of a possible 78.
- It has been wonderful seeing our students and staff back in person for a full day of school. Along with guidance from the Local Department of Health, the State Department of Health, the CDC, and the Department of Education we continue to make the best decisions possible with the information we receive for the health and safety of both our students and staff.
- In line with the Governor's two Executive Orders masks, indoors, continues to be a requirement and staff vaccinations or testing are well underway. There have been questions about some other recommendations we are implementing. First is quarantining after travel. The CDC and New Jersey Department of Health still say that unvaccinated people should quarantine after traveling internationally or domestically. This continues to be supported by our local health department and our three school nurses who are the District's liaisons to these agencies when it comes to health issues. Another question involves the use of trifold partitions in the lunchroom. We are continually evaluating their effectiveness in keeping students distanced while in the lunchroom. This situation could change as transmission rates evolve.
- Dr. Brockel hopes that everyone had a wonderful virtual Back-To-School Night on Tuesday, September 21st. Despite the restrictive conditions under which we live, the District is forging ahead with programs and activities for our students, as always.
- Dr. Brockel stated let's celebrate the positive we are all back in school!

PRINCIPAL

Mrs. Heitman reported on the following:

- The 2021-2022 school year started off very well. We are doing a lot of first time things, such as a fire and emergency drills, tours of the schools, and teachers are implementing many procedures for the students.
- We had nine days of school and our students ate lunch inside only twice. We made a few tweaks and lunches have been going well.

- We had our first PTO meeting of the school year on September 10th. It was well attended and we held the meeting outdoors. The PTO generously gave us scholastic dollars from their book fair. We have purchased some individual student rugs for grades k-2, math material, reading material, and some other wonderful items for our teachers and our schools. We are very thankful of the PTO.
- A couple upcoming events that are happening are: picture day is September 30th and we are planning an outdoor enrichment program on October 4th for "Week of Respect".
- Teachers in grades 4-6 were trained in Start Strong Assessments during the week of September 13th. We had an infrastructure trial on September 20th. The Assessments began today for ELA, Thursday for Math, and for grade 6 there will be a Science Assessment on Friday. The duration is an hour and students are assessed on the previous grade material. Mrs. Heitman thanked Ms. Katie Corcoran, our Data Coordinator, Ms. Cheryl McGuire, our Child Study Team Secretary, Ms. Susan Miele and Ms. Kristen Marco, our Technology Coaches.
- There will be Wingman assemblies next week for the 6th graders.
- We had our virtual Back to School Night last night. The teachers will post their presentations on their website for anyone who missed it. The teachers discussed expectations, curriculum, and responsibilities of their students.

BOARD SECRETARY

Mrs. Napolitano reported on the following:

- There is a motion on tonight's agenda (C2) to approve the contract between the River Edge Board of Education and St. Peter's Academy to provide Non-Public Nursing Services for the 2021-2022 school year. This is the nursing contracts for the nonpublic schools that River Edge handles and processes.
- There is a motion on tonight's agenda (D4) to authorize the contract with Ed Data for services in connection with the cooperative bidding for supplies and other categories as mutually agreed upon. Educational Data Services is a purchasing cooperative that allows for purchasing of supplies at a reduced rate through a large bidding process.
- There is a motion on tonight's agenda (D5) to accept the grant for Alyssa's Law Compliance and School Security Grants. This is approving the Security Grant from 2020 to be reimbursed for the silent panic alarm that all of our schools have in compliance with Alyssa's Law.
- There is a motion on tonight's agenda (G3) to approve the Region V Renewal Transportation Contracts for the 2021-2022 school year.
- There is a motion on tonight's agenda (G4) to approve the Region V Bid Contracts for the 2021-2022 school year.
- There is a motion on tonight's agenda (G5) to approve the Region V Quote Contracts for the 2021-2022 school year.
- There are motions on tonight's agenda (G6-18) to approve the Host Joiner Transportation Contracts for the 2021-2022 school year.

- Mrs. Napolitano spoke briefly about the Transportation for the 2021-2022 school year and how much work has gone into the process and what issues they have been facing by the Region V staff, transportation coordinator and Coordinator of Region V, Lisa Bernardo. Region V provides Special Education Transportation for all 10 member districts and beyond. There is a shortage of qualified drivers, availability of drivers' testing, vaccination status, and damage to busses and routes from Hurricane Ida.
- Mrs. Napolitano gave a Region V update on Finances about the billing and cost saving measures.

