

**RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**River Vale, New Jersey 07675**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Roberge Annex**  
**September 22, 2020 VIRTUAL MINUTES**

**Ms. Ippolito welcomed everyone to the virtual board meeting and explained how the meeting would run.**

**CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 P.M.**

**Mrs. Waldes 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 VIA**

**TELEPHONE: Mrs. Pintarelli, Mr. Puccio, Mr. Rosini, Mrs. Rothenberg,  
Mrs. Senande, Mrs. Waldes**

**MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Schlereth**

**ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Alvarez, Interim Superintendent of Schools  
Ms. Ippolito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Ms. Dowling, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction  
Ms. Signore, Woodside School Principal  
65 members of the public and teaching staff**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Mrs. Waldes informed the Board that she listened to a webinar from West Bergen Medical comparing students to a three legged table. Each leg represents one of the following, education, student and family. When you take one away, it topples over.

Mrs. Waldes has invited a representative of West Bergen Medical to give a presentation at a future board meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS – CHAIRPERSON**

- **Buildings & Grounds** – Ms. Ippolito informed the Board that the paving project at Woodside School is 95% complete and that she is dealing with the punch list.
- **Communications & Policies** – Ms. Senande reported that there are two policies on the agenda for a second reading.

**Curriculum & Technology** – Mrs. Rothenberg thanked Ms. Dowling for all of her hard work. The Committed discussed some of the exciting new initiatives including:

- LGBTQ+
- The Ruler program
- Big Ideas for math - piloting this year
- ELA working with Shelly Klein

Mrs. Rothenberg thanked Mr. O’Gara and his team for all the work they did this summer to make sure the District was up and running. If this isn’t enough, some of the recent accomplishments include:

- Network upgrade
- Migration to Gmail
- New Chromebooks for grades 2, 6, 7
- Chromebook bags
  
- **Finance** – None
- **Negotiations** – None
- **Personnel** – None

**Committee Meeting Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Committee</b>
September 22, 2020	6:00 PM	Curriculum & Technology
October 13, 2020	6:00 PM	Communications & Policies
November 17, 2020	6:00 PM	Negotiations
December 15, 2020	6:00 PM	Finance
January 5, 2021	6:00 PM	Finance
January 19, 2021	6:00 PM	Personnel
February 9, 2021	6:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds
February 23, 2021	6:00 PM	Finance
March 2, 2021	6:00 PM	Finance
March 16, 2021	6:00 PM	Finance
March 30, 2021	6:00 PM	Communications & Policies
April 27, 2021	6:00 PM	Personnel
May 11, 2021	6:00 PM	Curriculum & Technology

**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 Interim Superintendent of Schools by telephone, letter or email.

**Meeting opened to public comments at 7:09 P.M.**

**Public comments:**

None

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

### **INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Dr. Alvarez reported that all is going well to-date with regard to our Restart Plan. The technology, which is a huge part of the plan, has cooperated. He also noted that the District is on target to send out a parent survey next week. Principals have already asked parents of remote - learning students as to whether or not they are considering having their child(ren) do in-person instruction. The District will be surveying everyone next week. We are 4-weeks away from any changes and there are many unknowns.

He announced that the District is having some preliminary discussions regarding instruction for Kindergarten and grade one students, who are the most challenged when it comes to remote learning. He was careful to note the District isn't making any promises, other than we are exploring some options and will be meeting with the teachers union later this week.

### **BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT**

Ms. Ippolito informed the Board that the needlepoint bipolar ionization equipment has been installed in all of the classrooms at Woodside School. Rooftop unit equipment has not been made available, but she will provide updates as they are learned.

Tomorrow the contractor will start the installation at either Roberge or Holdrum School after students have left.

The five backordered electrostatic sprayers arrived today. Between previous years' and recent purchases each custodian and technology department have their own.

