

**RIVER EDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**RIVER EDGE, NEW JERSEY 07661**

***“Building Bright Futures Together”***

**Minutes of the Public Meeting – March 12, 2014– 7:30 PM**

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

**CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE**

Mrs. Myers called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM

**MISSION STATEMENT**

Mrs. Buckley read the Mission Statement

**ROLL CALL**

Present on roll call were Mrs. Buckley; Mr. Busted; Ms. Dansky; Mr. DiBella; Mrs. Myers; Mr. Sim and Mrs. Walker, also present were Dr. Ben-Dov and Ms. Salvati.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS NOTICE**

Ms. Salvati read the Open Public Meetings Act Notice

**CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Mr. Busted  
Seconded by Ms. Walker

that the Board of Education convene into closed session at 7:40 PM to discuss a personnel matter.

Ayes: Mrs. Buckley, Mr. Busted, Ms. Dansky, Mr. DiBella, Mrs. Myers, Mr. Sim, Ms. Walker  
Nays: None

**RECONVENE**

Motion by Ms. Walker  
Seconded by Ms. Dansky

that the Board of Education reconvene the regular public meeting at 8:20 PM.

Ayes: Mrs. Buckley, Mr. Busted, Ms. Dansky, Mr. DiBella, Mrs. Myers, Mr. Sim, Ms. Walker  
Nays: None

## **SPECIAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Review of Proposed 2014-2015 School Budget

Mrs. Salvati reviewed with the board the revised tentative 2014-2015 budget that included reductions from what had been proposed at the Saturday meeting. There was a discussion on the amount of the health care adjustment that would be needed to balance the budget and that it would cost an extra \$19 per household. Mrs. Salvati stressed the importance of long term planning with regard to increasing health care costs since the employee contributions would be fully phased in by 2014-2015. At the conclusion of the discussion, it was decided that the budget would be further reduced by \$5,000 with all other factors staying the same.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:55 PM made by Mr. Busted and seconded by Ms. Walker

Patricia Salvati  
Board Secretary/Business Administrator