

RIVER EDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION

RIVER EDGE, NEW JERSEY 07661

“Building Bright Futures Together”

Minutes of the Regular Public Meeting – February 27, 2013 – 7:30 PM

The Board of Education, Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey met in the New Bridge Center Project Room, Cherry Hill School, 410 Bogert Road, River Edge, NJ 07661.

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo) called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

MISSION STATEMENT

Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker) read the Mission Statement.

ROLL CALL

Present on roll call were: Charlie O’Mealy (Mrs. Buckley); Makayla Serrett (Mr. Busteed); Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky); Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo); Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers); George Hung (Mr. Sim); Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Wendy Walker) also present were Carly Tolin (Dr. Ben-Dov), Lauren Mitchell (Ms. Trainor), Leixa Bayaya (Mrs. Heitman), Tara Daly (Who was in for Mr. Vouvalides who was absent), Kaitlyn McKinless (Mrs. Rosen), Kyle Bollinger (Mr. Lyons), and approximately 60 members of the public.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS NOTICE

Lauren Mitchell (Ms. Trainor) read the Open Public Meeting Act Notice.

STUDENT BOARD MEETING

**6th Grade Students from Roosevelt and Cherry Hill Schools will
serve as Trustees and Administrators**

Student Board Members

Jennifer Kong.....Lucy Di Maulo	Carly Tolin.....Tova Ben-Dov
Marc Miceli.....Sheli Dansky	Lauren Mitchell.....Deborah Trainor
Sarah Di Maulo-MilkWendy Walker	Leixa Bayaya.....Denise Heitman
Charlie O’Mealy.....Mary Kay Buckley	Tara Daly.....Anthony Vouvalides
Makayla Serrett.....Colin Busteed	Kaitlyn McKinless.....Beth Rosen
George HungGyuchang Sim	Kyle Bollinger.....John Lyons
Olivia Kim.....Paris Myers	

SPECIAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Public Comment on Agenda Items – None

Advantages and Disadvantages of Having Advertisements Displayed on School Property

Carly Tolin (Dr. Ben-Dov) explained to the audience that at the last board meeting we had a presentation by a company that offers schools to advertise on their buses, buildings and fences. She explained that these advertisements can bring the school district some financial income. She then opened the discussion to the board members. Leixa Bayaya (Mrs. Heitman) gave her opinion on advertisements displayed on school property. She said she believes putting signs on our school bus or our fence should be something that almost everyone uses or supports.

Honor Joe Maugeri, Cherry Hill School Crossing Guard, on the Occasion of His 90th Birthday

Carly Tolin (Dr. Ben-Dov) commented on Joe's hard work, loyal service and dedication to the River Edge District. Rita Cookson (PTO Member) presented Joe with a bouquet of flowers, a River Edge fleece jacket, and a custom tile that will be displayed at the River Edge Public Library. They thanked him for all he has done and his commitment to the school district. Jennifer Kong (Lucy Di Maulo) and Marc Miceli (Sheli Dansky) presented Joe with a bouquet of flowers and a framed resolution.

Joe thanked everyone for their kind words and appreciation.

Honor Joe Maugeri

Motion by Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Wendy Walker)

Seconded by Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed)

WHEREAS, Joseph Maugeri recently celebrated his 90th Birthday; and

WHEREAS, he continues to provide the Cherry Hill School community with outstanding service; and

WHEREAS, he has served as the crossing guard since September 3, 1996, in a delightful and pleasant manner for the safety and well-being for the children, parents and staff; and

WHEREAS, he has demonstrated unparalleled dedication to manning his assigned post in sunshine, rain, sleet or below freezing weather; and

WHEREAS, his face welcomes each student every morning and bids them farewell at each dismissal; and

WHEREAS, he addresses all by their names in a cheerful, welcoming demeanor; and

WHEREAS, his assistance in a variety of tasks, such as reporting the weather, sorting the mail, speaking to the children about the VFW, and assisting with the parking dilemmas at Cherry Hill school is invaluable; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Borough of River Edge on this twenty-seventh day of February, Two Thousand thirteen, spread upon its Minutes this Resolution of Appreciation for his valued service; and

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the River Edge School Community offers its best wishes to Mr. Maugeri on his ninetieth birthday and its gratitude for his continued service to the school.*

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Carly Tolin (Dr. Ben-Dov) reported on the following:
(See Addendum A)

CHERRY HILL SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Leixa Bayaya (Mrs. Heitman) reported on the following:
(See Addendum B)

ROOSEVELT SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Tara Daly (Mr. Vouvalides) reported on the following:
(See Addendum C)

NEW BRIDGE CENTER ASST. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Kaitlyn McKinless (Mrs. Rosen) reported on the following:
(See Addendum D)

BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

Lauren Mitchell (Ms. Trainor) reported on the following:
(See Addendum E)

BUILDING AND GROUNDS REPORT

Kyle Bollinger (Mr. Lyons) reported on the following:
(See Addendum F)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo) reported on the following:

- Ms. Di Maulo attended a River Edge Tri-District Meeting on Thursday, February 14, 2013

COMMITTEES

- Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky) stated there will be a Bergen County School Boards Meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2013 at the Ridgewood Middle School.
- Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky) attended a Safety Meeting on Thursday, February 7, 2013
- Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker) attended a Mayor and Councils Meeting on Tuesday, February 19, 2013

- Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley) suggested that Cherry Hill School raise money for board games at lunchtime like Roosevelt did.