### **What Is Electrostatic Disinfection?**

Electrostatic spray surface cleaning is the process of spraying an electrostatically charged mist onto surfaces and objects. Electrostatic spray uses a specialized solution that is combined with air and atomized by an electrode inside the sprayer. Subsequently, the spray contains positively

charged particles that are able to aggressively adhere to surfaces and objects. Because the particles in the spray are positively charged, they cling to and coat any surface they're aimed at.

For awkwardly shaped objects or hard to reach places, cleaning staff only have to point and spray; the nature of the mist allows it to coat surfaces evenly, and envelope objects—even if the mist is only sprayed from one side. After the spray is applied, the sanitizing agent works to disinfect the covered surfaces. For this reason, electrostatic spray is an excellent solution for germ and contaminant ridden areas.

It is a great addition that guarantees that all surfaces, even small areas or upholstered surfaces that can't get wiped down are disinfected. Remember, it's not just disinfecting the tops of surfaces but underneath and all the way around too.

**GENERAL RESOLUTIONS**

**G1. MOTION BY Mr. Rosini SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, approves the Minutes from the September 8, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.**

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

**G2. MOTION BY Mr. Rosini SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, approves the second reading and revisions of the following new/revised River Vale Board of Education Policies and Regulations:**

<u>Policy #</u>	<u>Policy Title</u>	<u>New/Revised</u>	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading</u>
1648	Restart and Recovery Plan	Revised	September 8, 2020	September 22, 2020
1648.03	Restart and Recovery Plan – Full-time Remote Instruction	New	September 8, 2020	September 22, 2020

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

**G3. MOTION BY Mr. Rosini SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board approves the 2020-2021 Nursing Services Plan. (See Attachment G3)**

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

**G4. MOTION BY Mr. Rosini SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board approves the Codes of Conduct for Holdrum Middle School, Roberge Elementary School and Woodside Elementary School. (See Attachment G4)**

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

**G5. MOTION BY Mr. Rosini SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, approves the Special Education out-of-district placement tuition costs for the 2020-2021 school year as follows:**

Student Id#	Program	LEA	Tuition	Duration
20342019	The Valley Program	NVRHSD	70,954.00	Sept.- June
	1:1 Aide		43,396.00	
20292164	Windsor Bergen Academy	Private	56,592.75	July-June

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

**BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS**

**B1. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini  
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 month ending July 31, 2020 in the amount of \$33,474.00 as set forth below:**

**Transfer of Funds  
Month Ending July 31, 2020**

<b>T213</b>	FROM	11-000-230-100-10-11-000	SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY	-5200.00
	FROM	11-000-230-331-10-11-049	LEGAL SERVICE EXP.-SP. SRVS.	-4000.00
	FROM	11-000-230-820-10-11-000	JUDGMENTS AGAINST THE SCHOOL	-8031.00
	FROM	11-000-240-105-60-11-102	W-SUB SECRETARY SALARIES	-258.00

