

**RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**River Vale, New Jersey 07675**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**ROBERGE ANNEX**  
**SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 AGENDA**

**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:**

	<b>Mrs. Pintarelli</b>	<b>Mr. Puccio</b>	<b>Mr. Rosini</b>	<b>Mrs. Rothenberg</b>	<b>Mr. Schlereth</b>	<b>Mrs. Senande</b>	<b>Mrs. Waldes</b>
<b>PRESENT</b>							
<b>ABSENT</b>							

**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 – Mr. Puccio**

**COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE**

Date	Time	Committee
September 14, 2021	6:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds
September 28, 2021	6:00 PM	Curriculum & Technology
October 12, 2021	6:00 PM	Communications & Policies
November 16, 2021	6:00 PM	Negotiations
December 14, 2021	6:00 PM	Finance
January 4, 2022	6:00 PM	Finance

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items Only**

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**Meeting opened to public comments at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.**

**Public comments:**

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**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

**BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT**

**GENERAL RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED \_\_\_\_\_** to approve Resolution Items **G1** through **G4** as listed below.

- G1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the Minutes from the August 31, 2021 Board Meeting.**
- G2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the Closed Session Minutes from the August 31, 2021 Board Meeting.**
- G3. 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: (Policies & Regulations First Reading)**

<u>Policy #</u>	<u>Policy Title</u>	<u>New/Revised</u>	<u>1st Reading</u>	<u>2nd Reading</u>
P1648.13	School Employee Vaccination Requirements	New	Sept 14, 2021	

**G4. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the second reading and revisions of the following new/revised River Vale Board of Education Policies and Regulations: (Policies & Regulations Second Reading)**

<u>Policy/Reg #</u>	<u>Policy Title</u>	<u>New/Revised</u>	<u>1st Reading</u>	<u>2nd Reading</u>
P1648.11	The Road Forward COVID-19-Health and Safety	New	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
	Comprehensive Health and Physical Education	Revised	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P2467	Surrogate Parents and Resource Family Parents	Revised	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P & R 3223	Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice Principals and Assistant Principals	Revised	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P5111	Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students	Revised	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P5116	Education of Homeless Children	Revised	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P6115.01	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Allowability of Costs	New	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P6115.02	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Mandatory Disclosures	New	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P6115.03	Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Conflict of Interest	New	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P6311	Contracts for Goods or Services Funded By Federal Grants	Revised	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P & R 7432	Eye Protection	Revised	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P8420	Emergency and Crisis Situations	Revised	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
R8420.1	Fire and Fire Drills	Revised	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P8540	School Nutrition Programs	Revised	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021
P8600	Student Transportation	Revised	Aug. 31, 2021	Sept. 14, 2021

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	<b>Mrs. Pintarelli</b>	<b>Mr. Puccio</b>	<b>Mr. Rosini</b>	<b>Mrs. Rothenberg</b>	<b>Mr. Schlereth</b>	<b>Mrs. Senande</b>	<b>Mrs. Waldes</b>
<b>AYE</b>							
<b>NAY</b>							
<b>ABSENT</b>							
<b>ABSTAINED</b>							

**BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED \_\_\_\_\_** to approve Resolution Items **B1** through **B8** 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 July 31, 2021 in the following balances:**

Fund 10	-	\$ 8,222,914.12
Fund 20	-	\$ .58
Fund 30	-	\$ 3,450,564.40
<u>Fund 40</u>	-	<u>\$ .39</u>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$11,673,479.49</b>

**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 **July 31, 2021** 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 violation 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 August 31, 2021 as follows:**

Fund 10 – General Fund	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 10 – Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 – Special Revenue	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 - Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 30 – Capital Projects	-	\$ 0.00

Fund 40 – Debt Service	-	\$	0.00
Unemployment Trust Acct.	-	\$	0.00
Fund 60 – Milk Account	-	\$	0.00
Fund 65 – Enterprise Fund	-	\$	0.00
Fund 90 -Trust & Agency	-	\$	0.00
Fund 91 – Merchants Account-		\$	62.85
<b>Total</b>		\$	<b>62.85</b>

**B4. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **retroactively approves the purchase orders and adjustments for period dated August 31, 2021 in the amount of \$648,833.58.**

**B5. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **retroactively approves the transfer of funds for period ending August 31, 2021 in the amount of \$5,990.00 as set forth below:**

