

RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION
River Vale, New Jersey 07675
REGULAR MEETING
ROBERGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM
APRIL 5, 2022
MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Rosini called the Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, the Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting has been sent to all school offices, officially designated newspapers, filed with the Township Clerk and posted in the Board of Education Office, forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Berkowitz, Mrs. Pintarelli, Mr. Rosini,
Mrs. Rothenberg, Mrs. Senande, Mr. White

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Schlereth

ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Signore, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Ippolito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Peterson, Director of Buildings & Grounds
2 members of the public

FLAG SALUTE

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Rosini stated that the district is planning the return of many school events for the Spring. The schools will be holding their annual spring concerts, art shows and the middle school play in May.

In addition to these events, students will once again participate in various daytime events such as traditional field day activities and end-of-the-year class parties.

The district continues to move forward and we are thrilled to be in a position where our enthusiastic students and parents can enjoy these returning events.

Mr. Rosini credited and thanked the teachers, administrators and staff for working diligently in bringing back these activities and the opportunities that the students love.

Mr. Rosini mentioned that Mrs. Signore, Superintendent of Schools, highlighted in her April newsletter many fun and informative things coming up, as well as updates on building projects and suggested everyone take a look at it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – CHAIRPERSON

- **Buildings & Grounds – Mr. Rosini reported there was a Buildings & Grounds meeting earlier this evening and updates on the status of referendum projects were discussed:**
 - **Woodside:**
 - **Continue with submittals concentrating on long lead time equipment**
 - **Continue with RFI’s**
 - **Continue with submittals**
 - **Township permits expected to be issued**
 - **Holdrum Addition:**
 - **Complete interior slab demolition in existing corridor on construction side**
 - **Interior and exterior footing excavation scheduled to be in progress**
 - **Commence interior footing rebar and formwork**
 - **Continue 6” gas piping fabrication and welding on roof**
 - **Commence new storm piping and inlet work around Wellness Center**
 - **Continue with submittals**
 - **Roberge:**
 - **Township permits expected to be issued**
 - **Continue with submittals concentrating on long lead time equipment**
 - **Contractor anticipates starting to mobilize outside staging area**
- **Communications & Policies – Mrs. Senande reported that the Committee met virtually on March 29th to discuss the policies and regulations listed on this Agenda for first reading. Most are state mandated and there are both new and revised policies for approval, including new non-mandated policies regarding political activities and subscription busing policy.**
- **Curriculum & Technology – None**
- **Finance – Mrs. Pintarelli thanked Ms. Ippolito for filing an appeal with the State for Chapter 44 savings. The appeal was successful and resulted in significant reduction revising “banked cap” from 2019-2020 budget from \$74,000 to approximately \$14,000 in 2022-2023 to support district security and technology initiatives in the classrooms. The revised resolution is on the Agenda for Board approval this evening.**
- **Negotiations – None**
- **Personnel – None**

COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Committee
April 5, 2022	6:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds
April 26, 2022	6:00 PM	Personnel
May 10, 2022	6:00 PM	Curriculum & Technology
September 6, 2022	6:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds “Walk Through” Meeting
September 20, 2022	6:00 PM	Curriculum & Technology
October 11, 2022	6:00 PM	Communications & Policies
November 15, 2022	6:00 PM	Negotiations
December 13, 2022	6:00 PM	Finance

January 3, 2023	6:00 PM	Finance
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PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION IS committed to encouraging the citizens of River Vale and employees of the River Vale School District to speak directly to Board Trustees. In order to facilitate this communication, residents and employees are requested (1) to sign in before speaking; (2) to maintain an appropriate sense of decorum; and (3) to limit their remarks to no more than five minutes. The Board will also take under advisement the written comments and opinions of non-residents that are submitted to the Board Secretary. Being mindful of its responsibility to maintain the orderly conduct of meetings, the Board retains the right to rule on such matters as the speaker’s right to address the Board, as well as the appropriateness of the subject being presented. The Board’s decision in such matters is final.