FROM	11-000-251-340-10-11-000	BUS OFFICE/PURCH TECH SERVICES	-6821.00
FROM	11-000-262-107-20-11-000	H-LUNCH AIDE SALARIES	-122.00
FROM	11-000-262-420-40-11-000	R-COPIER REPAIRS/MAINT	-4000.00
FROM	11-000-263-420-20-14-000	H-GROUNDS/MAINTENANCE SERVICES	-971.00
FROM	11-190-100-590-10-11-000	DW-OTHER PURCH SRVC	-3847.00
FROM	11-190-100-610-40-40-015	R-COMPUTER SUPPLIES	-129.00
FROM	11-190-100-610-60-60-015	W-COMPUTER SUPPLIES	-95.00
TOTAL			<b>-33474.00</b>
TO	11-000-230-331-10-11-000	LEGAL SERVICE EXPENSES	4000.00
TO	11-000-230-530-10-11-000	TELEPHONE/COMM EXPENSES	5200.00
TO	11-000-240-104-10-11-000	SUPERVISOR/SOCIAL WORKER SALARY	258.00
TO	11-000-240-440-20-11-000	H-COPY MACHINE LEASE PAYMENTS	2195.00
TO	11-000-240-440-40-11-000	R-COPY MACHINE LEASE PAYMENTS	4606.00
TO	11-000-240-440-60-11-000	W-COPY MACHINE LEASE PAYMENTS	2195.00
TO	11-000-251-440-10-11-000	COPY/POSTAGE MACHINE LEASES	6821.00
TO	11-000-252-100-10-11-064	NETWORK DIRECTOR'S SALARY	2255.00
TO	11-000-262-104-10-11-000	DIRECTOR OF B&G SALARY	122.00
TO	11-000-262-420-20-11-000	H-COPIER REPAIRS/MAINT	780.00
TO	11-000-263-420-40-14-000	R-GROUNDS/MAINTENANCE SERVICES	971.00
TO	11-190-100-590-20-65-000	DW-NETWORK/INTERNET ACCESS	3847.00
TO	11-190-100-610-40-40-007	R-ART SUPPLIES	52.00
TO	11-190-100-610-60-60-007	W-ART SUPPLIES	76.00
TO	11-190-100-610-60-60-112	W-HEALTH SUPPLIES	19.00
TO	11-240-100-610-40-40-000	R-SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	77.00
TOTAL			<b>33474.00</b>
TOTALS:			
FROM:			<b>-33474.00</b>
TO:			<b>33474.00</b>

Note: Transaction Date: 7/31/2020

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

**B2. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, **approves the Financial Report of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies** for the month ending **July 31, 2020** in the following balances:

Fund 10	-	\$9,200,209.47
Fund 20	-	\$ (22,151.87)
Fund 30	-	\$ 111,923.07
<u>Fund 40</u>	-	<u>\$ .39</u>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$9,289,981.06</b>

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

**B3. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini**  
**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator /Board Secretary, 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, 2020** 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. Pintarelli	Mr. Puccio	Mr. Rosini	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mrs. Waldes
AYE	√	√	√	√		√	√
NAY							
ABSENT					√		
ABSTAINED							

**B4. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini**  
**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 22, 2020** as follows:

Fund 10 – General Fund	-	\$ 879,019.24
Fund 10 – Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 – Special Revenue	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 - Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 30 – Capital Projects	-	\$ 4,500.00
Fund 40 – Debt Service	-	\$ 807,775.00
Unemployment Trust Acct.	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 60 – Milk Account	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 65 – Enterprise Fund	-	\$ 0.00

Fund 90 -Trust & Agency	-	\$ 202,042.81
Fund 91 – Merchants Account-		\$ 0.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,893,337.05</b>

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

**B5. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini  
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 22, 2020 in the amount of \$374,081.14.****

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

**B6. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini  
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 September 22, 2020 in the amount of \$9,010.00 as set forth below:****

**Transfer of Funds  
Period Ending September 22, 2020**

<b>T186</b>	FROM	11-190-100-610-60-60-046	W-GENERAL SUPPLIES	<b>-10.00</b>
	TO	11-190-100-890-60-60-036	W-SAGE COMPETITIONS	<b>10.00</b>
<b>T194</b>	FROM	11-000-291-270-10-11-000	HEALTH BENEFITS	<b>-9000.00</b>
	TO	11-000-213-590-20-14-000	H-HEALTH EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	3000.00
	TO	11-000-213-590-40-14-000	R-HEALTH EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	3000.00
	TO	11-000-213-590-60-14-000	W-HEALTH EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	3000.00
	TOTAL			<b>9000.00</b>
	<b>TOTALS:</b>			
	<b>FROM:</b>			<b>-9010.00</b>
	<b>TO:</b>			<b>9010.00</b>

Note: Transaction Date: 9/22/2020



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

**B7. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini  
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, 2020 through June 30, 2021.****