**Transfer of Funds  
Period Ending August 31, 2021**

<b>T143</b>	FROM	11-000-213-320-10-11-043	PURCH PROF SERV/PSYCH EXAMS	<b>-5840.00</b>
	TO	11-000-213-320-10-18-043	PURCH PROF SERV/CLINICAL	<b>5840.00</b>
<b>T146</b>	FROM	11-000-213-320-10-11-043	PURCH PROF SERV/PSYCH EXAMS	<b>-150.00</b>
	TO	11-000-213-320-10-18-043	PURCH PROF SERV/CLINICAL	<b>150.00</b>
	<b>TOTALS:</b>			
	<b>FROM:</b>			<b>-5990.00</b>
	<b>TO:</b>			<b>5990.00</b>

Note: Transaction Date: 8/31/2021

**B6. 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 September 14, 2021 as follows:**

Fund 10 – General Fund	-	\$291,497.15
Fund 10 – Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 – Special Revenue	-	\$ 36,264.19
Fund 20 - Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 30 – Capital Projects	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 40 – Debt Service	-	\$ 0.00
Unemployment Trust Acct.	-	\$ 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
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$327,761.34</b>

**B7. 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 September 14, 2021 in the amount of \$4,530.11.**

**B8. 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
Erin Rudolph	Holdrum	Regional New Staff Mentoring	PVRHS, Montvale	10/26,2021 2/11/2022 4/8/2022	\$0.00
Alyson Puzzo	Holdrum	HIB Law Update	NJPSA/Legal webinar	10/5/2021	\$125.00
Debbie Chinnici	Holdrum	HIB Law Update	NJPSA/Legal webinar	10/5/2021	\$125.00
Thomas Fahey	Woodside	Regional New Staff Mentoring	PVRHS, Montvale	10/26/2021	\$0.00
Kaitlyn Bruno	Woodside	Regional New Staff Mentoring	PVRHS, Montvale	10/26,2021 2/11/2022 4/8/2022	\$0.00
Jonathan Fritog	Woodside	Regional New Staff Mentoring	PVRHS, Montvale	9/30/2021	\$0.00

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mr. Puccio	Mr. Rosini	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mrs. Waldes
AYE							
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

**PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED \_\_\_\_\_** to approve Resolution Items **P1** through **P7** as listed below.

**P1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves an unpaid leave of absence for Kaushal Pandya, a Woodside Library Aide, on September 13, 2021 through September 15, 2021, for a total of three (3) unpaid days.**

- P2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the following district Substitute(s) for the 2021-2022 school year, pending criminal history review, as set forth below:**

Employee	Position	Daily/Hourly Rate
Suzanne Keohane	SpEd Aide	\$16.50 per hour

- P3. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the appointment of the following district Special Education Aides for the 2021-2022 school, pending completion of the Criminal History Review, as set forth below:**

Employee	Location/ Dept.	Position	Number of Days	Hours Per Day	Step	Hourly Rate	Account No.
Wendy Augustensen	HMS	SpEd Aide	5	5.75	1	\$16.50	11-000-217-106-20-11-004

- P4. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the following student intern placements for the 2021-2022 school year, pending criminal history review, as set forth below:**

Name	School	Type	Teacher	College/School
Jessica Stinson	CST	Practicum Teacher	Christine Casbar	Fairleigh Dickinson University

- P5. 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.**
- P6. 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.**
- P7. 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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<b>AYE</b>							
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**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_**

**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:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

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:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

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:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

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:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

9. Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific penalty or loss of the license or permit belonging to the responding party, specifically, the following matter:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED**, that the aforesaid subjects shall be discuss 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 \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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AYE							
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

**MOTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_**  
that the September 14, 2021 Closed Session Meeting be reopened to Regular Session Meeting at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mr. Puccio	Mr. Rosini	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mrs. Waldes
AYE							
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
that the September 14, 2021 Regular Meeting be adjourned at \_\_\_\_ P.M.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	<b>Mrs. Pintarelli</b>	<b>Mr. Puccio</b>	<b>Mr. Rosini</b>	<b>Mrs. Rothenberg</b>	<b>Mr. Schlereth</b>	<b>Mrs. Senande</b>	<b>Mrs. Waldes</b>
<b>AYE</b>							
<b>NAY</b>							
<b>ABSENT</b>							
<b>ABSTAINED</b>							