

RIVERDALE BOARD OF EDUCATION
RIVERDALE, NEW JERSEY

March 2, 2021

7:00 p.m.

MINUTES FOR PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING

FORMAL ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING

I. Call meeting to order/Flag Salute

Board President Jessica Muzzio-Rentas, called the Public Business Meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Riverdale to order on March 2, 2021. The meeting was opened at 7:04 p.m. with a flag salute.

II. Presiding Officer's announcement regarding notification of this meeting to the public.

Mrs. Muzzio-Rentas, Board President read the following public announcement
The Notification requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" of the State of New Jersey have been satisfied by the inclusion of the date, time, place and purpose of this Public Business Meeting in a legal advertisement in the Suburban Trends (January 17, 2021) and The Record (January 15, 2021) with copies posted in the Riverdale School, Municipal Building, Town Library, and filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Riverdale

I direct that this public announcement is entered in the minutes of this meeting.

III. Roll Call

Roll Call was taken by Mr. Gutierrez

Present: Jessica Muzzio-Rentas, Marybeth Thomas, Kelly Norris, Keith Hamilton, Kathleen Miceli, Ann Marie Nadiroglu, and Russell Hatzel

Absent:

Late:

Also Present: Mr. Jayson Gutierrez Acting Superintendent, and Lynn Hutman Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

IV. Recognition of visitors: 2

V. Presentations: None

VI. Oral Communication on Agenda Items only: None

When recognized by the President, please state your name and address prior to commenting on an agenda item.

All meetings at which the Board transacts official business must be public (18A:10-6). As stated in Board Policy: "Meetings of the Board are conducted for the purpose of carrying

on the business of the school, and therefore, are not public meetings, but meetings held in public."

Therefore, once oral communication is closed by the President, no other questions or comments will be permitted until the "Oral Communication" portion at the end of the agenda. At that time, questions do not have to be confined to agenda items.

VII. Committees

A. FINANCE

1. Committee Report - Marybeth Thomas: Meeting held on 3/2/21- reviewed budget

2. Items to be approved:

It is recommended by the Acting Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the following items. I would like to make a motion to approve **Finance** items, a-b

Motion By:	Ms. Thomas	Second by:	Mrs. Muzzio-Rentas
Discussion: Mrs. Thomas - Item (a) tabled until the next meeting.			
Roll Call Vote			
Russell Hatzell- Abstain	Ann Marie Nadiroglu - Yes	Kathleen Miceli - Yes	Keith Hamilton - Yes
Kelly Norris- Yes	Marybeth Thomas - Yes	Jessica Muzzio- Rentas- Yes	

Tabled-(a)

- a. Be it resolved that the Riverdale Board of Education certifies that pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, as of January 31, 2021, no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(a); and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Riverdale Board of Education certifies that pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(c)4 that subsequent to the review of the board secretary's and treasurer's monthly financial reports and with the advice of district officials, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(b).

- b. Approve the attached line item transfers for January 2021.

3. Items to be approved on March 16, 2021:

- a. Approve the payment of the following bills and claims:

Payroll for the period ending, 2021	\$
Payroll for the period ending, 2021	\$

Bills List dated, 2021 Warrants #	\$
Bills List dated , 2021 Warrants # through #	\$
Bills List dated xx, 2021 Warrants # through #	\$
Health/Prescription plan premiums (SEHBP) for	\$

B. PERSONNEL

1. Committee Report - Kathleen Miceli:

2. Items to be approved:

It is recommended by the Acting Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the following items. I would like to make a motion to approve **Personnel** items, a-b

Motion By:	Mrs. Miceli	Second by:	Mr. Hatzel
Discussion: Mr. Gutierrez thanked Ms. Manzella for her help. She has been spoken very highly of. She did a fantastic job.			
Roll Call Vote:			
Russell Hatzel-Abstain	Ann Marie Nadiroglu - Yes	Kathleen Miceli - Yes	Keith Hamilton - Yes
Kelly Norris- Yes	Marybeth Thomas -Yes	Jessica Muzzio-Rentas-Yes	

- a. The Board approves the board Secretary to send correspondence to the New Jersey Commissioner of Education, via the Executive County Superintendent for Morris County's Office, requesting approval for a three (3) month extension for Mr. Jayson Gutierrez to continue as the Acting Superintendent of Schools effective March 21, 2021, and in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:9B-13.1.
- b. Approve the contract for the following non-certified, non-tenured, part-time employee, without benefits, effective on or about March 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021.