Name	School/ Dept.	Conference	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Justin Jasper	Holdrum	Dr. James Stronge – Evaluation in a Blended/Virtual Setting	Virtual	9/29/20	\$0.00
Catherine Soehnel	Roberge	Writing Workshop Teacher Toolkits	Demarest, NJ	3/22/21	\$0.00

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

**B8. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini  
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, 2020 through June 30, 2021.****

Name	School/ Dept.	Conference	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Lorraine Waldes	Board of Education	BCSBA Virtual Meeting	Virtual	12/1/20	\$0.00

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

**B8a.**

Name	School/ Dept.	Conference	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Steven Rosini	Board of Education	BCSBA Virtual Meeting	Virtual	12/1/20	\$0.00

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

**B8b.**

Name	School/ Dept.	Conference	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Patrice Pintarelli	Board of Education	BCSBA Virtual Meeting	Virtual	12/1/20	\$0.00

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

**B8c.**

Name	School/ Dept.	Conference	Location	Date(s)	Cost
John Puccio	Board of Education	BCSBA Virtual Meeting	Virtual	12/1/20	\$0.00

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

**B8d.**

Name	School/ Dept.	Conference	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Deborah Rothenberg	Board of Education	BCSBA Virtual Meeting	Virtual	12/1/20	\$0.00

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

**B8e.**

Name	School/ Dept.	Conference	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Jason Schlereth	Board of Education	BCSBA Virtual Meeting	Virtual	12/1/20	\$0.00

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

**B8f.**

Name	School/ Dept.	Conference	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Virginia Senande	Board of Education	BCSBA Virtual Meeting	Virtual	12/1/20	\$0.00

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

**PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS**

**P1. MOTION BY Mr. Puccio SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **retroactively accepts, with regret, the resignation of Masiel Saez, a Holdrum School aide, effective September 9, 2020.**

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

**P2. MOTION BY Mr. Rosini SECONDED BY Mr. Puccio**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **accepts, with regret, the resignation of Maria Dineen, a Roberge School teacher, for the purpose of retirement effective December 1, 2020.**

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

**P3. MOTION BY Mr. Puccio SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **accepts, with regret, the resignation of Niki Gandhi, a Woodside School aide, effective September 15, 2020.****

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

**P4. MOTION BY Mr. Puccio SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves a five day unpaid leave of absence for Bracha Rand, from October 5, 2020 through October 9, 2020.****

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

**P5. MOTION BY Mr. Puccio SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the change in assignment for the following Aide as listed below:****

Employee	From	To	Account No.
Kaushal Pandya	Woodside School Library Aide (4 hours per day)	Woodside School Special Education Aide (5.75 hours per day)	11-000-217-106-60-11-004

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

**P6. MOTION BY Mr. Puccio SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini**  
**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **appoints the following Custodian to a new position for the period of September 23, 2020 through June 30, 2021, per the Agreement between the River Vale Board of Education and United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU) as set forth below:**

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Base Salary</u>	<u>Stipend</u>	<u>Boiler License</u>	<u>Total Salary</u>	<u>Account #</u>
Jaime Leon	Lead Custodian	44,500.00	1,000.00	1,100.00	46,600.00	11-000-262-110-60-11-000

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

**P7. MOTION BY Mr. Puccio SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini**  
**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the appointment of a District Special Education Aide for the 2020-2021 school year, pending criminal history review, as set forth below:**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>DAYS</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>HOURLY SALARY</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>
Dana Donigian	WES	LLD Aide	5.75	5	1	15.50	11-204-100-106-60-11-000

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

**P8. MOTION BY Mr. Puccio SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini**  
**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the following student intern placement for the 2020-2021 school year:**

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>TEACHER</u>	<u>COLLEGE/SCHOOL</u>
HMS	Kenneth	Martoral	Student Teacher	Michael Davenport	Montclair State University
WES	Sarah	Passaro	Student Teacher	Lisa Adamek	Montclair State University

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

**P9. MOTION BY Mr. Puccio SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the change on the salary guide for the following staff member retroactive to September 1, 2020 at the degree, step, and total salary as set forth below:****

