RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION

River Vale, New Jersey 07675 REGULAR MEETING ROBERGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM APRIL 5, 2022 AGENDA

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CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 P.M.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT 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 this meeting.

ROLL CALL:

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
PRESENT							
ABSENT							

FLAG SALUTE

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

COMMITTEE REPORTS – CHAIRPERSON

- **Buildings & Grounds Mr. Schlereth**
- **Communications & Policies Mrs. Senande**
- **➤** Curriculum & Technology Mrs. Rothenberg
- **➤** Finance Mrs. Pintarelli
- > Negotiations Mr. Rosini
- > Personnel Mrs. Pintarelli

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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Meeting opened to public comments at	P.M.	
Public comments:		
Meeting closed to public comments at	P.M.	
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT		
BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT		
GENERAL RESOLUTIONS		
RESOLUTION BY SECONDED Items G1 through G5 as listed below.		to approve Resolution

G1. 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:

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

P8611 <u>Subscription Busing</u> (New) R8611 <u>Subscription Busing</u> (New)

- G2. 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.
- G3. 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)
- G4. 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

G5. 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					1963
Theater	Viola Spolin	0-8101-0249-8	15	New	

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
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RESOLUTION BY	_SECONDED _	to	approve Resolution
Items B1 through B14 as listed below.			

B1. 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:

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

B2. 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.

B3. 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 Revenue	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 -	Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 30 -	Capital Projects	-	\$ 2,346.66
Fund 40 -	Debt Service	-	\$ 0.00
Unemployr	nent 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

- **B4. 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.**
- B5. 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
Unemployn	nent 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

- 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.
- B7. 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

WHERAS, 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

- B8. 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.
- B9. 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.
- **B10. 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.

B11. 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.

B12. 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

B13. 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:

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

B14. 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:

Scho	ol Grade	Teacher	Trip/Assembly	Location	Date
HM	S 7 & 8	Julie Teitsma	PVRHS Choral Festival	PVRHS	4/14/22

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION BY	_SECONDED	to approve Resolution
Items P1 through P8 as listed below.		

- P1. 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)
- **P2. 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

P3. 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

P4. 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					3/22/2022	
Augustensen	HMS	SpEd Aide	WES	SpEd Aide		11-000-217-106-60-11-004

P5. 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		

- P6. 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.
- P7. 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.
- **P8. 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.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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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: □ 1. Any matter which by provision of law is rendered confidential or excluded from the requirements of subsection A of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, specifically, the following matter: \square 2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the government of the United States, specifically, the following matter: □ 3. Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy, specifically, the following matter: ☐ 4. Any matter involving a collective bargaining agreement, or the proposals for inclusion in such, specifically, the following matter: □ 5. Any matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds which would adversely affect the public interest, specifically, the following matter: ☐ 6. Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law, specifically, the following matter:

■ 8. Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or discipline of any current or prospective officer or employee, unless all individual employees or appointees request in writing that such matter be discussed in public, specifically, the following matter:

 \Box 7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation (other than any matter involving a collective bargaining agreement, or the proposals for inclusion in such) in which the Board of Education is or may become a party, or any matter falling within the

attorney/client privilege, specifically, the following matter:

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