PRESIDENT

Ms. Kang reported on the following:

- Ms. Kang stated she had the privilege of welcoming back over 200 members of our staff on September 1st. She really enjoyed this meeting. She also thanked Ms. Moran and Mr. Werner for bringing the Keynote Speaker, Mr. Jed Dearybury. He was a lot of fun.
- The Board Members, along with Mrs. Danahy will be attending River Edge Day on Sunday, October 3rd from 1:00 - 4:00 PM at Memorial Park.
- On Wednesday, September 29th there will be an in-person/virtual Bergen County School Board Association meeting at the Clinton Inn Hotel. The topic of discussion will be on Communications.

COMMITTEES

No Committees reported at this meeting

MOTIONS TO BE ACTED UPON

A. ADMINISTRATION/POLICY

1. That the Board of Education approve the Minutes of August 25, 2021.

Motion by: Mr. Herbst Seconded by: Ms. Juskeliene

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

Nays: None, Abstained: Ms. Dansky, Mr. Herbst

2. That the Board of Education approve the Minutes and Confidential Minutes of August 30, 2021.

Motion by: Ms. Juskeliene Seconded by: Ms. Brown

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

Nays: None

3. That the Board of Education approve the Minutes and Confidential Minutes of September 13, 2021.

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

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

Nays: None

4. That the Board of Education approve the staff development and travel as per the schedules for September 2021 including relevant mileage reimbursement. (Addendum)

5. That the Board of Education approve the list on file in the district office of pupil records maintained in the district for the 2021-2022 school year. (Addendum)
6. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the NJDOE School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act completed by each school's safety team.
7. 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, 2021 to June 30, 2021).

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

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

8. That the Board of Education approve the First Reading of the following policies:

Policy #	Title
5141.10	Face Coverings
5141.11	Vaccines and Testing

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

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

B. BUILDING & GROUNDS - None

C. CURRICULUM/EDUCATION

1. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 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.
2. 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 2021-2022 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 2021-2022 school year.

Motion by: Mr. Sim Seconded by: Mr. Herbst

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

D. FINANCE/GRANTS/GIFTS

1. That the Board of Education approve the bills & claims dated September, 2021 totaling \$572,441.42 including checks #10079 through #10176. Payrolls dated August 13, 2021, and August 31, 2021 totaling \$270,132.46 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 2021-2022 as of July 31, 2021. (Addendum)

3. That the River Edge Board of Education approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 31, 2021.

Further, we certify that as of July 31, 2021, 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)

4. That the Board of Education authorize the contract with Educational Data Services for services in connection with the cooperative bidding for supplies and other categories as mutually agreed upon for the 2021-2022 school year at a fee of \$3,140.00 (Addendum).
5. That the Board of Education accept the grant for Alyssa's Law Compliance and School Security Grants in the amount of \$64,113.

Motion by: Mr. Herbst Seconded by: Ms. Juskeliene

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

E. PERSONNEL

1. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve Kristen Karavitis, Teacher, effective on or before November 2, 2021 through June 30, 2022, MA+30, Step 5.

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

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

2. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Travis Smith, Leave Replacement Teacher, effective on or about November 8, 2021 through April 4, 2022, BA, Step 1.

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

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

3. That the Board of Education accept, with regret, the resignation of Christine Morales, Teacher, effective October 31, 2021.

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

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

4. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following as Substitute Teachers for the 2021-2022 School Year:

Michael Anesini
Travis Smith

Motion by: Mr. Sim Seconded by: Mr. Herbst

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

5. 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 2021-2022 school year, as per contract.

Motion by: Mr. Herbst Seconded by: Ms. Juskeliene

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

6. That the Board of Education designate Denise Heitman, Attendance Officer, for a yearly stipend of \$500.00 for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion by: Ms. Juskeliene Seconded by: Ms. Brown

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

7. That the Board of Education approve Rosemary Kuruc, Mental Health Liaison, for the River Edge School District for the 2021-2022 school year.

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

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

8. 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 2021-2022 school year.

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

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

9. That the Board of Education appoint Michael Henzel as District School Safety Specialist per state law (P.L. 2017 c.162) for the 2021-2022 school year.

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

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

10. That the Board of Education approve Eric James, ESL Coordinator, for the River Edge School District for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion by: Mr. Sim Seconded by: Mr. Herbst

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

11. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the employment of Maryann Crudello for Home Instruction, 10 hours a week \$50.00 per hour, for the 2021-2022 school year.
12. That the Board of Education rescind Christine Morales for Cycle I, ELA, of the Post Dismissal Instructional Academy for the 2021-2022 School Year.