Name	School	FTE	Position	From	To	Account No.
Elaine Barrett	WES	0.50	BSI	BA/Step 1 (\$27,447.50)	MA/Step 1 (\$31,782.50)	11-230-100-101-60-11-000

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

**P10. MOTION BY Mr. Puccio SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **appoints the following faculty members to the extra-compensation positions for the 2020-2021 school year in accordance with the contract with the RVEA:****

GROUP "A" - ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS					
	Position	Location / Description	Compensation	Staff Member	Account No.
A1	Art Displays & Shows	Holdrum	2,314.00	John Garretson	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		Roberge	2,314.00	Sean Smith	11-401-100-100-40-11-040
		Woodside	2,314.00	Angela Rossi	11-401-100-100-60-11-040
A2	Music Concerts & Programs	Holdrum	2,314.00	Julie Teitsma	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		Holdrum	2,314.00	Craig Yaremko	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		Roberge	2,314.00	Laurie Arslanyan	11-401-100-100-40-11-040
		Woodside	2,314.00	Anne Dore	11-401-100-100-60-11-040
A3	Intramurals	Woodside	2,872.00	Susan Polonsky	11-401-100-100-60-11-040
A4	Media/Audio/Visual	Holdrum	1,657.00	Craig Yaremko	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		Roberge	714.50	Laurie Arslanyan	11-401-100-100-40-11-040
		(Split Position-2)	714.50	Stephen Presa	11-401-100-100-40-11-040
		Woodside	714.50	Denise Spar	11-401-100-100-60-11-040
		(Split Position - 2)	714.50	Anna Dore	11-401-100-100-60-11-040
A6	Yearbook Advisor	Holdrum	1,437.00	Allison D'Amico	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		(Split Position-2)	1,437.00	Robert Fencik	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
A7	Student Council Advisor	Holdrum	1,063.50	Nathalie Koren	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		(Split Position-2)	1,063.50	Jeanine Matone	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
A8	Holdrum Drama	Director	2,874.00	Richard Orgera	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		Assistant Director	1,724.00	Julie Teitsma	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		Costumes	348.50	Kirsten Ommundsen	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		(Split Position-2)	348.50	Samantha Sicilia	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		Choreography	697.00	Megan Rizer	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		Sets	348.50	Patricia Lee	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		(Split Position-2)	348.50	Jeanine Matone	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		Publicity	697.00	Monica Ivankovic	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
A9	Bowling League	Lighting & Sound	348.50	Julia Franz	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		(Split Position-2)	348.50	Craig Yaremko	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
		Holdrum	1,247.00	Robert Fencik	11-401-100-100-20-11-040

A10	Intramural Activities	Holdrum (4X10 reps) (Split Position -2)	1,733.50	Joseph Blundo	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
			1,733.50	Sara Pickett	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
A11	Early Morning Sup.	Holdrum (Split Position-5)	531.00	Michelle Bianco	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
			1,062.00	Megan Rizer	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
			531.00	Kaitlin Arcidiacono	11-401-100-100-20-11-040
			531.00	Patricia Lee	11-401-100-100-20-11-040