MOTIONS TO BE ACTED UPON

ADMINISTRATION/POLICY

Motion by Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Seconded by Makayla Serrett (Mr. Busted)

that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of February 2, 2013 and February 6, 2013.

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busted), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

Motion by Makayla Serrett (Mr. Busted)

Seconded by Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley)

that the Board of Education approve the staff development training as per the schedules for February 2013 including relevant mileage reimbursement. (Addendum)

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busted), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

Motion by Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley)

Seconded by George Hung (Mr. Sim)

that the Board of Education approve the Updated 2012-2013 school year attendance of specific students at Cherry Hill or Roosevelt School which is other than their customary neighborhood school.(Addendum)

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busted), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

Motion by George Hung (Mr. Sim)

Seconded by Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky)

WHEREAS, a number of Boards of Education in Bergen County have joined together to form a Joint Insurance GROUP as permitted by N.J. Title 18A-.18B and;

WHEREAS, said GROUP was approved effective July 1, 1985 by the New Jersey Commissioner of Insurance and has been in operation since that date and;

WHEREAS, the Bylaws and regulations governing the creation and operation of this Insurance GROUP contain elaborate restrictions and safeguards concerning the safe and efficient administration of the public interest entrusted to such a GROUP, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of River Edge has determined that membership in the **NORTHEAST BERGEN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD INSURANCE GROUP** is in the best interest of the District;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Education of River Edge does hereby agree to renew membership in the **NORTHEAST BERGEN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD INSURANCE GROUP** and hereby accept the Bylaws as approved and adopted. The renewal term is from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Secretary/Business Administrator is authorized to execute the application for membership and the accompanying certification on behalf of the District and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Secretary/Business Administrator is authorized and directed to execute the Indemnity and Trust Agreement and such other documents signifying membership in the GROUP as are required by the Group's Bylaws and to deliver the same to the Executive Director.

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

Motion by Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky)

Seconded by Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers)

that the Board of Education approve the following purchases for building security:

Purchase Order Number	Vendor	Description	Amount
13000626	Shaw's Complete Security	Improvements to Classroom Access	\$2,456.00
13000627	Bruvon Installations LLC	Additional Security Cameras Cherry Hill School	\$16,184.63
13000628	Bruvon Installations LLC	Additional Security Cameras Roosevelt School	\$9,343.00

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

Motion by Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers)

Seconded by Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

that the Board of Education approve the Progress Targets Action Plan for 2012-2013 school year as required by the EASA (Elementary and Secondary Education Act). Further, that the Progress Targets Action Plan will be posted on the district website on or before March 15, 2013 and a public meeting will be scheduled to review the information.

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

CURRICULUM/EDUCATION – None

BUILDING & GROUNDS - None

FINANCE/GRANTS/GIFTS

Motion by Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Seconded by Makayla Serrett (Mr. Busteed)

that the Board of Education approve the bills & claims dated February 2013 totaling \$712,566.70 including checks #34773 through #34860 and the Region V bills & claims dated February 2013 totaling \$666,486.70 including checks #60711 through #60825. Payrolls dated January 15, 2013 and January 31, 2013 totaling \$1,015,302.01 issued therefore, a copy of such warrants list be attached as part of these minutes. (Addendum)

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

Abstained: Sarah Di Maulo-Milk

Motion by Makayla Serrett (Mr. Busteed)

Seconded by Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley)

that the Board of Education approve the Budget Transfers for the school year 2012-2013 as of December 31, 2012. (Addendum)

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

Motion by Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley)

Seconded by George Hung (Mr. Sim)

that the River Edge Board of Education approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for the period ending December 31, 2012.

Further, we certify that as of December 31, 2012 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 district's financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Addendum)

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

Motion by George Hung (Mr. Sim)

Seconded by Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky)

that the Board of Education establish March 27, 2013 as the date for the official Public Hearing of the 2013-2014 School Year Budget.

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

PERSONNEL

Motion by Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky)

Seconded by Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers)

that the Board of Education, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Katharine Lonagan-Parany, Full Time ABA Aide, from March 27, 2013 to June 30, 2013.

Ayes: Charlie O'Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

RIVER EDGE SPECIAL EDUCATION - None

REGION V ADMINISTRATION & TRANSPORTATION

Motion by Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers)

Seconded by Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

that the Board of Education approve the following Quote Contract for ABC Transportation. (Addendum)

Route #	Transporter	Per Diem
2010	Bryan School	\$106.00

Ayes: Charlie O’Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Dr. Ben-Dov applauded the 6th graders for all of their hard work and dedication they put into this meeting. She also asked the sixth graders two questions. One question was what was the hardest part about being a board member/administrator and the second was what was the best part about being a board member/administrator? The sixth graders answered her questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky)

Seconded by Charlie O’Mealy (Mrs. Buckley)

that the Board of Education adjourns the regular public meeting at 8:25 PM.

Ayes: Charlie O’Mealy (Mrs. Buckley), Makayla Serrett (Colin Busteed), Marc Miceli (Ms. Dansky), Jennifer Kong (Ms. Di Maulo), Olivia Kim (Mrs. Myers), George Hung (Gyuchang Sim), Sarah Di Maulo-Milk (Ms. Walker)

Nays: None

- RECEPTION FOLLOWING BOARD MEETING-

Lauren Mitchell (Deborah Trainor)
Board Secretary/Business Administrator