13. That the Board of Education approve Steven Luca for Cycle I, ELA, of the Post Dismissal Instructional Academy for the 2021-2022 School Year.

Motion by: Mr. Herbst Seconded by: Ms. Juskeliene

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

14. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Dara Burns, Region V Administrative Assistant, starting on or about October 7, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Motion by: Ms. Juskeliene Seconded by: Ms. Brown

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

15. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, post approve the employment of the following staff member for IEP Extended School Year Maintenance Hours, \$35.00 per hour from August 2, 2021 to August 31, 2021.

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16. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent approve Ryan Berman, River Dell High School student, for a senior internship one day per week as part of a School Sponsored Structured Learning Experience to commence on October 5, 2021 through January 18, 2022.
17. That the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Samantha Gentles for student Fieldwork to consist of observation for a maximum of 20 hours to commence on or about September 27, 2021 through December 10, 2021.
18. That the Board of Education approve the following teachers for Cycle I, SEL, of the Post Dismissal Instructional Academy for the 2021-2022 School Year, as per contract:

Roosevelt

Michelle Attardi
Alrick Douglas
Colleen Poole
Lauren Proda

Cherry Hill

Reem Bowers
Leeann Cameron
Leah DelGuidice
Rebecca Delpriore
Risa Louda
Gabrielle Sagala

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

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

F. RIVER EDGE SPECIAL EDUCATION

1. That the Board of Education approve Jamie Lee to conduct Psych-Educational Evaluations in Korean for the 2021-2022 school year, not to exceed \$600.00.

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

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

G. REGION V ADMINISTRATION & TRANSPORTATION

1. That the Board of Education approve the bills & claims dated September, 2021 totaling \$123,554.33 including checks #60065 through #60102.
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, 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
Andrea Gaynes	Speech Language Therapist Consultant	Direct Services and Evaluations	Public \$75/hr, Non-Public \$82/hr and \$350 Evaluation
Ekaterina Shevchuk	Occupational Therapist Consultant	Direct Services and Evaluations	Public \$75/hr, Non-Public \$82/hr and \$350 Evaluation

3. That the Board of Education post approve the following Renewal Contracts for the 2021-2022 school year.

Route #	Transporter	Per Diem
1120	Valley Transportation	\$188.53
1132	We Care Transportation	\$228.76
1133	We Care Transportation	\$259.58
1277	Valley Transportation	\$203.55
1304	Valley Transportation	\$204.71
1524	Valley Transportation	\$279.23
1529	Rinaldi Transportation	\$250.53
1541	Valley Transportation	\$251.38
1544	Valley Transportation	\$230.07
1616	Valley Transportation	\$198.62
1742	Valley Transportation	\$173.56
1814	Valley Transportation	\$125.10
1819	Valley Transportation	\$187.28
1834	Morgan Educational Services	\$200.70
1857	Valley Transportation	\$185.96
1858	Valley Transportation	\$204.63
1899	Valley Transportation	\$193.73

1900	Valley Transportation	\$173.28
1963	Valley Transportation	\$191.11
1989	Valley Transportation	\$234.82
2028	Valley Transportation	\$138.97
2035	Valley Transportation	\$266.25
2163	Pro Trans School Transportation	\$251.82
2219	Valley Transportation	\$177.79
2221	Valley Transportation	\$122.83
2228	We Care Transportation	\$271.52
2235	We Care Transportation	\$288.74
2901	All Points Transportation	\$221.68
2310	Valley Transportation	\$181.60
2311	Valley Transportation	\$155.33
2327	Pro Trans School Transportation	\$136.11
2332	Valley Transportation	\$252.10
2402	Valley Transportation	\$186.38
2409	Valley Transportation	\$155.49
2414	Valley Transportation	\$209.81
2472	Valley Transportation	\$724.22
2475	Valley Transportation	\$74.88
2480	Swift Transportation	\$222.59
2493	Valley Transportation	\$129.63
2554	We Care Transportation	\$216.11
2640	Morgan Educational Services	\$227.67
2643	Morgan Educational Services	\$227.67
2655	Morgan Educational Services	\$342.03
2691	Morgan Educational Services	\$148.38
2900	Town & Country Transportation	\$296.93
2902	We Care Transportation	\$342.70
2903	All Points Transportation	\$294.90
2904	All Points Transportation	\$144.40
2906	First Student, Inc	\$344.73
2907	First Student, Inc	\$415.91
2908	First Student, Inc	\$436.25
2909	First Student, Inc	\$436.25
2911	Pro Trans School Transportation	\$339.64
2913	We Care Transportation	\$364.05
2916	All Points Transportation	\$216.60
2921	John Leckie, Inc.	\$325.40
2922	RC Prime Transportation	\$147.45
2923	John Leckie, Inc.	\$294.89
2924	RC Prime Transportation	\$207.45
2926	First Student, Inc	\$330.49