**GROUP "B" - STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

	Position	Location / Description	Compensation	Staff Member	Account No.
B1	Advanced Painting	Roberge	697.00	Sean Smith	11-401-100-100-40-11-041
B2	Continental Math League	Roberge	697.00	Meryl Wolf	11-401-100-100-40-11-041
		Woodside	697.00	Daniel Beyer	11-401-100-100-60-11-041
B3	Eighth Grade Trip	Holdrum	1,428.00	James Gallucci	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
B5	Golf Club	Holdrum (Split Position -2)	348.50	Joseph Blundo	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
			348.50	Craig Yaremko	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
B6	National Jr. Honor Society	Holdrum (Split Position - 2)	348.50	Richard Orgera	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
			348.50	Maureen Monaghan	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
B7	National Jr. Math Club	Holdrum	697.00	Maria Giannantonio	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
B8	Newspaper Club	Woodside	1,068.00	Kathryn Rome	11-401-100-100-60-11-041
B9	Peer Helpers	Holdrum (Split Position - 3)	348.50	Deborah Chinnici	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
			348.50	Allison D'Amico	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
			0.00	Maureen Monaghan	N/A
B10	Peer Mediation	Holdrum (Split Position - 2)	348.50	Maureen Monaghan	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
			348.50	Monica Ivankovic	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
B11	Science Club	Holdrum (Split Position - 2)	348.50	Andrew Eisler	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
			348.50	Andrew Brown	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
B12	Scrabble Club	Roberge	697.00	Erin Fahey	11-401-100-100-40-11-041
B13	Seventh Grade Trip	Holdrum (Split Position -2)	477.00	Juan Nieves	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
			477.00	Megan Rizer	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
B14	Sign Language Club	Roberge Woodside (Split Position - 2)	697.00	Lisa Adamek	11-401-100-100-40-11-401
			348.50	Lisa Adamek	11-401-100-100-60-11-041
			348.50	Margaret Paccione	11-401-100-100-60-11-041
B15	Woodside Helps Others	Woodside (Split Position -2)	348.50	Denise Spar	11-401-100-100-60-11-041
			348.50	Eileen DeMaria	11-401-100-100-60-11-041
B16	Holdrum C.A.R.E.S.	Holdrum (Split Position -2)	348.50	Deborah Chinnici	11-401-100-100-20-11-041
			348.50	Megan Rizer	11-401-100-100-20-11-041

**GROUP "C" - INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORT**

	Position	Location / Description	Amount	Longevity	Total Compensation	Staff Member	Account No.
C1	Basketball Girls	Holdrum	5,186.00	323.00	5,509.00	John Noone	11-402-100-100-20-11-000
C2	Basketball Boys	Holdrum	5,186.00	323.00	5,509.00	Joseph Blundo	11-402-100-100-20-11-000
C3	Baseball	Holdrum (Split Position -2)	2,593.00	161.00	2,754.00	Michael Davenport	11-402-100-100-20-11-000
			2,143.00	0.00	2,143.00	Juan Nieves	11-401-100-100-60-11-000
C4	Soccer Girls	Holdrum	5,186.00	161.00	5,347.00	MaryCatherine O'Loughlin	11-402-100-100-20-11-000
C5	Soccer Boys	Holdrum	5,186.00	323.00	5,509.00	John Noone	11-402-100-100-20-11-000
C6	Wrestling	Holdrum	5,186.00	323.00	5,509.00	Matthew Heffernan	11-402-100-100-20-11-000
C7	Wrestling Assist.	Holdrum	3,056.00	161.00	3,217.00	Michael Davenport	11-402-100-100-20-11-000
C8	Softball	Holdrum (Volunteer Coach)	4,286.00	0.00	4,286.00	Kaitlin Arcidiacono	11-402-100-100-20-11-000
			0.00	0.00	0.00	MaryCatherine O'Loughlin	11-402-100-100-20-11-000
C9	Track Co-Ed	Holdrum	5,186.00	323.00	5,509.00	Matthew Heffernan	11-402-100-100-20-11-000

			4,286.00	0.00	4,286.00	John Garretson	11-402-100-100-20-11-000
			5,186.00	323.00	5,509.00	Carol Wypler	11-402-100-100-20-11-000
C10	Volleyball	Holdrum	5,186.00	161.00	5,347.00	Sara Pickett	11-402-100-100-20-11-000

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

**P11. MOTION BY Mr. Puccio SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini**  
**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim 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 2020-2021 school year.**

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

**P12. MOTION BY Mr. Puccio SECONDED BY Mr. Rosini**  
**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves Northern Region Educational Services Commission with all of their properly certified employees, to provide substitute services to the district for the 2020-2021 school year.**

	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mr. Puccio	Mr. Rosini	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mr. Schlereth	Mrs. Senande	Mrs. Waldes
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 Interim Superintendent of Schools by telephone, letter or email.