Name	Job Description	2020-2021	Not to Exceed Hours Per Week
Kristen Manzella	Aide	\$14.14	12

C. POLICY

1. Committee Report - Russell Hatzel- Mrs. Muzzio Norris read the agenda items

2. Items to be approved on March 16, 2021:

- a. Approval of the first reading of the following new and revised Policies and Regulations:

Policy Number	Regulation Number	Policy/Regulation Name
0145		Board Member Resignation and Removal
0164.6		Remote Public Board Meetings During A Declared Emergency (New)
	1642	Earned Sick Leave Law
1643		Family Leave (New)
5330.01	5330.01	Administration of Medical Cannabis
7425		Lead Testing of Water in Schools
	7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools (New)
2415		Every Student Succeeds Act
2415.02		Title I- Fiscal Responsibilities
2415.05		Student Surveys, Analysis, and /or Evaluations
2415.20	2415.20	Every Student Succeeds Act Complaints
4125		Employment of Support Staff Members
6360		Political Contributions
8330		Student Records
9713		Recruitment by Special Interest Groups
		Organizational Chart

- b. It is recommended by the Acting Superintendent that the Board of Education abolish the following Policies and Regulations:

Policy Number	Regulation Number	Policy/Regulation Name
3431.1		*Abolish* Family Leave
4431.1		*Abolish* Family Leave
3431.3		*Abolish* New Jersey Family Leave Insurance Program
4431.3		*Abolish* New Jersey Family Leave Insurance Program
7430	7430	*Abolish* School Safety
2415.01		*Abolish* Academic Standards, Academic Assessments, and Accountability
2415.03		*Abolish* Highly Qualified Teachers

D. TECHNOLOGY/FACILITIES/TRANSPORTATION

1. Committee Report - by Mr. Hamilton:
2. Items to be approved:
It is recommended by the Acting Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator that the Board of Education approve the following items

I would like to make a motion to approve T/F/T item, a

Motion By:	Mr. Hamilton	Second by:	Ms. Thomas
Discussion: Mr. Gutierrez - We are proceeding with the planning of the Extended School Year and Basic Skills Instruction Summer Programs.			
Roll Call Vote:			
Russell Hatzel- Abstain	Ann Marie Nadiroglu - Yes	Kathleen Miceli - Yes	Keith Hamilton - Yes
Kelly Norris-Yes	Marybeth Miller - Yes	Jessica Muzzio-Rentas-Yes	

- a. Approve the attached list of items for disposal.

E. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION/SPECIAL SERVICE/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

1. Committee Report - Ann Marie Nadiroglu: No meeting
2. Items to be approved on March 16, 2021:
 - a. Approval of the girls/boys 2021 Softball/Baseball schedules, as attached, inclusive of any tournaments the teams will participate in.
 - b. Approve the 2021 Extended School year and Basic Skills Instruction Summer Program dates and classes as follows, all classes are pending sufficient enrollment:

Dates	ESY Classes	BSI Academy
July 1, 2021 through July 29, 2021	Preschool	Incoming 3rd through 8th grade BSI students.
	LLD I	
	Resource	
	Multiple Disabilities	

H. POMPTON LAKES LIAISON

1. Committee Report - Kelly Norris: Board Meeting canceled for tonight.

Non Action Items:

A. Letters and Communications - Kelly Norris: None

B. Superintendent's Report - Jayson Gutierrez

- a. The Governor declared a return to full-day instruction for public school districts in the Fall. A letter will be sent on the behalf of the Morris County Association of School Administrators to the Commissioner of Education requesting clear guidance for a full reopening. We are currently in budget season and the time for planning is now, all planning has financial ramifications. Receiving notification in May, into the summer months is too late. Right now is the time to establish the parameters for a successful return to school in the fall.

C. Enrollment as of March 2, 2021

PreK-8	296
PLHS - Tuition	132
Option III	0
Academy/Vo-Tech	14
Out of District (Prek-8th grade)	2
Out of District (9th grade +)	7
Charter	1
Home Instruction	0
School Choice	4

D. BA/BS REPORT - Mr. Gutierrez**E. ORAL COMMUNICATION**

- Lisa Ferrara- 151 Newbury Place Riverdale, NJ
 - Policy 1140 the Affirmative Action Plan
 - How is this going to affect my children?
 - The policy states the parents be invited to professional development training.
- Mr. Gutierrez- responded
- Ms. Thomas- commented
- Mrs. Muzzio-Rentas- commented
- Mr. Hamilton- commented
- Mrs. Muzzio-Rentas- commented
- Mr. Gutierrez- commented
- Lisa Ferrera - 151 Newbury Place Riverdale, NJ
 - Wanted to raise awareness on the amendment act that was passed on 12/23/20 that allows children to get vaccines without a parent's consent.
- Mr. Gutierrez- responded

F. Information and Questions from Board Members

VIII. Future Meeting and Important Dates were reported by Ms. Norris, Board President.

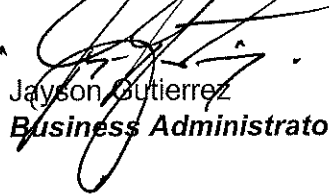
March 16, 2021	Public Business Meeting	7:00 p.m.
April 13, 2021	Public Business Meeting	7:00 p.m.

XI. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Muzzio-Rentas, seconded by Ms. Thomas at 7:37 pm to adjourn from the public business meeting.

Carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Jayson Gutierrez

Business Administrator/Board Secretary