2927	Pro Trans School Transportation	\$376.25
2928	N&Y Transportation	\$298.97
2929	Kids Choice Transportation	\$309.14
2931	First Student, Inc	\$413.20
2932	John Leckie, Inc.	\$344.72
2935	First Student, Inc	\$371.17
2936	RC Prime Transportation	\$171.68
2937	John Leckie, Inc.	\$283.70
2938	Town & Country Transportation	\$141.35
2939	All Points Transportation	\$254.23
2940	All Points Transportation	\$170.84
2943	All Points Transportation	\$208.46
2944	All Points Transportation	\$294.90
2945	All Points Transportation	\$167.79
2946	All Points Transportation	\$177.96
2948	Pro Trans School Transportation	\$171.86
2950	Morgan Educational Services	\$266.43
2952	All Points Transportation	\$177.96
2963	All Points Transportation	\$152.54
2951	Morgan Educational Services	\$271.51
2954	John Leckie, Inc.	\$160.66
2955	Morgan Educational Services	\$199.31
2957	First Care Medical	\$293.88
2958	John Leckie, Inc.	\$303.03
2961	Joshua Tours	\$450.49
2962	John Leckie, Inc.	\$376.24
2967	John Leckie, Inc.	\$281.67
2969	First Care Medical	\$259.31
2970	Kids Choice Transportation	\$306.00

4. That the Board of Education 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
2970	Kids Choice Transportation	\$237.00	\$69.00	\$230.00	\$2.00
2971	American Star Transportation	\$280.00	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2973	RC Prime Transportation	\$195.80	\$40.00	\$195.80	\$4.99
2974	Morgan Transportation	\$245.00	\$81.00	\$245.00	\$1.00
2975	RC Prime Transportation	\$180.00	\$25.00	\$180.00	\$4.99
2977	RC Prime Transportation	\$215.00	\$30.00	\$215.00	\$4.99
2979	RC Prime Transportation	\$195.00	\$30.00	\$195.00	\$50.00

2982	American Star Transportation	\$320.00	\$50.00	\$320.00	\$0.00
2983	Sun Transportation	\$209.00	\$40.00	\$209.00	\$2.99
2984	Shaddai Transportation	\$225.00	\$50.00	\$190.00	\$0.89
2985	American Star Transportation	\$320.00	\$48.00	\$322.00	\$2.00
2986	Sun Transportation	\$179.00	\$40.00	\$179.00	\$2.99
2987	Shaddai Transportation	\$170.00	\$45.00	\$165.00	\$0.89
2988	Kids Choice Transportation	\$193.00	\$49.00	\$193.00	\$0.00
2989	Kids Choice Transportation	\$259.00	\$55.00	\$259.00	\$0.00
2990	Valley Transportation	\$500.00	\$60.00	\$500.00	\$2.50
2991	RC Prime Transportation	\$318.00	\$30.00	\$322.99	\$3.99
2992	Shaddai Transportation	\$165.00	\$40.00	\$145.00	\$0.89
2993	Sun Transportation	\$169.00	\$40.00	\$169.00	\$2.99
2996	American Star Transportation	\$329.00	\$44.00	\$331.00	\$2.00
2996	Morgan Transportation	\$185.00	\$81.00	\$185.00	\$1.00
3000	Sun Transportation	\$149.00	\$40.00	\$149.00	\$2.99
3001	Shaddai Transportation	\$190.00	\$50.00	\$189.00	\$0.89
3002	All Points Transportation	\$245.00	\$30.00	\$245.00	\$2.99
3003	Sun Transportation	\$169.00	\$40.00	\$169.00	\$2.99
3004	Sun Transportation	\$169.00	\$40.00	\$169.00	\$2.99
3005	Horizon Transportation	\$224.00	\$50.00	\$224.00	\$2.99
3006	Shaddai Transportation	\$165.00	\$55.00	\$180.00	\$0.89