The Board also reminds all members of the public that while it subscribes, without reservation, to the principle of keeping the community informed, by policy and law, it cannot allow public discussion of personnel matters, nor can Trustees comment on any current or pending litigation. If a matter concerning an employee of the River Vale Public Schools is of interest or concern to a resident, the matter should be referred to the responsible building principal or the Superintendent of Schools by telephone, letter or email.

Meeting opened to public comments at 7:10 P.M.

Public comments:
None

Meeting closed to public comments at 7:10 P.M.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- **Mrs. Signore mentioned the universal benchmark assessment called Linkit! This assessment will be administered to students in grades Kindergarten through 8th during the month of April. The staff will continue to look at these results along with other data and compare it to the current Renaissance assessments that have been used for the past several years.**
- **Mrs. Signore reminded the public that the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments will be given to students in grades 3-8 in May. This state-mandated assessment has not been administered since 2019. Results are typically received over the summer and the District results will be shared early next school year.**

BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT

Ms. Ippolito spoke to the following:

- **Reminded Board Members to complete their annual Ethics Disclosures which are due on April 30th.**

- **Notified the Board that the fiscal monitoring and walk-through sections of the district’s QSAC review have been postponed from April 8th and rescheduled for May 9th.**
- **School Play is Mary Poppins this year if interested in attending reach out to Business Office.**
- **Ms. Ippolito stated that the district would be going out for bid for transportation services as our current carrier is not willing to accept the State-established CPI Index rate increase of 1.91% due to economic circumstances and staffing shortages so they will not to renew their contract with us for next year. The district will have to go out to bid for transportation services for 2022-2023. Also, the subscription busing policy and regulation are on the Agenda for approval. The subscription busing will be handled on a year-to-year basis based on availability. The district is developing guidelines to establish an application process. If more applications are received than seats available, a lottery system will be put into place. Also, as a reminder and if the need arises, that if a seat is required for a new eligible student, a subscription bus student’s seat may have to be forfeited.**

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

**G1. MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mr. White
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the first reading and revisions of the following new/revised River Vale Board of Education Policies and Regulations:****

<u>Policy/Reg #</u>	<u>Policy/Regulation Title</u>
P2415.05	<u>Student Surveys, Analysis, Evaluations, Examinations, Testing or Treatment</u> (M-New)
P2431.4	<u>Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries</u> (M-Revised)
R2431.4	<u>Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries</u> (M-Revised)
P2622	<u>Student Assessment</u> (M-Revised)
R2622	<u>Student Assessment</u> (M-New)
P3233	<u>Political Activities</u> (Revised)
P5541	<u>Anti-Hazing</u> (M-New)
P8465	<u>Bias Crimes and Bias-Related Acts</u> (M-Revised)
R8465	<u>Bias Crimes and Bias-Related Acts</u> (M-Revised)
P9560	<u>Administration of School Surveys</u> (M-Revised)
P8611	<u>Subscription Busing</u> (New)
R8611	<u>Subscription Busing</u> (New)

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

- G2. MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mr. White**
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the Comprehensive Equity Plan Annual Statement of Assurance for the 2022-2023 school year.**

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

- G3. MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mr. White**
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the revised 2021-2022 School Calendar for the River Vale Board of Education. (See Attachment G3)**

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

- G4. MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mr. White**
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **authorizes the disposal/recycling of the following damaged/irreparable items at Holdrum Middle School:**

Item	Quantity	Asset Tag No.
Speakers	4	N/A
Native American Drum	1	N/A
Steinway Piano Mechanism Display	1	N/A
Djembes Drums	3	N/A
Audio/Video Equipment	5	N/A
Yamaha Keyboard	1	N/A

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

- G5. MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mr. White**
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **authorizes the disposal/recycling the following textbooks at Holdrum Middle School:**

Title of Book	Publisher	ISBN #	Qty	Condition	Date of Publication
Improvisation for the Theater	Viola Spolin	0-8101-0249-8	15	New	1963

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS

B1. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, **retroactively approves the Financial Report of the School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month ending February 28, 2022 in the following balances:**