**Meeting opened to public comments at 7:29 P.M.**

**Mr. Howard Weber**, 573 Green Lane: Thanks for the update. I don't think anyone is saying they aren't getting 5 days. The reality is 5 days for in school at K-1 is much better for them. Also thanks to the teachers who are doing a great job so far.

Ms. Ippolito acknowledged the comment.

**Ann Marie Zihal**, 731 Beechcrest Drive: Thank you so much for seriously considering accepting the KDG and First Grade onsite 5 days a week! My heart breaks for the struggles that my daughter continues to face with remote learning. The social/emotional/educational benefits will be tremendous. Thank you!!

Ms. Ippolito acknowledged the comment.

**Leigh Jacobs**, 716 Westwood Ave: Is there any information available as to why preschool teachers do not have access to Canvas as K-12 teachers do? Though the teacher has been excellent providing information to me as a parent and physically dropping off papers and a binder to my home address, I think it would be advantageous to provide Canvas access so all-remote preschool students have equal access to the same curriculum as children in-school. Therefore I do not believe my child is getting the same as if he were there in person though his teacher is doing amazingly under the circumstances. Thank you

Ms. Dowling thanked Ms. Jacobs for her comments and explained that the nature of the Preschool students' curriculum is mostly hands on and tactically rather than utilizing a computer therefore the use of canvas was not seen to be beneficial for those students based on the nature of the curriculum.

**Marla Giummarra**, 790 Drake Lane: Will you consider additional in person learning for second grade in addition to grades K and 1? The second graders were in first grade last year as you know, and many need more in person time as four months of learning were lost due to the pandemic.

Dr. Alvarez stated that he would consider anything that makes sense for kids but at this time we are only considering K-1.

**Jamie Assor**, 512 Bernita Drive: Thank you for installing the needlepoint bi-polar Ionization System into our schools. It sounds like a wonderful improvement to the schools. I'm hopeful there will be more improvements to our school with this upcoming referendum. From previous board meetings, I remember that Bishop PR will be starting their campaign for the now January referendum and was wondering what the status was of this campaign.

Ms. Ippolito stated that we are meeting with Laura Bishop Communications LLC this week and will be getting out information to the communications committee for a meeting within the next week or so.

**Rachel Galatt**, 421 Margiasso Court: I first would like to commend all involved on a smooth opening under the extenuating circumstances. Also amazing that the district is installing the needlepoint bi-poloar system; huge win for everyone. Thank you. Just want to again share my thoughts that back to school night should be live virtual vs. videos so it is interactive especially under the circumstances. Parents should be able to speak with their children's teachers and have general questions answered. The teachers are doing an amazing job keeping the kids engaged and organized! Other districts have done virtual and think that parents need to speak with teachers. There can still be videos but Q&A after.

Ms. Dowling stated that much discussion was held with the Principals and with the current pandemic and situation it was decided that the best course of action for Back to School Nights were to be virtual and using videos.

**Meeting closed to public comments at 7:37 P.M.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Board discussed whether the next Board Meeting should be a Zoom or live meeting.

**MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mrs. Senande**  
 that the **September 22, 2020 Regular Meeting** be closed to the public at **7:41 P.M.**

	<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>							

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b), the Board of Education of the Township of River Vale may exclude the public from that portion of a public meeting at which the Board discusses any of the matters described at N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1)-(9);

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education shall forthwith enter into closed session to discuss matters relating to:

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:

- Superintendent Search

**MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mrs. Senande**  
that the **September 22, 2020 Closed Session Meeting** be opened to the public at **8:59 P.M.**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg**  
that the **September 22, 2020 Regular Meeting** be adjourned at **9:00 P.M.**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Kelly Ippolito  
Board Secretary/School Business Administrator