5. That the Board of Education post approve the following Quote Contracts for the 2021-2022 school year.

Route	Transporter	Per Diem	Per Diem Aide	Total Per Diem
Q001	Valley Transportation	\$151.00	N/A	\$151.00
Q002	American Star Transportation	\$348.00	\$48.00	\$393.00
Q005	American Star Transportation	\$330.00	\$48.00	\$378.00
Q009	American Star Transportation	\$270.00	\$48.00	\$318.00
Q010	We Care Transportation	\$329.00	\$59.00	\$388.00

6. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Educational Service Commission of Morris County (Host) and Region V (Joiner).
7. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Region I (Host) and Region V (Joiner).
8. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Region V (Host) and Region I (Joiner).
9. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Region II (Host) and Region V (Joiner).

10. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Region V (Host) and Region II (Joiner).
11. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Region V (Host) and Region III (Joiner).
12. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between Region III (Host) and Region V (Joiner).
13. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The SBJC (Host) and Region V (Joiner).
14. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Region V (Host) and West New York School District (Joiner).
15. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Region V (Host) and Collingswood School District (Joiner).
16. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Region V (Host) and Warren County Special Services School District (Joiner).
17. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Region V (Host) and Edgewater School District (Joiner).
18. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Region V (Host) and Leonia School District (Joiner).
19. That the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Jointure Transportation Agreement between The Region V (Host) and Ridgefield Park School District (Joiner).

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

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

Nays: None

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Doyle attended the Roosevelt School PTO meeting. She thanked all of the volunteers for all of their hard work.

Ms. Dansky stated there is going to be a shredder truck available to the community at the River Edge DPW on Saturday, October 2nd.

Ms. Brown asked will Girls Who Code and Coding for Kids be back for the 2021-2022 school year? Dr. Brockel responded he will look into it.

Ms. Doyle asked if Liberty Science Center will be in person this school year? Dr. Brockel responded yes.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Deidra Legreca (346 Continental Avenue): would like to discuss the responsibilities of Rosemary Kuruc and the two resolutions approving her as a liaison on tonight's agenda. Ms. Kang responded anytime a comment is regarding personnel we cannot have a discussion about them without giving them the proper notice. We would have to give them a RICE notice. Ms. Legreca stated she has concerns for her child's care for the last six years. Ms. Kang explained the proper channel to discuss those concerns.

Joe Carrabs (848 Bogert Road): expressed his concerns regarding the mental health of our students, masking wearing, and tri-fold barriers. Ms. Kang thanked him for his comments.

Sebastian Muscarella (781 5th Avenue): would like for parents to have the option to have their children in masks, and not have it mandatory. He would like for the board to think and consider what is best for our children, parents, and community. Ms. Kang responded our board members have a responsibility of being informed so when we make these decisions we make the best decision based on our mission statement for the children. We are here for the students of River Edge.

Jeanine Springstead (200 Greenway Terrace): stated the way things are done in this district does not make sense for the academic and mental health of her daughter. She is upset her daughter was not placed with a certified teacher specializing in her daughter's needs. Ms. Kang suggested she contact her daughter's teacher, than Principal, than Superintendent if her concerns do not get resolved.

Kirsten Apa (175 Voorhis Avenue): was there policies last year for all of the protocols we were following? Ms. Kang responded we did approve some policies last school year that were related to Covid-19. We amended policies to include those parts about Covid-19.

Joe Carrabs (848 Bogert Road): made a recommendation for the board to provide evidence that supports both sides of face coverings to the parents? Ms. Kang thanked him for his comment.

Lauren Thiffault (159 Greenway Terrace): can the board make community involvement more regular? How many Covid-19 cases does the district currently have? Dr. Brockel responded two cases to date.

Dimitrios Papiris (330 Taft Road): can someone clarify what close contact means in school when someone test positive for Covid-19? Dr. Brockel explained what the school procedure is when someone tests positive in the district.

Dana Hosey (219 Voorhis Avenue): how does the policy on Face coverings work for recess and in gym? Dr. Brockel responded outside masking is optional but it is required for indoors.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Sim, seconded by Mr. Herbst to adjourn the regular public meeting at 9:39 PM.

Motion by: Mr. Sim Seconded by: Mr. Herbst

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

Louise Napolitano
Board Secretary/Business Administrator