Fund 10	-	\$ 10,195,928.57
Fund 20	-	\$ (81,914.26)
Fund 30	-	\$34,192,950.73
<u>Fund 40</u>	-	<u>\$ 724,795.82</u>
Total		\$45,031,760.86

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

B2. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator /Board Secretary, **retroactively approves the adoption of the monthly certification(s) of Major Budgetary Account and Fund Status as follows:**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has accepted and reviewed financial reports for the period ending February 28, 2022 including the Report of the Secretary, A-148, and the Secretary’s certification; and

WHEREAS, the Board has received and reviewed financial reports issued by the Business Administrator;

WHEREAS, the Board has had consultations with the appropriate school administrators;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that members of the Board of Education do hereby certify that to the best of our knowledge, no major accounts appear to be overextended in violations of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district board of education’s financial obligations for the remainder of the year.

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

**B3. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, retroactively approves the revised bills list dated March 31, 2022 as follows:**

Fund 10 - General Fund	-	\$	426,641.53
Fund 10 - Voided Checks	-	\$	0.00
Fund 20 - Special Revenuc	-	\$	0.00
Fund 20 - Voided Checks	-	\$	0.00
Fund 30 - Capital Projects	-	\$	2,346.66
Fund 40 - Debt Service	-	\$	0.00
Unemployment Trust Account	-	\$	0.00
Fund 60 - Milk Account	-	\$	4,611.78
Fund 65 - Enterprise Fund	-	\$	0.00
Fund 90 - Trust & Agency	-	\$	1,630,310.62
Fund 91 - Merchants Account	-	\$	0.00
Total		\$	2,063,910.59

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

**B4. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, retroactively approves the revised purchase orders and adjustments for period dated March 31, 2022 in the amount of \$2,686,601.55.**

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

**B5. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the bills list dated April 5, 2022 as follows:****

Fund 10 - General Fund	-	\$	246,118.16
Fund 10 - Voided Checks	-	\$	0.00
Fund 20 - Special Revenue	-	\$	27,086.34
Fund 20 - Voided Checks	-	\$	0.00
Fund 30 - Capital Projects	-	\$	16,380.00
Fund 40 - Debt Service	-	\$	0.00
Unemployment Trust Account	-	\$	0.00
Fund 60 - Milk Account	-	\$	0.00
Fund 65 - Enterprise Fund	-	\$	0.00
Fund 90 - Trust & Agency	-	\$	0.00
Fund 91 - Merchants Account	-	\$	0.00
Total		\$	289,584.50

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

**B6. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the purchase orders and adjustments for period dated April 5, 2022 in the amount of \$0.00.****

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

**B7. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the use of “Banked Cap” in the revised amount of \$14,157 from the 2019-2020 budget for inclusion in the 2022-2023 base budget for the purpose of enhancing the district’s security initiatives and addressing technology equipment in the classrooms; and**
WHEREAS, the River Vale Board of Education understands these proposed additional expenditures are in addition to those necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards and shall be completed by the conclusion of the budget year;**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Vale Board of Education adopts the revised 2022-2023 Tentative Budget and authorizes the School Business Administrator to submit the revised 2022-2023 Tentative Budget to the Bergen County Executive County Superintendent for review and approval.

- a) General Fund appropriations budget in the total amount of \$24,718,623, which includes sub-fund budgets for General Current Expense, \$24,516,274, Capital Outlay, \$202,349, (which includes a statutorily restricted increase in Capital Reserve of (\$5,000) and a mandated assessment for debt service aid on SDA funding of (\$50,531), and approve the schedule of anticipated revenue, as hereinafter indicated to fund appropriations budget for **2022-2023**.

Balance Appropriated (General Fund)	-
Local Tax Levy	23,471,606
Interest Earned on Capital Reserve	5,000
Tuition	24,000
Miscellaneous: restricted	103,055
Miscellaneous: unrestricted	6,000
State Aid	1,108,962
Total Anticipated Revenue	24,718,623

- b) Special Revenue Funds appropriations budget in the total amount of \$162,962 and to adopt the schedule of anticipated revenue as hereinafter indicated, to fund this budget for **2022-2023**.

Local Aid (restricted)	-
State Aid (restricted)	-
Federal Aid	162,962
Total Anticipated Revenue	162,962

- c) Debt Service Fund appropriations budget in the total amount of \$2,283,757 and adopt the schedule of anticipated revenue, as hereinafter indicated, to fund this budget for **2022-2023**.

Balance Appropriated	-
Other Funding Sources	272,339

Local Tax Levy	1,201,833
State Aid – Debt Service	809,585
Total Anticipated Revenue	2,283,757

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

- B8. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the General Fund Tax Levy to be raised for the 2022-2023 school year in the amount of \$23,471,606.****

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

- B9. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the Debt Service Tax Levy to be raised for the 2022-2023 school year in the amount of \$1,201,833.****

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

- B10. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the following resolution regarding Employee Travel and Related Expenses:****

WHEREAS, school district Policy No. 6471 School District Travel and N.J.A.C. 6A:23B01.2(b) provide that the Board of Education shall establish in the 2021-2022 school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for such travel and expense reimbursement in the amount not to exceed \$48,900; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has incurred travel and related expenses as of February 28, 2022 in the amount of \$3,293.64 for the 2021-2022 school year; and

WHEREAS, school district Policy No. 6471 School District Travel and N.J.A.C. 6A:23B01.2(b) provides that the Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for such travel and expense reimbursement for the 2022-2023 school year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Vale Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2022-2023 Tentative Budget in the sum of \$54,650; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

B11. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the following resolution regarding Public Relations and Purchased Professional Services:**

WHEREAS, The Accountability Regulations, specifically N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-5.2 a(1) provided that the Board of Education shall establish annually a maximum dollar limit for public relations, as defined in N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-9.3(c)14 and each type of professional services;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Vale Board of Education hereby establishes the maximum annual dollar limit for public relations and professional services for the 2022-2023 school year in the amount of \$25,000 and \$1,095,787 respectively; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

**B12. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **authorizes the procurement of goods and services through the TIPS Cooperative Contract Awarded Supplier: Trafera Holdings, LLC,**

WHEREAS, Title 18A:18A-10 provides that the River Vale Board of Education without advertising for bids, or after having rejected all bids obtained pursuant to advertising therefore, by resolution may purchase any goods or services pursuant to a contract or contracts for such goods or services entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property; and

WHEREAS, the River Vale School District has the need, on a timely basis, to procure goods and services utilizing state contracts; and

WHEREAS, the River Vale Board of Education desires to authorize its Purchasing Agent to make any and all purchases necessary to meet the needs of the school district throughout the school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Vale Board of Education does hereby authorize the district Purchasing Agent to award the contract for Chromebooks and laptops to Trafera Holdings, LLC through the TIPS Cooperative Contract #200105 in the amount of \$77,835.00.

Account No. 20-483-100-610-10-65-000 - \$77,835.00

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

**B13. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the following Travel and Conferences for the staff indicated below for professional improvement or development, for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022:**

Employee	Location/ Dept.	Conference	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Mary Kurpiel	CST	25 th Annual National School Social Work Conference	Virtual	4/18/22 5/29/22	\$275.00
Kimberly Dowling	C&I	Middle School Civics Workshop	Ramapo College	5/26/22	\$0.00
Kim Marie Ullrich	RES	Demystifying Multisensory Reading Instruction	Demarest, NJ	5/5/22	\$200.00
Robert Fencik	HMS	Science Curriculum Writing Meeting	PVRHS	4/7/2022	\$0.00

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

**B14. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the, Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the following school sponsored Trips/Assemblies for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022:****

School	Grade	Teacher	Trip/Assembly	Location	Date
HMS	7 & 8	Julie Teitsma	PVRHS Choral Festival	PVRHS	4/14/22

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

**P1. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **accepts, with regret, the resignation of Sonia Tracy, Woodside School Special Education Aide, effective April 15, 2022. (See Attachment P1)****

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

**P2. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **retroactively approves the following faculty member to provide Home Instruction for Student #20311875 from March 28, 2022 through May 26, 2022, as follows:****

Employee	Max. Hours Per Week	Hourly Rate	Account No.
Monica Ivankovic	10	\$84.00	11-150-100-101-10-18-000

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

P3. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves Qixian Jia Zhang to teach an additional 6th period for mathematics at Holdrum School for the 2021-2022 school year at 1/6th of the employee salary, per the agreement with the RVEA, effective April 25, 2022 through June 21, 2022:**

Employee	Degree/Step	Base Salary	Extra Pay	Total Salary	Account No.
Qixian Jia	MA30/18	\$110,580.00	\$4,146.75	\$114,726.75	11-130-100-101-20-11-000

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

P4. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **retroactively approves the transfer of the following Special Education Aide for the 2021-2022 school year, as set forth below:**

Employee	From	Position	To	Position	Eff. Date	Account No.
Wendy Augustensen	HMS	SpEd Aide	WES	SpEd Aide	3/22/2022	11-000-217-106-60-11-004

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

P5. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the following district Custodial Substitute(s) for the 2021-2022 school year:**

Employee	Position	Hourly Rate
James Thompson	Custodial Substitute	\$25.00

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

P6. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **advises pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:16-17, 18A:16-17.1 and 52:14-17.46.14, that unless an employee waives health insurance coverage, the employee shall contribute to the cost of their health insurance coverage in the amounts required by law, or any applicable collective negotiations agreement, whether said contributions are a percentage of the health insurance premium based upon their salary range, or a percentage of their annual base salary, as determined by the health insurance plan in which the employee is enrolled.**

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

P7. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves ESS Northeast, LLC, with all of their properly certified employees, to provide substitute teacher, secretary and substitute aide services to the district for the 2021-2022 school year.**

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

P8. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves Northern Region Educational Services Commission with all of their properly certified employees, to provide substitute aide services to the district for the 2021-2022 school year.**

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

PUBLIC COMMENTS – GENERAL ITEMS

THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION IS committed to encouraging the citizens of River Vale and employees of the River Vale School District to speak directly to Board Trustees. In order to facilitate this communication, residents and employees are requested (1) to sign in before speaking; (2) to maintain an appropriate sense of decorum; and (3) to limit their remarks to no more than five minutes. The Board will also take under advisement the written comments and opinions of non-residents that are submitted to the Board Secretary. Being mindful of its responsibility to maintain the orderly conduct of meetings, the Board retains the right to rule on such matters as the speaker's right to address the Board, as well as the appropriateness of the subject being presented. The Board's decision in such matters is final.

The Board also reminds all members of the public that while it subscribes, without reservation, to the principle of keeping the community informed, by policy and law, it cannot allow public discussion of personnel matters, nor can Trustees comment on any current or pending litigation. If a matter concerning an employee of the River Vale Public Schools is of interest or concern to a resident, the matter should be referred to the responsible building principal or the Superintendent of Schools by telephone, letter or email.

Meeting opened to public comments at 7:19 P.M.

Public comments:

None

Meeting closed to public comments at 7:19 P.M.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION

MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mr. White

WHEREAS, the Board of Education must discuss matters which are not appropriate for discussion in a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, these subjects are within the exceptions to the Open Public Meetings Act and are permitted to be discussed in private session pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education intends to discuss matters as follows:

3. Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy, specifically, the following matter:

- HIB and Student Issue

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, that the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in closed session by this Board of Education and administrative staff, and the minutes of said closed session discussion will be made available to the public when the reasons for the non-disclosure in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act no longer exist.

Meeting closed to the public at 7:21 P.M.

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mrs. Senande that the April 5, 2022 Closed Session Meeting be reopened to the Regular Meeting at 7:53 P.M.

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli that the April 5, 2022 Regular Meeting be adjourned at 7:53 P.M.

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT				✓			
ABSTAINED							

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Ippolito
School Board Administrator/Board Secretary